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President's Message

New year, new President's message. Jeannine has been hounding me to do this, I'm pretty sure Cyrus would just go on without me. I hope everyone's holidays were good. This year should be another good year. Planning for the Anniversary Tour will take off, and we'll pass on updates as they occur.

As usual, the biggest thing in January is to get all the dues collected so Patty can knock out the roster. If you haven't paid your dues yet, please do. And if anything has changed, be sure to update your information.

There will be a shop day at Andy's Garage on January 11 th , 9am.

Andy Clary

Board Members

President.....Andy Clary
Vice President.....Sebastion Ambrose
Secretary.....Jeannine Clary
Treasurer.....Patty Girman
Past President.....John Girman

2025

Chairpersons

Historian.....Jeanne Nelson
Membership.....Ted Shimkowski
Newsletter Editor....Cyrus Estes
Roster.....Patty Girman
Scholarship.....John Girman
Sunshine Reporter...Dianna Shimkowski
Tours.....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).
P.O. Box 996 Richmond, IN 47375-0996
Phone: (765) 373-3106
Email: admin@mtfca.com
Website: <https://www.mtfca.com>

National dues are \$50 per year, and include a subscription to the Vintage Ford magazine.

On the 5th of December, 2024

-President-

Andy Clary called this meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

-Attendance-

25 members in attendance. Board Members absent: Tim McCallister. All other board members and chairpersons were in attendance.

-Secretary's Report-

Jeannine Clary read the secretary's report, with approvals by Dianna Shimkowski & Steve Nelson.
Birthdays and anniversaries were announced.

-Treasurer's Report-

Patty Girman read the treasury report with approvals by Mike Chirhart & James Harris.

-Touring Report-

Steve Vining reported that there will be a flash tour on December 7th with a lunch stop following.
December 8th is our Christmas Banquet at Cattleman's Restaurant in Petaluma starting at 5pm.
Bring your toy if you have not already for the Toys 4 Tots delivery on Wednesday the 10th, leaving from Steve Vinings house at 11am.
Andy Clary mentioned to wear your read sweater to the banquet in honor of Malcom Brown. Andy brought up going to the Collectors Museum in San Rafael next year via the Smart Train, more info to follow.

-Sunshine Report-

Dianna Shimkowski noted that she sent a sympathy card to Gwen Brown for the passing of Malcom Brown.

-Scholarship Report-

John Girman reported that our club will be sending out scholarship checks to Petaluma & Healdsburg High Schools in January.

-Editor's Report-

Cyrus Estes reported that there will be some redesigning of our newsletter, and will start adding club renewal/roster form into the newsletter.

-Membership Report-

Ted Shimkowski reported no activity for this month.

-Webmaster's Report-

Steve Vining reported website is up-to-date and asked if anyone noticed the error.

-Historian's Report-

Jeanne Nelson reported that it might be a good idea to bring a different photo album to each meeting for members to enjoy.

-Old Business-

Steve Vining to work with Cyrus Estes on Club business cards.

-New Business-

Andy Clary read the slate of club officers for 2025 and a motion by Jean Chirhart for approval was made and seconded by John Girman.
Motion was approved by all members in attendance. Andy thanked Tim McCallister for being our 2024 Vice President, and Sebastian Ambra for volunteering for the 2025 Vice President position, including thanking all our Board Members & Chairpersons for their service to our club. Steve Vining thanked Andy Clary for the Shop Days he put on this last year.
Dianna Shimkowski brought up our Christmas banquet for 2025. Cattleman's in Rohnert Park would be available for a lunch banquet if we are interested, and would be scheduled for December 6 th , 2025.

-Model T Moments-

A Model T 4-door has a new home at Jimmy Longs home. Steve Vining noted that he has 2 gas tanks with no rust.
James Harris will be the recipient of this years free National Club membership.

-Desserts-

Dessert of Peanut Butter cookies, Lemon Bars, & Chocolate Crinkle Cookies provided by Tracy & Jimmy Long.

