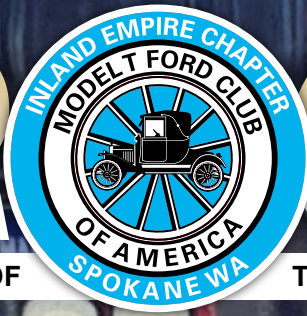


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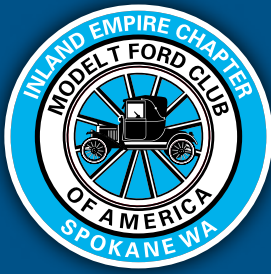
THE SPOKANE MODEL T FORD CLUB



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We are the **Inland Empire Chapter** (Spokane) of the MTFCA and the MTFCI



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The yearly dues are \$20 per year from an individual or family and due by January 31st of each year. Please renew your membership or join the club as a new member. We look forward to seeing you!

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All items to be published are **due before the 20th** of the month. Please send photos, articles and anything else for the newsletter to fenderchatter@gmail.com

On the Cover:

Jan 28, Tuesday Nights at Antique Auto Ranch - Tom Carnegie shows how to repair a T engine pan.

- Photo by Nan Robison

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A Message From Your Club President:

We had a great Tours & Events meeting on February 8. Thanks to everyone who attended: Nan Robison, Mark and Janice Hutchinson, Paul and Matthew Murray, Rick Carnegie, Steve and Julie Heid, Dan Garcia, who is President of the the Inland Northwest Thunderbird Club, and my wife Carole and I.

Carole and I have a 2004 Ford Thunderbird and are members of the Inland Northwest Thunderbird Club. The club has an annual Ford show on July 4 at Brookdale Park Place retirement home at 601 S. Park Road in Spokane Valley. This is a great show and Model T's are welcome. Last year we went to a Spokane Indians game--with fireworks--after the show. We plan to repeat that this year, and everyone is welcome to join us.

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Meeting Minutes

Minutes for the Friday, February 7, 2025 Meeting

President Larry Mann called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. There were no new members or guests present.

The minutes from the December meeting were approved as printed in the *Fender Chatter*.

➔ **Treasurer's Report:** Karma Roth reported activity from December and January. We had a successful silent auction at the January Banquet. She has sent a check to the INCCC for the scholarship fund, paid for a gift card for Jeff Hipp, and for the annual post office box rent. The box rent has increased once again and it was discussed that we could use a smaller box, but this would require changing our address in a number of places including on our filings with the State of Washington and with the bank. No motion was made to change the post office box. The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

➔ **VP Report:** John DeJong says there's no news about the Swap Meet yet.

➔ **Refreshments:** Wanda Hummer will be taking over meeting refreshments from Nan. Thank you, Nan, for all the years that made sure we had drinks and goodies at our meetings!

➔ **Roster:** Karma Roth announced that the roster is closed to additional entries and that she hopes to have it ready to distribute by March.

➔ **Newsletter Mailing:** Jim & Betty Patterson were not at the meeting and there was no report.

➔ **Banquet:** Karma reported that the banquet went well and the price was reasonable, although \$20 per person did not cover the cost of food that needed to be ordered for people who purchased tickets after the deadline. The club was able to cover this additional expense. Nan was a very busy person organizing food and drink service and cleaning up after. She admits that she is not usually good about accepting help, but she thanked John DeJong, who didn't ask permission – he just stepped in and started doing. The banquet seems to work well having it catered at the church, and the silent auction is fun.

➔ **Sunshine:** Susie Carnegie reports that she only sent the cards reported in the *Fender Chatter*.

➔ **Tours:** There will be a meeting on Saturday, February 8 to plan this year's tours. Everyone is welcome! More people means more ideas and a fun touring season. Larry Mann will be the chair of the Tour Committee this year.

➔ **Library:** Brooks Johnson was not at the meeting - so no report.

➔ **Name Tags:** Bill Barr has had no business, but he has supplies if anyone needs a name tag.

➔ **Scrapbooks & Photo Albums:** Roy Moffit has not received any new pictures for the photo albums since he has taken charge of them. It was mentioned that perhaps the pictures in the albums could be

digitized, but no motion was made. Mike Robison requested that Roy bring one of the albums to the next meeting.

➔ **Wednesday Night Dinners:** If someone has an idea for a dinner place, contact Ralph Brevik.

