

# THE KLAXON



#### February 2018



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**Ignition Timing** 

#### The Newsletter of the

# Delaware Valley Model A Ford Club, Inc. Founded in 1958



The Etling's 1929 Pickup

The Klaxon is the monthly newsletter of the Delaware Valley Model "A" Ford Club, Inc. and is circulated to all club members and other interested clubs. The club meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at Daley's Service Center, 2749 Bristol Pike, Bensalem, PA 19020.

If you wish to contribute articles for publication in the Klaxon please do so by submitting them to the editor Jim Maier. Other pertinent information can be obtained from the officers.

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### **President's Message**



### **Greetings:**

So far in my tenure as president I am 0 for 1, in my meetings scorecard. I always was a slow starter though. Here is hoping for a hit the next time up on Feb. 1. Three items come to mind for the next meeting. The first is dues and roster forms. It looks like we will be a month or so behind on that. So please make it a priority to fill out that form and pay your dues at the next meeting. The second item is the Model A event in April which in the past has been held in Hellertown, PA. This year it will be held in Trexlertown, PA . We will have more to say about this in the near future. Lastly, the Phila. car show was held on Monday, January 29th and hopefully some of the members attending the show can give us some highlights.

If anyone has any suggestions for topics of discussion at a meeting, or ideas for a tour, please let know.

**Dave Miller** 



### Hello,

As Dave mentioned above, The Lehigh Valley Chapter Show that was previously held in Hellertown has been moved to Trexlertown. It will be at Goodwill Fire Company 7723 Hamilton Blvd. We will discuss a convoy at one of the upcoming meetings. A flyer will be in next months Klaxon.

There is a roster update form enclosed in this issue. Dues are now due. Forms will also be available at the meeting if you dong wish to separate the newsletter. Please fill out and return the form by February 15th to be included in the 2018 club roster.

Thank you,

See you on the 1st!

#### **Up Coming Events**

2/1/18 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

3/1/18 Monthly Meeting at Daley's Service Center

# Happy Birthdays for February 2018!

If we missed your birthday please let the editor know

Dick Wainwright	3
Edward Mitchell	5
Mike Jones	7
Lin Bethman	12
Rich Nash	13
Joy Johnson	22





### Delaware Valley Model A Ford Club 2018 Yearly Calendar of Events

January	July
4 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley's	<ul> <li>4 - Lawncrest Parade - 8:30 Form up on Rising Sun Avenue above Knorr St.</li> <li>4 - Cheltenham Parade - 11:00 Form up on Ashmead Road at Front Street.</li> <li>5 - Club Meeting - 7:30pm Daley's</li> <li>7 - Pennypack Woods Parade ~ Billy Long POC</li> </ul>
February	August
1 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley's	2 - Club Meeting - 7:30pm Daley's
March	September
1 - Club Meeting - 7:30pm Daley's	6 - Club Meeting - 7:30pm Daley's
	15 - International Model A Ford Day.
	?? – Club Banquet.
April	October
5 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley's	4 – Club Meeting – 7:30pm Daley's
28 – Hellertown Model A Show	3 – 6 – Hershey AACA Meet
May	November
3 - Club Meeting - 7:30pm Daley's	1 - Club Meeting - 7:30pm Daley's
28 – Bensalem / Croydon Parades	17 – Bristol Township Parade

#### June December

7 - Club Meeting - 7:30pm Daley's

6 - Club Meeting - 7:30pm Daley's

2 - Holy Nativity Strawberry Fest in Rockledge

Please advise the editorial staff of any additional events, as well as any changes.

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### From Hemmings Motor News and other sources

See enclosed club event listing for our club events

#### SWAP MEET AND CAR CORRAL

March 25, 2018 8 AM-3PM

South Jersey Region, AACA 47th Annual Swap Meet and Car Corral. Salem County Fairgrounds, 735 Harding Hwy US 40, Woodstown, NJ. 08098. Sunday March 25, 2018, 8AM-3PM. Spaces \$35.00 in advance \$50.00 day of show. Chuck Gibson 609-221-5435.

**Sponsor:** South Jersey Region AACA

When: March 25, 2018 8 AM-3PM

**Location:** 

Salem County Fairgrounds, 735 Harding Hwy US 40

Woodstown, NJ, 08098

**Cost:** No charge for spectators

To Register: call Chuck Gibson at 609-221-5435 or call Gary Green at 856-575-5547

# LVMAC Trexlertown Model A and AA Show and Swap April 22, 2018 9am -3pm

**Sponsor:** Lehigh Valley Model A Club and Goodwill Fire Company

When: April 22, 2018 9am -3pm

Location:

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Cost: Free to attend, \$10 per swap space

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We are also looking for members to do short tech talks at our meetings on various topics related to Model A Fords. If you are interested, please contact one of our officers to schedule a time.

