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New date: March 15th tour

Re-Run of the October Speedster Run Route

Saturday, March 15th we will be re-running the October speedster run route for those of you who could not make the tour or don't own a speedster. We will be staging at **8:30 am at the parking lot North of the El Cajon Courtyard Marriott on Magnolia Avenue, departing at 9:00 am. The lot can accommodate trailer parking.**

The tour will be heading East into the back country. The lunch stop will be at the Golden Acorn. There will be two additional rest stops on the route. The tour will total 106 miles. There will be a trouble truck provided for this tour for any unfortunate breakdowns. The tour is open to all models.



Please mark the date and plan on touring with the club, it will be fun!

The *Ruckstell Review* is the monthly publication of the Model T Ford Club of San Diego. Annual dues are \$20. The club holds a dinner meeting on the second Wednesday in odd-numbered months and tours during even-numbered months. The date of the next event can be obtained by calling any of the club officers or by checking the Upcoming Events listing in this issue.

The club is a Chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America, 310 N. 8th St., Richmond, IN 47374. Membership information for the "National" can be obtained from any officer. The main publication of the MTFCA is the *Vintage Ford*, which alone is well worth the national dues of \$50 per year. Lifetime memberships are also available.

National Website: <https://www.mtfca.com>

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President's Message

March 2025

One and all,

Man, I don't remember having such a full calendar of Model T tours as we have for 2025! I count 8 tours between now and the end of the year. And at least 4 are multiple days. We have listed them previously and elsewhere so don't need to do that but.....

PLEASE NOTE! THE RERUN OF LAST YEAR'S SPEEDSTER RUN, out of El Cajon, HAS BEEN **CHANGED TO MARCH 15th!!!** All other information stays the same. Please come out and have some fun with us!

Thanks to all of you that have renewed your membership in MTFCSO or promised to!

Lastly, we hope you all join us at Maggie's Cafe for the March 12 General Meeting .

See you on the road, Kirby

March 12

General Meeting

Maggie's Café

3232 Grayling Dr, San Diego 92123



UPCOMING EVENTS

2025

Mar 12 General Meeting at Maggie's Café

Mar 15 Re-run of Speedster Run tour

May 2-3 Bakersfield Swap Meet –new site

May 10 Campo Museum Tour

July 17 Chula Vista Nature Center

July 19 Long Beach Model T Swap Meet

Sept 2-6 Nevada Tonopah-Goldfield Tour

Oct 4-5 Speedster Run, Borrego Springs

Oct 16-19 The Last Roundup Tour

Nov TBD Brawley Tour

OLD CAR CLUB ACTIVITIES

CALENDAR

Link to Old Car Club Activities Calendar hosted by
Model T Club and HCCA member Newell Booth:

<https://goo.gl/k7u5Ri>

Click on the link above or Ctrl+click OR copy the above
address, paste into your browser's search bar.

DUES ARE

PAST DUE!



2025 Membership Renewal

It's that time of year when you need to renew your membership in our club. If there's been no change to the information listed in the 2024 Membership Roster, then just check the *No Change* box after you have listed your name. Otherwise, please fill in the blanks.

No Change

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

MTFCA Number: _____ Birthday (Month and day only): Him ____ Her: ____

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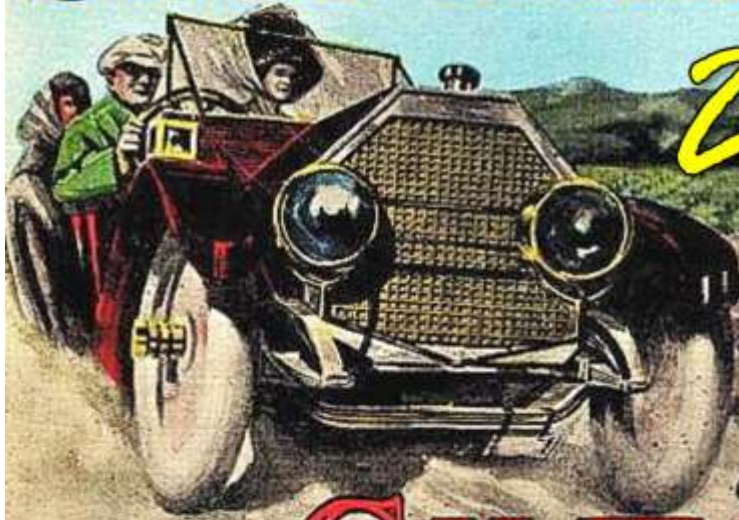
REMEMBER: DUES WERE DUE JANUARY 26.

