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The Monthly Newsletter of Queen City Model A Club, Charlotte NC

Dedicated to the Restoration and Preservation of the Model A Ford and we like to drive them too.

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December, 2023

The Prez Sez,

They say time flies when you are having fun. Well, the last three years have flown by as I served as Vice President, Vice President again but acting President and the third year as President. I'll admit, I had fun but look forward to handing over the job to the capable hands of Troy and the other new officers. I know they need your support too. I hope to see you all at the Christmas party where we will pass the gavel. We have a new 2024 proposed scheduled in this newsletter and a board planning meeting is scheduled before the end of December.

December 11 is the date of the Christmas Dinner at John's Restuarant. Please note details on the Schedule sheet of this newsletter, especially the requirement that reservations to Troy be made. You will also need to bring one White Elephant gift (one per couple attending).

December 9th is the date for the annual Harvey Hood Memorial Christmas Parade. A group will depart Jim Townsend's shop at 9 am or you may wish to form your own group or drive directly to Richburg, SC for the first parade. Arrive there by 10 for the start of the parade at 11. We will then go to a different restaurant, The Front Porch on Hwy 5 near Richburg for lunch before departing for the Fort Lawn parade starting at 2 pm. Bring plenty of candy for the kids and decorate your car for the season.

See you down the road,

Kalei



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2023-24 QCMAC Event Calendar

December

9th Harvey Hood Memorial Parade Tour

9th Denver Parade

11th Christmas Meeting
John's Restaurant- 6 pm

Meeting place addresses

Golden Corral – 11025 E Independence Blvd., Matthews, NC
 John's Restaurant – 2002 Westinghouse Blvd, Charlotte, NC
 Sports Page – 8400 Bellhaven Blvd., Charlotte, NC
 Showmars – 7260 Hwy 73, Unit 119, Denver, NC 28037

QCMAC 2024 Calendar

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January</u></p> <p>11th Key West Tour Meeting @ Sports Page 6:00 pm 13th Saturday General Meeting/mini-tour @ Host -</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>February</u></p> <p>8th Key West Tour Meeting @ Sports Page 6:00 pm 17th Saturday General Meeting/mini-tour @ Host -</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>March</u></p> <p>16th Blow the Cobwebs Out Tour Host Troy 18th General Meeting @ Host</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>April</u></p> <p>4th-7th Charlotte Auto Fair 14th QCMAC Car Show @ White Home Host – Jim and Rhea 15th General Meeting @ Host -</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>May</u></p> <p>4th – 5th Mystery Tour? Host – 18th Landsford Canal Tour Host – Glen and Carrie 20th General Meeting @ Host –</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>June</u></p> <p>1st-2nd Augusta Ga Tour Host 1st-14th Key West Tour Host Troy and Kalei 17th General Meeting @ Host -</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>July</u></p> <p>15th-19th Marc National Meet in Asheville 15th General Meeting @ Marc National Meet. Host -</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>August</u></p> <p>19th General Meeting @ Host 30th- Sept 1st Mountain Tour? Host - -</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>September</u></p> <p>16th General Meeting @ Host – ??th Murray Mill Host -</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>October</u></p> <p>21st General Meeting @ Host – ??th - ??th Beach Tour? Host -</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>November</u></p> <p>9th Veterans Day Tour Host – 16th Saturday General Meeting/mini-tour @ Host -</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>December</u></p> <p>7th Harvey Hood Memorial Christmas Parade Tour 7th Denver NC Parade 9th Christmas Party @ Johns Restaurant</p>

Notes:

Time changes Sunday March 10th and Sunday November 3rd

Saturday general meetings during Jan, Feb and Nov to help improving attendance and the opportunity to get our cars out



Will be on December 11 at John's Restuarant at 6:30 pm. Cost except for alcohol will be by QCMAC. White Elephant gift one per couple. Reservations required by calling or texting Troy Dalsing. 704/956-4964 by December 4th.