### J&L VINTAGE TREASURES

Jim & Lisa

A little bit of everything ... from pre-loved vintage treasures and antiques to current clothing, jewelry and accessories.



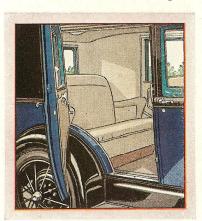
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# You will find the new Ford a comfortable easy-riding car

In days gone by, it was Mother who seemed destined to get most of the bouncing on those Sunday afternoon rides. Bumps that seemed like innocent little bumps to Dad in the front seat were quite large and aggravating by the time they reached the riders in the rear.

Perhaps Mother mentioned it in clear, brisk tones. Perhaps, being long-suffering, she didn't. There seemed no way it could be helped in



March 1929 Good Housekeeping

a low-priced car. Then along came the new Ford and with it a new idea of riding ease. Now there is no dividing FORD MOTOR COMPANY line for comfort. Everybody

can lean back and relax because even rough stretches may be taken at a reasonably fast pace without the exaggerated bouncing rebound which is the cause of most motoring fatigue.

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The illustration on the right shows the roominess of the front compartment of the new Fordor Sedan. Here, as in rear view, you can see the restful tilt of the wide deeply cushioned seat-the richness of every detail of finish and appointment.

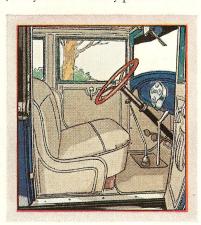


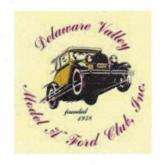
Detroit, Michigan

remarkable riding ease not only because of its low unsprung weight and transverse springs, but because it has four Houdaille hydraulic

shock absorbers—two in the front and two in the rear.

Formerly these were installed as standard equipment on only the most expensive automobiles. Their use on the new Ford is an example of the quality built into every part of the car.





### **ROSTER UPDATE FORM – 2018**

# DEADLINE FEBRUARY 15<sup>th</sup> for inclusion in 2018 roster

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PLEASE COMPLETE THE UPDATE EVEN IF YOU ARE A LIFE MEMBER SO WE CAN UPDATE THE MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

## Model A Maintenance Quiz

Since we are coming into the touring season, many of us will be taking our Model A's out of the garage, here is a little maintenance quiz for you to review.

- 1. How many grease fittings are on a Model A?
  - a. 10-12
  - b. 28-31
  - c. 40-50
  - d. Exactly 42
  - e. This was before grease fittings were invented
- 2. What happens when the front wheel bearings run dry?
  - a. The front wheel falls off
  - b. Grease squirts out from behind the hubcap
  - c. They seize up and weld to the spindle
- 3. How should the distributor cam be lubricated?
  - a. With a light coating of Vaseline
  - b. Through a normal grease fitting
  - c. Oil can
- 4. What type of lubricant goes into the steering column grease fitting?
  - a. 600W, just like the rear differential
  - b. The same grease as all the other fittings
  - c. 10W-30 non-detergent motor oil
  - d. Any of the above
- 5. How often should you change your oil?
  - a. Every 200 miles
  - b. Every 500 miles
  - c. Every 1000 miles
  - d. Just keep adding
- 6. How soon should you check your breaker points gap after installing new ones?
  - a. 10 miles
  - b. 15 miles
  - c. 100 miles
  - d. Never
- 7. What is the perfect color of spark plug electrodes after extended use?
  - a. Pitch black and dry
  - b. Pitch black with a little oil for lubrication
  - c. Pitch black with a little gas smell
  - d. Bright white
  - e. None of the above
- 8. How do you know when the u-joint has enough grease?
  - a. Remove the speedometer cap and look for new grease
  - b. The grease gun will be hard to pump
  - c. Grease will squirt out around the grease fitting
- 9. Which generator charging amperage range is considered best?
  - a. 1-2 amps
  - b. 3-5 amps
  - c. 6-9 amps
  - d. 15-20 amps
- 10. What is good front tire toe-in amount?
  - a. 1/32 inches



- b. 1/16 inches
- d. 1/8 inches
- c. Model A's use toe-out instead
- 11. How many miles between tie-rod greasings?
  - a. 500 miles
  - b. 1000 miles
  - c. 2000 miles
  - d. 5000 miles
- 12. How much play should the clutch pedal have?
  - a. None, any play is bad
  - b.1 inch
  - c. 2 inches
  - d. 4 inches
- 13. What is the best way of preventing grinding gears when shifting?
  - a. Double-clutching
  - b. A low idle RPM
  - c. Pure STP in the transmission
  - d. All of the above
- 14. How much pressure is recommended for Model A tires with tubes?
  - a. 50 lbs
  - b. 75 lbs
  - c. 35 lbs
  - d. None of the above
- 15. How do you access the clutch thrust bearing grease fitting?
  - a. There is no such bearing on the Model A
  - b. Not accessible on the Model A
  - c. From under the car, behind the transmission
  - d. Under the floorboard, through the transmission cover.