Send this form and \$20.00 to:

MTFCSD Membership, P.O. Box 23324, San Diego, CA 92193-3324

BAKERSFIELD SWAP MEET

2025



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2025 Bakersfield Swap Meet

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE #: _____

Include me in the 2025 Bakersfield Swap Meet Roster _____

Do NOT include me in the 2025 Bakersfield Swap Meet Roster _____

NUMBER OF SPACES: _____

1st CHOICE SPACE # _____. 2nd CHOICE SPACE # _____.

*Please, if you will NOT be actually selling anything in your space, choose one on **South ST.** or on **North ST.** but NOT a corner space.

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Make your check payable to our swap meet treasurer: **Diane MacPherson.**

And mail check w/form to: Steven Chase, 2066 Garfias Dr., Pasadena, CA. 91104

Please include a self-addressed, stamped return envelope.

Spaces will be assigned on a first come, first payment received basis.

GROUP HOTEL:

Holiday Inn Express Airport on Quinn Rd, Bakersfield, CA 93308

Group Discount Code: HCCSC, ...\$97/night, ...Telephone #: (661) 387-1678

May 1-May 3 checkout



From the editor...

Thank you for your newsletter contributions: Kirby Pray, John Chapman, Eric Brown, Ron Lambrecht, and all who contributed.

For all the rest of you, if you have articles, photos or a tech article to share, please send them along! Diane

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 1st Kathy Hafer
- 7th Candace Tyler
- 13th Joy Brown
- 14th Debbie Skordilis
- 17th Joanne West
- 18th Bill Ottemann
- 22nd Penny Rossi
- 27th Debbie Sherman
- 28th Art Wilson

EARLY APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 4th John Pepe
- 12th Dolores Kling

Deadline for submissions for the April newsletter is March 24, tour info, pictures, "for sale" ads to:

dianemac2015@gmail.com.

Business-Card Sized Ads are free to club members. Send a clean scan, artwork or photo of your card via email to Diane.

Our Next General Meeting
Wednesday, Mar. 12, at 6:00 PM

Maggie's Café

3232 Grayling Dr, San Diego 92123

All are welcome to join us!



OUR NEWEST LOCATION!

**MONDAY
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Blast from the Past

By Eric Brown

March of 2010:

Larry Ciuffo was President, Tony Bowker was Secretary, Susie Murdock was Treasurer AND Historian.

The board meeting that month was held at Scott and Carolyn Lemler's house where discussions were held about low turnout on recent tours. This included the Yuma tour, which was attended by Tony and grandson Kyle, the Risings, the Larsons, and Steve & Betty Ball. The tour attendees participated in a parade in Welton, AZ amongst 80 other participants, which was great fun with a large turnout of locals. Other activities included the Dobson Museum of early Americana, and the Yuma Territorial Prison.

What happened during this month in...

2010 - The Society of Experimental Test Pilots 40th San Diego Symposium took place at the Catamaran Resort Hotel & Spa, with keynote speaker Cpt. James A. Lovell. Cpt. Lovell is still alive at 96 years old as of 2025.

1999 - Bertrand Piccard and Brian Jones become the first to travel all the way around the world in a hot air balloon.

1974 - End of five-month oil embargo by most OPEC nations against the United States, Europe, and Japan which had caused the 1973 oil crisis.

1945 - Princess Elizabeth (later Queen Elizabeth II), joins the Auxiliary Territorial Service (ATS) as a truck driver/mechanic in London.

1910 - The first filmed version of Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* comes out. Considered to be the first horror movie, it stars actor Charles Ogle (unbilled) as the monster.

1856 - Mauveine, the first synthetic organic dye, is discovered by William Henry Perkin, while attempting to synthesize quinine. This eventually leads to the birth of the chemical industry.

1698 - Samuel Cranston becomes the governor of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

1220 - Mongol forces led by Genghis Khan besiege the city of Samarkand. Some defending soldiers are accidentally trampled by their own war elephants. The city surrenders after a week; the city's inhabitants, numbering some 100,000, are enslaved or killed.

