

The Script

September 2023





The SCMAFC was well represented on September 9th, 2023 at the Canmore Historical Parade.



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Stampede City Model A Ford Club Mission Statement

The SCMAFC is devoted to the restoration and preservation of Model A Ford vehicles to protect our automotive heritage for future generations. Membership initiatives and objectives are demonstrated through workshops, tours and participation in community events.

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2023 Executive

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President's Message



Greetings once again everyone! I trust that each and every one of you has had a great summer?

Colin's summer activities program has been a success again this year and I must express appreciation, both for the degree of membership participation involved and for the effort expended by both Colin and the various Function Leaders.

There are more to come before our 2023 activities season wanes however and personally I must apologize in advance for having to miss this year's edition of our combination 'Fall Colours' and 'Memorial' tour to be hosted once again at their Cremona area location by Gary & Bobbie Callander. On occasion however, family activities and alternate demands on one's time simply have to take priority!

Aside from our summer activities program it is interesting to note how active Hank and his fellow members of our 'Advise & Assist' program have been in recent months. Participants such as Paul and Barry as well as Hank have not only fielded requests from a number of Club Members but even from the Strathmore Fire Department re: their Model AA fire truck.

Noteworthy as well is that as time passes the Clubhouse continues to remain in such wonderful condition. With Paul & Kathy's devoted nurturing it continues yet to serve as a focal point for our various meetings and activities.

Lastly for now let me remind you that we are only two months removed from our impending annual November election date, and regardless of whether or not any given member of our existing Executive Team may be willing to continue, I would urge each of you to consider competing for the position of your choice by either letting your name stand or nominating someone to compete for a position as a member of our 2024 Executive Team!

Best wishes to all! Ron.



Editor's Notes

Wow! This summer seems to have flown by far too quickly for us! With a tune up on my body's 'ignition system' I seem to have more horsepower and have been rather busier than I have been in quite a while.

We have quite enjoyed the few club activities that we managed to attend. A huge thank you to Hank for organizing the team of club members that made it up to our garage in Carstairs and got our Roadster running so well - a huge thank you guys! They also got the Strathmore AA fire engine going in time for the parade!

Colin has once again filled the summer touring season with interesting places to see and things to do—thanks Colin and thanks also to those that took leadership roles on tours and also to those that supplied photos to share with the membership.

Here's hoping we have good Fall weather and get our cars out often before old man Winter shows up!

Al Friesen

New SCMAFC Members!

Let's welcome these new members to the Stampede City Model A Ford Club!

Brian and Wendy Muise of Rocky View County. They drive a 1928 Roadster Pick-up in restored condition.

Barry and Rhonda Anderson of Calgary who have a 1930 Coupe in original condition.

Robin Wynd of Calgary who has a 1931 5 Window Coupe which needs restoration. His parents own the car and Robin has been the mechanic and driver for the last two decades.

Meeting Minutes

SCMAFC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES - Wednesday June 14th, 2023.

<u>Members participating:</u> Kathy Chudek, Paul Chudek, Andy Myram, Lillian Myram, Bryan Williamson, Gary Callander, Bobbie Callander, Barry Anderson, Rhonda Anderson, Colin Outtrim, Dean Potter, Bill McPhail, Hank Biesbroek, Keith Robinson, Wynn MacLean, Ron Rigby

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM

President's Remarks: (Ron Rigby)

- Tonight will be a short meeting followed by a trip out for ice cream to follow.
- Ron noted that Gerry Wood proposed he give a presentation regarding the car industry at one of our fall meetings.

Anniversary pins still pending but a quote was requested from "Safeguard Prairie Advertisers".

Secretarial: (Bill McPhail)

• Bill Moved that the meeting minutes from May 2023 be accepted as printed, seconded by Kathy Chudek, all in favour Bill thanked all those who have provided the attendance for events to help keep our attendance records accurate.

Treasurer's Report: (Chris Brancaccio):

Technically our AGM but Chris and Rose were travelling and unable to attend.

Membership Report: (Lyle and Sharon Brooks) Not present.

- Welcome new members Barry and Rhonda Anderson
- Colin mentioned one potential member he met at the Okotoks Ford event.

Ron noted that there have been a number of new members this year and our total club membership has been fairly consistent.

Publications and Website: (Al Friesen) not present

SAIT Student Bursary:

SAIT bursary has been approved by the club executive and Colin Outtrim will follow up with SAIT as required.

