

#### **Redwood Empire Model T Club**



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#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

My last president's message for 2024. What a relief, only 12 more next year.

I want to thank everyone who participated as an officer of the club. With a total of 12 positions, it doesn't take a village, it takes a small town. Everyone is listed in the newsletter, but I want to say extra thanks to Patty Girman and Steve Vining. Between Treasurer and Webmaster/Jack of all Trades, they take care of the minutiae of keep the club going. Thank goodness for all of it isn't left to me. I also want to thank our longest sitting chairperson, Jeanne Nelson. She has quietly put together a stack of scrapbooks of the clubs ongoing history, so when she brings the scrapbooks to the meetings, take a look at them. These three do the bulk of the ongoing work. Thanks again.

I also want to thank all the folks who hosted tours this year. At our heart we are a touring club, even if it is interrupted by lunch. Another thank you to all those who attended out inaugural season of Shop Days. I wasn't sure where this would lead, but I think it worked out OK. We'll continue the Shop Days next year, hopefully with a couple new locations.

Okay, to wind this up, remember Toys 4 Tots at the December meeting or the Christmas Party. If you can't make either, let me know, and we'll get them picked up. The week of 9-13 we'll have a little delivery tour and yes, it will involve lunch.

-Andy

#### **Board Members**

President......Andy Clary
Vice President......Tim McCallister
Secretary.....Jeannine Clary
Treasurer.....Patty Girman
Past President.....John Girman

#### 2024

#### Chairpersons

Historian......Jeanne Nelson
Membership......Ted Shimkowski
Newsletter Editor...Cyrus Estes
Roster.....Patty Girman
Scholarship.....John Girman
Sunshine Reporter...Dianna Shimkowski
Tours.....Steve Vining, Dave Ryberg
Webmaster....Steve Vining

#### **Chapter Information & National Affiliation**

The Pedal Pusher is a monthly publication of the Redwood Empire Model T Club (REMTC).

The club holds a general meeting on the first Thursday of each month in the meeting room of the Round Table Restaurant located on Marlow Rd. in Santa Rosa. Members and guests are welcome to attend. REMTC website: www.remtc.org

Dues for an individual, or a household, are \$30 per year. Student memberships (no fee) include only the emailed REMTC newsletter.

Charter members after the age of 85 have an honorary membership.

REMTC is an official non-profit chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America (MTFCA).

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# Redwood Empire Model T Club General Meeting Minutes

November 7th, 2024

Round Table Pizza, Marlow Road, Santa Rosa, California

**President:** Andy Clary called this meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

**Attendance:** 30 members in attendance. All board members and chairpersons were in attendance.

**Secretary's Report:** Jeannine Clary read the secretary's report, with approvals by Steve Nelson & Steve Vining. Birthdays and anniversaries were announced.

**Treasurer's Report:** Patty Girman read the treasury report, with approvals by Dianna Shimkowski & Jean Chirhart.

**Tour Report:** Steve Vining thanked the Chirhart's and Ryberg's for the Pizza Tour. Andy's Garage Day is this Saturday, the 9th. Our Christmas party is December 8th. Please sign up as soon as possible. Note that you can bring your Toy's for Tots to the Christmas Banquet. Delivery of the toys will be scheduled shortly after our Christmas Banquet. There may be a December Flash Tour, depending on the weather.

**Sunshine Report:** Dianna Shimkowski noted that she sent a sympathy card to the McCoy family. No other sunshine has been reported.

**Scholarship Report:** John Girman reported that he met with two high schools. Petaluma High School has a good foundation and keeps funds separate. They support 6 classes and have a May car show fundraiser event. Petaluma High School would be interested in us bringing our Model Ts for the students to check out, along with a short history lesson to go with it. Healdsburg High School has two classes and does not have a set curriculum, but needs tool boxes, carts, and various tools. Their car show fundraiser is scheduled for April. Jean Chirhart presented a motion for the club to approve scholarship funds to Petaluma & Healdsburg Hight Schools, and was seconded by James Harris.

**Editor's Report:** Cyrus Estes reported no changes from last month and business as usual. The question was raised as to what address are we wanting to use on our newsletter.

**Membership Report:** Ted Shimkowski reported no activity for this month.

**Webmaster Report:** Steve Vining reported website is up-to-date. Steve noted that our club needs more business cards.

**Historian Report:** Jeanne Nelson reported that she brought the photo album with our overnighter photos and writeups for the club to look through.

**Old Business:** Andy Clary reported that the anniversary tour for next year is on the calendar for June 11 - 15th. There will be tours, a Happy Hour after each day's tour, and a banquet at the end. This will be a group effort

**New Business:** Steve Vining made a motion that our club make a holiday donation to the Red Cross for the Hurricane Relief efforts, and was seconded by Chris Rich.

Our post office box has very low usage, and it was brought up that we discontinue this expense. The club will continue the usage of the P.O. Box for the next six months.

Jeannine Clary brought up the idea of a fund raiser for our club next year.

**Model T Moments:** It was brought up that Jimmy Long had about 20lbs. of rust that came out of the Model T gas tank that he, Steve Vining and Andy Clary were working on along, with modifying an opening in the firewall with a Sawzall.

Contact Steve Nelson if you are interested in a 1922 Roadster with an asking price of \$3,500.00. Sebastain Ambra has a 1925 4-door sedan that went through the fire he is looking to off load. If you have an interest in either of these, please give them a call.

Dessert provided by Sebastian Ambra of Mini Chocolate and Vanilla cupcakes.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 7:51 PM Minutes prepared by Jeanine Clary, REMTC Secretary

## **December Birthdays**



Jean Chirhart Nanette Chuck Mary McEachern Bill Newlan Sandy O'Halloran **Dudley Stone** Mark Hogan Jordan Satrap Karen Plevney



Andy & Jeannine Clary Ted & Dianna Shimkowski

#### **Repairs & Restorations Get Well Soon!**

A sympathy card has been sent to the McCoy family

#### **Would You Like to Submit an Article** for the January Edition?

Please submit it to me by 12/25 if possible

Thanks from your editor, Cyrus

### **2024** General Meeting **Desserts**



Please bring enough dessert for forty people, and, if needed, plastic utensils and paper plates. If you are unable to make it to the meeting, please contact a substitute.

January 4th	Jeannine Clary
February 1st	Sandy O'Halloran
March 7th	Dianna Shimkowski
April 4th	Jean Chirhart
May 2ndTii	m/Teresa McCallister
June 6th	Pam Johnson
July 4th -No Meetin	n <del>g</del>
August 1st	Patty Girman
September 5thI	Dave and Mici Ryberg
October 3rd	Cindy Vining
November 7th	Sebastian Ambra
December 5th	Tracy Long



### **In Memoriam Mal Brown**

#### **2025 Officer Slate**

Up for vote in the December meeting

**President** - Andy Clary

Vice President - Sebastion Ambrose

Treasurer - Patty Girman

Secretary - Jeannine Clary

Past President - John Girman

**Tours** - Dave Ryberg

**Membership** - Ted Shimkowski

Sunshine - Daina Shimkowski

**Historian** - Jeanne Nelson

**Newsletter -** Cyrus Estes

Webmaster - Steve Vining

Scholarship - John Girman

# The Running Board

# December

### 8th - REMTC Christmas Dinner

At Cattleman's in Petaluma
See the attached flyer for details.
Food choice and payment due no later than
November 25th

# June 2025

11th thru 13th - Anniversary Overnighter
Stay tuned for more details.

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