-Adjourned 7:38 pm-

Submitted by Jeannine Clary, REMTC Secretary

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



JIM PAPPAKOSTAS

TED SHIMKOWSKI

JAN STORM

MELANIE TAYLOR

HARRY PLEVNEY

CATHERINE JONES

LAURA MEYER

2025



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 2ND - - - - - JEANNINE CLARY

FEBRUARY 6TH - - - - - JEAN CHIRHART

MARCH 6TH - - - - - DIANNA SHIMKOWSKI

APRIL 2ND - - - - - CINDY VINING

MAY 1ST - - - - - CYRUS ESTES

JUNE 5TH - - - - - JAMES HARRIS

JULY 3RD - TIM & TERESE MCCALLISTER

AUGUST 7TH - - - - - CHRIS RICH

SEPTEMBER 4TH - - - SEBASTION AMBRA

OCTOBER 2ND - - - DAVE & MICI RYBERG

NOVEMBER 6TH - - - - - DONNA JONES

DECEMBER 4TH - - SANDY O'HALLORAN



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

RICHARD & NANETTE CHUCK

DAVID & MICI RYBERG

REPAIRS & RESTORATIONS

*DIANE BURNS HAS BEEN
SENT A SYMPATHY CARD*

IN MEMORIAM

FRANK BURNS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

SEE INCLUDED FORM

THE RUNNING BOARD

DATES OF IMPORTANCE

JANUARY 11TH

**SHOP DAY AT ANDY'S GARAGE
STARTS AT 9:00 AM**

JUNE 11TH - 13TH

**35TH ANNIVERSARY OVERNIGHTER
STAY TUNED FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

OCTOBER 16TH - 19TH

**THE LAST ROUNDUP TOUR
SEE INCLUDED FLYER FOR DETAILS**



ABOVE: OUR TOYS 4 TOTS DELIVERY RUN

BELOW: OUR DECEMBER 2024 FLASH TOUR



2024 CHRISTMAS DINNER



WANTED

DEAD OR ALIVE

Model T Ford Club of San Diego

Extends an invitation to the Model T and Horseless Carriage Clubs

Come join the Cattle Drivers of the Model T Ford Club of San Diego for a

Best Bib and Tucker event this side of Tombstone

THE LAST ROUNDUP TOUR

Thursday, Oct. 16 to Sunday, Oct. 19, 2025

Have Wheels Will Travel reads the card of a man

Driving a car without curtains in a savage land

His speed of 40 heeds the calling wind

He has a bee in his bonnet and is gallopin'

Nowhere is there a man so brave

As the spokesman for Burma Shave

REWARD

Tour details on next page...



A Cattle Drover is a free and untrammled citizen of the prairie, who has no means to speak of, wears chaps and spurs and may carry a lariat, talks as he/she pleases, drinks whiskey when he/she gets it, and fires off his/her revolver on a whim. Pretty much describes Kirby Pray, don't you think?

The event will begin with a Thursday afternoon, October 16, 2025 arrival and check-in at the Pala Mesa Resort (2001 Old Hwy 395, Fallbrook, Ca. (760-728-5881)). **A Boot Scootin' Ice Breaker around the Rusty Water Bar will occur at 5:00PM in the parking lot.** The fun filled three-day tour will begin on Friday, Oct 17 with a tour of the picturesque southern coast of California from Oceanside to Del Mar (or further if you like). Linking a string of charming beach communities, Historic Highway 101 hugs the Pacific Ocean and offers a taste of California's surf culture that can't be duplicated anywhere in the world.

Day two will feature a road rally/tour. It is not a race and the directions will be clear. The intent is not to get you Cattle Drivers lost but to stimulate your creative juices as you progress along the trail. You will be presented with questions about the surroundings you encounter. Yes, it is a competitive event with valuable and highly coveted prizes awarded to the top three finishers so a navigator with a clipboard is strongly recommended. Cars will depart in 2-minute intervals. Incremental departures are meant to keep participants from playing "follow the leader!" Yeah, like that is going to work!! The rally will culminate with an opportunity to visit Old Town Temecula followed by a BBQ at John and Karen Pepe's Ponderosa.

