

# The il Leak

May 2021 Minuteman Model A Ford Club Vol 58 Issue 5



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## *The President Speaks:*

Hello Club Members, I hope this message finds you all healthy and in good spirits as things appear to get better everyday.

Most of us have gotten our vaccine x 2 and it feels very comforting to get out and enjoy life trying to leave the last year behind us but still being careful. We still have a ways to go but everything is very promising.

Club tours have started and have been well attended.

First tour was c&l frosty and second was Great Brook picnic & ice cream. I hope more of you come to future events.

It still looks like September will be the first inside meeting at the Church; KEEP YOUR FINGERS CROSSED.

Don Ross has worked very hard on tours for this year and has a very good itinerary setup. Please make sure your looking at the latest list that Don sent out on 4/25/21 some changes where made. We thank Don for his work without having a tour meeting as usual.

There is still time to register for North Conway The MAFCA NATIONAL TOUR June 20-25 it could be many years before one is in our part of the country again. [\(See page 6 for more info\)](#)

Enjoy the good weather and drive your car somewhere, anywhere when you can. It puts lots of smiles on faces and that's a good thing.



**KEEP SMILING EVERY DAY**

*Doug Farrell*



## Sunshine

Sue Champagne  
(sdchampagne1931@gmail.com)

A sympathy card was sent to Karen Martin for the passing of her father William Minear. Our condolences go out to Karen and Craig Martin and family.

*If you know of a member who needs a little cheering up contact me.*

## Coming Events

(Tours Start at Wayland Town Center RT 20)

- May 1 1:00 PM Ice Cream Sunshine Dairy
- May 12 6:00 PM Dairy Joy Weston Food & Ice Cream
- May 22 Tune-up Clinic See page 6 for more info
- May 29 1:00 PM West Side Creamery Acton Ice Cr
- Jun 3 6:00 PM Erickson's Maynard Ice Cream



## Minuteman Model A Ford Club

Treasurer's Report  
March 2021

### Income:

Member Dues	\$ 470.00
Total Income	\$ 470.00

### Expense:

Holiday Party Deposit	\$ 100.00
Total Expense	\$ 100.00

Net Income \$ 370.00



## MINUTEMAN HISTORY

by Art Callan

### MAY 1986 35 YEARS AGO

Ed Giovannella has made adaptors for the "Air Maze" filter. This one keep dust out that causes engine wear. Nice set of 21" used tires donated by Allen Bennett, sold for \$25- to benefit the club. Programs: Joe DeMilia- Rebuilding a generator. Tours: Nashoba Winery, Heritage Plantation in Sandwich.

### MAY 1996 25 YEARS AGO

Last Grange Hall meeting for the summer. Guest was Dick Graham. Many thanks to Hal Knapp for securing Acton Ford for the Swap Meet. Program: George Hibbard of Claremont NH, Subject-Water Pumps. Club had a great loss when Scott Studivan died, at age 45. The Mman gave \$325- to his two sons Education Fund. Tours: Barre Falls by Ed Mills, Great Woods, Essex Brunch by Russ Thompson.

### MAY 2006 15 YEARS AGO

Pres. Tom Zappala called for reports: Membership 156, Raffle by Wayne Champagne, Winter Blahs had 47 vendors and 300 attendees, mileage Driving Awards by Wayne Champagne. Jack Stokinger orders "alternators" to make driving safer. Tours: Rhinbeck Flea Mkt, Broadway Music, Street Car Museum in Lowell, and Wellesley Parade.

### ----- ARTI-FACT -----

I had never heard or read of William Phelps Eno (1858 -1943) before. Now I know that he is credited for developing the Stop Sign, One-Way streets, the Traffic Circle, Pedestrian Crosswalks, and many of today's traffic regulations, BUT, he never learned to drive!!

Now, this I do know--Bread is a lot like the SUN. It rises in the Yeast and sets in the WAIST.

### National Organizations:



**Model A Ford Club of America**  
(mafca.com) Membership dues \$50/year



**Model A Restorers Club (model-a-ford.org)**  
Membership Dues \$45/year

## **2021 Board of Directors**

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## **Members Out & About**

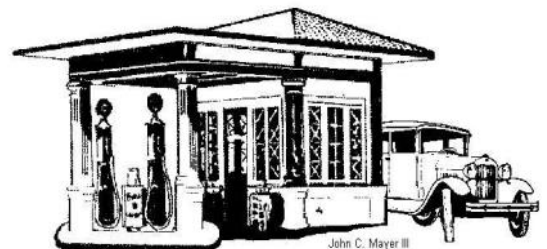
The Easter Bunny wasn't going to be stopped by Covid this year and it seemed the best way to "hop" around to see the family was in the trusty Model A. Actually this bunny is non other than Dianne Krug who wanted to make sure the Easter baskets got delivered in style. Thankfully Dick had the

Model A all gassed up ready to chauffeur the Easter Bunny around.



