

Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club

Chattering Bands

April 2026 Volume 53 Issue 4

Club Officers for 2026

President: Kate Bandy 966-4919 213-4919 c
Vice President: Wendy Weir 916-812-7147
Treasurer: John Saylor 723-1613 202-5842 c
Secretary: Sherril Gomes 916-804-4383
Sunshine Reporter: Jean Lanham 334-1758 996-7168 c
Member at Large: Hal Schedler 359-5023

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:

6:30 PM on the last Wednesday of each month

Location: the VFW American Legion

8990 Kruitof Way, Fair Oaks, Ca. 95628

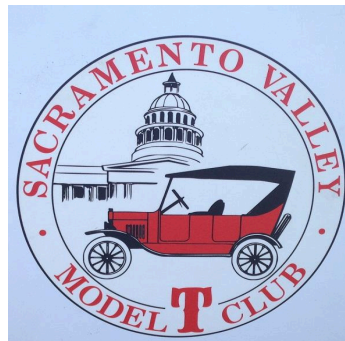
Dues:

Annual dues are \$35 for the calendar year and are due the First of January. You may pay by cash (\$35) 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.

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

Editor: Barb O'Connor
58 Sandburg Drive
Sacramento, Ca 95819
Telephone: (916) 712-7927
Email: barboconnor62@gmail.com

Webmaster: John Saylor 753-1613 202-5842 c
j99saylor@gmail.com



Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club Membership Application

New [] Renewal [] Renewals due Jan. 1st

Name _____ Birthday _____

Spouse _____ Birthday _____

Anniversary _____

Telephone (____) _____ - _____

Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

IMPORTANT STATEMENT: This information is for the club insurance:

I do [] I do not [] belong to MTFCA

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

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

The MTFCA
310 N. 8th Street
Richmond, IN 47374-3035

The MTFCI
PO Box 355
Hudson, NC 28638-0355



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

April 2026

We just attended the “Transportation Parade” at McClellan Park—lots of adorable children in their cut out cars and costumes. Five cars were on display from our club. *Mac Weir, Mike Kostiv, Mark O’Connor, John Saylor, Kate and Harvey Bandy* attended. There were many oohs and aahs and questions from the children. *Mark, Kate, and Harvey* had a great lunch afterwards at the “Officer’s Club.”

Our Club’s “Awful Waffle” project, the 1927 *Rowe Model T* pickup, is now in the possession of the California Automobile Museum’s Consignment Program.

The *Pava Ford Model TT* C-Cab project is also ready to sell and on the waiting list for a presentation display position at the CAM.

Our upcoming meeting is this Wednesday, April 29th. Dinner at Dad’s will be at 5pm.

Kate Bandy

VP/Tour Report

April 2026

Where we have been this last month:

1. The Historic Preston Castle in Ione on March 28. Thirteen toured the Castle, and it was so interesting! The Castle was determined to be torn down by the State in the 1950's, so locals were encouraged to take what materials they wanted before the demolition. That demo was canceled, and the site languished and deteriorated in the weather for many years until the local history buffs made a bid to keep it and restore it. No actual restoration has happened, but you can see what it once was, and the tour took us through several floors that included sleeping areas for staff and the boys who were living there. The boys each had their own "industry" that they learned as a trade, with hopes of them going out into the world as productive citizens. The docents were so passionate about the Castle; it made it a great experience. Lunch followed at El Gallo in

Rancho Murieta, which was great by all accounts.

2. On April 18 we met at the CAM and toured their new California Dreamin' exhibit about Route 66. The docents, *Erik Lindstedt* and *Dennis Furr*, were full of information, and the tour was really great – so many new vehicles. The *Model T* from around 1914, set up as if it had come to California from the Dust Bowl states, had a lot of original accessories, and was fully original, not to be missed! We met the Mother Lode *Model T* group– some drove down from the Walmart on Antelope Road with their cars, and some met at the CAM directly. Fourteen members were there for the tour and several went to the California Casino for lunch following the tour.

3. On April 24, members brought their *Model Ts* to the McClellan Transportation Fair. As usual, this was a great event and the kids loved our old cars.

John Saylor has posted photos of our recent tours on the [SVMTC website](#).

(VP/Tour Report continued)

We have a busy few months coming up!

