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Summer Model A Touring

Opportunities abound to enjoy driving your Model A in Kentucky.



arrangements for this outstanding tour.

There was also great participation for the Independence Day picnic. Everyone enjoyed hotdogs and hamburgers provided by Martha and Jerry Baker and all the side dishes and desserts supplied by others. The meal was followed by a tour of the Camp Nelson Military Cemetery and Civil War Museum. Those who were able to stay

What a great time to own a Model A! This summer has been full of opportunities to get the old car out and have a good time with friends. A large group traveled to Jackson County in June to explore the recreated nineteen thirties Pioneer Village. Over the last twenty years Mr. Sparks has built more than a dozen town buildings and furnished them with thousands of period antiques. Unlike in a museum, we were encouraged by our host to pick things up and get a good look. He also provided us a great place to enjoy our picnic lunch. Thanks to Kristen and Kenny Brake for the

until dark were treated to July 4th fireworks. Judy and Walter Brumfield earned our appreciation for hosting the event.

The Keeneland Concours d' Elegance was well attended by our members again this year. This is a great opportunity to promote our hobby to thousands of people who attend the event. After looking at million dollar cars that must continually be pampered the old Model A looks real good to someone interested in acquiring an antique automobile. John Yates did a great job setting up our participation in this annual event.



Scenes above from our summer tours

ADDITIONAL TOUR UPDATES

Saturday and Sunday, August 9th - 10th

We have been invited to display our vehicles at the first Annual "Planes Trains and Automobiles" to be held on Saturday and Sunday, August 9th and 10th from 10 to 5 at the Versailles Antique Museum and Fairgrounds (At the intersections of Route #62 and the By-pass). They have set up a parking area just for our Model 'A's to be displayed. There will be no admission, and anyone displaying a vehicle will get a free ride on an antique steam train. Come for all or part of either day or both days. If you would like to travel as a group, Jack Kubik will lead anyone interested in meeting at the Palomar McDonalds at 9:15AM on both days.

Saturday August 16th Beaumont Inn, Harrodsburg

Nancy and Herman Butler are making arrangements for our August trip to Beaumont Inn, they provided the following information: We ran the route to Beaumont Inn (not very complicated) to determine times. We should meet at Turfland Mall August 16th at 9:45. We will stop at Shakertown about 11:00 for a break and to allow folks to join us enroute. We should arrive at Beaumont Inn between 11:30 and 11:45 for a seating at 12:00. Since there was no way that we could know how many would show up on the 16th, our getting there a little early will give them some time to know the number for seating. Hope to see you there!

Model A Games at Renfro Valley, Sept. 6th

We've had a good response from the Louisville and Western Kentucky clubs and it's shaping up to be a memorable event. Most of activities are for Saturday but our West Ky. friends will arrive Friday to set up for the car games and you're welcome to come early and visit. Although many of our members have experienced Renfro Valley they plan to remain after the games and enjoy a meal at the boarding house and attend the music show.