Meeting Minutes by Carrie Swann

The monthly meeting for QCMAC for November 20th, 2023 was held at Showmars, Denver, NC. Host/Hostess was Bruce & Jane Hyland. Kalei Unea opened the meeting at 7:00pm. The blessing was asked by Glenn Swann. There were 23 members that attended. Dispensing of reading the Treasures Report and Minutes for September was so motioned by Carrie Swann and seconded by Jane Fisher and passed by members present.

Committee Reports:

Membership – John Haack three new members for a total of 54
Cloud & Rainbows – Berths Haack – Jo Anne Bryant had back surgery and has Bronchitis. Keep Joanne in your prayers.

Christmas Party at John's Restaurant, Westinghouse Blvd., Charlotte, NC December 11th. 6pm – 9pm. White Elephant Gifts – 1 per couple, 1 per single. Cost is up to the giver. Send Troy Dalsing your required RSVP.

Veterans Parades were well attended. The City of Charlotte is interested to have QCMAC be part of next years parade.

National Meet for 2024 will be held in Asheville, NC., July 14th-18th. This meet will be great it is so close to Charlotte. It has been suggested to register **ASAP**, maybe arrive on Sunday 13th and check out Friday 19th, to enjoy the Banquet and avoid the crowds.

Key West Tour 2024 -June 1st the tour departs and will return 2 weeks later. Meeting are being held with interested participants to arrange the route, destinations, side trips, lodging etc. There will be some mini tours (Charlotte to Augusta) to get ready for the big tour. Members can do a mini tour if you can't go to Key West. Contact Troy to get more info.

Officers for 2024 were voted and the official Ballot results –

Troy Dalsing – President
Brad Fisher – Vice President
John Haack – Treasure
Carrie Swann – Secretary

Wife: Can you stop yawning when I'm talking to you?

Husband: I'm not yawning, I'm trying to say something!

Everybody talks about leaving a better planet for our children.

Why doesn't anyone try to leave better children for our planet?

Editor's Page

By Jim Townsend

With the coming of Christmas, I have so many good memories of the past. Many of those are of my excitement as a child to see what was under the tree for me and my brother. That was in the early to late 40's and truth be told, there wasn't much due to the war but what was there was special to me. Then there are the memories of my children's Christmas mornings and how I imposed on them that I had to be at the tree first so I could take movies of their faces when discovering their treasures. I might add that the family was not in favor of my restrictions. While those good memories are enjoyed, let's not forget that Christmas is the birthday of our savior, Jesus Christ. He is the one who gave us forgiveness, the best gift of all. So, in his memory, let's try to bring joy into the lives of others even if it is just a smile or a hug or a meaningful act of acceptance. Be kind to all. Merry Christmas!

I also wish to encourage all members to consider being more active in QCMAC events. We have a core of members who have become close friends through sharing time on tours or at meetings or just in my shop. We have other members who will likely not come to the Christmas party even though the club will be paying the bill. Those of us who work and play together get more out of our relations than the effort we put into being active. Think about it and read these newsletters showing what we are doing.

Speaking of the newsletter, I enjoy putting it together although at my advancing age, I'll admit that it is getting more challenging. I thank all who help by planning and leading activities and furnishing information and pictures. We should be thinking about who will be the next to support the club by taking on the Editor's job. Don't shy away from taking a leadership role. It is work but fun and the club needs you.



Clouds and Sunshine

Keep the members below in your special prayers

Danny Foster as he does treatment for his shoulder

Dave Frintner and Dawn. Dave's health has deteriorated to the point that he has been moved into Hospice care.

Carl Adams as his parkinson's disease limits his mobility.

Wayne and Barbara Helderman both with health problems.

Ron and JoAnn Bryant both with health problems.

Jim Townsend as he has been diagnosed with the return of his metastatic Melanoma and has begun infusions of a drug to build his immune system. It may be a year before the results are known.