Upcoming Tours:

1. The weekend of May 15-17 is the *Matt and Maya Ryan Tour*. Friday is a kickoff with a 25 mile tour and a social hour at the *Ryan's* garage. Saturday is a 100 mile race lowland, and a tour of a private collection. Sunday is a 200 mile speedster run through the Sierra Nevadas, followed by a BBQ banquet and awards ceremony at the *Ryan's*. *John Saylor* has posted the registration information on our [website](#), or contact *Matt Ryan*.

2. Unfortunately, our **May 16 Sacramento River History Cruise was canceled** by the tour operator. *Wendy* will try to re-schedule.

3. Just in: Saturday May 16 is the 5th Annual Dillard Fair and Car Show. It is usually a fun day, and there will be local vendors, a kid zone, and more. Free hot dog lunch for the car owners. Spaces for cars are limited and assigned on a first come, first served basis.

Registration is \$25, in advance. If you are interested, go to the [Wilton Community Center's website](#). More information about this is listed under "upcoming events."

Any questions, contact Codi Craig, at (630)441-2082.

4. Still gathering interest for a brunch on the Delta on either June 7 or 14 (Sundays) at the Grand Island Mansion. More details and sign-ups at the April meeting.

5. For those interested, the *Ryan Ramble* is in Fortuna, CA on July 29-August 2, 2026. The sign-up sheets were available in March and will be available again in April.

6. July 4, Carmichael Elks Parade

7. Nothing firm for August or September – looking for ideas and suggestions.

8. We are still working on the Trunk or Treat Event for October, more to follow soon.

Here's to some fun experiences!

Wendy

**Sacramento Valley
Model T Club
Minutes - March 25, 2026
Submitted by
Sherril Gomes, Secretary**

President, *Kate Bandy*, called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm and welcomed guest, and possible member, *Teresa* from Fair Oaks. She shared that she has a “1925 Dr.’s *Model T* Coupe” that she would like to sell. It belonged to her great grandfather. She also stated that she was interested in the Club and its activities.

Vice-President, *Wendy Weir*, has been working diligently to provide Club members with monthly activities and outings for the remainder of the year! The most recent will be the tour of Preston Castle in Ione on March 28th. She reviewed each month’s activities and clipboards for each future outing were available for interested members to sign-up.

President, *Kate Bandy*, accepted and approved the February minutes as printed in the Bands.

Treasurer, *John Saylor*, reviewed income and expenses and they

were approved as submitted. As a future fund-raiser, members were reminded that the Auburn Swap Meet, to be held on May 31, would be an excellent opportunity for members to donate unused parts, etc.

For the Sunshine Report, President *Kate Bandy* reported that *Steve Rowe* has had setbacks in his treatment and is now in Hospice. *Wendel Waltz* is not progressing and *Michele* is looking at assisted living or Hospice. *Kate* requested prayers for both of them.

Mike Kostiv announced that Rancho Murieta is hosting a “Cars & Coffee” on Saturday, May 2, at Rancho Murieta at 8:00 am.

The “Singers” provided excellent entertainment to conclude the meeting and a special “Happy Birthday” was performed for *Sherry Silva*.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.

The CAM's Docent Driving Class

by Mark O'Connor

On Saturday, April 25th, SVMTC members *Richard Markwell*, *Harvey Bandy*, and *Mark O'Connor* brought their T's to the CAM for the *Model T* part of the docent training class. *Richard* gave the class presentation, along with *Erik Lindstedt* from the Mother Lode *Model T* Club. *Richard*, *Harvey*, and *Mark* gave driving lessons to the docents as part of their *Model T* training. The next *Model T* driving class is scheduled for May 30th at the CAM.



The SVMTC would like to extend warm wishes and prayers for *Michele Waltz* at the passing of our dear friend and Club member, *Wendel Waltz*. He will be missed.





2026 Upcoming Tours & Events

May 15- Speedster Run (25 miles)

May 16- Lowland Tour (100 miles)

May 16- Dillard Fair
and Car Show

TBD- Sacramento River Cruise

May 30- *Model T* Driving Class at
the CAM

July 4- Carmichael Elks Parade

July 18- *Model T* Driving Class at
the CAM

July 29-August 2— Ryan Ramble

October- Trunk or Treat

Please Join Us

for the

April 29th

***Model T* meeting:**

Wednesday

April 29th

6:30PM

American Legion/ VFW

8990 Kruitof Way

Fair Oaks, Ca 95662