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1929 Woodie Roadster

Model A Ford



Club of America



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Restorers Club

Next General Meeting, Northwest Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museum, Brooks, OR
Thursday, August 1st, 2019 at 7:00 pm

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| January | Hardy | Jan 14 | January | 13 | Annual Banquet | Jan 14 |
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| March | Hardy | Mar 11 | March | 7 | | Mar 18 |
| April | LeMaster | Apr 8 | April | 4 | | Apr 15 |
| May | LeMaster | May 13 | May | 2 | | May 20 |
| June | LeMaster | Jun 10 | June | 6 | | Jun 17 |
| July | LeMaster | Jul 8 | June | 16 | Swap Meet | Jul 8 |
| August | LeMaster | Aug 12 | July | 4 | Four Club Picnic | Aug 19 |
| September | | Sep 9 | August | 1 | NWVCMM | Sep 16 |
| October | | Oct 14 | September | 5 | | Oct 21 |
| November | | Nov 11 | October | 3 | | Nov 18 |
| December | | Dec 9 | November | 7 | | Dec 16 |
| | | | December | 7 | President's Luncheon | |

A Note from Bob

Thanks to Lee Hardy for organizing and leading The Monitor Mill & Blowtorch Tour. There were 4 or 5 A's and a T on the tour. Handouts about the clubs were available to give to those with questions along the way. I enjoyed breakfast again this July with Bend's High Desert A's. We talked about our shrinking memberships. I have heard from them again since the breakfast and we will be discussing it further. Coming up later in August is the Regional Meet in Bellevue Washington. Contact Lee Hardy for info. Lee and Jim Rowen will be driving their A's to the event.

So far, we don't have a plan for a picnic in August. Let me know if you're interested.

Enjoy the summer!

