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The Running Board “A’s” club is a Model “A” Ford touring club. We are a region of the Model A Restorers Club (MARC). MARC recommends that all region members become members of MARC. See <http://model-a-ford.org/> for more information.

From the Editor

I need to give Doug a free pass for no Presidents Message this month. I didn't give him the opportunity to give me one. My goal was to get this issue of the Announcer out early; before Diane and I travel to California to see our son and his family. This is the first time we will travel to their place in over a year, so we are excited to make the trip.

There has been plenty of activities going on in the month of October and there is still one to come.

There was the Polo Event, that didn't happen, the steamboat event that was a huge success, and the Flemington car show. There was also an event that took place in Virginia that was attended by our own John Leydon with his Woody Wagon "Baxter" that I thought you would enjoy hearing about. All of these events are covered later on in the newsletter, so enjoy.

Coming up on October 30th is the Road Kill Rally. Check out the calendar of events for the details for the event, but the annual business meeting will be held during the event, so you don't want to miss it.

The President and Vice President have decided that there is still too much risk of Covid to hold a holiday party and I agree with them, so we will postpone it for one more year. With no business meeting in November and no Holiday party in December, there is still plenty of time to schedule events for those two months. Hopefully there will still be some good driving weather during those months. I know that my Tudor likes to run in the cooler weather.

It's also that time of the year when dues are due. Our club dues are still \$15. See the back page of the newsletter to see how to make out your check and where to send it.

Speaking of dues, the dues for the MARC membership are also due. The Board of Directors of MARC has decided to increase the price of dues from \$45 to \$50. This is due to declining membership numbers (we are all getting older and young people are not as interested in Model A's) and the cost of publishing the *Model A News* continues to go up.

Finally, I would bring this issue up at the annual meeting if I was going to be there, but as I previously stated, I will be traveling. I appreciate all of the articles and pictures that I have received concerning our hobby, but I have one request that would make my life a whole lot easier. If you have anything for the newsletter, whether it be a President's report, Treasurer's Report, articles or events, please get it to me by the 25th of the month. It is frustrating to write things up for the newsletter and then have to change or delete what I just wrote at the last minute because of late submissions to the newsletter. I appreciate **ALL** submissions and I know that sometimes, late submissions can't be helped, but getting most submissions to me by the 25th of the month would really help me out.

That's it from here.

Dave

**Don't Forget to Pay
Your Dues!
They are STILL Only
\$15**



Polo (Non)Event

Photos by Bobbi and Dick Bettle

I learned a valuable lesson from running this event! That lesson is to check Facebook for the event to make sure you are not dragging everyone to an event that has been CANCELLED! That is exactly what happened with this event.



Tom Fritz, Deb Daye, Dick and Bobbi Bettle and their friends, the Kuhls all showed up to witness their first polo match. You should have seen the look on my face when I realized that there was no polo that day and that they had ended the season a week early. Oh well, it was

time to put plan “B” into effect. The only problem was there was no plan “B”. We decided to take a tour

through Tincum Township and end up at Lake Nockamixon for a picnic. Everyone seemed happy with that, so off we went. It was a beautiful day for a ride, so all was not



lost. We toured through many back roads of the township eventually crossing over into Nockamixon

Township and finally arriving at our Plan “B” destination, the Haycock boat launch area where we had a beautiful view of the lake, picnic tables and most important, bathrooms.



After we had our picnic lunch and enjoyed the afternoon by the lake, we decided to take advantage of our location just down the road from the OWOWCOW ice cream shop.

A good location with good company was a great way to spend an afternoon even if the polo event failed to materialize. The ice cream stop was just icing on the cake.

Besides, there is always next year to finally attend our first polo event.

Virginia Steeplechase Race

John Leydon attended the Middleburg Fall Race, a steeplechase race in celebration of his brother's birthday. They actually got to see horses and the race while enjoying his Model A woody wagon, Baxter. Below are some pictures from the event.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS
**Road Kill Rally and
Business Meeting
Saturday October 30
10:30 AM**
Hosted By Chuck and Deb Savitske

The Road kill Rally is back! Yeah!!!! The event will be held at the home of Chuck and Deb Savitske, 3379 Reservoir Road Hellertown, Pa. 18055. For the newer members of the club, this is the one event that you don't want to miss. It is about the most fun that you can have on 4 wheels.

