

**Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club**  
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Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club

The Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club was established in 1971 and is dedicated to the preservation of the Model T Ford. Membership is unrestricted as to location and is open for all interested persons. The ownership of a Model T is not a requirement.

Meetings:

7:00 PM on the last Wednesday of each month

Location: the VFW American Legion

8990 Kruitof Way, Fair Oaks, Ca. 95628

Dues:

Annual dues are \$25 for the calendar year and are due the First of January. You may pay by cash (\$25) or check (made out to SVMTC) at the monthly meeting, or mail check (no cash, please) to our treasurer, John Saylor at 7304 Goldwood Way, Citrus Heights, Ca 95610. Mid-year enrollment will be prorated.

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Any material you wish to be published in the Bands must be received by the Editor by the 5th of the Month.

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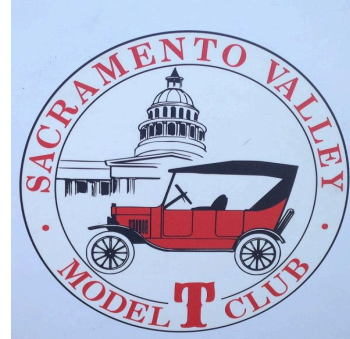
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Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club Membership Application

New  Renewal  Renewals due Jan. 1st

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT STATEMENT:** This information is for the club insurance:

I do  I do not  belong to MTFCI

Fill out completely and mail to:

Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club

% John Saylor

7304 Goldwood Way

Citrus Heights, Ca 95610

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS Annual Dues

*Model T* Ford Club of America MTFCA.COM --- US \$50

*Model T* Ford Club International MODEL.T.ORG --- US \$40

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The MTFCA

PO Box 996

Richmond, IN 47330-0126

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PO Box 355

Hudson, NC 28638-0355

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

February 2024

We just went on a great tour to the SMUD Museum, thanks to *Debbi* for planning it and a big thanks to *John Anderson* for paying our admission.

Looks like Spring is on its way, time to dust off and tune up the *Model T's* and go for a ride.

The *Rowe Project* continues with Awful Waffle meetings monthly.

It seems like our standing reservation at Dad's is working out smoothly. So now just show up for dinner - our reservation is for 20 people.

A reminder that your yearly club fee is due, see *John* at the meeting or mail your dues to him.

Regards,

*~Kate Bandy*



Photo Credit: *Harvey Bandy*

## VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thirteen members enjoyed the SMUD Museum of Science and Curiosity on Friday, February 16, 2024. Many thanks to *John Anderson* for getting eleven of us in for free with his membership. We had fun exploring the many exhibits and watching the Planetarium show. After the museum several of us walked to Old Sacramento along the riverfront to Round Table Pizza for lunch. The following members were in attendance: the *Silvas, Waltzes, John Anderson, the Bandy, Kostivs, Mac Weir, Dennis Furr,* and the *O'Connors*.

Our next outing in March will be at the Rowland Freedom Center in Vacaville for a docent-led tour and lunch in one of the local eateries. Sign ups will be available at the meeting on Wednesday with all the details. 'Hope to see you then.

~ **Debbi Kostiv**



## A Note from our Treasurer:

### 2024 Dues

If you have not paid your 2024 dues yet, \$25, please send in or pay at the meeting Wednesday. I will be sending in the official list to the MTFCA to re-certify our chapter status and liability insurance. Those not renewing will be removed from the roster and mailing.

Also remember to pay the MTFCA national dues when you get the notice from them. At least 50% of our membership must be national members to retain our chapter status and liability insurance.

Thank You.

John Saylor

**January 31, 2024**  
**Meeting Notes**  
**Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club**

by Wendel and Michele Waltz

Vice President *Debbi Kostiv* called the meeting to order. *Debbi* was presiding because the *Bandys* are vacationing in sunny Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

First order of business was to welcome a new member, *Richard Markwell*. He is a retired shop teacher and school administrator, as well as a vintage car guy. *Richard* has a 1912 Torpedo, '29 Hudson, an Essex Challenger, '50 Pontiac Catalina, and a 1996 Mustang GT 5-speed convertible.

February 9 is the annual Sacramento Regional Fire Museum crab feed fundraiser. Several of our members attended last year.

The SMUD museum visit, originally January 6, has been rescheduled for Friday, February 16. We'll meet at the museum at 10 a.m. and

purchase tickets individually; there is also a \$6 fee for parking. Tickets include a planetarium show. Afterwards, the group will adjourn to Round Table Pizza for lunch.

