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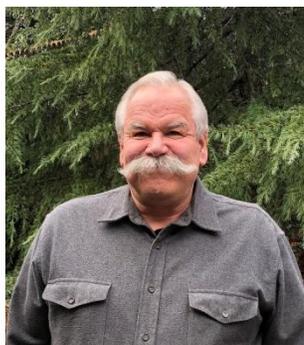


Monthly Newsletter of the
Mother Lode Model T Club
Celebrating 50+ Years of Model T Fun
<https://www.motherlodemodelt.com>

November 2020

October President's Message

Hello fellow club members! As always, I hope all of you are doing well. The holidays will soon be here and the stores are getting ready. The weather has cooled and the leaves are starting to fall. All this means that 2020 is coming to an end.



Now is a good time to start planning for next year. We haven't had a tour all year because of

concerns for the safety of our members during the Covid-19 pandemic. I, personally, would like our tours to resume in 2021, which I think can be safely done. If anyone has an idea for a tour and would lead it, let Susie know what you would like to do.

On October 10, we had our first general meeting since March. There was a small turnout, but everyone seemed to enjoy being out and seeing old friends again. Our newest member, Jerry Dorville, came and was introduced to those in attendance.

On the home front, the garage has now been repaired and is good as new. With that done, work on the speedster can resume.

Well, that's pretty much it for this month. I hope you all have a great Thanksgiving Day. Until next month, take care and be safe.

Phil

Up Coming Events - 2020

- ◆ Nov 10 - 6 pm- Board Meeting. Round Table, Auburn.
- ◆ Dec 6 - Christmas Party Lunch. **Cancelled.**
- ◆ January 30-31, 2021 - The Turlock Swap Meet has been cancelled for 2021.
- ◆ June 6 - Mother Lode Swap Meet - Tentative date depending on Fairground COVID rules.
- ◆ July 9-14 - Spokane, Washington - MTFCA 2020 National Tour, hosted by the Inland Empire Model T Club - See details in the Vintage Ford.

Dues are Due

Time to renew your Mother Lode Model T Club dues for 2021. Please send your check for \$20 to:

Mother Lode Model T Club
PO Box 4901
Auburn, Ca. 95604

Also do not forget to renew your Model T Ford Club of America (MTFCA) National membership which includes the Vintage Ford magazine. We are a chapter of the MTFCA. In order to maintain our liability insurance provided by the MTFCA at least 50% of our members must be members of the National and to participate in National tours you must be a member.

2021 Board Nominations

Nominations for the 2021-22 Board Members was opened at the general meeting on October 10. The following have volunteered to serve:

2021-2022	Returning Members 2020-2021
Sherry Rodriguez Edward Rodriguez John Saylor Kitty Goodell	Gary Krezman Susie Krezman Steve Short Phil Lawrence

Members and officer positions will be confirmed at the board meeting on November 10. If you have any comments, please contact Phil.

FREE online class to MLMTC members!



On Tuesday, November 24, 2020, from 3:30-4:30 pm, Sierra College's OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) is offering an online class on the **Lincoln Highway** as part of their Travel Tuesday offerings. The class is **FREE** to members of the Mother Lode Model T Club. To sign up, email the teacher, Joan Griffin at: joangriff@gmail.com by Thursday November 19. In that email tell Joan:

- you are a member of the MLMTC
- your name
- your email address
- what city you live in

The director of OLLI will then send you a link to the class, along with a link to their catalogue of classes and a flyer with information about OLLI at Sierra College

Betty Bamber - We were saddened to hear long time member Betty Bamber passed away, October 10. Our condolences to the Bamber family. Betty was the organizer of the many Brunch tours to the Monte Vista Inn at Dutch Flat.

Anniversaries And Birthdays



November Anniversaries

Philip & Barbara Lawrence	9
Paul & Phyllis Turounet	15
Edward & Sherry Rodriguez	21

November Birthdays

Sharon Stoll	1	Julie Barrett	18
Shasta Moore	1	Ayden Weitzel	19
Christian Finkbeiner	3	Zach Boorinakis	20
Gary Krezman	4	Robert Wood	24
Robert Weitzel	5	Gina Allgood	27
Barbara O'Connor	9	Stephanie Furr	30
Randy Johnson	10		

California Auto Museum Update

CALIFORNIA AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM

WELCOME BACK!!

THE MUSEUM IS OPEN!

New Hours of Operation

Thursdays – Members only day	10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Friday - Sunday - General Public	10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Monday - Wednesday - closed	

Private Tours can be arranged – please call to arrange

Children or Grand kids bored from school and playground closure?

Take them to a museum. Most in the area are now open.

For Sale — Huge collection of new and used Model T parts. There are several truck loads of all types of parts, both large and small, including engines to be sold as one lot. Soon to be sold is a collection of 15, 1915 to 1927 Model T cars and TT trucks of all types. For more information contact: Robert Galick, (707) 510-1352—text or call before 8:00 p.m. Please.

