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Beale Air Force Base Tour September 9th, 2016

Picture taken by Steve Straw



President's Message for September 2016

Dear Fellow Members,

Well, the hill climb was fun and exciting!!! I observed that nearly every racer missed a shift during one run. Also most of the cars were missing because of ignition or carburetion during their second run. Then one of the racers ran his trailer into the taco truck awning, and one of the Auburn police officers had to write an accident report! Despite of everyone's mistakes, it was a wonderful event! Thanks, Steve!!!!

I thank John, Bob, and Ted for volunteering to be on the election committee. Its troopers like these that keep our club dynamic. When they call you please find it in your heart to consider participating in our club as an officer. As an officer, you are not out there alone on a limb, the other officers are there to help as well as the membership.

I enjoy everyone in our club. At every event, gathering or meeting I always smile numerous times; a sign of happiness. The Dalai Lama was once asked what his view was on the purpose of life; and after thoughtful consideration, he stated simply "to have happiness". I experience true happiness at each gathering of our club, and it is not a synthetic or manufactured happiness but deep and authentic. The cars are good but the people are GREAT!!!!

The tour to Tony's ranch will be a fun event, be sure to attend.

Respectfully, Steve



This is the newsletter of the Gra-Neva A's (Grass Valley/Nevada City) Chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA.) Feel free to use information here, with credit.

Club members may place a business card size advertisement in this paper for a small fee; contact the Treasurer.

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Club meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at Penny's Diner in the Brunswick Basin, Fowler Center near SaveMart, Grass Valley at 7:00 p.m. We welcome all guests. If you are interested in a membership in MAFCA; write to MAFCA, 250 S. Cypress, La Habra, CA 90631

Also join us for an informal get-together at the Penny's Diner, Wednesday mornings about 7:00 a.m.

Items for the newsletter can be emailed to:

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Check our Website at:
Granevaas.com
for past newsletters



Sunshine Report

Martin Johnson, Theodore and Dorothy's son passed away on September 5th with a long struggle with cancer. Please send prayers to the family.

Please let Janet Spencer know how everyone is doing 477-5570.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Bold & underlined print dates show official club events.
Italic print dates show events of general interest

October Meeting - 10/27 at Elks Lodge in Nevada City

November Meeting/Dinner - Meeting on the 19th - more to follow. - Kay Harms for details

December Meeting/Dinner - December 18th Sunday at The Willo in Nevada City. Details to follow, contact Christina Brodie for info.

UPCOMING Tours:

October 14-16th , **MYSTERY TOUR!!! (Friday to Sunday)** Leaves at 8:45 from GV McDonald's. Arrive earlier for breakfast if you want there.

Hint: No passport needed :) Contact Jan Elliott or Janet Spencer.

October 22nd - Ranch Tour & Pumpkin Patch Tour. Meet at 10 AM at Kmart. It will be at the Alfaro Ranch (Tony&Danielle Alfaro). There will be a Bar BQ lunch provided. Donate \$2 for meat, bring your own drinks, and a side dish to share. After lunch go to the pumpkin patch near their ranch.

Upcoming Swap Meets/Shows

Cars & Coffee - Saturdays at Kmart GV from 8-10AM

Wings & Wheels - Second Saturday of the month at the Auburn Airport.

EDITOR'S NOTES:

Dear friends,

Well Autumn began on 9/15. So we shall see the leaves start changing and falling from the trees.

Hopefully you have all signed up for the Mystery tour next month. Promises to be another great one!!

We can look forward to a November Dinner/Meeting in November and a great Christmas dinner/meeting in December. Both a lot of fun!!

Remember the October meeting will be again at the Elks Lodge in Nevada City.

Don't forget to think about what service/board position you want to do in 2017!!

Sincerely, your
Editor and Publisher

Sharon Pierce



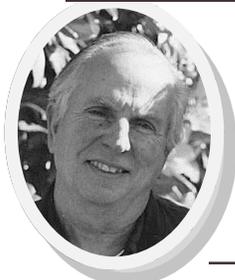
Tech Talk



by Ron Pierce



Get your requests in! What do you want to ask?



If you have any technical questions submit to me @:
sharonpierce1945@gmail.com



HAVES AND WANTS

Let me know if you have anything new you want me to post here.

October BIRTHDAYS



10/8 Pat Tobin

10/21 Norman Plise

October ANNIVERSARIES



10/19 Kristi and Steve
Turnsk

REFRESHMENTS

Coffee will be supplied by Penny's Diner for \$2.00 per cup with FREE refills.

Meeting refreshments** will be brought in by individual members, alphabetically by last name each month. Any questions or can't make it to the meeting, [please contact Steve Turnsk or Bob Ambrose.](#)

OCTOBER 27 – Norman Plise

NOVEMBER & December–Holiday Parties: see Calendar

** If you are unable to attend, please find someone else to bring them. Thank You!



Thanks to Janet Spencer for birthday and anniversary updates.