➔ **Tuesday Night at Antique Auto Ranch:** Tom says, "We're doin' it. People keep showin' up."

The Tuesday Night gang is also busy dropping axles on Model T's to lower their center of gravity by heating a front axle and moving it so that the whole car sits lower. They built a jig on which they mount the axle, then apply lots of heat and bend it, making the car up to four inches lower in the front. Tom color codes his axles to show how many inches they have been dropped. Mike says you can do this just about any way you want, but making it look good is another thing. This is a popular thing to do to race cars and hot rods. The lower center of gravity will make the car handle better and look better. So if you're a dude trying to impress a girl, and you need a dropped axle, come down on Tuesday Night. They are always looking for volunteers, especially a new Jack Man (someone to run the hydraulic jack) every week. The heat from the torch is rather intense.

➔ **Safety & Seminars:** Mike Robison says that every Tuesday Night can be a seminar if someone needs help with a project. The Safe-T Inspection will be held at Jim & Sandra Elenbaas's place this year. Thank you to Larry & Norma for hosting this event for so many years!

➔ **Facebook:** Mike & Jillian Robison, Jeff Hipp, and Nan Robison all post photos and information about our tours, and more.

➔ **Webmaster:** Janice Hutchinson posts to the website if you have any new information to be added or see any errors to be corrected. Mike Robison requested that we condense the information on the Tech Info, and this will be done.

➔ **New Business:** Karma reported on three subjects: (1) She received renewals from 52 of our 78 members from 2024. Members can still renew, but they will not be listed in our roster or on the report she sends to the MTFCA. (2) If you know of anyone who needs an INCCC Scholarship application she has these available. (3) There was an issue with the checks that we sent for this summer's National Tour in Alberta – the bank will not accept checks made out to the tour, they must be made out to the club using the exact name as it is registered with the government. The information on their website has been corrected if you are still planning to register.

Nan, as a director for the MTFCA, gave us an update from their January 20th meeting. They reviewed finances, and the tour in Alberta this July. They are planning two tours in 2026, one in Joplin, Missouri and one in New York. This was done to increase participation from western members, for whom a trip to New York is a LONG trip. The 2027 National Tour will be in Richmond, Indiana. They also discussed loss of chapters and aging members.

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For more tour or event details: check the [club website](#), [club Facebook page](#), or watch your e-mail.



The next regular club meeting is - March 7

The monthly meeting begins at 7:00 PM on the 1st Friday of each month at the Opportunity Presbyterian Church, 202 North Pines, Spokane Valley, WA.

You are welcome to join other T Club members for pre-meeting dinner 5:00-6:00 PM - **this month at Darcy's Restaurant** at 10502 E Sprague Ave. (University & Sprague) in the Spokane Valley. **We Hope to see you there!**

NOTE: Pre-meeting dinner venue is subject to change at the last-minute due to capacity. Check your email for any change prior to joining us.

Prez Message • Minutes • Tours List

Club President Message continued...

Please see the list of coming tours and events in this month's *Fender Chatter* (below). As always, dates and events are subject to change. And we are open to more suggestions to add to the calendar.

Many thanks to Nan Robison, who chaired the Tours & Events committee for so many years. We appreciate your leadership and hard work! I'll take over as committee

chairman, with Steve and Julie Heid also on the committee. This is an open group, and we welcome anyone who wants to join us--or make suggestions.

Although the weather is still bad, spring is coming soon. Let's have some fun tours and events in 2025!

—Larry Mann

February Meeting Minutes continued...

The Model T Homecoming in Richmond, Indiana is looking for people to put on seminars. Also discussed was the Hershey Swap Meet in October and the Winter Clinic. The MTFCA is looking for potential board members – if you know someone who make a good board member, let Nan know. Their next meeting is March 17.

Jeff Hipp reports that Bing Crosby moved from Spokane to Los Angeles in October 1925, and that there will be an event commemorating this.

We found a photograph of Rick Carnegie with the Trailer Queen Trophy from 2022. We stopped giving this trophy out because it seemed unkind to give a trophy for having some bad luck. This is not the same as Hard Luck Trophy – the trophy that broken Model T parts were welded onto until it got too heavy to carry. We also stopped awarding this trophy, but we don't know who received it last or where it is now. We would also like to find the final recipient of the President's Award Plaque that was retired because it was full.

As far as we have heard, there will not be a Pre-War Swap Meet in Chickasha this year. If you hear that they have found someone to put this on, please let us know.