**We'd most certainly
like to wish You
a very Happy Birthday!**

November Birthdays

Glenda Jackson	12-1
Marty goldfarb	12-17
Kevin Heimbaugh	12-19
Nancy Gustafson	12-20
Geoff Leek	12-22
Kathie Peterson	12-26
Wayne Helderman	12-28

Club Finances by John Haack

November 2023 Review of QCMAC Checkbook

Beginning Balance as of November 1, 2023		\$6,016.67
Income:		
November 50/50		\$50.00
2 new members		\$50.00
Dues Renewals 23 x 25		\$575.00
Total:		\$6,691.67
Expenses:		
No Expenses in November		
Ending Balance as of November 30, 2023		\$6,691.67

Please be reminded that bylaws of QCMAC state that dues are to be paid by December 31 of each year. Members who fail to make payment on time will be removed from the roster until payment is made.

Christmas Legends

THERE is no holiday in the whole year around which so many traditions and legends cluster as Christmas. But, while Christmas, St. Nicholas, Santa Claus, are happily discussed for weeks by every child in Christendom, and while every family is anticipating the Christmas tree, the hanging of stockings, decorations of holly and greenery, putting a candle in the window and burning a Yule log, few children know the origin of these customs.

The smallest child knows that Christmas is celebrated as the birthday of Christ. Yet there is not historical record that December 25 was the actual date of the birth of Christ. Historians and astronomers agree that it was about the time of the winter solstice when the days were the shortest in the year — near December 21. The early Christmas celebrations were not confined to one day. There was rejoicing from December 16 to January 6. The latter date is now known as Twelfth-night.

It was not until the reign of the Christian emperor,

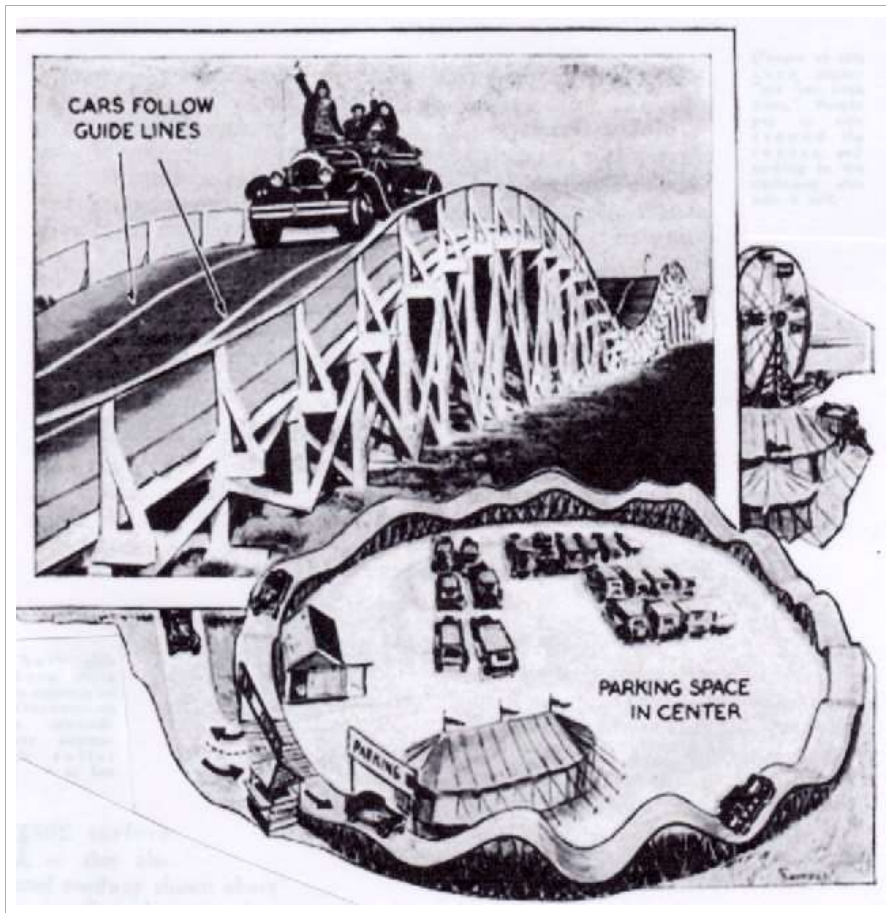
Constantine, in the fourth century, that the observance of Christmas became an established custom, since the early Christians considered the observance of birthdays a pagan custom. The exchange of Christmas gifts has come gradually a beautiful, unselfish custom in commemoration of the greatest gift of all time to the world — the Christ Child. The giving of gifts also has a religious significance grounded on the act of the Persian Magi in laying gold, frankincense, and myrrh before the Babe in the manger.



