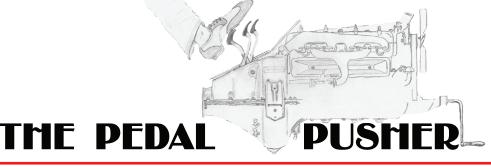


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#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

I sit here and I'm not sure writers block is a strong enough term for what I go through every month. I think of profound and inspirational topics for the President's message and forget them as quickly. So, I'll stick with the classics. It's time to tour. The air is warm and the sun is bright. The county has been spending money on a lot of the roads we use. We need to give Steve and Dave a hand with the tour planning so we can get as much quality time with our Ts as we can.

In other news, we are going to start planning for our club's 35 th Anniversary next year. To get as much participation as we can we will be holding our first overnighter staycation. Instead of heading off for an overnighter we will stay here, and have 4 days of touring with all the trimmings of an overnighter. Anyone wanting to help plan this extravaganza, contact myself or Steve Vining.

See you on the Road.

~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.

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

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

## Redwood Empire Model T Club General Meeting Minutes

Round Table Pizza, Marlow Road, Santa Rosa, California

May 2nd, 2024

**President:** Andy Clary called this meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Attendance: 28 Members in attendance. All Board members and Chairpersons were in attendance.

**Secretary's Report:** Jeannine Clary read the secretary's report with two corrections, the new members are Clinton & Carson Combs, and John Girman spoke with a scholarship individual from the V-8 club. Approvals by Steve Cavalli & Dianna Shimkowski. Jeannine also announced this month's birthdays and anniversaries.

**Treasurer's Report:** Patty Girman read the treasury report, with approvals by Jean Chirhart and Sandy O'Halloran.

**Tour Report:** Dave Ryberg reported on our up-and-coming tours and events: May 4th Swap-O-Rama, May 11th Clary/McCallister Tour, June 1st is the Forestville Parade, June 16-20th National Tour, July 4th Kenwood Parade, July 13th Cooker Tour, August 17 is a tour by Mike & Jean Chirhart, September 11 -15th is our Club Overnighter. Thank you to Jimmy & Tracy for our Drive a Lizzy Day event and Steve & Jeanne Nelson for our Pancake Breakfast event.

**Sunshine Report:** Dianna Shimkowski reported that we have no new sunshine to report and our members are good this month. Dianna noted that Joan Gregoire started her treatments recently.

Scholarship Report: John Girman reported that he has not been able to get in touch with his contact yet.

Editor's Report: Cyrus Estes reported that we mailed out 18 copies of our newsletter with no issues.

**Membership Report:** Ted Shimkowski reported no new updates.

**Webmaster Report:** Steve Vining reported that there have been changes to our website, and to check out the event page.

**Historian Report:** Jeanne Nelson noted that she misses Ted's photos.

Old Business: No old business.

**New Business:** Tim McCallister brought up the Peggy Sue Car Show on June 8th, and asked if our club would be interested in displaying some of our cars. Give Tim a call if you are interested.

**Model T Moments:** Jeanne Nelson reported that her Model T is not road worthy yet. It had a water shower issue with a hole in the exhaust port. Jimmy Long got his Model T Truck running. Dave took his car out for the 1st time with a goal of having more work completed by September. Dodge got one of his cars running. Andy got the body on his Speedster. Dodge told his story of the lost Model T key.

John Avakian is selling his '14 Touring. Con Faraudo is selling his Model T Cars. If you are interested, please call these members.

Dessert of Cheese Cake with Strawberries and Chocolate Oatmeal Cookies provided by Therese & Tim McCallister.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:38 PM

Respectfully submitted by Jeannine Clary, REMTC Secretary



## June Birthdays

Mal Brown CON FARAUDO Joan Gregoire GEORGE JONES **BOB JONES** DALE MORRISON VINCE O'BRIEN MARGIE PAPPAKOSTAS RICH RANDOLPH Maureen Riedy BOB SALOMON DIANNA SHIMKOWSKI WILLIAM ROTHMAN JOHN BERIZZI STELLA DUNNE JONI STONEBERG