➡ **Tech Talk:** Tom reports that he is in the process of re-attaching the ears and snout to a Model T pan. Henry Ford poured brass all over these, Tom guesses to keep them from leaking. If you're interested in this, come on Tuesday Night.

➡ **Show & Tell:** Nobody brought anything.

➡ **For Sale:** Bill Barr has a starter for sale. Tom says he has starters as well.

➡ **New Projects:** Mike Robison says he has no new projects – he's trying to finish the old ones, but the speedster is buried in snow right now.

➡ **Door Prizes & Drawings:** Ralph Brevik won the 50/50 drawing. Door prizes were won by Hailie Hutchinson, Paul Murray, Cheri Storey, Roy Moffit, Jon Larson, John DeJong, Matthew Murray, and Tom Carnegie. Thank you to Montana Barnard for supplying the door prizes!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Janice Hutchinson, Secretary

2025 Planned Tours

Schedule is Subject to Change

We always welcome more ideas for tours to add to this schedule! Contact Larry Mann.

April 12

*Antique and other shops in Coeur d'Alene.
Lunch at Hudson's Hamburgers*

May 10

MAC Historic Homes & Buildings Tour in Millwood

May 18

Annual Safe-T inspection and potluck at Jim and Sandra Elenbaas' home

June TBD

Felts Field Neighbor Day

June 7

*Model T Driving School
(with hotdogs in manifold cookers)*

June 21

Progressive Dinner Tour (Janice will organize & discuss at future meetings)

July 4

*Ford Car Show at Brookdale Park Place.
Evening Spokane Indians game and fireworks*

July 12-13

Spokane Swap Meet

July 13-18

MTFCA National Tour- Stettler, Alberta, Canada

July 20-25

MTFCI International Tour- Owatonna, MN

July 26

Tour, picnic, and riding an outdoor garden railroad at home of Carl Evans in Chattaroy

August 1

Potluck meeting at Nan Robison's home

August 16

Old School Picnic?

August 30 to September 1

Spokane Symphony free concerts on different days, one in Comstock Park on South Hill and the other in Liberty Lake. Dates haven't been announced yet.

September 12-14

NWVS Speedster Run and Lowland Tour - Post Falls, ID

September 13

*Interstate Fair?
(not sure if the fair will do this again in 2025)*

September 20

Poker Run

October 4

Economy Run (Post Falls/State Line area)

November

Nothing scheduled yet

December 7

Breakfast with Santa

Seen, Heard and Shared

Tuesday Nights at the Ranch - Jan 28

Nan Robison shares photos of a few Spokane T Club members working on winter auto projects in the shop at Antique Auto Ranch. Tom Carnegie was showing how to repair a Model T engine pan, and Mike Robison was demonstrating how to bend & lower a front axle.



Photos provided by Nan Robison

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Club & Model T Related Events and Notices

Events Calendar

- Mar 7 Spokane T Club Meeting**
~~Mar Chickasha, OK Pre-War Swap Meet - No Longer, Ended~~
Mar 15-16 Almost Spring Swap Meet - Puyallup, WA
Apr 4-6 Portland & PIR Swap Meets - Portland, OR
Apr 4 Spokane T Club Meeting
Apr 11 Spring Warm Up & Swap Meet - Eagle, ID
Apr 12 T Club Antique & other shops in Cd'A. Lunch at Hudson's
May 1-2 Central Alberta Swap Meet - Red Deer, AB CA
May 2 Spokane T Club Meeting
May 3 Tri-Cities Swap Meet - Kennewick, WA
May 3? North Cascade Swap Meet - Mt Vernon, WA - **TBD**
May 10 T Club MAC Historic Homes & Buildings Tour- Millwood
May 17 Wild Goose Bill Days Parade - Wilbur, WA
May 17 Harrington, WA Car Show 9-3 (*old car categories*)
May 17-18 Seattle Auto Swap Meet - Monroe, WA
May 18 T Club Annual Safe-T Inspection - Elenbaas' house
May 24-25 NWWS Pre 1934 4-cyl. Speedster Run - Kennewick, WA
Jun 6 Spokane T Club Meeting
Jun 4-7 MTFCA Homecoming Event - Richmond, IN
Jun 7 T Club Model T Driving school (w/ hotdogs in manifold cookers)
Jun 7 Mule Days Parade - Reardan, WA
Jun 7-8 SOVREN Festival of Speed - Spokane, WA - **TBD**
Jun 13-14 Car d'Lane Car Show - Coeur d'Alene, ID
Jun 21 T Club Progressive Dinner Tour
July 4 T Club Ford Car Show at Brookdale Park Place. Then Evening Spokane Indians game and fireworks
July 4 No T Club meeting - see you at the swap meet!
July 12-13 All Wheels Swap Meet (*only 2 days*) - Spokane, WA
July 13-18 MTFCA Nat'l Tour - Stettler, Alberta, Canada
July 20-25 MTFCA Tour- Owatonna, Minnesota
July 26 T Club Tour, picnic, and riding an outdoor garden railroad at home of Carl Evans in Chattaroy
Sep 12-14 NWWS Annual Speedster Run - Post Falls, ID