- *Farm Journal*, December 1925

Auto Roller Coasters

Adapted from Sullivan's Trail News by Jim Townsend



Want a thrill? How about riding your Model A on the 1929 Whoopee Auto Coaster?

The Coaster Construction Company of Chicago, IL constructed its first Whoopee Auto Coaster on a farmer's field in Northlake, IL Shortly afterward, the Company also built two other coasters in Los Angeles, and in Seattle.

The Los Angeles roller coaster was constructed of wooden planks, banked turns, 5-10 foot hills and stretched for 2243 feet. You would pay ten cents for a one-trip ticket allowing you to drive your auto around the track, following guidelines placed on the wood for cars to follow. \

A railing was erected around the edges of the track to keep cars on course, and there was room to pass another vehicle if you had to. There was also a speed limit on the track as to

how fast you were supposed to drive around the course. Once you were done with your driving experience, you could then park in the middle of the automotive roller coaster if you wanted to for an additional fee.

All of the "tracks were built in the summer of 1929 and opened for business in September when the stock market and the Dow Jones Industrial Average had peaked. It seemed a good idea at first. Car ownership had boomed throughout the twenties. Yet, after a couple of weeks of operation, the novelty of the Whoopee Coaster wore off. Hence, it was necessary to stimulate patronage by giving two or more rides around the track for a single admission. After the October market crash, drivers became much more cautious about their car wear and tear. It was a one-season wonder. By mid-1930, all of the "Coasters" were closed for good.

Along with fads like wing-walking, pilgrimages to hot springs, bi-plane air races, daring record-setting flights, eating and dance competitions gum-chewing marathons, the Whoopee roller coaster's short-lived fad didn't survive.



Club Member Wins Award



Jerry and Ann Widner took their 1930 Model A Town Sedan to the prestigious Hilton Head island Motoring Festival & Concours, November 4th and 5th, 2023. His narrative follows.

The judges were very thorough indeed. They were dressed in khakis with white button up shirts, and blue jackets. Went over the entire car, to include underneath. After the judging, a few hours had passed and then we saw judges as well as our event host walking toward us. We were the last car along the 18th fairway, right up against the tee box to be exact: so as far away as you can get from the grand stand. They came over to us and handed me this “Orange – Special Award” ...told me:

It was such a beautiful and well done restoration that had been preserved in a glass case by the original family. The passion that had gone into the restoration as well as mine and Ann's passion

to continue to preserve and share was the true definition of “the spirit of the Hobby”. I was honestly in tears when the judges approached us with this presentation. We were then paraded in front of everyone... everyone waving and applauding, filming us. It was too much; very humbling! Ann and I were completely shocked and to be honest, we were just happy to be there. There were 210 registered vehicles for the Concours Event from literally all over the US and Canada represented.



The award won was the AACA Spirit of the Hobby Award. Congratulations to the Widners! They deserve it. They were busy right up until show time making repairs and shining her up. Less than a week before the show, Jerry had the front end off replacing the radiator which had developed multiple leaks.

