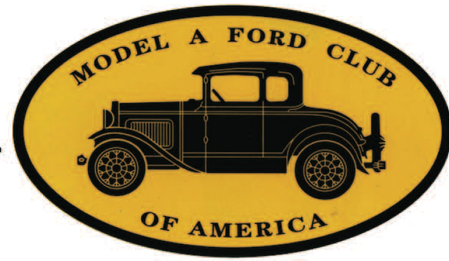


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Model A Ford Club

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March 7, 2023 Meeting Minutes



Warren Tavern

President **Gene Egert** convened the March 7, 2023, business meeting at 7:00 pm, and adjourned at 8:00 pm. The meeting was conducted at the *Warren Tavern*. There were eighteen participants. The meeting began with officers' reports.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Lindy Williams reported that the treasury balance was \$1862.82.

Transactions for the month include;
Income Total \$385

- 2023 Dues \$ 275.00
- Contrib \$ 110.00

Expenses Total \$195.00

- MAFCA yearly INS \$ 75.00
- Website Renewal for 2023. \$ 120.00
- MAFFI Foundation \$ 100.00
- MODEL A Youth Program. \$ 200.00
- Engine Repair Materials. \$ 767.43

March Birthdays !



**Judy Beller, John Tabisz,
 Mary McMahan, Anmarie Pradel,**

Attendees: Gene Egert, Lindy Williams, Nick Mazzarella, Tom Eklund, Larry Benischek, Alan Petrik, Ron Olsen, Dan Manola, Bob Verrando, Steve Paul, Ray McMahan, Jerry Rigatos, Tim Shackelford, John Tabisz, Ken Jagodzinski, George Haralampopoulos, Gordon Coleman, Roger Ascher,

Thanks to Tom Eklund for doing the snacks!

Snack List for 2023

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| Jan-Jim Weaver. | Feb-Bob Verrando |
| March-Tom Eklund | April-Roger Ascher |
| May-Ray McMahan | June-George Haralampopoulos |
| July - Ron Olsen | Aug-Bob Fields |
| Sept-Ken Jagodzinski, | Oct-Lindy Williams, |
| Nov-Paul Herbert | Dec-No Meeting |

President's Report

Gene read mails and pasted out magazines. Gene then discussed the ongoing engine rebuilding project the club has been doing. Of the four engines we were able to disassemble, we have been so far been able to reclaim enough parts to rebuild two.

Secretary Report

Secretary Nick Mazzarella reported that the RESTORER Chapter News report will be submitted when we have information to actually report..

Events Planner Alan Petrik passed out the events calendar for 2023. Entires are changing as dates are becoming more firm.

Old Business

Ray McMahon proposed that he buy back the engine he donated for rebuilding. It was restored and was up for sale. Ray will pay for the costs of all parts and donate another engine for rebuilding. The proposal was put up for vote and it was passed unanimously.

New Business -

May will be the **MAFCA** Youth Month and be featured in the *MAY/JUNE Restorer*.

2023 Naper A's Dues is still at \$25.00 for the year. Send you dues to **Lindy Williams**.

Usable parts left from rebuilding several engines form members' cars are available for use in future rebuild. They are reasonably priced.
rebuilding costs.

Upcoming Events

(See the Events Calendar for details)

- *Model T Club tour to the Beller Museum, Sunday, March 12th. There will be a \$10 donation.*
- *Annual Safety Check at Vogtle's Auto, Saturday, April 15th 8:30-11:30. Coffee and pastries.*
- *Naperville North High Auto Show, Friday, April 28, 10:00-1:30*

Tech Talk

Gene Egert brought the members up to date on the engine rebuilding efforts. We have had several engines donated by members that were in need of rebuilding or for cannibalization. So far we've rebuilt two engines from the combined parts acquired. The costs for replacement parts to date has totaled \$700.00

Seven members have been directly involved in the effort. So far we have one engine for sale. Ray McMahon has asked to buy the rebuilt engine for costs and the donation of another rebuildable engine to the club.

The parts out of each engine include the blocks, shafts, valves, piston, etc. Some parts are still in spec and can be reused with proper honing or grinding. Out of four engines we disassembled, we have assembled two engines. The proceeds from the sale of the engines will go into the Naper A's treasury. The price we're asking is far below the prices of buying one from professional builders.

The completed engine was started after two days of trying. It was tight and the 6v starter didn't have the power to turn it over. The guys used a 12v battery (by passing the ignition system) to crank it over and get it started. After running for about 20 minutes it was easier to start.

Nick Mazzarella asked for advice on completing the ends of the roof welt on his '31 stand. It turns out that there are special metal welting tips available for that purpose.



Dealers, Vendors & Web Sites to Note:

American Science and Surplus, <https://www.sciplus.com/> sells lots of interesting stuff for science experiments and projects. They are located at 33W361 Roosevelt Rd (Route 38), 1/4 mile east of Kirk Road.

Antique Engine Rebuilding

Missy and Brian (New Ownership and location)

847-674-6716

610 W. Washington

Bluffton, IN 46714

www.antiqueenginerebuilding.com

Bert's Model A Center is a good source for hard to get Model A parts.

[Http://modelastore.com/](http://modelastore.com/)

Custom Engine Service—Tim

204 Woodlawn Ave. (Entrance around the corner on Frazer Ct)

Aurora, IL 60506

630-844-1071

DLT Upholstery, <https://www.dltcorporation.com/> sells automotive interior materials and tools at reasonable prices. 27735 Diehl Road, Warrenville, IL 60555. 1(800) 458-3500.

Elburn Radiator and Repair. Bert Velhuiszen, 1 S. 1st St, Elburn, IL 60119, 630-365.5800.

Herb's Glass, and Mirror, Phred Hollister. Replacement safety glass for Model As.

737 W. Chicago, St, Elgin, IL 60123

847-888-4527, www.herbsglass.com

Independent Antique Radiator Manufacturing, 200 Berg St, Algonquin, IL 60102, 847-458-7400, no website available.

Naylor Automotive Engineering for bonded relining. 4685 Knox Ave, Chicago. 773-582-6900, <http://www.natlorautomotive.net>

Randy Gross, 16411 Shoemaker Ave, Cerritos, CA 90703 714-292-8660, melmodela@aol.com

Starters, generators, alternators, brake drums, modern steering unit.

Rockauto at <https://www.rockauto.com> is a good online source for modern auto parts.

Rock Quiet Brakes in Wisconsin do brakes at reasonable costs. Reports say the work has been excellent.

SPEED POWDER Coatings is a reasonable source for powder coatings. See www.speedpowder.com .

Located at 1310 W. Washington St, West Chicago, IL 60185. Ph. 630-473-0355. (Scott Altowski)

Winning Colors do powder coating of wheels/rims at reasonable prices.

14409 Edison, New Lenox, IL 60451,

Phone 815-462-4810

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