



**Willamette Valley Chapter**  
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Model A Ford



Club of America



SALEM, OREGON

Model A



Restorers Club

**Annual Picnic: , 6853 Rippling Brook DR SE, Salem, OR**

**Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 3:00 pm**  
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<b>February</b>	<b>Hardy</b>	<b>February</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>Giesbrecht</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>Hardy</b>	<b>March</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Averette</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>Garrison</b>	<b>April</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Ramsay</b>
<b>May</b>		<b>May</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Stites</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>LeMaster</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Pizza Feed</b>
<b>July</b>		<b>July</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Morrison</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>LeMaster</b>	<b>August</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Rowan picnic (potluck)</b>
<b>September</b>		<b>September</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Kraus</b>
<b>October</b>		<b>October</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Ramsey</b>
<b>November</b>		<b>November</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>LeMaster</b>
<b>December</b>		<b>December</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Pres. Breakfast Goudy Common</b>

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**President's Comments**

Our annual picnic is on August 13<sup>th</sup> at Jim Rowen's. Our General Meeting and the August Board Meeting will also be held at that time. Verna Morrison sent out a request for attendee's so food could be ordered. Please take the time to respond. Our next General Meeting at the Mill is in September.

Gary (for Che Walker)

Some material printed in this newsletter may have been borrowed from other publications. We wish to thank other clubs for sharing their newsletters with us. We are happy to share our articles and other information publication in their newsletters. For information about the club, please contact Gary LeMaster 503-393-6069

**Model A Ford Club of America**  
**General Membership Meeting**  
**July 7, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-President, Blair Wasson. No exact attendance was taken at the Meeting. All attending waived notice of time, place and purpose of the meeting.

**GUESTS:** Ron and Barbara Whitworth was introduced as "Returning Guests". No other Guests were present. **BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES** were acknowledged. **SECRETARY'S REPORT:** The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted and approved as read. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Gary LeMaster gave the Treasurer's Report stating that the final Swap Meet totals and not been resolved yet but that the Club Book brought in \$291 and the food concession brought in \$113. **FORD PROBLEMS DISCUSSED:** Lew reported on finding a solution for the clicking sound he had been experienced and Dale got advice on how to fix a malfunctioning horn. **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The Lake Tour was cancelled this year on account of anticipated rain. **OLD BUSINESS:** There was no old business but the need for a replacement for Beauford concerning next year's Swap Meet was discussed. **TOURS:** July 23<sup>rd</sup> will be the Tri-County Club Picnic was discussed. Lee was to lead the event. August 13<sup>th</sup> will be the annual Club picnic at Jim Rowen's home. It will start at 3:00 pm on Saturday afternoon. September 12<sup>th</sup> will be a trip to Portland to view Glen Zurkle's Collection. Tim Fleming will e-mail Members concerning the tour. **NEW BUSINESS:** Gary LeMaster gave us the Kissel Report with a blow-by-blow description of his trip to the Kissel National Meet. Gary owns one of the approximately 150 completed (or almost completed) cars on the road out to an approximate 26,000 to 35,000 that were made. Gary's car is a Deluxe Broham and one of three known to exist. It is the second largest Kissel that was made. **RAFFLE:** Jim Rowen was the lucky Member who won the 50/50 raffle. **APPLICATIONS/NEW MEMBERS:** Ron and Barbara Whitworth's application was considered and unanimously approved. Welcome Back, Ron and Barbara! No reports were given for Sunshine and there was no Program for the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ray Ramsay, Substitute Secretary

## THE 2016 WAR BIRDS TOUR

What could be better than seeing 8 Model A's lined up together for a tour? Eight Model A's leading a line of Corvette's – now that is truly “age before beauty!” Tim led the caravan of cars to the “Fly-in and Cruise-in” at the Salem's McNary Field on Saturday, June 11. This was a benefit to restore a B-17 (the Lacey Lady – formerly of Bomber Gas Station Fame in Milwaukie) that is now under restoration at the airfield. Model A members were Tim, Che, Lew, Tom, Jim R., Blair, Fred, Lee, d'./ Helen, Ron and Gwyn and Ray and Peggy. Peggy was sure glad to see Helen and Gwyn for moral support!

It was a short drive to McNary Field from the Turner Road Wal-Mart, but with major construction on 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Madrona, we took a circuitous route. We checked-in at the Bio-Med Gate for registration and fees paid and then directed to our row to park and exhibit the cars. Over-all there must have been 150+ vintage, classic and sports cars shown. The weather was cloudy and cool until around 2 pm when the sun came out.

The Military was well represented with helicopters, jeeps, a half-track which offered airport tours, other WWII vehicles and the star of the show, “Grumpy”, a fully-functional B-25 bomber from WWII. It had a crew of 5 and flew missions in both in the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. Grumpy and crew flew the Doolittle Campaign over Toyko. Raffle tickets were for sale to win a chance to take a ride in Grumpy. While none of the Model A'ers bought a ticket, Helen climbed up the narrow, vertical ladder and sat in the pilot's seat. She looked great. Ray and I are fortunate to live off of 12<sup>th</sup> Street SE and in the “flight path” of the tours and on Friday heard the distinctive roar of its engines as it passed overhead several times. Seeing it take-off and landing at McNary was even more thrilling. There was also a demonstration of precision flying with six single airplanes during the day.

Back to the Cruise-In. There were a wide variety of cars to admire and we all had our favorites – besides our Model A's, of course. Gwyn coveted the English Morgan. I liked the 1953 orange and white Chevy Bel-Air. Ray saw his first car – a red 1964 VW bug. Finally, an unexpected guest showed up at the Cruise-In. The mysterious and generous “Benny” made an appearance by placing four or more \$100 bills among the cars being shown. Benny must have liked our Model A's because he dropped two of his signature bills in both Ron and Gwyn's 1931 Fordor and Lew and Judy's Town Sedan. What a pleasant surprise. Four Model A's, led by Ray and I, left early before the judging – about 3:00 pm. Our final conversation was with Jody and Langley's granddaughter, Willow, looking very professional in her Civil Air Patrol uniform, helping to direct traffic. As we all said and felt – it was a good tour and a grand time was had by all. Thank's Tim for setting it up!

Peggy and Ray Ramsay

## Annual Picnic

The Model A picnic will be held at 3:00 pm on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at Jim Rowen's, 6853 Rippling Brook Drive SE, Salem.

Please reply (if you are attending) before August 8<sup>th</sup> to Verna Morrison at [tomverna53@gmail.com](mailto:tomverna53@gmail.com) or 503-364-3090 as to:

Number attending

Select:       Steak or Chicken

A to L:       Bring salad

M to Z:       Bring Dessert

Also bring your plates and silverware. Water and soft drinks will be furnished by the club.

Since I'm not talented enough to copy a map to this location, type in the address above into Google or your GPS and follow the instructions.

**Tour and Events Schedule!**

**The Connecting Rod**  
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<b>Aug 13</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>Annual Picnic, General Meeting Board Meeting, Jim Rowen's, 3 pm</b>
<b>Sep 2</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>General Meeting , Heritage Center Card Room 7 pm</b>
<b>Sep 16</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Board Meeting, Kraus, 4942 Shadow Hills DR SE, Turner</b>
<b>Sep 24</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>Bill Jab's Tour, info next month</b>