

# Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club

## Chattering Bands

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### Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club

The Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club was established in 1971 and is dedicated to the preservation of the Model T Ford. Membership is unrestricted as to location and is open for all interested persons. The ownership of a Model T is not a requirement.

### Meetings:

6:30 PM on the last Wednesday of each month

Location: the VFW American Legion

8990 Kruitof Way, Fair Oaks, Ca. 95628

### Dues:

Annual dues are \$25 for the calendar year and are due the First of January. You may pay by cash (\$25) or check (made out to SVMTC) at the monthly meeting, or mail check (no cash, please) to our treasurer, John Saylor at 7304 Goldwood Way, Citrus Heights, Ca 95610. Mid-year enrollment will be prorated.

### Publication copy

Any material you wish to be published in the Bands must be received by the Editor by the 5th of the Month.

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### Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club Membership Application

New ☐ Renewal ☐ Renewals due Jan. 1st

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

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IMPORTANT STATEMENT: This information is for the club insurance:

I do ☐ I do not ☐ belong to MTFCA

Fill out completely and mail to:  
Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club  
% John Saylor  
7304 Goldwood Way  
Citrus Heights, Ca 95610

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS Annual Dues

*Model T* Ford Club of America MTFCA.COM --- US \$50

*Model T* Ford Club International MODEL.T.ORG --- US \$40

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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PO Box 996  
Richmond, IN 47330-0126

The MTFCI  
PO Box 355  
Hudson, NC 28638-0355

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

May 2025

Summer has officially begun—time to play with our “A and “Ts.”

There will be a service for *Warren Berg*, the last “SVMTC Charter Member.” It will be Saturday, May 31st at 11 AM at the North Highland Capitol Free Will Baptist Church on 6901 Watt Ave. We are asked to bring a dish (pot luck) to share.

The Club's By-Laws have been revised and reprinted, thanks to *John Saylor*. There will be a vote by board members at the next meeting to accept and/or amend them.

The last Awful Waffle was a roaring success, with the *Pava Model TT* Project, up and running thanks to the relentless leadership of *Mark O'Connor*.

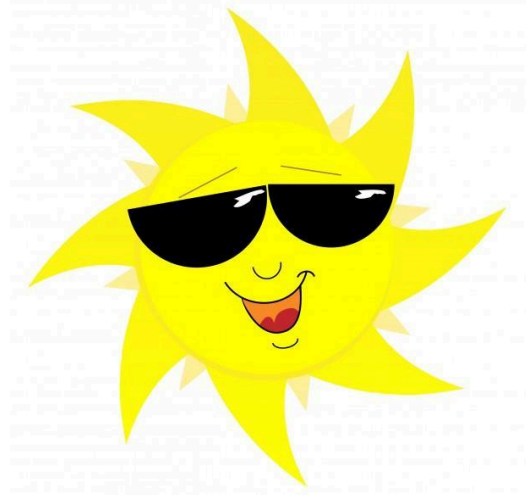


Photo Credit: Mark O'Connor

*Kate*

## **VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

On Saturday May 17, 2025 we joined the Mother Lode Club for a tour to the Farm and Tractor Days in Rio Linda. The *Model T's* added to the displays of hit and miss engines, old tractors, and the historic Dry Creek Ranch House. We had a good time viewing all the equipment, touring the house and some of us even took a hayride around the property. Some tractors were even working the field next to the displays.

We had a home cooked hamburger or hot dog meal complete with macaroni or potato salad, chips and a drink for a small fee. the *Silvas, Mark O'Connor, John Anderson, John Saylor*, and the *Kostivs* were in attendance. ([Click on this link to see John Saylor's photos.](#))



Photo Credit: Mark O'Connor

On Saturday June 21, 2025 we will be taking a tour to the Kennedy Gold Mine in Jackson, then have lunch afterwards. Sign- ups and detailed information will be available at the meeting on Wednesday.

See you then,

~ **Debbi**

**April 30, 2025**

**Meeting Notes**

**Sacramento Valley *Model T* Club**

by Wendel and Michele Waltz

President *Kate Bandy* called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm. No visitors or guests.