COVET		7.e. None of the above
through the transmission		6. c. 100 miles
d. Under the floorboard,	12.	<ol><li>b. Every 500 miles</li></ol>
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#### **IGNITION TIMING**

by Les Andrews, 1998

Here's the procedure I use to set timing. It works every time for me and a way to insure you have set the timing correctly every time.

- 1. Set the points to .020.
- 2. Check the clearance between the distributor rotor and each of the four contacts inside the distributor body. You can carefully bend the rotor tab or file each of the body contacts to get .025 to .030 clearance between the rotor and each contact.
- 3. Set the timing pin in the timing gear cover to the detent. Remove #1 spark plug and look down the hole to make sure #1 piston at the very top of the stroke. (make sure you are observing the piston and not the valve).
- 4. Set the steering column spark lever full up position (full retard). With the distributor body in place, make sure the distributor plate arm is fully against the far end of the body opening. Then pull the spark lever full down and check to see that the distributor arm is fully against the other side of the body opening. This checks to see that you are getting a full 20 degrees of advance. Now reset the spark lever full up.
- 5. From the right side of the engine, the rotor should be pointing to about 5 o'clock position. Loosen the distributor cam screw and rotate the distributor cam clockwise to the point just before the points open on the lobe. Tighten the cam screw down.
- 6. With the cam screw tight, try to move the cam clockwise again, i.e., remove all backlash movement. The points should be at a position just before the points open.
- 7. Here is the final check. Attach a light or volt meter leads to the tip of the points arm. I made up a test light from a tail light socket with alligator clips on both pigtail wires. Clip one alligator clip to a good ground point and the other clip to the end of the point arm. When the points are closed the light is off, when the points open the light comes on.
- 8. Turn the ignition key on. The test light should be off. Now slowly pull the spark lever down and count the number of detents the spark lever arm passes before the test light comes on. The idea is to adjust the points, so they open (light on) as the spark lever on the steering column passes the first or second detent on the column. You may have to adjust the distributor cam several times to get this adjustment. The car should start easily with the spark lever in full up position. With this setting, drive the car with the spark lever set about two notches from the bottom position. At 50 mph on the highway, move the spark lever to full down position for full 20 degrees advance. If the starter is turning over slowly, it will help to improve the ground connection from the battery to the starter. This is done by adding another battery cable from where the braided battery strap connects to the frame cross member and connect the other end to one of the bell housing bolts just behind the starter motor. You will need a GM battery cable about 30" long. This will provide a better ground connection for the starter and sometimes allow it to turn faster.

Les Andrews, Technical Director, MAFCA 1998



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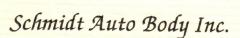


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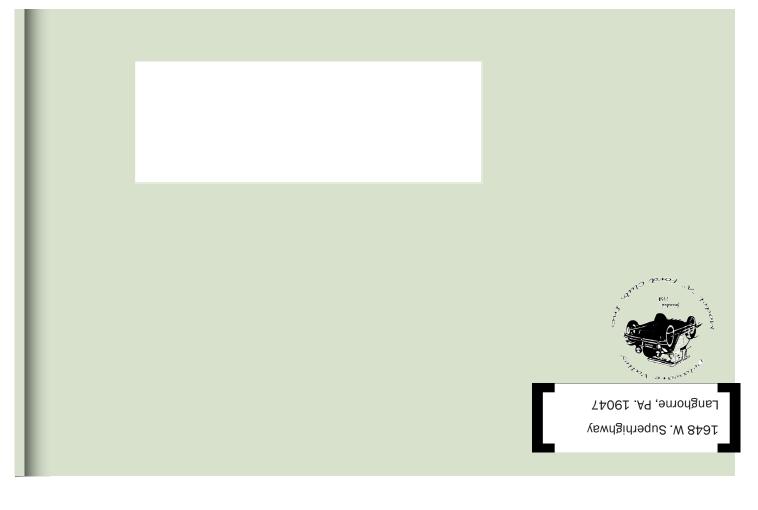


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