Model A & T Day in Lincoln Co, Sept 13th

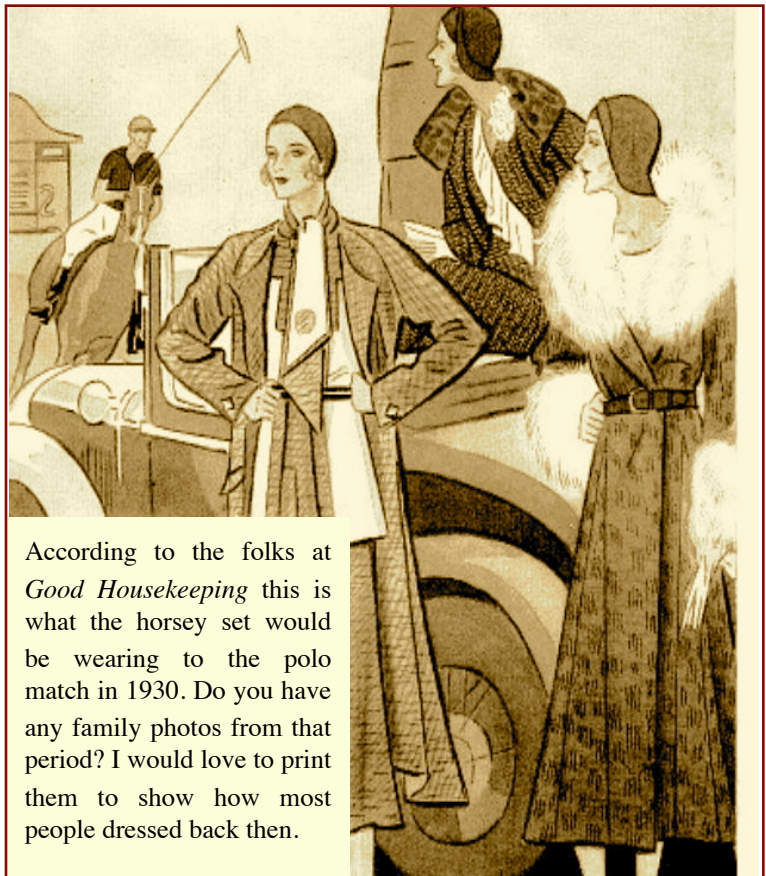
The last several years members of our club have shared their old Fords with the public at the William Whitley State Park. There's lots of shade, good food, hit and miss engines, old tractors and plenty of space for the kids to run and play. Last year Jeff Rhoads offered rides in his Model T and hooked several on the hobby. Plan on coming out for a good time. More information to come.

Model A Picnic at Blue Licks State Park, Sept 27th

Enjoy a scenic country drive and a good old fashion picnic at one of our prettiest state parks. Billy and Evelyn Hunt have reserved a large sheltered area just for us. We'll savor a delicious potluck meal and lots of Model A fellowship. Mark your calendar now, more details to come in future editions of *Checkmark*.

**Michael and Judy Akers, Stamping Ground, Ky.**

Mike has been restoring Model A's since the seventies but it was the nineties before he restored his own. The 1930 Tudor took a little over 2 years to complete but was ready to travel with other CKMARC members to the 2000 National MARC meet in Williamsburg, VA. Since then Mike and Judy have added two more vehicles to their family; a 1929 special coupe and a 1929 roadster pick-up truck. *Editor's note- Grant Baker is putting together a directory for our club with information like this for each member. He needs a picture of you with your car and a few words about your involvement with the hobby. If you've had your picture in the Checkmark and would like it forwarded to Grant let me know.*



According to the folks at *Good Housekeeping* this is what the horsey set would be wearing to the polo match in 1930. Do you have any family photos from that period? I would love to print them to show how most people dressed back then.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The participation in our monthly events has been outstanding. Our old cars are getting a good workout this summer and generating lots of interest in the hobby everywhere they go. Thanks to all our dedicated members working to make these events possible. Many good tours are ahead, take advantage of them. Tour leaders love a good turn out of members to enjoy their planned event.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Our club has been notified by MARC that our application for the Model A Youth program has been accepted and Chris Mills will receive a restorable Model A from our national organization. Congratulations to Chris and his parents as they begin the restoration process!

TREASURER'S REPORT

Welcome new members Bob and Betty Lykins of Danville, Charles and Ruby Godbey of Crab Orchard, David and Betty Jo Graves of Georgetown, Steve Bramdonberg of Nicholasville and Bill and Lisa Howard of Lexington.

Financial Statement

Cash Balance, June 1	\$ 1,418.84
Cash Receipts:	
Dues	\$ 40.00
Interest	<u>762.10</u>
	<u>802.10</u>
Subtotal	\$ 2,220.94
Cash Disbursements:	
Keeneland car show	\$ 300.00
Flowers	<u>44.10</u>
	\$ 344.10
Balance, August 1	<u>\$ 1,876.84</u>

Now is the time to begin planning to attend the 2009 MARC Membership and National meets. Information is available in *The Model A News* and the MARC web site. The Daltons and Nations brought lots of good information back from this year's spring meet and are happy to share.