*Debbi Kostiv*, Tour Chair, reported that 5 or 6 of our cars rolled out for the Transportation Fair at McClelland last Friday. These middle-school kids had a ball, crawling over the *T*s (despite the freezing weather). Talking to some of our members who attended, it was hard to say if they, or the kids had more fun. *Marv Alexander* drove his speedster to the event.

*Mark O'Connor* recently took his *T* to a group of 4th graders. Several kids wrote thank-you notes which *Mark* shared with the room. Every one of the kids mentioned honking the horn. One letter mentioned that you had to “wind up” a *Model T* to get it going.

Saturday, May 17 is the next club event, the 30th Annual Farm and Tractor Days in Rio Linda. In addition to tractors, the festival features hay rides,

hit-and-miss engines, a swap meet, farm animals, a museum tour, and music. The Mother Lode club has invited us to meet them 9:30 am at the local Walmart and caravan to the event. Alternatively, just go to the event at 10:00. Entry is free.

**There is still time to register for the *Ryan Ramble*, as June 30 is the deadline.**

*John Saylor* was not present, but *Kate* told us that the finances are in good hands. The proposed revisions to the bylaws will be taken up for discussion/approval when *John* is back.

*Jean Lanham*, our Sunshine Lady, was not present. However, we learned that *Bev Davis* recently fell and broke his hip. We wish him a full recovery.

Progress at the Awful Waffle is creeping along, with the *Pava TT* truck about to have its engine started (whoo-hoo!).

After the lights are installed, the wiring will be completed. The *Steve Rowe* pickup still needs its top installed and a spare-tire holder, which is being fabricated. The missing windshield also needs to be addressed.

*( Meeting Notes continued)*

This month's music by our faithful friends next door included: "Daisy, Daisy in a *Model T* Built for Two" (updating the 1892 "bicycle" version) and "The Star Spangled Banner." Oh, and it was *Kate's* turn to be serenaded with "Happy Birthday."

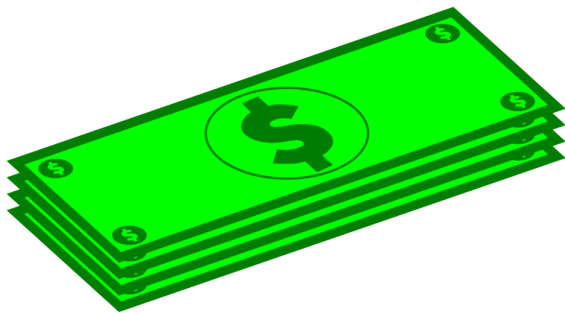
The barbershop singers will be performing at the Citrus Heights Sylvan Cemetery on May 26 (Memorial Day) at 10:30 am.

Raffle: *Hal Schedler* and *Wendy Weir* were the \$25 lucky prize winners.

Photo Credit: *Mark O'Connor*



*Marv, Mac, and John Anderson* are laying hands on the *T T* engine and praying for a miracle.



# The Awful Waffle Report

by Mark O'Connor

On Friday, May 6th, a small crew of expert **Model T** mechanics met at Bert's Diner and filled up on some fine country cooking. Then we went down the road to Sunset Sky Ranch.

**Mike, Harvey, and Mac** worked on the upholstery for the **Rowe Project**.



**Wendel and Rich Silva** worked on the **TT** carburetor. It needed a little adjustment, so they got it working just right. Then they installed it on the **TT**



Photo Credits: (at left and above):  
*Mark O'Connor*

**Dave Beedy** got the fenders looking like new again. **Marv, Mark, and Harvey** worked on fitting the fenders on the truck.

We used **Dennis Furr's** nylon tow strap hitched up to the '53 Chevy pickup to pull the **TT** back to life. That was fun! We got the engine to run! There is still much to be done, but progress was made and a good time was had by all.



Photo Credit: *Rich Silva*



## Upcoming Tours

### 2025

**Please Join Us**

**for the**

**March**

***Model T* meeting:**

**Wednesday**

**May 28th**

**6:30PM**

**American Legion/ VFW**

**8990 Kruitof Way**

**Fair Oaks, Ca 95662**

**June 21st- Kennedy Gold Mine  
Tour in Jackson, CA**