**May 22nd:** for the club sponsored **Tune Up Clinic**.

Harold and Sally Legge will again host this event. There will be some changes made to insure safety and meet state gathering requirements. Check out page 6 for more details.



# Secretary's Report

**No April 6, 2021 Meeting**

**Nothing to Report - Stay well**

## On the Road Again

Well, we're back, on the road that is. The first official tour of 2021 was held on Sunday April 18th, which was rescheduled from Saturday because of rain. The road to normalcy has been a long one, and still may have a few bumps in it, but with just about all of our members having been vaccinated it sure is nice to be back together seeing friends and driving about in the Model A. We had 9 Model A's show up for the tour to C&L Frosty in Sherborn. The weather was a little cool but being able to socialize, even with masks, was as much of a treat as the Ice Cream. Hope you can join us next time.

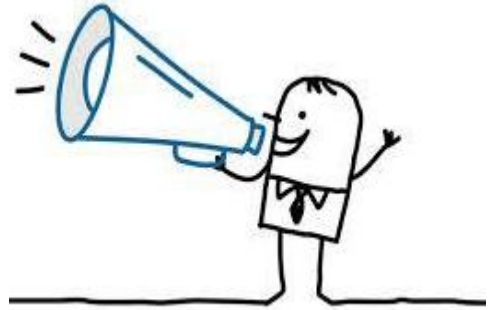


### V P Needed

The club can use your help! Yes we are looking for a volunteer to fill the VP position. There is still time to volunteer. Please contact Doug Farrell,,,,Thank You.



# 2021 MEMBERSHIP Application Form



In order for us to keep our records up to date, **PLEASE** complete the form below and return with your check for \$20. If there are no changes, you won't have to complete the entire form, just check the appropriate box. *Thank you.*

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Significant Other Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

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

email \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

No Changes \_\_\_\_\_

Are you over 80 and been a member for at least 5 years? \_\_\_\_ If, yes, membership is free. **However a donation in lieu of dues is always welcome**

I would like to receive my **Oil Leak** by email. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

(If you do not specify, it will be sent electronically if we have an email address on file.)

Are You a member of MAFFI \_\_\_\_\_ MAFCA \_\_\_\_\_ MARC \_\_\_\_\_

Model A Info:

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Body Style \_\_\_\_\_ Year Acquired \_\_\_\_\_

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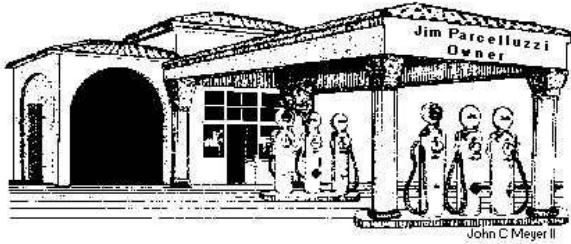
Please make check payable to: Minuteman Model A Ford Club and mail to

Minuteman Model A Club

P.O. Box 545

Sudbury, MA 01776

## CLUB TUNEUP CLINIC



**When:** May 22

**Where:** Harold & Sally Legge's home  
8 Brook Street Natick, MA

For the safety of all involved, the Tune up Clinic will be a little different this year. There will be no inside amenities (bathroom, food, drinks, etc). Arrive just before your appointment and after your Model A has been completed we ask that you depart for home.

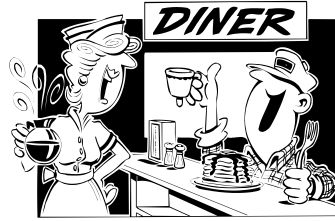
Please contact Don Ross for an appointment. They will start at 8AM and be scheduled every half hour after until 4PM. Contact Don at [dross02466@gmail.com](mailto:dross02466@gmail.com) or 617-584-5245



## Weekly Breakfast Group

The breakfast group at the Big Apple, 890 Boston Post Road East (RT 20) in Marlborough, MA is slowly growing. Now that members have received their vaccine the group has increased

to 8, sometimes 12. The Big Apple staff keep the area clean and safe for us. Why not join us again.



## UPCOMING EVENTS TO KEEP IN MIND



This is your last chance to register for the **Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA) National Tour** in North Conway, NH. You have to be pre-registered for this his event. You won't be able to just show up and register for the tour. The Registration Form for the MAFCA Tour can be found online at:

Visit <https://www.2021mafcanationaltour.com/> for more info.



