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UPCOMING EVENTS

2024

Aug 10 Pacific Beach car show

Aug 14 Board Meeting

Sept 11 General Meeting

Sept 14 Greatest Show on Turf

Oct 12 Ramona Autofest

Oct 12-13 San Diego Speedster Run

General Meetings are held at:

Filippi's Pizza Grotto, 5353 Kearny Villa Road, 6 pm.

Next one: Sept. 11

Our Next General Meeting

Wednesday, **Sept. 11**, at 6:00 PM

Filippi's Pizza Grotto

5353 Kearny Villa Rd, San Diego 92123

All are welcome to join us!

Our Next Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 14, at 5:30 PM

Maggie's Café

3232 Grayling Dr, San Diego 92123

All are welcome to join us!

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.

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President's Message

August 2024

Are you enjoying the heat??? I'm so glad we had spectacular weather for our national tour because the temperature sure rose quickly in the weeks following our event!

Coronado's 75th Annual Fourth of July parade was wonderful. The weather was warmer than usual, but a beautiful cool ocean breeze made for a comfortable drive. Participants were: Jeff Tyler, Ron and Anne Lambrecht, Sam Ferguson (with his two grandmas!), and Rick Bucklew and myself (with two of Chuck West's great-granddaughters). All four of our cars made it through the parade without a hitch!

I just spent a week in downtown San Diego with 140,000+ people celebrating Comic-Con. It was hot, humid, and crazy, but everyone had a great time!

We don't have any tours planned for August but if anyone wants to plan a get-together just let me know, and I can send out an email to everyone. We will hopefully have a tour in September.

Don't forget our annual Speedster Endurance Run out of the Courtyard by Marriott in El Cajon coming up on October 12 and 13. More information will be on our club's website very soon! Hope to see you there!

Respectfully,
Janna Laughon



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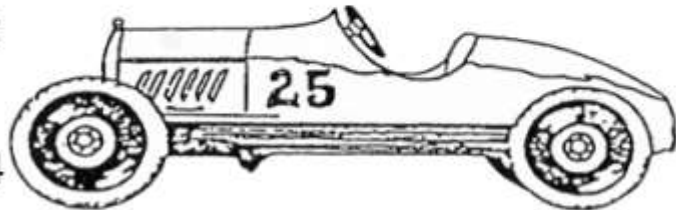


37th Annual Speedster Endurance Run
October 12 & 13, 2024

We are holding our annual Speedster Endurance Run in the San Diego backcountry mountains out of El Cajon, CA. All Speedsters and regular Model Ts are welcome to join us!

For all information, entry forms and hotel reservations, visit our club website in July at www.mtfcsd.org.

Mail entry forms and fee to:
Speedster Run
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Below is the reservation link for the Speedster Run Group Block. It is now live and ready to be utilized by the event attendees.

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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>

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Long Beach Swap Meet

August

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70th Annual Parts Exchange Swap Meet

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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1st Dan Slavik
- 2nd Susie Murdock
- 13th Karen Slavik
- 24th Jean Mucha
- 30th Anne Ottemann

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1st Rick Northcote
- 13th John Burrell
- 21st Kirt Simpson
- 30th Sam Judd

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From the editor...

Thank you for your newsletter contributions: Karen Pepe, Magneto News, Janna Laughon, John Chapman, Kirby Pray, Ron Lambrecht and everyone who contributed.

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

Deadline for submissions for the Sept 2024 newsletter: Aug. 24. Please send articles, 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.



Minutes of the General Meeting July 10, 2024

Held at Filippi's Pizza Grotto, San Diego, CA

Start Time: 7:40 PM, President Janna opened the meeting.

Attendees: 29 members attended the meeting, nice turnout!

President Janna:

- The National Tour is over! It was a success! There were only six breakdowns throughout the tour, with over 40 cars traveling each day.

The 4th of July parade had four club participants that made it through without mishap or breakdowns, all in front of an estimated crowd of about 35,000.