March will feature a tour, date to be scheduled, to the Roland Freedom Center in Vacaville.

Saturday, April 13, is the annual Shakedown tour with the Auburn Club. It will be a shorter route than last year.

Friday, April 26, is the Transportation Fair at McClellan Airport. All kinds of transportation will be featured, including handmade cardboard cars. Six of our cars came last year. Entertainment will be available for kids, so this is an opportunity to bring the grandchildren.

Saturday, April 27, is Docent Training at CAM on driving

*( Meeting Notes continued)*

**Model Ts.** See *Dennis Furr* if you can participate with your *T*. May\_\_\_\_\_ (date to be determined). *Stan and Debbie Packard* will host the club for lunch at their ranch. Wagon rides will be featured.

May 4 is the former Turlock swap meet; it has moved to the Famoso Drag Strip north of Bakersfield in McFarland, CA.

June 2 is the big Auburn club swap meet.

June 8 is a Celebration of Life for the husband of a friend of *Debbi Kostiv*; they would like a couple of *Ts* on display because he was a big car guy. Sack lunch will be provided.

June 8 is also a *Model T* drivers' training day with *Dennis Furr* at the CAM. He needs *Model Ts* and drivers for the class (see P.S. for dates of drivers training classes at the CAM).

July 4 parade in Carmichael.

*Mark O'Connor* has volunteered to check out prices and available rooms and dates for a three-day group train trip to Reno. The last one was several years ago and we had a lot of fun. Plan is that we would all take the same Amtrak train (purchasing our own tickets) and make our room reservations at the same hotel, so we could enjoy the train ride together and gather to explore the plentiful restaurants and attractions within walking distance of the hotel.

*John Saylor*, Treasurer, remarked that 10 members have not paid their 2024 dues. He will contact them and see who is not renewing and who is simply forgetful.

*Jean Lanham*, our Sunshine Lady, was not here tonight, so no Sunshine Report.

*Mac Weir* gave the Awful Waffle report: The headlights have been installed on the *Steve Rowe* car, though they still need to be hooked up electrically. The

*( Meeting Notes continued)*

engine has a knock when running at elevated levels, so this should be the next problem addressed. Upholstery still needs to be completed. Mac remarked that there are lots of Indians. Always good food and good times.

Raffle winners were *Sherril Gomes* and *Sherry Silva*: fifteen bucks each.

Show and Tell - *Dennis* brought a complete set of *Model T* keys, along with a set of dealer pass keys.

P.S. *Dennis* needs volunteer *Ts* and their drivers for the 2024 driver training classes he will be teaching at the CAM. Dates are: May 11, June 8, July 13, and September 7.



When all else fails, read the manual.



## Youngsters and Old Cars

by Mark O'Connor

On a sunny morning in February, *Mark and Barb O'Connor* had the privilege of sharing their “new” 1914 *Model T* touring car with Mrs. Onder’s preschoolers.

The car is in fine, unrestored condition— more rust than paint, with that funky old car smell.

The kids proved to be bright and curious. They had a great time exploring the car, climbing all around, looking under it and at the engine. They gave the spark and throttle rods a good workout while they took turns “driving.” Despite their vigor and enthusiasm, they were not able to damage the machine.

One particularly astute young car enthusiast asked the question that we, in the hobby, have asked countless times over the years. “How come this old car stinks?” Something to ponder....

Mark and Barb look forward to sharing this funky piece of

automotive history with more young folks soon. Brass cars can be a lot of fun for kids at any age.



# Upcoming Events

**March 16-** the Roland Freedom Center in Vacaville

**April 13-** Annual Shakedown tour with the Auburn Club

**April 26-** Transportation Fair at McClellan Airport

**April 27-** Docent Training at the CAM on driving *Model Ts*

**May-** Club lunch hosted by *Stan and Debbie Packard*

**May 4-** Swap Meet in McFarland, CA

**May 11-** *Model T* Driver Training at the CAM

**June 2-** Auburn Club Swap Meet

**June 8-** Car Display at Celebration of Life

**June 8-** *Model T* Driver Training at the CAM

**July 4-** Parade in Carmichael

**July 13-** *Model T* Driver Training at the CAM

**September 7-** *Model T* Driver Training at the CAM



**Please Join Us**

**for the**

**January 2024**

***Model T* meeting:**

**Wednesday**

**February 28**

**7:00PM**

**American Legion/ VFW**

**8990 Kruitof Way**

**Fair Oaks, Ca 95662**