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General Meeting Minutes as of September 22, 2016

Call to order: President Steve Turnsk, called the meeting to order at 7:71 pm at the Nevada City Elk's Lodge on September 22, 2016.

Membership: There were no new members.

Sheriff: Sheriff Steve Straw collected fifty cents (Guess who couldn't find their badge? Yep. It was me.)

Secretary: There were no additions or corrections to the minutes as printed in the Gra-Neva Gram and they were approved.

Treasurer: Treasurer Jan Elliott gave a report. At \$745.50, the auction brought in nearly as much as the all-time high record. In comparison, last year was \$702.50.
A board meeting needs to be called to discuss the allocation of auction funds.

Vice-President Report: Absent.

Editor, Sharon Pierce was absent. Articles are always welcomed. Just email to Sharon.

Tours: The Beale AFB Tour was pretty good.
No one present attended the Folsom Antique thing.
The Miner's Picnic was perfect weather and a good turnout with 11 cars.

Upcoming tours include:

September 26th, Fall Hillclimb. 20th Annual; 29th Hillclimb! Great, spectator-friendly location: Bill Clark Way (parallel to and south of Auburn runway). Open to pre-1935 Ford cars and trucks. See the flyer for more information: <http://hotforhotfours.com/documents/auburnfallhillclimb.pdf>

October 14-16th Mystery Tour. \$325 per couple. Rooms are for 2 nights with breakfast. (\$275 for a single person.) September meeting is the last opportunity to sign up and pay.

October 22nd, Tony's BBQ Tour. Tony's having a BBQ featuring home-grown chicken and beef at his house on Lime Kiln (the McCourtney Rd end). Tony isn't asking for donations to offset the cost of the meat but do bring your own side dish. There's a nice Pumpkin Patch on the way. Meet at Kmart 10am for the trip to 14313 Lime Kiln Rd. Look for the "AAA Ranch" sign.

October 23rd, Bridgeport Fall Festival 11-4. They're having a static display and would like 1 or 2 Model A's or T's for people to look at.

November 19th, Souper Saturday at the Buttermaker's Cottage in Penn Valley. Sign ups next meeting (October) for bringing a soup, salad or dessert.



Interesting Things You Might Like:

On a similar note: Every Saturday is Cars & Coffee in the Kmart parking lot. All cars are welcome and you won't see a more eclectic mix anywhere: Rat rods to Bentleys. No RSVP; just show up and stay as long as you like.

Auburn Airport has a similar thing, Wings & Wheels on the second Saturday through the summer.

Sunshine Report: A sympathy card to Theodore Johnson (a long-time member who moved away) on the passing of his son.

Technical: In lieu of technical, Pat Tobin opened a discussion on swap meet attendance: more or less popular? The Chevy swap meet seemed about the same size, which is small because it's Chevy. It does seem that overall, swap meets are getting smaller, especially for "old, slow cars". The meet at Arco Arena was small, too.

Gots & Wants:

Ted Baerresen has a pair of not-so-good-but-better-than-standard LED tail lights for 6V. Newer LED are brighter, but these are brighter than bulbs.

Steve Halverson has 4 19" tires, possibly Sears. They're old but still new. \$200

Vern Harms still has some nice, antique furniture.

Ted Baerresen is selling a Model A transmission. Call for details.

Newest member, John Burnside is looking for a 1930 Tudor, color unimportant but perhaps grey.

Presume Gerry Holzapple still has a lightened flywheel and balanced pressure plate he'd sell for \$300.

Gerald has 5-19" wheels to sell: \$150 (although he admitted he'd probably take \$100) No information on their exact condition.

Aaron Johnson is looking for 21" wheels "good & true".

Ryck Johnson needs rear fenders for his '28 Phaeton

Steve Halverson also needs fenders for his '26 Model T

(Please let it be known to me if I should remove any information.)

Show & Tell: Nothing this month. Surely, there is someone who does something interesting they could Show & Tell?

ACCC: Bill Mitchell was absent.

Please visit the site for more information. <http://www.acccdefender.org/>

Old Business: Buzz wondered if there might be any interest in putting together a racer car for next year's Soap Box Derby in June. It could be entered in the "Creative" category and look like a Model A in order to promote the club. Please submit drawings or ideas.

New Business: It was brought to attention that what was previously a “courtesy” of pulling over when going less than the speed limit and 5 cars are behind to a full-blown law. Please make note. Need to discuss/decide whether or not to change the meeting place for future meetings. It’s also time to get some new officers. A new Tour Director is needed. Jan Elliott and I, Christina Brodie, will remain as Treasurer and Secretary, respectively. President Turnsk called for volunteers to form a committee to call the members. He then called upon John Burnside, Bob Whiting and Ted Baerresen to do so.

Christmas Dinner: This year’s dinner will be held at The Willo on Highway 49, Sunday, December 18th at 6pm.

All dinners include salad, ranch beans, garlic bread, ice cream, coffee and a baked potato.