Vice President Kirby:

One of the Vice President's duties he realized, is planning the end of year luncheon, which takes place in January of the following year. He is actively searching for a place for our club to hold this. The prices are high, with the Butcher Shop quoting \$75/person, as an example. He is open to suggestions from club members, and received a couple of suggestions that he will follow up on, near hotel circle (Hilton) and Liberty Station. If you have an idea, please feel free to contact him.

Past President John C.:

The 2024 Speedster run will be based out of El Cajon, currently the Marriot. Speedsters and non-speedster Model T's are welcome to participate in a different class.

Sunshine Chair Susie:

Please let Susie know if she needs to send cards to anyone

Tour Chairs John C. and Kirby: reviewed the upcoming tours

Secretary/Treasurer Karen: As of 7/10/24, the club has \$6,493.26 in the bank, plus \$80.00 in petty cash. The club basically broke even to having a slight profit after holding the National Tour, many thanks to Janna and all the volunteers. Last call for any unreimbursed expenses!

Editor Diane:

Please submit info to her by the 25th of the month to have it in the newsletter.

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July 10, General Meeting minutes

Historian Rick:

Is sending in articles or information taken from past newsletters, Thank you Rick!

Upcoming tour dates:

October 12th & 13th – this will be our 2024 Speedster Run. We will be starting in El Cajon, at the Marriott (Courtyard) by the police station, as we did a few years ago. The information should be posted on our website.

Miscellaneous information:

- If you want National Tour t-shirts, please contact Janna. Small \$8, Medium \$10, Large+ are \$12.
- There are National Tour videos posted on YouTube
- Do we want to bring back the November auction? Chuck West has items to donate to the auction, from memorabilia that his dad left him. We had a positive response to this.
- Chuck's car and trailer will be sold, it is a 1914 Touring, it was restored in 1956, and has had nothing done to it since then, and hasn't been driven for 10 years, as far as he knows.
- Ron Lambrecht is putting an idea out to the club regarding a run or potential combined run/speedster run in 2025. It would feature a country/western theme, and possibly be based out of the Temecula/Fallbrook area, possibly from the Pala Mesa Resort. The dates he is considering would be October 24th 2025 – October 26th 2025. A lowland tour would take place Friday, followed by a long tour and banquet on Saturday and/or Sunday. He would like to get involvement from the horseless carriage clubs. We will be discussing this at our next board meeting at greater length. That meeting is at Maggie's Café, 8/14.
- Warren Walter won the opportunity drawing of \$50.00

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM

Respectfully submitted by Karen



Ron Lambrecht's "Chuck Wagon" Project

Steven Chase gave me this burner for my kitchenette display.

I bought a vintage cast iron grate off of eBay to mount on the top and hope to have it installed in the next few days.

I already had it on display at the Tractor and Steam Engine festival in Vista. There aren't many kitchenettes out there so it is drawing a lot of attention, Ron.



PACIFIC BEACH



AUG 10 2024



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THE SAN DIEGO MTFCA NATIONAL TOUR

MTFCA National Tour put on by the *Model T Ford Club of San Diego* was titled, Trails Less Traveled. On June 15th and 16th fourteen hardy soles and eleven model Ts of the Long Beach Model T Club ventured to the Sycuan Casino in southeastern San Diego County for an adventure, and boy what an adventure it was.

The roster of members is as follows: Don Skille, John Zor, Jon Traw, Charlie Plessner, Chris Rini, Doug Mullin, John Craig, Gene and Craig Carrothers, Chris and Jose Craig, Bill and Cindy Harris, Mike Hewitt and Michele Murfin, Jeff and Jane Hood, Tom and Reggie Leroux, and Nancy and Me.

On Saturday at 0800 hours Chris and Jose Craig met me at Seal Beach Bl and Pacific Coast Highway to begin the trek. We were met in San Juan Capistrano by John Craig who had his T on a trailer and followed us. It was a good thing we had him in trail behind us as we had to get on the 5 Freeway through Camp Pendelton. We arrived at the Sycuan Casino in about five and a half hours. Charlie Plessner out did us by leaving from Lomita and taking the long route through Corona and down along the 15 Freeway. My hat is off to him because he not only did the drive the long way, but he was a sole driver and didn't have a support vehicle. That is truly an adventurous spirit.