44 BCE - Julius Caesar was assassinated in the Senate chamber in Rome by Brutus and fellow conspirators.

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Minutes of the Board Meeting - February 12, 2025

Held at Maggie's Café in Serra Mesa

Start Time: 6:31 Kirby opened the meeting.

Attendees: Kirby, Eric, John C, Mandy & Vince, Rick, and Janna

REPORTS:

President Kirby received this info from Steven Chase about the Bakersfield Swap Meet:

Minter Air Base, Shafter CA

May 2 & 3 (Fri & Sat)

Contact MTFCA for Save the Date info (Janna)

Vice. Pres. Rick will bring a small flag to the general meeting.

Secretary Janna

Treasurer Karen could not attend. We have \$7309.49 (bank); \$234 (petty cash)

Tour Chm. John C

March 15 DATE CHANGE!!! – Speedster Re-Run (John C)

May 10 – Campo Truck Museum & Buffalo Soldiers Camp Lockett (Ross)

July 4 – Coronado Independence Day Parade (Janna)

July 17 – Chula Vista Nature

Sept 2-6 – Nevada Tour (Janna)

Oct 4 & 5 – Speedster Run (John C)

Oct 16-19 – Last Round-Up Tour (Ron)

Nov TBD – Brawley Rodeo and Parade (Ross)

Editor Diane asks to get *Ruckstell Review* items to her by the 24th of the month

Mbr. At Large John W could not attend

Membership Mandy will meet with Janna to get our membership updated and sent to the national club.

Historian Eric says history happens and some of us were there.

Sunshine Chm. Susie could not attend.

Past Pres. Janna had nothing to report.

Additional: None

End Time: 7:24 PM

Janna Laughon, Secretary

FULL THROTTLE OFF ROAD CAR & TRUCK SHOW

at Iron Door Bar

2025

\$30 Pre-Registration

Pre-registered participants will receive a FREE raffle ticket for a chance at \$50 cash! Must pre-register before April 8th.

\$35 Day Of or after April 8th.

EVENT DETAILS

Saturday, April 12th, 2025

10AM-2PM

5460 Split Mountain Rd,
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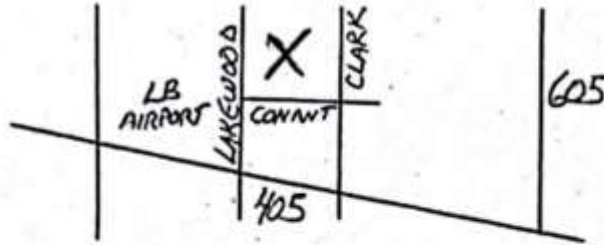
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Model T Ford Club of San Diego invites the Model T and Horseless Carriage Clubs

"You are about to embark on a great crusade to stamp out runaway decency in the West, but you will only be risking your lives, whilst I will be risking an almost certain Nobel Prize in literature!" So, slap some bacon on a biscuit and let's go! Other than the care and feeding of your steed, there will be no requirement to perform tasks such as branding, birthing, shearing, herding, roping, grooming and pasturing, so stop your caterwauling.

The event will begin with a Thursday afternoon, October 16 arrival and check-in at the Pala Mesa Resort (2001 Old Hwy 395, Fallbrook, CA 760-728-5881). A boot scootin' ice breaker around the Rusty Water Bar will occur at 5pm in the parking lot. The fun-filled 3-day tour will begin on Friday, Oct 17 with a tour of the picturesque southern coast of California from Oceanside to Del Mar (or further if you like). Linking a string of charming beach communities, History Hwy 101 hugs the Pacific Ocean and offers a taste of California's surf culture that can't be duplicated anywhere in the world.

Day two will feature a road rally/tour. It is not a race and the directions will be clear. The intent is not to get you Cattle Drivers lost but to stimulate your creative juices as you progress along the trail. You will be presented with questions about the surroundings you encounter. Yes, it is a competitive event with valuable and highly coveted prizes awarded to the top three finishers, so a navigator with a clipboard is strongly recommended. Cars will depart in 2-minute intervals. Incremental departures are meant to keep participants from playing "follow the leader!" Yeah, like that is going to work! The rally will culminate with an opportunity to visit Old Town Temecula followed by a BBQ at John and Karen Pepe's Ponderosa.