Capital Assets: (Paul Chudek)

• Pattemore Car Auction concluded with good results. Thanks to all involved. Hopefully the car will be at the opening of the new Metro Ford location on July 15th.

Work has been done by Hank and Paul on the clubhouse garage door with some more work still pending.

Touring /Events (Colin Outtrim)

Colin reviewed upcoming events

MAFFI/Heritage Park:

This continues to be a pending item.

New Business:

• Hank noted that new member Barry Anderson could use help with his car from interested members. Hank to coordinate! It is Keith Robinson's 80th birthday on June 25th. Congratulation Keith!

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:52 PM

Tech Talks: No tech talks tonight due to our Ice Cream Social!!



We are deeply saddened to announce the sudden passing of David Daniel Basaraba on Thursday, July 27, 2023 at the age of 88.

In 1964, he met the love of his life, Merlyn Hedley. They were married in 1965, and would grow their family to welcome their two sons, John and James. Dave had a passion for cars. Dave started his own car parts business on the side, 'Dave's Early Ford Parts'. **He was a founding member of the Stampede City Model A Ford Club** and restored two Model A Ford vehicles. He enjoyed riding motorcycles, going camping, and traveling with his family, taking them all across Canada. Dave was also a founding member of the Western

Vintage Oil & Gas Collectors Club. Dave also had a business renting homes to university students. In his later years, Dave had a farm near Cremona where he lived part time during the summer. He touched many lives during his 88 years and his presence will be missed by all.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Merlyn; his sons and their families, John & Louise, and James; his grandchildren, Katie and Ashley; and his sister, Betty, and Merlyn's extended family.

I would like to thank the members that came out to the Celebration of Life for Dave. We all really appreciated your support at this time. We already miss his smiles and jokes that he was always telling. Miss his phone calls he made from the farm as he checked in with me every morning when he stayed out there. Dave will be missed by all his family and friends. Thank you.

Merlyn.

September Birthdays

Dale Case 1st

Michael Spencer 5th

Bobbie May Callander 13th

Armand Mullie 22nd

Chris Carroll 25th

Mary Reid 29th

Glenn Smith 29th

Ted Lobley 30th

John Potts 1st

Lloyd Glover 2nd

Bill McPhail 2nd

Paul Chudek 4th

Cam Bush 5th

JR Smith 7th

Ted Dixon 11th

Sheri Rouse 12th

September Anniversaries

Joanne and John Kuyltjes 1st

Michael and Barbara Spencer 1st

Jeanette and Lloyd Glover 4th

Karen and Leon Dreger 8th

Shelleen and Marc Bremont 19th

Silvana and Mike Caputo 24th



A Look Inside an Ignition Coil by Jim Leew

I took 2 old coils apart. These are not Ford coils but there is not much difference from brand to brand. Thought I would share.

The coil on the left had oil in it, the one on right did not.

Number 1 is the outer case. Number 2 is the case liner. Both of the above are iron.

Number 3 is the top (bottom on a Model A). This is the part that wires attach to.

Number 4 is the magnetic core. This is made of several thin slices of metal.

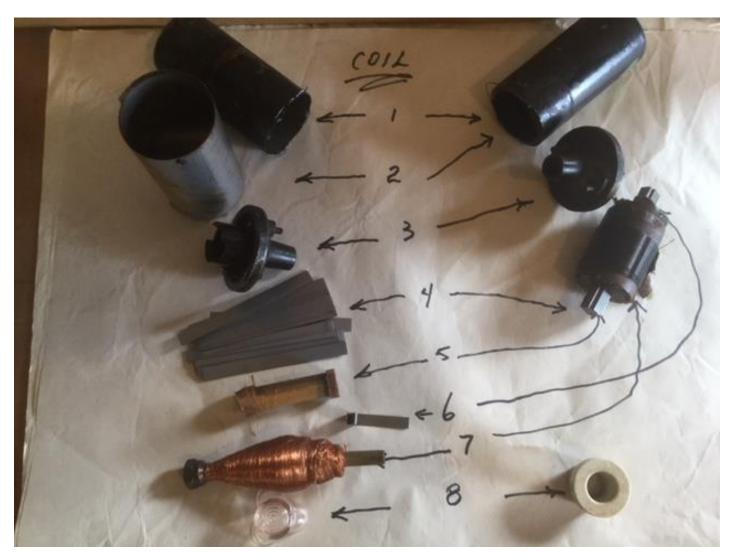
Number 5 is a cardboard tube that holds the magnetic core.

Number 6 is a connection from the magnetic core to the center terminal in the top of the coil. This connects to the high tension wire that goes from the coil to the distributor.

