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# THE DISTRIBUTER

Next meeting, 7:30 PM, 14 February, Izaak Walton Club House, 1714 West Santa Clara St. Santa Ana. Bring your Valentine in the A!

The club is off to a grand start this year. We have a lot of new members, so lets talk to the old timers some more and get there names on the dotted lines. By the way, this will be the last copy of this paper sent out to the ones who have not paid there 63 dues.

The club voted at the last meeting to extend a complimentary membership to Roger Clements who is on duty in the Far East. Hope to see you home soon, Roger. Drop us a line

Be at the next meeting to get the low down on the shale-down cruise the club had on Sunday, 27 Jan. looks as if the club will be doing a lot of running this year. Everyone is raring to go on tours, so get the A running real soon. Its fun.

Next event for the club is a swap meet at Charley Downs home, 12552 Josephine St. Garden Grove, on 17 Feb. The Sunday following this meeting. Starts about 10 AM, ends ?. Bring the goodies out, the coffee and sandwiches, your list of wanted items, but most of all; bring a money. No kidding, be there if even just to kick the tires.

Coming events from other clubs or chapters: Whittier Chapter, Rim of the World Tour, April; Arizona MARG, meet at Yuma, Arizona, March. Annual Meet, MARG, San Diego, July. Get all the details at the next meeting.

Nancy Hickey won the door prize at the last meeting. Another door prize at the February meeting; for paid up members only tho!

## WHY BUY A MODEL A FORD

I have asked many Ford owners, "Why do you like the Model A?". Every answer seems to be a little different, but the answer that occurs most frequently is economy. Is the Model A really economical? It's gas mileage averages around 15 MPG and most six cylinder automobiles average

at least that. Then, economy must be in it's maintenance.

The Model A was designed and built with the average person in mind, not a mechanical engineer; but just a person that knew how to use a pair of pliers, screw driver, and a monkey wrench. The early Ford owner had to know how to perform his cars basic needs, and would never imagine having a \$50.00 tune-up bill like auto owners today. Instead, he would think about that he might lose repairing it. I believe the average person in the 30's was better prepared to repair his own car. Now days, because the auto is complicated, and the lack of effort on the part of the owner, few people are able to perform their cars mechanical needs. Most owners either say, "too much equipment is needed", or "the don't have enough time". This could be true, but it is very unlikely.

Buying a Model A lowers the hurdle of concentrated effort needed to repair an auto, which opens the world of mechanical participation and ingenuity. This makes it not only possible to perform the cars needed attention, but also conditions the participant for later model car repairs.

The above article was contributed by club member, Pete Corti, and will be concluded in the next edition of this paper

Because of the swap meet at Charley Down's house, I will not list any FOR SALE items in this edition of the paper, only the wanted items. Bring your list of for sale items to the meeting and to the swap meet

PARTS WANTED

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Speedometer, Running Boards, and Front Seats for 31 2 door Sedan.  
Phil Joujon-Roche, KI 93567

Tail light, center front bumper emblem, red steering wheel, all for  
1930 Model A, Jack Hilton, KI 71829

2 pieces that fit under door window frames (T rubber fits in this part)  
also dash light for 30 coupe, Andy Baudino, LI 41710

Spring (part number A-6276), 21" wheels, wish bone socket parts shock  
absorbers, 29 water inlet pipe, rubber for shock links,  
Dick Hastings, KI 21984

Window crank handles for 30 coupe, Dick Neeld, KI 21827

Front fender brackets, rear view mirror, cowl lights, all for 30 coupe,  
Harold Jones, PR 49745

CARS WANTED

Several members of our club are looking for a nice Kadster, could you help them find the car they are looking for? If you have any leads,

please announce them at the next club meeting. I know they would really be appreciated.

Have you drawn up your sketch for the club emblems? Bring it to this meeting so we can get the ball rolling and have them ready to put on the caps for some of the events that club members will be going to this summer. Remember, these emblems will only be for Orange County members. Lets doll up the A's and put Orange County (and the Chapter) on the map.

LATE ANNOUNCEMENT! Bring the wife, mother, or girl friend to the next meeting. Special night for the ladies. Surprise again, I don't know what it is either.

See you at the meeting. A's always; now and forever. Drive the A's. It's fun to own a P-O-R-D.

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