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<p>KEYSTONE SLIDE FASTENER CLOUSE ALL WOOL HOUSE FLANNED SKIRT</p> <p>\$1.00 \$1.98</p> <p>6 C 840—Blouse of Artistic type with an "empire" or collar pocket, pretty sleeves, beautiful tailoring. Colors: White or Pink. Sizes: 32 to 40 bust. Postage free. \$1.00</p> <p>6 C 852—Crawford Skirt of soft grade, smooth, wear resistant, with all wool. The fit gives it a circular appearance. Two pockets. Low elastic fastening. Colors: Colored (dark gray), Navy or Brown. 26 to 32 waist. Postage 11c. \$1.98</p>	<p>RAYON TO WOOD SILK FLANNED BLOUSE SKIRT</p> <p>\$1.39 \$1.19</p> <p>6 C 848—Blouse—mistake rich looking Rayon. Mistake Diagonal, shirring, pocket collar. Full sleeves and a "dressesmaker" finish. Colors: White, Navy or Brown. 32 to 40 bust. Postage 11c. \$1.29</p> <p>6 C 854—A new and interesting trimming detail on the skirt—rows and rows of stitching. Sizes: 26 to 34 waist. Postage 11c. \$1.98</p> <p>6 C 856—All Wool Flannel Navy, Brown, White. \$1.79</p> <p>6 C 857—Half Wool Flannel, Navy or Brown. \$1.19</p>	<p>SILK MEN'S WEAR SILK SUITING BLOUSE SKIRT</p> <p>\$1.98 \$1.98</p> <p>6 C 858—Blouse. Imagine how pretty your look in this Wedgwood silk. Crisp back with button. Curved shirring at yoke, with self bow, ruffled sleeves. Colors: Ivory White, Pink or Yellow. Sizes: 32 to 40 bust. Postage 11c. \$1.98</p> <p>6 C 859—Skirt. Practical, with clever looking pockets and stitching trim. Fabric is a new wear cloth, 80% Wool, with Rayon. Colors: Red and Gray or Brown. Sizes: 26 to 34 waist, 26 to 32 waist. Postage 11c. \$1.98</p>	<p>CORDUROY SUIT JACKET AND SKIRT —both for only</p> <p>\$2.98</p> <p>A suit you'll really love! Newish in style, and in glowing colors, you can wear it anywhere—on the street, in the bus, in the park, anywhere. In the company of the with the action back jacket truly tailored and belted, straight-line skirt.</p> <p>6 C 860—Colors: Red (par- ticularly rich looking in corduroy), also Light Navy or Hunter Green. Sizes: 34 to 36 to 38 to 40 bust. Waist size and color. Post- age 11c. \$2.98</p>	<p>ALL WOOL "SNOWFLAKE" JACKET</p> <p>\$2.98</p> <p>6 C 870—Jacket. An smart in style and rich in New fall showing, with collar, patch pockets. Work with silk lin- ings. Colors: Navy or Green. Brown or Navy. 32 to 40 bust. Postage 11c. \$2.98</p> <p>6 C 872—Skirt. One of the most beautiful made in the world. All Wool, with the pleated at the waist, the color as jacket above. Tailored on skin, straight lines. Colors: Green, Brown or Navy. Sizes: 26 to 34 waist. Postage 11c. \$1.98</p>
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6 C 859—Colors:
Green, Green or
White or Navy.
Sizes: 26 to 32
waist. Also size
and color. Post-
age 11c. **\$1.00**



Henry the Farmboy

Compiled by Danny Enos, Cuesta Crankers Model A Club, San Luis Obispo, CA

Henry the Farmboy (part 5)

In our last installment Henry was introduced to three things. The trials and tribulations of the free market and finance, Clara Bryant - whom he married, and the four stroke internal combustion engine. During a visit to Detroit where he viewed the Germans Otto and Daimler's internal combustion engine. He became convinced that he could make a self propelled vehicle himself with such an engine. But these engines required electricity for ignition, and in working with steam engines he had not yet learned enough about electrical power.

So now it's September, 1891, and after scouting around Detroit, Henry was offered a job at a substation of the Edison Illuminating Company as a mechanical engineer. At a wage of \$45 per month, it was a good job indeed. Henry had not discussed this with Clara ahead of time and basically sprang the idea of leaving their eighty acres in Dearborn for Detroit on her suddenly. If Clara was willing, they would move right away and Henry would start work.

But Clara was horrified. It meant uprooting and moving to Detroit. Her sister-in-law, Margaret Ford Ruddiman recounted, it "almost broke her heart". She loved the little house she had designed, and together they had built. She had family and friends there, and never had a reason to think that they would leave the eighty acres that Henry had cleared.