Number 7 is copper wire. This wire is about the thickness of a hair on a persons head.

I put a piece of copper tubing in my DeWalt drill to take this fine wire off of the center cardboard tube. It took more than 2 hours and about 1 and 1/2 battery charges for my drill battery to remove this thin wire. A lot of wire. The wire did break a few times. The wire is rolled tightly and closely together on the cardboard tube. There are a lot of layers of this wire and between each layer is a wrap of cellophane.

Number 8 are the bases that the cardboard tube and many feet of copper wire sit on inside the case. The base on the left is glass the one on the right is ceramic. There are no moving parts in these coils . I don't know why they stop working but they are not expensive . Maybe best to have a spare.



Sid Gough's 'Tech Talk'



It was great to see the A's at Pioneer Acres this year. I hope you enjoyed the show. How many tried the Lions beef on a bun?

As summer draws to a close, the touring season is also coming to an end. Hopefully there a few good days left.

In any event the need to start thinking about winter storage is not far away. In previous articles I have suggested using a check list to ensure nothing is missed.

One more consideration is the changing weather pattern. In an unheated storage area these temperature changes can create a new problem. Constant changes can cause condensation. When metal is exposed to moisture for a long period it can cause rust. Fabric can develop mold. Air circulation is a good deterrent but may not be practical. There are moisture absorbing products on the market. (think of the small packets in prescription bottles). I do not know of a source of bulk sizes at this time but if anyone knows of one please share it. I have used them in my tool box that is stored in my garage. They have worked well. Hopefully the touring season will last long enough to let us get a bulk supply.

Sid Gough - SCMAFC Technical Editor

Fall Colours & Memorial Tour to Callander's September 23, Saturday. Join in on the club's annual Memorial tour. We will depart from 12 Mile Coulee Co-op on Saturday, Sept. 23 at 9:30 AM. Travelling on the Lochend Road, there will be a brief stop at the Shell station at Hwy 22 and Big Hill Springs Rd. Then up Horse Creek Rd through Water Valley. Bring a picnic lunch, we will have a fire if you want to BBQ. Note that the last 2 miles are on gravel roads. Contact Gary Callander if you plan on meeting at the Shell station or somewhere else, or if you need more info.

We sadly announce the passing of a long time SCMAFC member **Florence Robakowski** on August 25/23. Born in Shellbrook, SK in 1932. Survived by son Brent (Tina); brother David of Squamish, BC; numerous nieces and nephews; and adorable furry pet, Lucy. At Florence's request, no service will be held. She and her late husband John were club members for 48 years.

Visit the Specialty Vehicle Association of Alberta on-line at www.svaalberta.com

Silvera Seniors Show & Shine - June 7,23

Attendees: Chris Brancaccio, Geoff Cohen, Bill McPhail, Russell Moore, and Gary Callander, as well as JR Smith in coordinating the Silvera Seniors Show & Shine on June 7th from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Five Model A's plus one Model T were shining brightly for the Seniors to view. They had an Art show inside and brought a variety of floats outside for everyone to enjoy. Thanks to the club members who contacted me with regrets and those who were in attendance.

Have a great summer of touring, JR



Beverly Age Care Glenmore Show - June 13/23

Thank you all once again for taking your cars to the Beverly today. The residents really enjoyed them.

They brought back many memories and several asked questions about the cars and appreciated you taking the time to answer them.

Your participation and time was greatly appreciated. Sorry the cars got rained on. Had hoped the rain would have held off a bit until everyone got home.

Alex was very pleased with the cars at his first effort organizing this show as the new Activities Coordinator.

Thanks to you all. Kathy Chudek

Update from Michael Callander:

I wanted to write about a tour I organized with the homeschooling pod I teach at in Douglas Glen, SparkPod. The students are used to having field trips every Friday and meeting people in the community with different talents to showcase skills and facilitate experiences. But up until Friday June 16th, none of them had got to ride in a Model A on a school field trip, or any other occasion!

The Friday before Father's Day, the kids always host a "Donuts for Dads" event to celebrate their Dads. The Dads come over and have some treats, receive some special gifts made by their children, and then we plan an activity to do with both generations.

As you can probably guess, this year's activity was made possible by some members of the Model A club. In attendance was Gary Callander, Russell Moore, Colin Outtrim, Bill McPhail and myself. The kids loved seeing the different kinds of body styles and hearing the horn. Gary's sport coupe was a popular choice with the rumble seat! After I told my kids a story about how my brother and I rode all the way to Vancouver and back in a rumble seat (and didn't get wet in pouring rain) they all wanted to try it for themselves.