The next big event for the year that is always great fun is the annual New England Model A Meet that will be held in September at the Sunday River Resort in Maine. **Good news, you will find the registration form to the "2020ne" New England Meet on the next two pages. If you would like to attend and haven't registered now is the time to do so.**



# 64<sup>th</sup> Annual New England Meet

Grand Summit Hotel, Sunday River  
Newry, Maine

September 10 - 12, 2021

## REGISTRATION FORM

(Please Print)

Reg #

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Ages of Children \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

eMail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Club Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee (2 adults) \$45 prior to August 1<sup>st</sup>; \$60 after August 1<sup>st</sup> \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Adult(s) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Friday New England BBQ # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$36 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Continental Breakfast # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$19 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Lunch: Lobster Roll \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$24 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Ham & Cheese \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Salad \_\_\_\_\_ Caprese(veggie) \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$18 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Dinner: Beef Tenderloin # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$51 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NE Haddock # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$43 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sunday Awards Breakfast # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$28 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Polo Shirt, Mens S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ XXL \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$24 ea \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Polo Shirt, Ladies S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ XXL \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$24 ea \$ \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt, Short Sleeve S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ XXL \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20 ea \$ \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt, Long Sleeve S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ XXL \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$21 ea \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Alcohol Tile Workshop # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15 ea \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to 2020 NE Meet and mail to: Jo Johnson TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

375 High Head Road  
Harpwell, ME 04079

Model A Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Body Style(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Hubley Derby Participant Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Trailer parking required Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Waiver of Liability:** I understand that to participate in the activities of the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual New England Meet, hosted by the Pine Tree Model A Ford Club, on September 10 - 12, 2021, the undersigned agrees to the following waiver of liability: I certify that the vehicle(s) used in this meet are insured for public liability, property damage, fire and theft. I also certify that the vehicle(s) entered are properly registered, licensed and inspected for safe operation in accordance with state law of the vehicle's normal residence. The undersigned thereby releases the host of any and all liability for any loss, damage and/or injury to the applicants, or the applicant's party. In the event of nonconformance to the terms of this waiver, the undersigned and his/her party waive any rights to attendance at this meet. **ALL ADULT ATTENDEES** must sign the waiver in order to attend.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## 64th Annual New England Meet Information & Events

### ***Hotel Registration:***

A block of rooms has been reserved with the Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River Resort, located at 97 Summit Drive in Newry, Maine . Reservations can be made by calling 800-207-2365 and referring to the booking code, 85W88Z-2021 New England Model A Meet.

### ***Meet Registration:***

Meet Registration can be found in the hallway off the resort lobby. Registration hours are:

Thursday	Noon – 7:00 pm ( early arrivals )
Friday	8:30 am – 5:00 pm
Saturday	7:00 am – 8:00 am

**\*Registration fee covers 2 adults as well as their minor children. Each additional adult is charged \$20 and will need to sign the attached waiver.**

### ***Alcohol Tile Workshop:***

Pine Tree Model A member, Leslie Robbins, will lead a class to create Alcohol Ink paintings on porcelain tiles. NO art skills required! All materials are included in the \$15 fee for the class. Come join the fun Friday at 3:00 pm

### ***Friday Evening BBQ:***

Join us for a New England BBQ, featuring chicken, pulled pork, mac and cheese, coleslaw and baked beans. Presentations to follow dessert.

### ***Presentations:***

- 1 ~ A video presentation of Pine Tree Model A member Christine MacKenzie's life long love affair with her family's Model A.
- 2 ~ Pine Tree Model A members, Peter Brown and Susan Nourse, will discuss their experiences in a Model A as participants in three Great Race competitions.

### ***Saturday Breakfast:***

Before heading for your "A", stop by for a continental breakfast offering coffee, tea, juice fruit, muffins, and yogurt.

### ***Grand Tour:***

Line up at the bottom of Summit Road (hotel entrance road) at the intersection with Sunday River Road where there is a big red entrance sign and stone wall.

"2020"ne vision is needed to locate landmarks described in the directions as we make our way to the Bahre Collection. This is an extraordinary private collection of antique and classic vehicles housed on an historic estate overlooking the White Mountains. There is something for everyone car-wise, as well as a great antique doll collection, old toys, horse-drawn carriages, player pianos, and a jukebox for those with broader interests.

### ***Car Judging:***

Peer judging will be held on Saturday at the completion of the grand tour and prior to visiting the museum. Parking attendants will be directing you to the appropriate category. Classes will be designated by years, 28-29 open, 28-29 closed, 30-31 open, 30 closed, 31 closed, woody, and commercial – 7 categories unless the woodies and commercial are combined. All registered participants may cast their ballots for the vehicle they deem the best in each class.