Henry, however, saw no reason to stay out in the country. And moving to Detroit didn't seem like such a big thing to him. He had been there often and apprenticed there. It just didn't seem complicated to him. And it didn't mean that he had to give up his land either. He simply had become interested in a new, more sophisticated type of machine, which he could only really learn about by moving into town. And besides, as he said later, "The timber had all been cut."

Shortly after moving to Detroit and going to work for Edison Illuminating Company, Henry realized that operating a power station was largely a matter of making sure that the machines were properly set up. After that they largely took care of themselves with routine maintenance. This was right up his alley. He developed a reputation for running a trouble free shop. He had a great knack for simplifying things that could have been complicated. In one instance he devised a boring bar that greatly eased the chore of boring out clogged cylinders and reduced costs considerably. The Edison Company rewarded him not only with wages and promotions, but with a certain amount of freedom as well.

Henry took over some space at the power station as a private workshop and began conducting mechanical experiments. It was here that his friend Frederick Strauss from Flower Brothers caught up with him. Mr. Strauss related, "Other fellows would come sit in there. Henry had a little lathe and an idea of making a little gasoline engine out of scrap. We didn't work every night. Sometimes we would just joke away. Sometimes we would work and sometimes not. It took us about six weeks to get this little engine built. Saturday nights we had quite a crowd. Henry had some sort of a magnet. He could draw people to him. That was a funny thing about him. We had an awful time with the ignition..."

Henry Ford liked to tell the tale of how he took the ignition problem home with him to their place at 58 Bagley Avenue in Detroit. It was Christmas Eve and Clara's folks were due in from Greenfield the next day when Henry walked into the house with the little engine he had built. It had a crude spark plug which he connected to the home's electrical wiring. This had to be a two man operation so he persuaded Clara to drip gasoline into the fuel intake and turn a valve while Henry spun the flywheel.

Apparently Clara did not complain - or at least totally object. **Henry clamped his new homemade engine to the edge of the sink and asked Clara for some help in starting it.** Then, right there in the kitchen, Clara dripped fuel into the intake and adjusted the valve while Henry turned the flywheel. The engine did not fire on the first attempt. Then, with a slight adjustment, another spin, and another drip of gasoline the engine belched to life shooting flames and smoke from its exhaust.

Through all this Henry did not take Clara's patience for granted. He reflected on his good fortune in having a wife so docile and uncomplaining and titled her "The Believer". She had given up her beloved house in the country for the dirt and noise of Detroit, and had left her family friends. Then, on Christmas Eve, 1893, she found herself helping her husband fire off his latest project. And all of this with a six week old baby in the next room. We'll learn about the baby next time.

**A poor man is not
the one without a cent
A poor man is the one
without a dream**
Henry Ford



Miller Reese Hutchison 1876 - 1944

The Ahooguh Origin by Tom Endy

The Ahooguh horn, also known as a Klaxon horn, was developed and patented by Miller Reese Hutchison, an inventor of the early 20th century. Hutch, as he was known, patented the mechanism in 1908. The Lovell McConnell Manufacturing Company of Newark, New Jersey bought the rights to manufacture the device and it later became standard equipment on motor cars. Franklyn Hallett Lovell Jr., the company founder, coined the name klaxon from the Ancient Greek verb klazō, meaning shriek.

Klaxon horns produce an easily identifiable sound, often described in English as "ahooguh". Like most mechanical horns, the klaxon has largely been replaced by solid state electronic devices, though the memorable tone has persisted on in classic cars of the era. Klaxon later became a brand name. The Klaxon horn was used on U.S. submarines during WWII. The Klaxon horn's characteristic sound is produced by a spring steel diaphragm with a rivet in the center that is repeatedly struck by the teeth of a rotating cogwheel. The diaphragm is attached to a horn that acts as an acoustic transformer and controls the direction of the sound. In the first Klaxons, the wheel was driven either by hand or by an electric motor. Hutchison went to work for Thomas Edison in 1909, and was the chief engineer for Edison from 1912 to 1918. The ahooguh sound is usually heard today when a Model A Ford goes rolling down the road.