The event is held either outside, weather permitting or in Chuck's shop where there is plenty of room to spread out. The rally portion of the event usually leads you through beautiful sections of Bucks, Lehigh and Northampton Counties, while following printed directions and looking for clues. Bring a spouse or a friend to help you navigate the rally portion of the event if you can.

After the Rally you will be feasting on Chuck's world famous Road Kill Stew. (Ok, it's actually chicken, ham and what ever else Chuck decides to throw in, along with tons of vegetables, that are cooked over an open fire). Everyone is encouraged to bring a side dish or a dessert to share. Our annual business meeting will also be held at this event. Don't worry, it's never a

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2 hour knock down drag out event. This year we elect a new President, and, I don't know, maybe even a new newsletter editor????? I know, wishful thinking.

If you plan to attend, please give Chuck and Deb a call at 610-573-4378 at least a week in advance so Chuck knows how many squirrels to get.... I mean how much food to get and let them know what side or dessert you will bring to share.

This is a great event with lots of fun and surprises. You can even do the rally in a modern car if you must, so no excuses, go put it on your calendar and give Chuck and Deb a call.

Chuck can also use some help to set up the event, so if you think you can lend a hand give him a call.



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Riegelsville Fall Rollout Sunday November 7, 2021 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

The annual Rieglesville Fall Rollout is the unofficial end of the car show season. Although the show officially starts at 8:00 AM you have to show up much earlier to actually get your car into the show. Several members of the Running Board A's are expected to attend, so come on and join the fun. There is no entry fee for this show if you show a car, but there is a \$5.00 spectator fee.

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2022 MARC National Meet

Morgantown PA

June 5 to 11, 2022

Hosted by the

North Penn Model A Ford Club.

The MARC National Meet will be held almost in our back yard at the Classic Car Museum in Morgantown PA. For more information, click [here](#) to go to the MARC website for more information. There is hotel information and more at the MARC website. It's not too often that we have a national event just about in our back yard, so lets take advantage of it.



Annual Steamboat and Model A Meet Saturday, October 9, 2021

We had great weather for the steamboat/Model A meet this year. Unfortunately both Deb Daye and Doug Pyatt did not bring their steamboats with them, so rides were very limited, but I think everyone still had a good time. Don Fenstermacher was kind enough to give some of the Model A's a ride who had not experienced a steamboat before.

Those in attendance from the Running Board A's included Doug Pyatt, Chuck Savitske, Tim and Kathy Litzenburger, Tom Fritz, Deb Daye, Ed and Peg Hardy, Bobbi Sliker and Carl Weissman, Larry and Pat Whitacare, and me. Active A members included Don Kohl and his wife Ali and Stan and Betty Wise.





At the end of the day most of the participants migrated to the Quakertown Train Station where one of the steamboat families provided pulled pork and macaroni salad for everyone. Everyone contributed a side or dessert to share. It was a great meal and capped off a fun day. Thanks to the Steamboat club for including the Model A clubs once again.

Flemington Speedway Historical Society Car Show Saturday, October 16, 2021

Members met at Bob Outwaters house at zero dark thirty, I mean 7:30 AM in Ringos N.J. Those in attendance included Dick Bettle, Tom Fritz, Chuck Savitske, Bob Outwater and me. Bernadette Outwater was

even up at that early hour to photograph the group and record our send-off . We arrived at the show at about 8:00 AM, but did not experience the long lines that we had seen at



past shows. The weather forecast called for rain in the afternoon, so that may have kept some people away.

We got some primo parking spots and took a stroll through the flea market.

During the course of the day, Bobbi Sliker and Carl Weissman came by



so we viewed some of the car show with them.

Our lineup of cars made quite a display of Model A's, both hot rodded and original. Chuck and Bob spent a good part of the day talking with spectators about their Model A creations.



There were some great cars on display, like the yellow Mercer and the Cord pic-



tured above and to the left.

The weather held off until the show was

over, so hopefully no one got caught in the storms that occurred late in the afternoon. It was a fun day and great to get back into the car show swing.



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For the Running Board "A's"**

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