

# THE REFLECTOR

Newsletter of the Palomar Model A Ford Club  
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## RECENT CLUB ACTIVITIES

Photos say more than I've got words to explain.



# ***PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE***

Since it's Summer break in my automotive classes, I've had time to meet with friends, work on my nephew's house he's building, and look up Carlsbad High School graduates from between 1958 and 1961. They sound like very different pursuits, but in a way, I find that they're all trying to tie up loose ends and make things better for the future.

Like car restoration, you put in all sorts of work today, not for the immediate rewards of a drive or a paycheck (although a friend did end up buying lunch for everyone – Thanks, Ralph.) but so you have something to show for it incrementally over time. None of these projects will ever truly be finished, (Sorry, Andy, your home looks beautiful, but keep your weekends free, and don't be afraid to ask for help with future projects.) including your Model A Ford touring model.

Which brings up a philosophical discussion and question: Is the future of the Model A Ford hobby for its use as a touring automobile so improvements in reliability, comfort, and power will continue to be made at incredible cost compared to its resale value, or will more and more Model A Ford owners revert to restoring stock Model A's for curiosity pieces or to be used only in shows, parades, and movie sets? And, who in our club has a stock, 6-volt Model A with the block and frame number matching? (Steve Curry has one I know, but anyone else?)

I think it's important to include and support owners who do not plan to use their cars for touring. There are a few problems, though, new details are not coming out as frequently on Model A history and parts design when compared to details covering modifications and anecdotes about touring. We could provide a better forum to trade oem parts and methods of refinishing and maintaining old finishes on cars, though. If you want more of that, please bring it up at the next meeting, and, of course, volunteer for the board and take us in that direction.

See you at the Time Out Café on Sunday the 30th, and San Dieguito County Park on July 13th.

May your tank be full and the road opened in front of you.

David Frazee, President Pa



# *JUNE MINUTES*

Minutes from June 15, 2024 - Meeting of the Palomar A's held at Old Poway Park was called to order by President, David Frazee at 3:05 PM with 17 in attendance including both Pam and son Chris Treserdern for their first activities in many years, and Mike and Jennifer Baehr of the San Diego Chapter, but who live in Escondido.

This was an unstructured meeting in which Robert's Rules were not followed, but structured in that an agenda was sent prior by email.

Treasurer's Report – Bruce Furbush gave an accounting of the treasury and reported a bill from Rancho Bernardo Printpros. Mark Greenlee motioned that we accept the report and pay the bill, and Clyde Marion seconded. The motion carried.

Member Catch Up (Sunshine & Sorrow) – The Treserderns and Baehrs gave “elevator speeches” about their recent status with Model A's and how they hope to participate in the future. Donna Lugo was in attendance and gave us a rundown on her time in ICU and surgery for a massive infection.

Tours – Mark Greenlee and David Frazee gave reviews of their recent tours including the May 4th tour to the Antique Truck Show in Perris in which Mark ribbed Clyde Marion for being such a celebrity, knowing so many truck owners, that he could never get his questions answered, and he wondered whether Bruce Howe was able to answer his own questions, in that he had several internal debates of whether to purchase or not to purchase at the swap meet. However, mark felt that the Southern California Railway Museum was so interesting that you could easily go several times before it would be considered old hat.

David was grateful to the San Diego Chapter for inviting us to the Hansen's garage tour and the invites from the Palomar V8s and Temecula Valley A's as well. He will try to include them in the *Reflector* when we are notified, however, the Temecula tour to the John and Karen Pepe home scheduled for that day was cancelled due to the Pepe's participation in the National Tour of the Model T Ford Club of America out of Sycuan Casino, so hopefully no one went to the flag pole at 9 AM because they got the wrong information.

Encinitas Cruise Night is Thursday, June 20 from 5:30 to 7:30. There's not a lot of parking, to meet in so we plan to drive along Coast Highway, find a place to park, and then walk around to meet up and appreciate the cars.

The Last Sunday Breakfast on June 30th will be at the Time Out Café in Vista, but there has been a change for the July 28th meet up. David got word that Tip Top Meats is closing, so rather than September, he's moving it up to July. Note: Word is that the management would like to reopen Tip Top some other location, but the landlord wants them out.

There was a vote whether to skip the July picnic and return to Palomar Estates early, and overwhelmingly folks would like to continue the plan to meet at San Dieguito County Park on Saturday, July 13 between 10 and 2.