Tech Tip - Maybe It's the Condenser

By Jim Townsend

You are out on a nice day on tour or just driving for the fun of it. All of a sudden, your car backfires and begins running rough rather than the purring you enjoy. Frustrated, you are not sure what might be the problem. Others on tour get under the hood before you can get there and someone always says, "Maybe it is the condenser". Then someone else says "How can you tell?"

The course of action usually is to remove the condenser from the very hot engine compartment and just try to replace it with another one while not getting burned. Or, as an alternative, the whole distributor could be replaced while still trying not to get burned. Neither job is a simple one on the side of the road while the engine is hot.

A simple way of isolating the problem to the electrical side of the engine is to remove the distributor cap, body and rotor. Make sure the points are closed. Turn the ignition switch on and place the coil wire about one-half inch from any convenient ground on the engine. Push points open with a screwdriver and then close them. There should be a spark that jumps the gap from the coil wire to ground. It should be a blue strong spark. If the spark is weak and yellow, you could have a bad condenser or a weak coil, but most likely a bad condenser. When in doubt, throw any used condensers away. Saving them only leads to replacing bad parts with bad parts. But also be aware that something as simple as a loose wire in the distributor could be the fault. That is why I carry an engine tested distributor in my spare parts.

If you don't know what a strong spark looks like, why not try this test while your Model A is running great. Then you will be able to recognize a good spark when you see one.

While the above should help you diagnose the problem, a fuel problem can also be a possible cause of rough running. In this case, you would have witnessed a strong spark indicating that the problem is not likely electrical. I carry a spare carburetor in the event of trash stopping up the jets in the carb.



**AS I WATCHED THE DOG
CHASING HIS TAIL,
I THOUGHT DOGS ARE
EASILY AMUSED.
THEN I REALIZED I WAS
WATCHING THE DOG CHASE
HIS TAIL.**

MARC Mileage Program

Some QCMAC members have participated in the Mileage Program for a number of years receiving radiator badges recognizing accumulated mileages of 2000, 5000, 10000 etc. It is a simple program in which to participate. Fill in the form below, put one dollar with it and give or send it to our coordinator, Frank Gerosa, 113 Bridgeport Dr, Mooresville, NC 28117.

The only follow up is to report to Frank your odometer reading every January 1st. No additional fees, no cost for award plaques. What is keeping you from joining in on this program?

MARC MILEAGE PROGRAM REGISTRATION			
* Last Name of Owner		* First Name of Owner	
* Region Name		* State	
PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY (* Denotes Required Information)			
MEMBER INFORMATION		VEHICLE INFORMATION	
* Address		Veh. ID No. (Engine, Frame etc.)	
* City		* Model Year	
* State		* Body Style	
* ZIP		Body Style No.	
Telephone ()		* Odometer Start	
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* MARC Membership No.			
I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS REGISTRATION CONSTITUTES A PERMANENT FILE ON THE DESCRIBED VEHICLE FOR THE MARC MILEAGE PROGRAM AND OTHER MARC AWARDS. I CERTIFY THAT THE OWNERSHIP DATA AND VEHICLE INFORMATION ARE CORRECT.		Comments	
PLEASE KEEP ALL REGISTRATION INFORMATION UP TO DATE.			
Date	Signature of Owner		
Date	Signature of Mileage Coordinator		

MARC FORM A-2013



from MAFC of South Australia

Recent Happenings



George Banks was experiencing poor engine performance and backfiring, driving it until the nice '29 Tudor stopped all together. He found that AAA would haul ti to my shop at no additional charge so had it delivered. We discovered pitted points and replaced them plus the condenser, reset timing and it ran well. After a test drive, George drove it home.

Although not a QCMAC club member, Walter Hardin, the owner of the Anderson Motor Car in my shop, has a new project. He has a picture of an Anderson Roadster specially built for a great aunt. So he and fellow family member bought a Kissel Car frame similar to the Anderson Frame and have begun a project to reproduce the special coupe. He has many Anderson parts including the radiator seen here and the engine.