Bob

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 at (503) 393-606

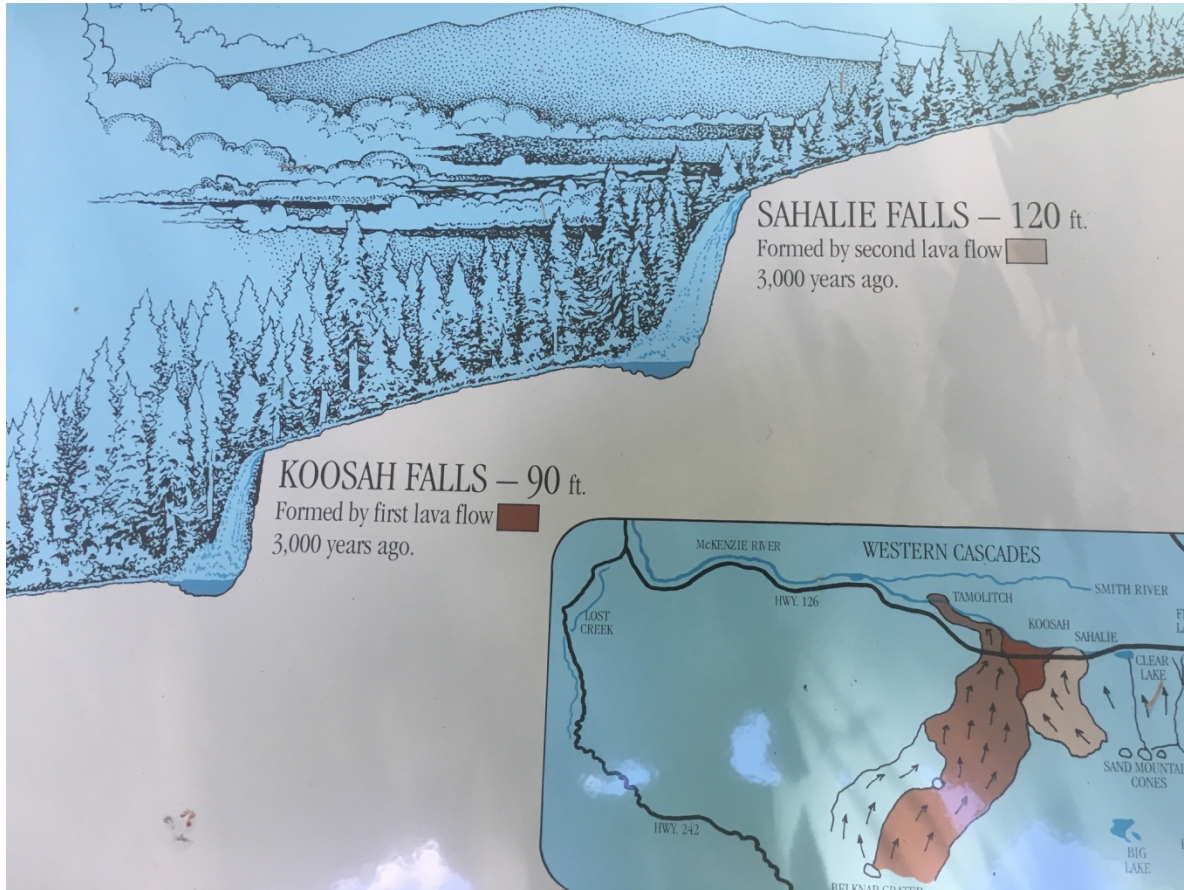
McKenzie Pass Tour

The morning started out with a gathering at the Safeway on South Commercial at a little after 8:00 am. Those gathering were Blair and Tracy Wasson with Willow, John and Shirley Martin, Ron and Gwen Marsh, Gary LeMaster, Lee Hardy and Fred Lissner with his daughter Holly and granddaughters Mia and Briley our tour Leader. Fred had a drivers meeting at 8:30 am and handed out a portfolio containing Driving Directions including mileage between turns and stops, Cultural Comments, a Geologic Time Chart and a Route Map he personally constructed from actual maps and had printed in color. Fred spent a great deal of time and money putting this portfolio together which we all appreciated.

We started out at 8:45 am touring thru Turner to the valley floor. It turns out that where we were standing was once under water as the shoreline was much farther east. As the Pacific plate compressed against the Continental plate, the Coast Mountain range and the Cascade Mountain range were formed. The valley between these mountain ranges was filled with erosional debris from the ranges and then overlain by flood deposits from 40 or so floods from glacial formations in Canada that came down the Columbia River basin and filled in the Willamette Valley to its current level. At the stop near Jefferson, we talked about the mountain ranges. After lunch in Lebanon at the Appletree Restaurant we drove to Tombstone Pass where we strolled through an old growth Douglas Fir forest. We stopped at Sahalie and Koosah Falls on our way to Harbick's Country Inn in Rainbow, OR, where we spent the night.



Sahalie Falls



Koosah Falls

The next morning we started up the road to McKenzie Pass. The road was slow with many hairpin curves, but it was a beautiful drive. At the summit we spent time in the observation tower and walking along the old wagon road, reading the signs about the various geological formations. We traveled on to Sisters where we had lunch. We then had the option of stopping at the head waters of the Metolius River on our way back to Salem, but the group decided to just head for home.

It was a great trip, lead by a very knowledgeable and excited leader. Fred was really in his element. Thanks Fred for an exciting, informative and fun tour.

McKenzie Pass Tour

Tours and Events

August 1st – General Meeting - Meet at the Northwest Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museum at Powerland, 7:00 pm

August 10th - Fred Kroon's Stayton Covered Bridge Tour – contact Fred at 503-769-3245 for info.

<http://www.staytonsublimitychamber.org/covered-bridge-tour/>

August 12th – Breakfast at Sybil's Omelets

August 19th – 2:00pm, Board Meeting, Gold Dragon Chinese Restaurant, 4645 Commercial St SE

August 21-24, 2019 - Bellevue, WA, MAFCA Regional Meet – Contact Lee Hardy at 503-391-1560

September 5th – General Meeting, Card Room, 3rd Floor, Willamette Heritage Center

MONITOR MILL WORKS AND BLOW TORCH TOUR

On Saturday July 20th three Model A Fords, a Model T Ford, a Plymouth and three modern iron gathered at EZ Orchards with drivers, and six passengers on a perfect day for a tour, Donavin Harding, Monitor Mill Works owner, showed us around the 1930 era commercial wood shop that specializes in reproducing Victorian era doors, windows, moldings and other specialized wood components. Original Babbitt bearing saws, jointers, drills and planers were found to be superior over modern equipment for duplicating Victorian era wood components. Donavin installs double pane glass in on-site reproduced Victorian era window and door frames.



A 36" wide jointer for smoothing lumber

There were numerous saws; 12", 18", and 36" wide jointers, and even a drill for making square holes. Only clear, knot free lumber is used. He finds it most economical to buy truckloads of "to-big-to-handle" logs, and have them made into lumber at a private mill. The lumber is then moved on-site where ambient air is used to dry the lumber in stickered stacks.



Morrie describes blow torch development

At Morrie Jernstadt's well over 300 blow torches were displayed in his barn and house, including vertical, horizontal and special purpose torches. In the late 1800's prior to a successful blow torch, the coal fired forge was the only way to heat metal. Blow torch heating provided portability. It was interesting to see blow torch development from the beginning to improved, easier to use models.

The blow torch was phased out after World War II with the introduction of an acetylene gas generator that produced gas by adding carbide to water, under pressure. Also, natural and man-made gases become available.

We traveled back to Mt Angel where a leisurely lunch was enjoyed at the Glockenspiel restaurant.

Tours & Upcoming Events!

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**Reminder to all – The August 1st
General Meeting is at the Northwest
Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museum
at 7:00 pm in the new expansion area.**

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