NOTE: These events are subject to change - the info is what we know of at the time of publication - please confirm for yourself before travelling to, or attending any events.

Wanda's Refreshments

- Mar:** Ron Stose & Larry Mann
Apr: Diana Barr & Cheri Storey
May: Rodney Waltz & Nan Robison



Sunshine Report —Susie Carnegie

• Thank you card to Julie Heid.

Any new updates will be announced at the next meeting or in the next newsletter.

If you know of a club member in need of some cheer - please let Susie know. If it's stated in this newsletter that you were sent a Sunshine card, but never received one in the mail, please let Susie know. We don't want anyone left out.

TUESDAY NIGHTS AT THE RANCH

Come on out on Tuesday evenings around 4:30 pm with your T parts that need to be worked on. Also join us **after** for dinner at McDonalds. antiqueautoranch.com

Note: Antique Auto Ranch is only open to the public on the first Tues of each month. Other times by appointment.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS & MODEL Ts

Wednesday Dinners are on hold for now. If you have an idea for a T Club dinner stop around town - let Ralph know! Watch your email for details on where and when the next one will be! C'ya there! — Ralph

NEW VINYL WINDOW DECALS \$2.00 EACH

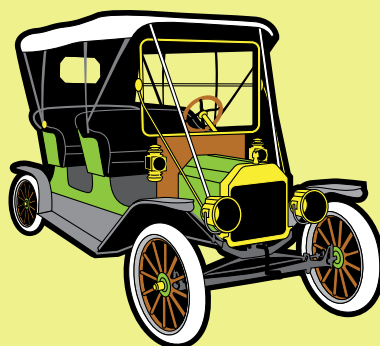
“100 Year” sticker for our old cars, size: 2"x1.5".

“My Other Car is a Model T” sticker for our modern cars, size: 3". There was a good response to these at previous meetings - I'll bring again to future Spokane Model T Club Meetings if anyone else wants to purchase any. See me, or email fenderchatter@gmail.com. - Jeff



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Last-minute notices, fun stuff, lots of photos, links, etc.



Tours and Activity Reports

Tours may be arranged at the last minute so check the club website Calendar of Events for the latest activities at spokanemodeltclub.com or our Club Facebook page [f Inland Empire Model T Club](https://www.facebook.com/InlandEmpireModelTClub)

For tours or events, contact Larry Mann or Steve & Julie Heid.

Seen, Heard and Shared

A 1906 Model N Named "Hank"

Rick & Carla Carnegie's 1907 Model N, "Ruby", now has a sibling to reminisce with — a 1906 Model N named "Hank", that is owned by Obie and Diane Bradshaw.

Per Obie, "While it is registered as a 1906 model N the running gear is "T". We joined the Spokane T Club in May 2023 and were newbies with virtually no real knowledge of the car. It was built around 1960 by Diane's grandfather in Corona, California. The family always called it the "N" and it was almost never out and about after Diane's grandparents passed away. It was passed down to her brother. When he died we acquired the car.

The club members helped me figure out the various parts of the car. We still enjoy driving around locally. As we get more comfortable with it we plan to attend shows and get together. We joined the Spokane T Club after retrieving the car from Norco, CA and Diane spent days getting the brass bits shining! We intend on attending the inspection in May, and we hope to attend club events in 2025."