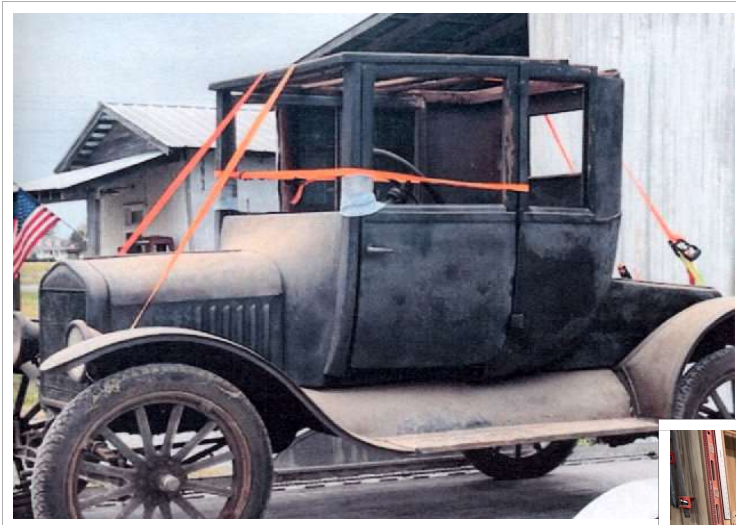
Member Don Houser is building a 24 X 32 garage with a 12 foot ceiling. Several members including Kalei Unea, Danny Phillips, Rhea Faris, Troy Dalsing joined in to lift the walls in place. Don almost single handedly has done the framing and block work. Member Russ Winters here is furnishing a boom truck to place the roof trusses. Don is building the garage to store his nice Model A coupe street rod and tractor and is looking for a model A Vicky.. He has been a major contributor to restoration work done in my shop. Since this shot, several members have again helped install the siding.



Eight Model As and one conventional auto along with 12 club members from all around Charlotte met in Mint hill to celebrate all Veterans. We had 5 club members in attendance that were veterans. We ate a yummy lunch at DunWells and then drove together to the Mint Hill Veteran's Park. We spent some time reviewing the veteran memorials, taking pictures, changing a flat tire and speaking to a local VFW commander. Thank you for your service to all our club members that are Veterans. Troy Dalsing



Sandeep Berry was presented the Golden wrench Award during the November meeting as a result of the flat tire she had during the Veterans Day tour. Somehow, she looks happy about it.



Bill McCleave is interested in building a Model T Hack at the same time as the one being built in the shop so he was looking for a running T he could remove the body from and build it on that platform. But he found this original coupe that may be too nice to take apart. So now, he has added another car to his collection.

Jim spent the Thanksgiving week at his Blowing Rock home where he milled White oak lumber for the build of the depot hack project.



With wood brought back to Rock Hill and being fitted to the chassis, the Hack is beginning to take shape. The disc brakes for the rear wheels have been received allowing for the installation of the rear wheels. Assembly of the engine continues with valves installed and adjusted.

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A Bit of Wit from Steven Wright

- Borrow money from pessimists - - They don't expect it back.
- Half the people you know are below average
- 99% of lawyers give the rest a bad name.
- 82.7% of all statistics are made up on the spot.
- A conscience is what hurts when all the other parts feel so good.
- A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory/
- If you want a rainbow, you have got to put up with the rain.
- The early bird may get the worm but the second mouse gets the cheese.
- I almost had a psychic girlfriend - - - But she left me before we met.
- OK, so what is the speed of Dark?
- How do you tell when you are out of invisible ink?
- If everything seems to be going well, you have obviously overlooked something.
- Depression is merely anger without enthusiasm.
- When every thing is coming your way, you are in the wrong lane.
- Ambition is a poor excuse for not having enough sense to be lazy.
- Hard work pays off in the future, laziness pays off now.
- I intend to live forever - -So far, so good.
- If Barbie is so popular, why do you have to buy her friends?
- Eagles may soar but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.
- What happens if you get half scared to death twice?
- My mechanic told me "I couldn't repair your brakes so I made your horn blow twice as loud."
- Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.