Day three will consist of a tour to the Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum in Vista where you will participate in the October Engine and Tractor Festival. Entry is free for your car, driver and one passenger.

Evening festivities will include watching John Chapman demonstrate his prowess on a mechanical bull, Julie Cosner performing her repertoire of Dolly Parton Gospel songs with Diane MacPherson and Susan Murdock providing backup, and John Pepe demonstrating his latest interpretive dance routine to the music of Buck Owens. Crackin' myself up here!!



October is a busy month for the Temecula area with many weddings and wine tasting events occurring in the community so get a wiggle on and make a grubstake at the Pala Mesa hotel. Oh, and Pony Express your registration. Giddy-up!

MTFCSD extends an invitation to the Model T and Horseless Carriage Clubs for



The Last Roundup Tour



October 16-19, 2025

Check-in for tour on October 16 at Pala Mesa Resort—2001 Old Hwy 395, Fallbrook, CA
Ice Breaker social at 5 p.m.

(It's a busy season for weddings and wine tasting, so get a wiggle on and make a grubstake ASAP.)
(760)728-5881—www.palamesa.com. *Tour is limited to 50 cars. Indicate you are a participant in "The Last Roundup Tour" and use the Code: TLRU25.*

Please print clearly using ink. Include an email address for updated tour info.

Driver Name _____ Passenger _____

Mailing Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Email: _____ **Cell Phone for tour and roster:** _____

List names of all other passengers including children and their ages:

Guest/passenger address (if different): _____

Tour registration fee to be determined at a later date and will be due Sept 1, 2025.

Provide \$50.00 deposit to secure your place on the roster.

Make checks payable to: MTFC-SD.



Mail to: Ron Lambrecht, 3430 Valley Vista Road, Bonita, CA 91902

Driver's membership, fill in group name of all that apply:

Model T Regional _____ HCCA Regional _____

National # _____ National # _____

Insurance Co.: _____

Policy #: _____ Exp Date: _____

Your Tow Service: _____

Tour refunds less deposit available until Sept 1, 2025. If tour reservations max out early, you will be placed on a waiting list and added if there is an opening. If we cannot guarantee you a spot on the tour, all payments including deposit will be refunded.

Car Information: I am bringing a 19 _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

In consideration of my participation in **The Last Roundup Tour**, I do hereby release and hold harmless the Model T Ford Club of America and the Model T Ford Club of San Diego, MTFCSD officers, staff, committee, and/or volunteers and agents of any liability arising out of said events, including tours, trouble truck towing, and any other activities scheduled for the tour.

Print Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____



REMTC Renewal and Roster Information

Dues of \$30 (single/couple at the same address) are due by January 1st and delinquent February 1st

NEW MEMBERS BE SURE YOU HAVE SENT IN A PHOTO of your face (not your Model T) & (No sunglasses please) to jrgplg@aol.com

Youth/Student (under 18 years or full-time student) are Free. Honorary (Charter members over the age of 85 years) are Free

Business Cards Ads are \$25. Advertisement runs from January to January in the Pedal Pusher newsletter

Please make your check payable to REMTC

Mail to: 8565 Oak Circle

Cotati, CA 94931

Name: _____

Spouse or Partner Name: _____

Address: _____ City & State: _____ Zip: _____

His Cell Phone: _____ Her Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birthday (Month and Day - NOT Year) Your: _____ Partner: _____

Anniversary Month /Day _____

Would you like to receive your Newsletter by mail: or Email? (Circle one)

Model T (s) owned: FILL OUT COMPLETELY, mark if "no changes". Year Body Style/Color

Our members are encouraged to join the National Model T Ford Club of America (MTFCA) because Redwood Empire Model T Club's (REMTC) affiliation with the National club requires at least 51% member participation. Membership in MTFCA includes the Vintage Ford magazine which lists national tours, and Model T information. Model T Ford Club of America (MTFCA) Membership # _____

MTFCA Renewal Date: _____

(your MTFCA membership number is on the renewal card of the Vintage Ford magazine and it's in the Roster) Please include this information sheet with your payment.

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