The fathers were certainly appreciative of the chance to ride in an antique car with their children, and many of them had questions for the drivers about their cars, which our members were only too happy to answer.

For me, my favorite part was riding with my students around the neighborhood and passing by other Model A's coming the other way so they could wave to their classmates. I even heard a girl in Grade 1 say now she wants to own a Model A.

The event was a huge success and I will definitely organize it again next year. I think one of the great ways to get young people involved in the hobby is to have opportunities where families with children can experience what it's like to ride in a Model A, or even do car games. It's something many people can still find an interest in; they just don't know it yet. I know I wouldn't have thought of owning a Model A unless I had the opportunity to grow up in one.

On another note, my Model A is at the sanding stage between body filler and primer. While most of it is in primer, I'm going over the fenders and running boards again with a finer grit sandpaper to get them ready for a second coat of primer. My focus this summer is to sandblast the box and get all the body filler done on that so I can get it in a coat of primer before it gets cold. Many people ask me when it will be done. I like to answer that it will be "done when I put the last piece on".



St. David's Community Pre-Stampede Breakfast and Show and Shine-July 2, 2023

The July 2nd Community event was attended by over 250 people. All enjoyed the sunshine, pancakes and sausages, hospitality, Stampede Men's Chorus, and a 24-car show of a variety of makes and models from the 1928 Ford Model A to modern specialty vehicles. We had five Ford Model A's and their owners in attendance.

The SCMAFC BBQ was used as a warming oven and serving area. The organizers were very appreciative of our sharing the use of the trailer-mounted system. Thank Kathy and Paul for restoring the BBQ this spring to its original condition. NOTE: The BBQ was built by a group of members that could see the future benefits of a mobile kitchen.



Diamond Valley - Eau Claire Distillery and Spirit Hills Winery Tour - July 27/23

It was a great day for touring with mixed sun and cloud and temperatures around 20 C. all day long. The rain held off until after Marilyn and I got home. Attending were Ron Rigby, Al and Sheila Friesen, Gary and Michael Callander, and Colin and Marilyn Outtrim. Dave Farran was not able to join in as he was called away on business, but the staff at Eau Claire Distillery were hospitable and served us a great lunch from our menu selections. I had recently toured the Spirit Hills Flower Winery which is approximately 5.4 miles NW of Diamond Valley, hence I asked our group if they would be interested in taking an afternoon side trip to the winery. Four of us Gary and Michael and Marilyn and myself took the trip, enjoyed an eight selection tasting and learned a bit about honey wine and flower infusion. We brought some home for the cellar.



Our August of 2023 Visit to Irricana's Pioneer Acres Display

Both the great weather and Pioneer Acres full slate of activities served to make this anniversary event of theirs a good one for us to have attended.

This also proved to be a good opportunity to reminisce re: the historical roles SCMAFC members have played in the park's development.

In particular Sid and Audrey Gough who have been Pioneer Acres Volunteers for so many years, Harry Wigle for the role he played in the development of the Park's Western Truck Museum, and Ron Carey whose antique truck restorations still contribute so much ambience of the Park's displays.

In addition to a variety of our friends from the Foothills Model T's Club, SCMAFC Members who participated in today's event included: Gary Callander, Michael Callander, Peter and Trudy DeBruyn, Sid and Audrey Gough, Michael Hill and Terese, Jim Leew, Bill McPhail and his guest, Andy and Meghan Myram, Colin and Marilyn Outtrim, Ron Rigby, and Al Shannon.



Brunch at Phil's Restaurant - August 18/23

Colin Outtrim, Bill McPhail, Keith Robinson and Wynn, Barry Osborne, Paul & Kathy Chudek, Hank Biesbroek, Ron Rigby.

As a matter of interest I obtained a straw count re: whether we should use Phil's again **if** we also schedule another

Brunch for October and the group favoured continuing with the Phil's location instead of some alternate. — *Ron Rigby*



Canmore Heritage Museum - September 9th, 2023

We had a great full day outing that took Geoffrey and Elaine Cohen and guest Leslie, Jim Leew, Hank Biesbroek, Bill McPhail, Gary, Bobbie-May and Michael Callander, Ron Rigby, Colin and Marilyn Outtrim, from Calgary along Hwy. 1a to Canmore.