Day three will consist of a tour to the Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum in Vista where you will participate in the October Engine and Tractor Festival. Entry is free for your car, driver, and one passenger.

Evening activities will move you out of your comfort zone. Jerry King volunteered to be the "Patter Caller" but he has requested that participants familiarize themselves with the fundamentals:

1. Allemande Left: Everyone face their corner, take a left forearm with their corner and circle around until facing your partner again, drop arms.
2. Alligator Right: Allemande left with vigor.
3. Si Do Si: Sit down, stand up, sit down, stand up. Swirl your partner and try not to hurl.
4. Marmalade: Levitate, rotate, and fixate on performing a figure-eight around your dance mate.
5. Slip the Clutch: All dancers move forward around the center of the set to the next dancer. (Do I smell something burning?)



Stay tuned for more "bull-foony" in future announcements.

So, don't be stepping on any compressed hay. Get a wiggle on and make a grubstake at the Pala Mesa hotel. Don't forget to Pony Express your registration.

MTFCSD extends an invitation to the Model T and Horseless Carriage Clubs for



The Last Roundup Tour



October 16-19, 2025

Check-in for tour on October 16 at Pala Mesa Resort—2001 Old Hwy 395, Fallbrook, CA
Ice Breaker social at 5 p.m.

(It's a busy season for weddings and wine tasting, so get a wiggle on and make a grubstake ASAP.)
(760)728-5881—www.palamesa.com. Tour is limited to 50 cars. Indicate you are a participant in "The Last Roundup Tour" and use the Code: TLRU25.

Please print clearly using ink. Include an email address for updated tour info.

Driver Name _____ Passenger _____

Mailing Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Email: _____ **Cell Phone for tour and roster:** _____

List names of all other passengers including children and their ages:

Guest/passenger address (if different): _____

Tour registration fee to be determined at a later date and will be due Sept 1, 2025.

Provide \$50.00 deposit to secure your place on the roster.

Make checks payable to: MTFC-SD.



Mail to: Ron Lambrecht, 3430 Valley Vista Road, Bonita, CA 91902

Driver's membership, fill in group name of all that apply:

Model T Regional _____ HCCA Regional _____

National # _____ National # _____

Insurance Co.: _____

Policy #: _____ Exp Date: _____

Your Tow Service: _____

Tour refunds less deposit available until Sept 1, 2025. If tour reservations max out early, you will be placed on a waiting list and added if there is an opening. If we cannot guarantee you a spot on the tour, all payments including deposit will be refunded.

Car Information: I am bringing a 19____ Make: _____ Model: _____

In consideration of my participation in **The Last Roundup Tour**, I do hereby release and hold harmless the Model T Ford Club of America and the Model T Ford Club of San Diego, MTFCSD officers, staff, committee, and/or volunteers and agents of any liability arising out of said events, including tours, trouble truck towing, and any other activities scheduled for the tour.

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

FREE Slide Shows of 2 World-Class Auto Museums

An invitation to HCCA, Model T, and Packard Club members and any other collector-car enthusiast:

Brad Zemcik will be presenting three FREE slide shows in 2025 of two world-class car museums: AutoWorld in Brussels, Belgium and The Louwman Collection in The Hague, Netherlands.

These will be presented before three general meetings of the Antique Automobile Club, San Diego Region (AACASD), as listed below. The AACASD meets the first Monday of every month, except July, at the Joyce Beers Community Center at 3900 Vermont Street, San Diego, CA 92103. This is across the street from the Hillcrest Ralphs and Trader Joe's center. Social begins at 6:30PM and meeting begins at 7:00PM. The presentations are the first 30-40 minutes before a break for treats and drinks, then the general club business meeting which you are welcome to stay for but not mandatory.

~~January 6, 2025 – AutoWorld, Brussels, Belgium~~

April 7, 2025 – The Louwman Collection – Part 1, The Hague, Netherlands

June 2, 2025 – The Louwman Collection – Part 2, The Hague, Netherlands

The presentations cover all makes that are in these world-class collections.

To RSVP (or For more information) contact Brad at zman92107@yahoo.com

Contributed by Sam Judd