### ***Hubley Derby:***

Entries must be a Hubley/Gabriel or Scale Model die cast metal kit and cannot weigh more than 1 pound 5 oz. A minimum of six entrants will be required to hold the event.

### ***Saturday Evening:***

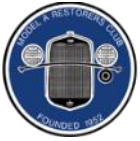
Music by "The Reminisants" will once again take us back to the good ol' days while we enjoy dinner and dancing.

### ***Sunday Buffet Breakfast:***

Finish the weekend off with a full stomach at the buffet while hopefully claiming your raffle prizes. Listen to a preview of the 2022 NE Meet to be hosted by MARCOM.

### ***Repair Tent:***

A repair tent will be set up in the parking lot of the Sunday River Resort.



**MARC National Club** activity report. Even though the club did not do much touring last year, Wayne Champagne, our Club Mileage coordinator, was able to present one award. I was the recipient of the 90,000 mile award and in spite of Covid I put on 1700 miles last year to get me to this new level.



Also from MARC, was a notification that our own Wayne & Sue Champagne received their 30 years of membership recognition.



If you're not a member of the **Model A Restorer's Club (MARC)** or the **Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA)** I highly recommend joining them. See page 2 for more information.

## Maine Mud Season

I thought you might like to see how times have changed up in Maine for getting about during MUD season. The old Model A has been replaced by a more modern vehicle, those Mainers know how to travel in style.

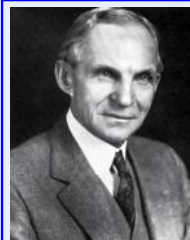


## Breakfast Guest

At a recent breakfast gathering there was a local guy also getting breakfast. Charlie Grillo drove his beautiful 1936



Buick Coupe to the Big Apple and was happy show it off to us Model A guys.



### Henry Ford Quote

*Time is the only capital that any human being has, and the only thing he can't afford to lose.*

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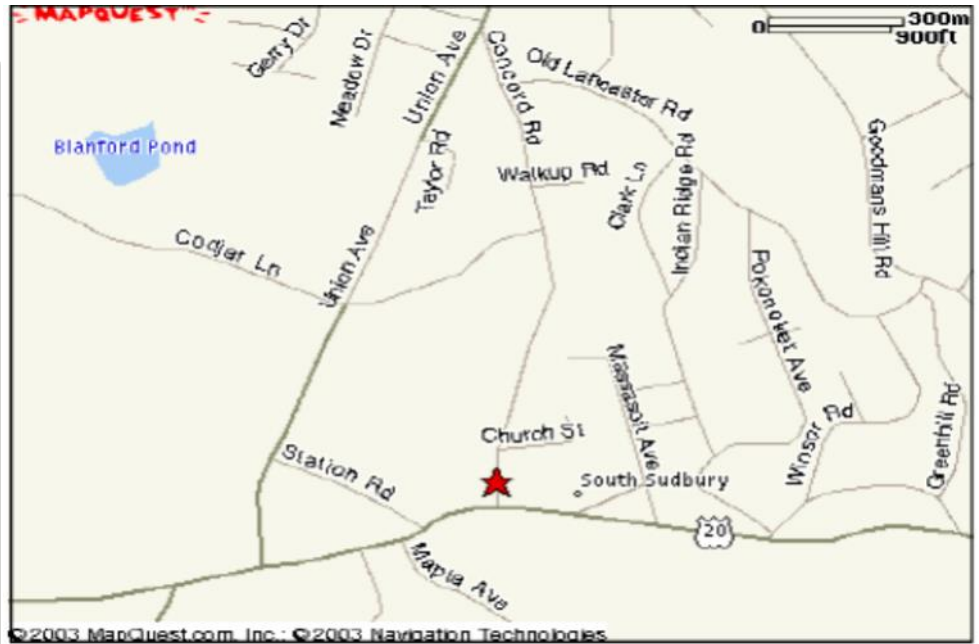


### On The Road Again!



How nice it was to get the Model A's out of the garage and back on the road again

for an Ice Cream tour with other club members. This tour should be just the first of many this year which will make up for having so many tours canceled last year. Let's keep rolling along.



Monthly Meetings are suspended for the Month of the Month at the Memorial Congregat Meetings Suspended Rd in Sudbury. Meetings start at 7:30 PM, preceded by "Tire Kicking" at 7:00 PM.

**Minuteman Model "A" Ford Club**  
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**May 2021**

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