The weather was ideal, with the fall colours being displayed along our route. We paraded our vehicles up Main Street Canmore which was closed to all traffic except us, passing by the bars and restaurants that were busy with Heritage Day celebrants. Canmore, the Museum and Lynn K. were most hospitable to SCMAFC. The Canmore surroundings were excellent and the Heritage Museum provided us a much appreciated box lunch. The Museum Plaza was a perfect venue which we shared with live era appropriate 1920's and 30's band music played by "The 1776 ers". Dance lessons were offered and a few of us (Gary, Bobbie-May, Colin and Marilyn, maybe others too) braved the analytical gazes of the audience.

The organizer estimated that during the 4 hours we had 450 people admire our cars. There were lots of questions and lots of compliments for our dedication to the conservation of our historic vehicles.

We wrapped up the day with a stop at MacKay's Ice Cream in Cochrane.





Classified Ads



For Sale:

1930 Model A Deluxe Coupe. Two spare side mounted wheels, very good paint, rumble seat and rear luggage trunk, excellent tires, reupolstered with deluxe mohair, engine work recently done, stored in heated garage, 2014 appraised at \$30,000. Rated excellent overall, asking \$30.000. OBO. Contact email: TWIGSNROSES@shaw.ca See photo on Club website.

<u>I have a 1930 Model A coupe</u> complete power train rebuilt. \$18500. or best offer phone or text Ivan Zacharias at 403-506-5559.

1931 Ford Model A Victoria near Regina, Saskatchewan. Stock driveline, older restoration, runs, drives, shows well. Always stored indoors since family purchased in 2000. Considered in "Nearly Very Good" condition in 2020 when a cash value of \$22,000 was established (paperwork available). No trades. Please email me if interested. lpetford@hotmail.com Lindsey Petford.

<u>For restoration 30 pickup.</u> Motor trans and front end rebuilt back in early 80s. I have owned this for 40 plus years. Call Marc or text 250 514 4468. OR email rightanglebuilders@icloud.com

Antique tool collection. Please refer to the photo for details. Willing to sell individual items or whole collection. Call Ian Jarvis 403-471-5512 See photo on Club website.

New ring and pinion set, never been used, still kinda oily, asking \$450. Canadian plus shipping. Paul Bourgeois, Cell 604-807-3634, email vicky31a@ shaw.ca See photo on Club website.

<u>A collection of Restorer magazines</u>. January 1989 - December 2020. All in binders in perfect shape. Please call Dave 403-938-3411

<u>I want an Alberta 1928 licence plate</u>. I have a 1930 and a 1935 Alberta licence plates. Ernie Andrews. 587-438-9228

<u>1928 Model A Tudor Sedan</u> 55-A. Asking \$25,000. Calvin 604-992-4633 See photo on Club website.

<u>Bargains for Club Members!</u> Since beginning to do restorations in 1993, I have accumulated a variety of Model A items excess to my needs. Many of them are the kind of items one usually doesn't accumulate so feel free to contact me before searching farther afield or calling a retailer for something you might want. Ron at 403-282-9655, email rwrigby@telusplanet .net

Model "A" Ford parts: (Set) 1928-29 Cowl lamps, tail light, head light lens. Set of 1929 Alberta license plates. Call: Harry @ 403-295 -3229

<u>Restored Powerhouse Generators</u> – Original 1928 powerhouse restored generators for sale. Various P1, P2 & P3 models subject to availability. Cdn. & US Mfg. Price vary w/ exchange and core trade-in availability. For further details or inquiry Contact – Dan Adams (403) 238-9616 or Murray Walkemeyer (403) 809-5277. E-mail contact - <u>ddada4@shaw.ca</u> Location – Calgary, Alberta.

Wanted:

Two 1928-1931 Model AA Chassis and running gear (or portions thereof) for two shop truck projects. Please contact Doug Warren with the Fort Edmonton Volunteer Carvers group. Email: dwwarren@telusplanet.net





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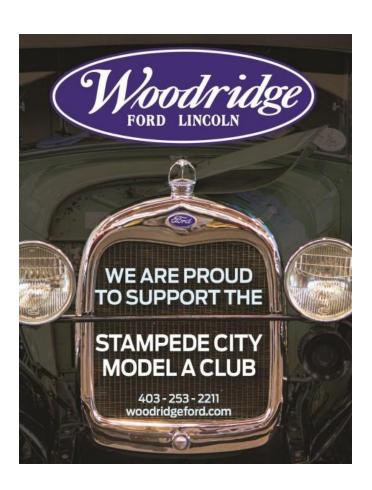
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