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1903-1909 EARLY FORD REGISTRY



Member Announcements

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Answers to recent newsletter questions

Answers from Rick Lindner, EFR 106

Ever run your Ford on kerosene?

Yes, my first car was a 1931 Ford Tudor and not because I had to, but wanted to show off to some friends, I bought a half tank of kerosene and ran around. She smoked a little, but did do well, and the story I always heard was that kerosene was cheaper (by a few pennies) per gallon than gasoline. Not so today, as kerosene is almost twice what a gallon of gas costs currently.

Ever drained the oil/water and heated it to help starting - or used a real fire to warm an engine?

Once it was a miserably cold winter morning and when I got in the Old Model A Tudor (same first car), she turned over very slowly - but did start - with a loud squealing noise. I got out to check under the hood and found the engine running, but not the water pump - which was frozen solid!! I never had a garage the first ten years after I turned 16, and so my Ford always was outside. I shut her off, got some cardboard boxes to stuff around her fenders, filled a snow shovel up with charcoal, lit it, and slid it under the oil pan. A few hours later, everything was warmed up and I was back on the road - to the auto store to buy some anti-freeze! Course, I could have let her run, but being 16 years old, I had not much common sense then.

Another time, it was about ten degrees out and I had drained the water the night before. Knowing I had to get to High School and the weather was not going to warm up, I put three gallon jugs of water on the back floor boards, drove to school and drained the radiator. So smart I thought I was, until that afternoon, when the bell rang I opened the radiator cap, opened the door, and found every single water jug was frozen solid - inside the Ford. Had to get a bucket from the janitor and fill it from the school sanitation room. Last one out of the lot that day.

Speaking of radiator caps, another time I had been out late and was about out of gas - but really, really had to use the bathroom at the one gasoline station near my house that was open 'til midnight. This was in the 60's, when they came out and filled your tank for you. The attendant was standing by the pump, when I told him to put in \$2 worth (which was about eight gallons), as I ran to the bathroom he hollered out "Where's the tank" - he was standing with the hose behind my Ford with a puzzled look. I hollered back "It's up front". Sure enough, I came out of the bathroom and he had filled the radiator with gasoline. Thank goodness, she wasn't low on water.

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Of the many repairs I've made to these old Fords over the years, I patched a cracked block once with Bondo, and it held from then on. It could have been the above Ford but I'm not sure. My first twelve Ford cars were all Model A Fords (1928-1931), which today I consider a daily driver. The fun ones are the ones you have to crank.

Rick Lindner

Editor's note: Rick, Thanks for recounting these stories for us. I'm sure our members enjoy them as much as I do.

Dave Dunlavy

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USA Member's Ballot's and Dues Notice have been mailed

We have enclosed a stamped return envelope with the mailing again this year. If your 2018 dues were not paid, you will get a dues notice and no ballot because you are not eligible to vote. If your 2019 dues are paid, your dues notice will be marked paid.

Biographies of the five candidates for the board are in the Winter newsletter. We sent out an email November 27th with a direct link to the newsletter. In case you missed it, you can go to the website, www.earlyfordregistry.com and find a copy of the newsletter in the **Library**. When you select **Newsletter**, the computer will prompt you for your **Member Login**. It is simply your last name followed by your member number with no capital letters or spaces. Copies of every newsletter are available to read and/or print from there.

Three members of our Board of Directors are elected every year. They serve for three years. This provides continuity to our organization. You may vote for up to three candidates. Your ballot must be postmarked on or before **December 31st, 2018** to be counted.

Members outside the USA were sent an email with instructions about how to vote by email and pay dues.

In case you did not receive USPS mail or email, please contact Dave Dunlavy, to confirm your address. Dave@Dunlavy.US.

Merry Christmas and Happy Safe Holidays,

Dave Dunlavy

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Wanted Item for a 1909 Ford front end. Tie rod connection as shown in photo. Any leads appreciated.

Need this to correctly complete my 1909 chassis.

Thanks in advance for your help.

Robert Monsen

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For Sale

1904-5 reproduction water pump with ceramic seals. Might fit a 1903, not sure. \$500.00. I have about 1000 fins for a 1904 radiator for \$350.00. Have a nice reproduction center spool for the dash rail for 1904 Ford for \$50. John Garrett, Talladega, Alabama 256.761.7141

Important Dates to Remember

February 15th thru 21st, 2019: *HCCA National Convention, Tampa, Florida*, Havana Adventure, for only \$899 per person double occupancy for inside cabin, all meals (except dinner first night), all transportation, Cuban VISA, Cuban shore excursion, Social gathering onboard ship, Tours and entry fees, final dinner and awards.