Price per person:

Medium steak	\$32.
Halibut	\$32
Chicken	\$25
Ribs	\$25
Garden burger	\$17

Prices include tax and tip and a bartender for the no-host bar.

Please make your selection and RSVP to me (Christina, 263-8007 voice or text) along with your payment (payable to Gra-Neva A’s) by the November meeting. Since this is a “country” sort of place, Kristy and I decided (most democratically) that it would be fun to dress “country western”... ANY ERA! Prairie dresses to plaid shirts. Grab your best bonnet and cowboy hat.

Let’s also have a gift exchange. \$10 limit, so you’ll have to be creative. Each person should bring a wrapped gift. Ideas: children’s toys (no...you’re not too old!), socks, lottery tickets, paperback novel, shoe laces, sturdy pocket notebook, a great chocolate bar, a few packets of interesting seeds, crayons and pad, a box of tea, a few bottles of great beer or a bottle of cheap wine, a deck of cards and the rules for a game, homemade cookies, or that thinga-ma-jig someone foisted upon you last year. This exchange will involve “stealing”.

Let’s have fun!

Attendance Drawing: Jan Westmore missed \$50. Since a month got missed and Jan wasn’t present, we decided to get caught up and draw another name. Myra Clampitt was also absent. \$60 next month!

Raffle: Vern was absent.



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In attendance was one model A.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm, moved, seconded and carried by all.

Respectfully submitted,
Christina Brodie, Secretary



Beale Air Force Tour

On Friday, September 9th, 2016, 12 GraNeva members and 2 guests met at Kmart and left promptly at 8 am to pick up Steve and Vickie Straw enroute to the Beale AFB Main Gate. Vern & Kay Harms led the drive through Marysville to Beale AFB, complete with a personalized map for every car. It was a beautiful drive and our USAF tour airman from Public Affairs and bus with driver were waiting for us when we arrived at 9 am.

We toured the site of the WWII German POW camp that has largely been removed with exception to concrete foundations and a concrete isolation jail cell block. The tour then led us past the base housing area and a huge radar antenna complex that serves as an early warning tracker for ballistic missiles from the western pacific. We stopped at the large static display of the SR-71 and the accompanying drone for a photo op near the Base Headquarters. We then drove to the flight line where we were able to see from a distance, the TR-1s and Global Hawk reconnaissance aircraft in their hangars. We also had an opportunity to walk out on the flight line where we could walk around the T-38, two seat trainer aircraft that the pilots use to keep their flying skills sharp when they are not flying global reconnaissance missions.

We then stopped for lunch at the local Mess Hall that was a lot nicer and more modern looking than the one's many of the guys remember from their earlier military service. After lunch, we drove to the Environmental Survival Equipment complex where the pilots go to prepare for their flights. Each pilot has two space suits issued to them and are required to experience high altitude training in decompression chambers to familiarize themselves with the negative effects of hypoxia (lack of oxygen) and how to manage flying their aircraft when their space suits inflate. Their suits only inflate when they lose air pressure in their cockpit.

After this tour, we were driven back to the Main Gate where we were able to observe some TR-1's and T-38's practice takeoffs and landings. After this unique opportunity, we all drove home in our three Model A's and modern cars. It was reassuring to see that our young men and women in the USAF at Beale are very professional and serving a vital function of America's defense.

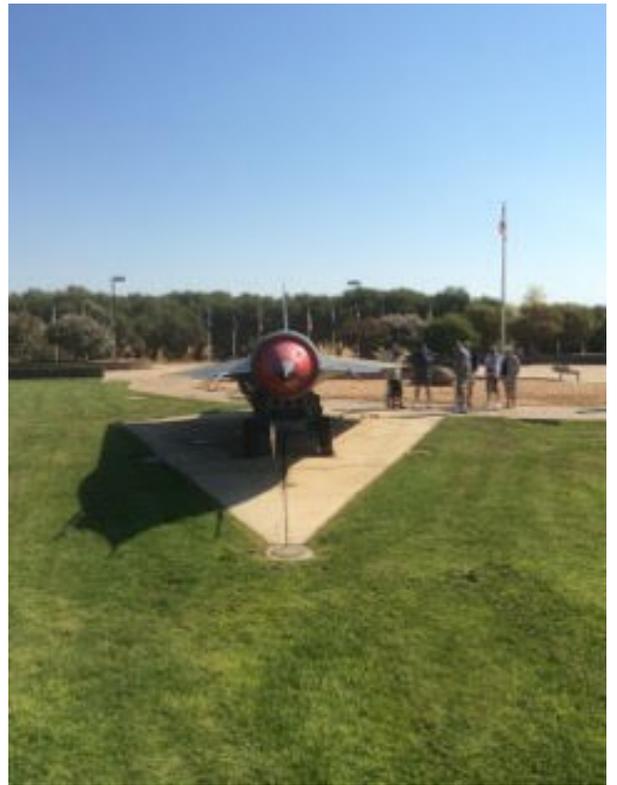
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