Dear Editor,

Michelle and I are planning a fall Model A tour around Michigan for Sept. 5-12th 2009. We are inviting CKMARC along with the Looking Glass A's. Blocks of 20 motel rooms have been made with this year's prices and some discounted even more, ranging from \$60.00 to \$110.00 per night plus taxes. The tentative schedule is:

Friday participants will drive or trailer to our house in Ovid, MI, where we will unload the cars and drive them to Dewitt for the night.

Saturday we will drive about 200 miles, near Frankfort, MI to spend the night and check out a couple of scenic sites as the sun goes down. Sunday will be a leisure drive to Pt. Betsie Lighthouse, Pierce Stocking, a winery and Traverse City, then to Charlevoix for the night.

Monday (Labor Day) will be an interesting drive across the Mackinaw Bridge After 150 miles of scenic travel we'll spend the night in Manistique.

Tuesday includes Fayette State Park before heading for Munising and a boat ride to see the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. If time permits we'll visit Christmas, MI. before retiring for the night in Munising.

Wednesday is another leisure drive to Oswald's Black Bear farm in Newberry, then to Tahquamenon Falls and White Fish Point where the Edmond Fitzgerald went down. We'll travel through Paradise and Bay Mills reservation to see Point Iroquois Lighthouse. At Sault Ste Marie we'll stay in a unique hotel built in 1927 with a great view of the Soo Locks and boats. This is the only hotel costing over \$100 a night.

Thursday we'll travel through the Locks at Sault Ste Marie to Mackinaw City and a visit to Mackinaw Island for the afternoon and evening. Our hotel in Mackinaw City is only 50' away from the ferry.

Friday morning we'll explore the lighthouse at Mackinaw and Fort Michilimac before we hit the road to see 40 mile point lighthouse, Nine mile point lighthouse and hopefully Presque Isle lighthouses, Old and New (the old one is said to be haunted). Our final destination for that day will be Tawas City.

Saturday morning we'll get an early start to a close friend's collection of John Deere tractors and railroad memorabilia. For anyone who doesn't need to head home Saturday we will have rooms reserved in Durand.

More information about fees, tour prices, tolls, etc. will be shared later. This is sure to be a very exciting trip and we would like to hear from anyone interested. Todd and Michelle Brown, 989-723-6921 or TODDBROWN31@aol.com

MODEL A FORD MARKET

1929 Model A Fordor \$9000, contact Jimmy Wallin for details, Crab Orchard, Ky. 606-256-9760

1931 Model A Coupe black, older restoration, less than a thousand miles on engine. Good solid car, good driver. \$11,000. Kenny Brake 606-723-4652

1931 Model A Coupe maroon, rumble seat, indented firewall, good driver, mechanically sound. \$8,500 Kenny Brake 606-723-4652.

1930 Model A Closed Cab Pickup Restoration completed last year. Less than 100 miles on rebuilt engine. \$18,500 John Burrows 601-782-4339

Near New Open Trailer \$700 or best offer. Also would like to hire some one to restore a Model A Coupe. Contact Charlie Spurlock 859-299-6910

1925 Model T Tudor completely restored with LB interior. \$9500 Roger Loiselle, 859-299-3654

1924 Model T Fordor mechanically sound, needs interior, \$6000 o.b.o. Nate Rupprecht 989-868-4356 Mich.

Auto Upholstery Quality at reasonable rates. Contact Steve 859-583-9189 Junction City, Ky.

Tech Tip: Pre-trip inspections

It's back to school time for the kids and your local school bus drivers are receiving required training updates on vehicle pre-trip inspections. It's comforting to know the safety of the bus must be inspected by a trained driver before beginning each route. Is your safety any less important?

Before heading out in that Model A give it a good going over. While you're checking the fluid levels look over the engine compartment for signs of excessive leaks and irregularities. A Carolina Wren once built a nest on my engine while I was eating lunch, thankfully I remembered to check the oil and discovered it. Visually inspect your tires for proper inflation and give each wheel a shake to insure tightness of lug nuts and bearings. Before every departure do a walk around the vehicle looking for unfastened hood and trunk latches, loose wires, etc. Make sure the horn, lights and brakes are working before taking off. This few minutes of inspection will become a habit in time.

Model A Fords at the Great American Balloon Race, Danville, Ky.



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