# June Anniversaries

FRED & NANCY BYL
TED & TIPPI GROSMAN
BILL & JEANETTE HARM
DAN & MARY MCEACHERN
DALE & BARBARA MORRISON
JIM & MARGIE PAPPAKOSTAS
STEVE & CINDY VINING
HARRY & KAREN

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

Please submit it to me by 6/26/2024 if possible

Thanks from your editor, Cyrus

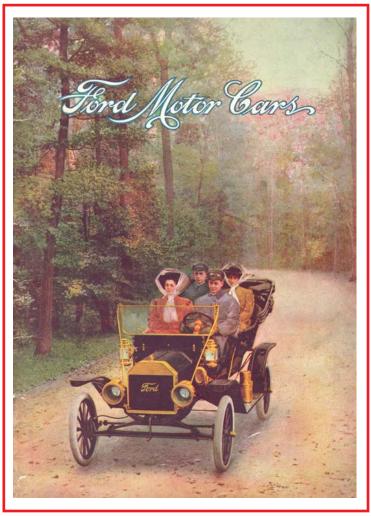
## 2024 General Meeting Desserts

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 2nd....Tim/Teresa McCallister
June 6th...Pam Johnson
July 4th No Meeting
August 1st....Patty Girman
September 5th...Dave and Mici Ryberg
October 3rd.....Cindy Vining
November 7th....Sebastian Ambra

DECEMBER 5TH.....STEVE CAVALLI



## The Running Board

### June

#### 1st - Forestville Parade

Meeting at Carrs Drive-In at 9am for the 10am parade, to open the annual Forestville Youth Park BBQ. As in the past, they have asked that a couple of Touring cars carry the "Citizen of the Year" and "Grand Marshal"

#### 15th - June Tour

Tentatively going to Sturgeons Mill. Flyer to follow with details.

#### 16th-20th - MTFCA National Tour

See your magazine or the MTFCA website for more information.

#### 22nd - June Shop Day

Hosted in Andy's garage, starts at 9 am.

### July

#### 4th - Kenwood Parade

See Steve Vining/Dave Ryberg for further information.

#### 6th - Penngrove Power and Implement Museum

We have a standing invitation to show car at this event. See Steve Vining for further information.

#### 13th - Cooker Tour

Stay tuned for further information

### August

17th - August Tour by Mike & Jean Chirhart
Stay tuned for details.

### September

#### 11th-15th - Overnighter Tour

In Virginia City, Nevada, and surrounding areas Details are tentative, stay tuned for further information.

## Drive a Lizzy Day & Long's BBQ

Article by Cyrus Estes, photo by James Harris



Everyone started gathering in the Empire College parking lot at roughly 9am on Sunday, April 28th. Pleasant weather set a positive tone, made even more enjoyable by a breakfast of donuts and coffee. After a short while, the idle chit chat made way for the main event of the morning. Several members gave demonstrations on how a Ford Model T is started, operated, and driven. Not long after, the parking lot was decorated by the old cars puttering around. Steve Vining allowed me to get behind the wheel of his T, which was the first time I had driven one of these cars. There was a learning curve, but overall it was easy to learn (though difficult to master, perhaps). After many crash-free laps around the lot, everyone started to gather back at the parking spots, before starting to depart around 10:30am.

The day was not over, however, as the Longs were to host a BBQ and photo-op at their home. Model T's rolled in one-by-one, lining up in front of the caboose on their property (see the cover & photo above).

The meal the Longs worked up did not disappoint; with multiple varieties of BBQ chicken, rolls, a selection of salads, and multiple side-items and beverages. Before and after the meal, members were invited around the Long's Rancho Costa Lotta to tour the hangar and garage, both housing a wide array of memorabilia. Many unique, interesting, and uncommon items and decorations adorned the walls, and some were even suspended from the ceiling. Jimmy was happy to answer our questions and give back stories on the display they had carefully put together.

After a dessert of pie, cake, and scones, the club members began to head their separate ways. With over 20 members in attendance, I'm sure I'm not alone in wanting to thank the Longs for putting on such a nice event.

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... Henry Ford