David also reviewed the August, September, and October tour plans (see the calendar on page 9.) Folks are looking forward to participating in August's Car Olympics. If someone is willing to create medals for the winners, it would be appreciated.

Tech Report – Mark Greenlee brought a quick, portable, oil catcher of his design—patent pending.

Show & Tell – David Frazee brought in a tool that looked like a great method for breaking the window glass in case your car plunged into the ocean. He passed it around and asked members what it truly was designed to do. It was a grinding wheel dresser.

Frazee noted a feeling of forgetfulness and asked members for a reminder. On the drive home he remembered that he had not opened a discussion and selected a *King of the Garage*.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM. Submitted by David Frazee

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## LAST SUNDAY BREAKFAST

June 30th Breakfast

We're returning to 2018 in that our July 2018 breakfast, like the June 15th breakfast with the V8 club, was at the Pit Stop Diner in Oceanside, and the August 2018 breakfast, much like the June 30th Breakfast will be at **Time Out Café** 1011 S Santa Fe Ave Vista 8 AM. The menu seems to have changed a bit in six years, but it's still a "Mom and Pop" with friendly service so you're bound to enjoy it.



## BIRTHDAYS

Sandy Boom	6 July
Wayne Moore	14 July
David Frazee	20 July

## ANNIVERSARIES

Bill & Kathy Horn	2 July
Brian & Erin Terry	9 July
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Howard & Barbara Kruegel	27 July

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## ***2024 CALENDAR IN PROGRESS***

July—there will be no July evening business meeting on the first Wednesday. It will be marked instead with a picnic Saturday, June 15th

June 30 Last Sunday Breakfast Time Out Café 1011 S Santa Fe Ave Vista 8 AM

July 13 Picnic Meeting San Dieguito County Park 1628 Lomas Santa Fe Dr, Del Mar 10 to 2  
Nearly the same as the June 15th Picnic, but San Dieguito is known for hiking trails more than trains and buildings, so besides picnic, chairs and sunblock, bring some comfortable shoes.

July 20 Breakfast with the Temecula Valley Club at the San Luis Rey Bakery and Restaurant 8:45 AM on Saturday.

July 28 Last Sunday Breakfast Tip Top Meats 6118 Paseo Del Norte Carlsbad 8 AM—Moved up because Tip Top closes forever, September 30th.

August 7 General Meeting Palomar Estates 7:00 PM

August 10 Car-Olympics—an event designed to correspond to the Paris Olympics in hopes that it will become an official event at the 2028 Los Angeles Olympic Games. Train Early—Train Often!

August 25 Last Sunday Breakfast Money Pit 1360 E Mission Rd San Marcos 8 AM

September 4 General Meeting Palomar Estates 7:00 PM

September 7 For National Tailgating Day we'll attend one of the first football games at the new Palomar College Football Stadium. Details will follow when the team schedule is announced.

September 14 22nd Annual All Ford Car Show and Swap Meet in Old Town Orcutt, put together by the Santa Maria A's. Registration is \$30 prior to September 1st. Information can be found at [www.santamariamodelaclub.com](http://www.santamariamodelaclub.com) or by phone at 805-598-8133.

September 28 Paradise Valley Chapter Fall Swap Meet Little League Headquarters, San Bernardino

September 29 Last Sunday Breakfast

October 2 General Meeting Palomar Estates 7:00 PM

October 5 Tour of the Palomar College Arboretum in the morning, lunch at George Burgers or My Yard Brewery and then an afternoon trip to San Marcos Historical Society as it opens at 1:00.

October 27 Last Sunday Breakfast Dennys at College and 76 8 AM

November 6 General Meeting Palomar Estates 7:00 PM

November 9 Tour TBD Potentially a progressive tour around North County, we'll ask for volunteers in September

November 24 Last Sunday Breakfast Charlie's in Escondido 8 AM

December 14 Christmas Party and Installation Lunch The Hunter Restaurant 12:00 PM 1221 Vista Way in Oceanside.

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**Membership** is \$20 per year and club information, including a membership application and an archive of past newsletters, is available on [www.palomarmodelclub.org](http://www.palomarmodelclub.org)

**Business Meetings** are held the first Wednesday of each month, except June, July, and December, at the Palomar Estates East Clubhouse: 650 S Rancho Santa Fe Rd, in San Marcos at 7:00pm.

Check the website, newsletters, or Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/palomarmafca> for specifics for the June, July, and December meetings. All Model A Ford hobbyists are welcome.

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