The first day was a beautiful drive through the rolling hills of San Diego County. We took in the Mission Trails Park Visitors Center and a walking tour of Historic Lake Side. Lakeside is where Barnie Oldfield set the 1907 Speed Record of 51 4/5 MPH.

Tuesday we took in the Chula Vista Olympic Athletic Center and saw where various world class athletes train and practice. This will be very busy in the next few years as athletes from around the world come to practice for the Olympics in Los Angeles in 2028.

Doug Mullin had an interesting experience during this day. Doug was driving along, up a curving two lane road without much of a shoulder, when he noticed this left rear wheel pass him by and bounce off into the brush. Doug was able to get off to the shoulder of the road which was almost the width of his truck and sloped sharply. Another member of The Tour saw what happened, saw where the wheel went and retrieved the wheel for Doug. As this was happening several carloads of Border Patrol Agents saw Doug was in a precarious position. They stopped, turned on their emergency flashers, positioned themselves along three curves and directed traffic as Doug fixed the wheel. This is about the time Nancy, and I were driving by and saw Doug surrounded by the Border Patrol wondering what was happening. As Doug was jacking up the car the jack was not lifting the car high enough due to the slope of the roads shoulder. Just then a tow truck with a floor jack stopped and lent a hand. The T got jacked up, the wheel was put back on, and one lug nut from the three other wheels was used to secure the fourth wheel. Many thanks to the Tow Driver and the Border Patrol. Talk about being in the right place at the right time. Doug made it through the rest of the tour without any more break downs.

Wednesday was the trip up to Historic Julian. Although this drive was a long climb there were breathtaking vistas on both sides of the road. When we arrived one side of the main street was reserved for the Ts. It was quite the sight. Lots of pictures were taken and lots of tourists asked questions. Many were amazed the Ts made the climb to Julian. We visited the Julian Historical Society and Museum. We were treated to a bounty of artifacts

and photos of the settlers. In a garage above the museum were two vehicles a 1912 Mack "Stage" and the other was a 1924 Cadillac Bus. The bus was used to bring visitors up to Julian from El Cajon. Both vehicles are exceptional and were beautifully restored over the period of several years. Of course, the most important part of Julian is having a hamburger and warm apple pie with ice cream. I shared my hamburger and fries, but I wasn't about to share the apple pie and ice cream.

Thursday took us to the Pacific Southwest train Museum in Campo. The museum, depot and train were first class living history. Along with that there were docents that explained the process of restoring some of the railroad cars that were at the site. The tour included a talk about the Campo area and its importance to the San Diego area. The museum grounds were part of a military installation known as Camp Locket. During WW II there was a convalescent hospital, a 300 bed Italian prisoner-of-war camp, and an all African American Buffalo Soldiers Cavalry unit. The Buffalo Soldiers patrolled the border on horseback until 1944.

After the railway museum we had a little extra time and were directed to the Motor Transport Museum in Campo. This museum was an outdoor cornucopia of all things truck and heavy equipment. I don't think they knew what they had. There were trucks and heavy machinery from the 1920's to present. Many of the vehicles are rented by the movie industry for period correct vehicles. One truck was a European vintage vehicle used in Raiders of the Lost Ark. This place was fascinating, and one could spend an entire day checking out all the vehicles, engines and equipment.

This was the day for folks to wear their vintage clothing. I have to say the LBMTC was well represented by two of the best dressed. Cindy Harris wore a coffee-colored vintage dress with a white lace blouse, period correct heeled shoes and a wide brimmed hat with a rose arrangement in the band. Just the picture of 1920 elegance. Charlie Plessner wore a grey herring bone patterned suit including vest and matching drivers cap. Quite the dapper 1920's gentleman out for a drive.

Thursday night's banquet saw Charlie Plessner win the award for driving the farthest to get to the Tour. Then on Friday he and Chris Craig drove back to Lomita and Long Beach respectively. Both Charlie and Chris put their Ts to the test and they came through with flying colors.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the LBMTC members that attended making this a fun and memorable event.

Tim O'G



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