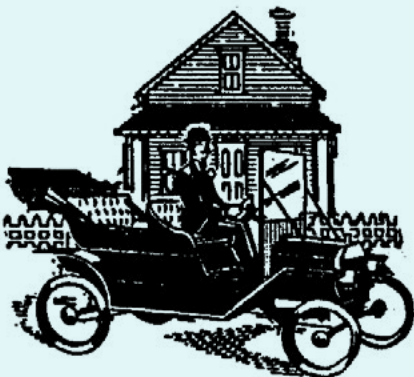
It's always special seeing our Spokane T Club member's antique cars out-and-about, but, these real oldies are a rare treat indeed. According to sources, The Model N was the first American car with Vanadium Steel, about 7000 were made, and only around 108 remain today. It's not known how many are actually drivable. In comparison, 15,007,033 Model Ts were made, and it's estimated that 60,000 remain worldwide and 50,000 are still drivable.

We welcome Obie & Diane Bradshaw and "Hank" on club functions whenever they feel like driving or coming along. —Jeff



Photos provided by Obie Bradshaw

➔ EDITORIAL: SOME ESTATE ADVICE ◀



Hey folks, just another reminder regarding your Last Will and Model Ts, etc.. **Please review your Last Will & Testament** to be sure that what you want to happen to your estate and antique vehicles - is actually what is written down in the Will. Be sure what you said is what the lawyer wrote. If you have questions, ask - **be accurate & specific**. I pass this along, because when

my Dad passed, I assumed what he told me in-person would be in his legal written Will. Turns out it was vaguely written and became a big headache, with what I know wasn't his intent for how his estate & old cars were actually dispersed. And I've heard this same story from other folks as well. **So please, check your Will now.** —Jeff

For Sale • Wanted • Membership

When available, photos with these ads will be posted to our Club website spokanemodeltclub.com/for-sale.php

Wanted: 1926-27 T COUPE PARTS. Cowl, firewall, and both doors, perhaps other parts. I'm a new Model T owner, what do you have for sale? Please contact Hunter at huntar74@gmail.com. Thank you.

For Sale: 1926 TOURING PARTS CAR 90% done, body is nice and not rusty. A new restoration that was never able to be completed - purchased from an estate. Feb '27 frame, July '25 engine - appears to be rebuilt, '25 or older front axle, new fenders & splash aprons & running boards are possibly reproduction, new top, new seats, 1924 or older transmission cover, new 1922 or older short radiator, body looks to be 1927. Asking \$7,000 negotiable, plus the ride. **ALSO 1915-16 FRONT RT FENDER & LEFT SPLASH APRON**, reproduction. Never mounted, very nice. Asking **HALF** of Lang's price, negotiable, plus shipping. **Call Myron 208-773-9259** Hauser Lake, Idaho. Please leave a message and call back number if he doesn't answer.



For Sale: 1926 COUPE. I'm a former club member, and this car has been in our family since 1971. My father and I drove it around the Spokane Valley for a couple of years, then we "laid it up" by draining the coolant, removing the battery, squirting WD-40 down the cylinders, and storing it indoors since. I consider it as a good project car with all major components in fair to good condition, including a Ruckstell Rear Axle. As I am deeply involved in the full restoration of another car, I would like to move this Model T on to a new owner who will complete the project. I hope it stays local so I can see and appreciate the final product! I am asking \$5,000. Please call or e-mail with questions or to see the car. Thank you! **Gerry Snow (509) 991-4121** gerrysnow@comcast.net

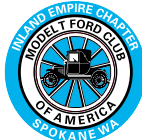


Membership Application

Condensed Version

If you have already renewed for this year, please pass this form to someone who also shares our interest of the Model T Ford. Please print clearly.

Due before Jan 31 of each year: join as a new member now, or bring this completed form to the next meeting, or mail to the address below with your dues of \$20.00 to:



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Changes since last year? Y / N

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MTFCA member? Y / N • MTFCI member? Y / N

MTFCA Membership # _____

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Policy # _____

Model T's Owned:

Year	Body Style	Condition
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R = Restored, U = Unrestored, O = Original
PR = Partially Restored, BC = Basket Case

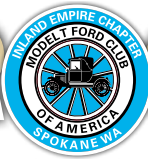
• **National MTFCA Membership:** (check, credit card, Paypal) mtfca.com/join-or-renew

• **National MTFCI Membership:** modelt.org/join-or-renew-membership

• You may also download and print this membership application form as a PDF from our club website: spokanemodeltclub.com/membership-form.php

Note: Our bank now requires any checks to the Spokane T Club must be made out to "IEMTFCA".

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Feb 18, Tuesday night at Antique Auto Ranch - Slow night. No projects going so we all just sat around and jawed!

Photo by Nan Robison

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