February 17th thru 22nd, 2019: *Sierra Vista, Arizona - MTFCA National Tour & Annual Meeting* hosted by the North American Touring T's. You can save the registration form to your computer and then use Fill & Sign to fill it out, print & forward.

March 15th and 16th, 2019: *29th Chickasha Pre War Swap Meet*, note the day of the week is **Friday and Saturday**. World's Largest Early Meet www.pwsm.com or call Mike/Susie Erslend 405.224.9090. An EFR members get together will be held on Friday. Place and time will be announced at a later date.

April 11th thru 13th, 2019: *HCCA 27th Bakersfield International Swap Meet*, Tom Lane 661.706.5263 Sponsored by Kern Country Model T Club.



More Important Dates to Remember

June 15th thru July 14th, 2019: New York to Washington - 1909 Great Race Reenactment
The Reenactment of the 1909 Great Race (a.k.a. Ocean to Ocean 2019 Tour) takes you from New York to Washington state. We have 55 vehicles signed up, but need vehicles in reserve so we are building a waiting list. For details on this trip of a lifetime go to: www.oceantoocean.ning.com or contact Jon Griesenbeck [Email](#) or Morris Dillow [Email](#)

July 16th thru 20th, 2019: Billings, Montana USA Regional Tour Save the date and join us for a great time in Yellowstone Country!

August 2nd thru 5th, 2019, Saturday-Monday - The 1903-1909 Early Ford Registry Tour, Paynesville, Minnesota. This tour features flatland drives with great scenery and plenty of time to visit with your friends. We have a block of rooms reserved at the Paynesville Inn & Suites (320.243.4146). Make your reservation now. Our block of rooms will only be held until July 1. If you have any questions call or Email Bruce VanSloun (612.963.7586) bpvansloun@gmail.com

August 7th thru 10th, 2019: 33rd Annual Antique Car Run, New London New Brighton Pre-runs Wednesday thru Friday, Grand Run on Saturday, August 10th. Go to www.AntiqueCarRun.org for more information and registration.

September 5th and 6th, 2019: Lansing to Dearborn Run for early small horsepower vehicles co-hosted by the Snapper's Brass & Gas Touring Region AACA and the Southern Michigan Motorist Regional Group HCCA. John Grace, 36523 Rolf St, Westland, MI 48186 phone 734.467.7802 jfgrace@peoplepc.com

September 7th and 8th, 2019: Dearborn, MI - Old Car Festival at The Henry Ford for pre-1932 vehicles. Go to www.thehenryford.org for more information. Contact: Kristi Best 313-982-6058 KristiB@thehenryford.org

October 9th thru 12th, 2019: AACA National Fall Swap Meet, Hershey, PA. Visit the HCCA Booth at RWO 30.

October 10th, 2019: A 1903-1909 Early Ford Registry Meet and Greet will be held on Thursday at 4:00 PM at spaces RWM 23-26 and RWN 23-26 hosted by Carl and Anne Pate.



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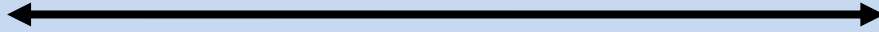
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Information about The Model T Club of America - *How to Join.*

All persons interested in Early Fords are encouraged to become members of **The Model T Ford Club of America**. Annual dues are \$40.00 for U S members, \$50.00 for Canadian members, and \$56.00 for members in other countries. Membership includes six issues of *Vintage Ford*. You can contact the MTFCA Office by writing: **MTFCA, PO Box 996, Richmond, IN 47375-0996**. Telephone: 765.373.3106. E-mail admin@mtfca.com. Website is www.mtfca.com



Information about the Horseless Carriage Club - *How to Join.*

Any person interested may join the **Horseless Carriage Club**. Annual dues are \$45.00 for US members, \$55.00 for members outside the USA. Membership includes six issues of the *Horseless Carriage Gazette*. You can contact the HCCA Office by writing: **HCCA, 1301 N Manship PL, Meridian ID 83642**. Telephone: 626.287.4222. E-mail office@hcca.org. Website is www.hcca.org