This month I would like to show my method of mounting a clincher tire!

There are many different ideas on mounting clincher tires, which may or may not be better, or easier. What I will show you is what has worked well for me over the last fifty years.



The first thing that needs to be done is to inspect the clincher rim for sharp edges—this is very important! Any sharp, or thin, edges created by years of rust will cut the tire bead. Inspection of the tire is next. Make sure the bead is not damaged, and that there are no cuts to the tread or side walls. If everything checks out ok, we can start.

Start with your non-demountable wheel or demountable rim, a good tire and, preferably, a new inner tube, and a few tools. I've found that three standard Model T tire irons work well. You will also need a source of compressed air, a clean rag and a little muscle are really all that's needed.

Mounting the Tire

First, we will take our clean rag and wipe out the inside of our tire to be sure that there is nothing in it that could cause a puncture later. Next, inflate the tube just enough to get it round, no more. Now, insert the tube into the tire. If you plan to use a tire flap, put that in the tire and over the tube, lining up the hole in the flap with the valve stem. For a little detail, line up the valve stem centered on the tire manufacturer's name (photo #1). The serial number should be on the back side of the tire (photo #2). What I do next is different from anyone I've ever watched mount a clincher tire. Take your rim, or wheel, and by standing the tire vertical with the valve stem on the bottom, pointing up, put pressure on the top of the tire. This will spread the bottom of the tire open (photo #3). With the bottom of the tire open, line up the valve stem with the wheel or rim, and work the wheel or rim into the tire between the beads (photo #4). Once that's done, you can lay the wheel or rim on the ground flat and start working the tire bead onto the rim, one side at a time.

Once both sides of the tire are mounted on the rim, you can start to inflate the tire. It's always a good idea to bounce the mounted tire on the ground a few times to help seat the bead in the rim. When both beads are seated, you can fully inflate the tire. As you may remember from previous articles, the clincher tire is a high pressure tire. The formula for inflation is 18 to 20 pounds pressure per inch of width. With that in mind, a 3-inch wide tire should be inflated to between 54 to 60 pounds per square inch. A 3 ½ inch tire should be inflated to between 63 to 70 pounds per square inch. By inflating your tires to the proper high pressure many tire problems can be avoided.



Photo 1 - Valve stem centered on Brand



Serial Number on the back side



Photo 3 - Spread the bottom open wide



Photo 4 - Press the wheel into tire

**Meeting Minutes—Mother Lode Model T Club Meeting Minutes, October 10, 2020
Recreation Park, Auburn, CA**

Call To Order—The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

Greeter Report—President Phil Lawrence, noted there were no guests present.

Sunshine Report—Debbie Bamber mentioned that her mother-in-law, Betty Bamber was gravely ill and that she was not expected to recover.

New Member—Our newest member, Jerry Dorville, was introduced. Jerry has multiple Model T's and TT's and has been a life-long Model T enthusiast.

Treasurer's Report—Debbie reported that she had deposited three new members' dues. She also stated that she will not be returning as Treasurer in 2021.

Tours—John Saylor reported on a Sacramento tour sponsored by the California Auto Museum.

New Business

Our June Swap Meet was briefly discussed. President Phil Lawrence will assume the position of Swap Meet Chairman for 2021. Gary Krezman and Phil will get together with the Gold Country Fairgrounds folks to get the ball rolling.

There was a brief discussion on finding a new treasurer. President Phil will look into the issue and make some phone calls.

Future meetings were also discussed. The Sizzler Corporation has filed for Chapter 11 Bankruptcy and will close many restaurants. It is unknown if the Auburn location will remain open. We may have to find another location for our monthly general meeting once the current COVID-19 restrictions on group gatherings is lifted.

Adjournment—With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned and closed at 1:37 p.m.

Respectfully, Phil Lawrence

Thank you Veterans - Auburn Parade Nov 11, 2019





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Club Website

The Mother Lode Model T Club maintains a website at <https://www.motherlodemodelt.com>. The website keeps members informed of club activities, photos of club events and members cars. The website also provides membership information an application and introduces those new to the hobby to the club.

The *Mother Lode Model T Club* was organized and became a chapter of the *Model T Ford Club of America* in 1969. The club is a non-profit organization dedicated to the personal enjoyment of its members through the preservation and restoration of the Model T Ford and especially through activities involving the use of Model T Fords.

Meetings, normally held on the second Thursday of each month with the exception of December, at the Sizzler, 13570 Lincoln Way, Auburn, Ca. 5:30 pm for dinner, 7 pm meeting. *Presently on hold due to social distancing requirements.*

Membership is open to anyone with an interest in Model T Fords. Ownership of a Model T is not necessary.

Dues - Annual Dues are \$20 per family.

Members are encouraged to join the Model T Ford Club of America. MTFCA members receive the bi-monthly publication *The Vintage Ford*, voting privileges in national club and can participate in the many national club tours and events. Annual dues for the MTFCA is \$40.00 payable to:
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