# THE AOOGAH NEWS



### Southeastern Touring Group

## **Charter Members**

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#### MAFCA Charter

On Saturday, April 23, 2016, the Southeastern Touring Group officially became a Special Interest Group of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA).

# Membership

Membership in the Southeastern Touring Group (STG) is open to all members of MAFCA and has no regular meetings. purpose of the group is to tour the Southeastern area of the US in Model A's, with tours in the spring and fall of each year. Membership dues for all family memberships is \$5. Only those who have joined the STG and paid their dues for the year will be able to register for club tours. Click here to update your membership information. Click here to pay your dues.

Greetings, All!

It looks like COVID has decided to not go quietly into oblivion! I hope all of you are vaccinated and are still being careful.

Melanie and Terry Whittington are ready to show us their beautiful area in West Virginia. The tour will be over the 4th weekend of October, October (21) 22-23, 2021. There will be an optional day of touring on the 21st. It will be a hub and spoke tour, based out of Beckley, West Virginia. That means only one hotel and no packing and unpacking every day! Registration will open on September 10, 2021.

The Spring 2022 tour is still in the works. Keep watching the club website, <a href="www.southeasterntouringgroup.com">www.southeasterntouringgroup.com</a> for information.

I am still looking for help with the 2023 MAFCA National Tour, which the Southeastern Touring Group will be hosting. The tour will be from July 16 - 21, 2023. All of you have something great to offer in the planning and execution of this tour. Please email me to volunteer to help out. None of the jobs will interfere with you enjoying the tour. So, please volunteer! The tour will be in the beautiful states of Indiana and Michigan. It will be a circle tour, beginning and ending in Auburn, Indiana. Auburn is the home of the Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg (ACD) Museum, the National Automobile and Truck Museum of the US (NATMUS), and the Early V8 Museum.

So many of you have asked about membership dues - \$5 per year. Look on the club website, Member Secure page (claraford is the password) to see if you are listed. If you are not, please email me (happybegg@gmail.com) and we will see if it is my error (not listing you) or if you need to pay membership dues for 2021.

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I look forward to seeing you in Beckley, West Virginia!

Gas up those A's and let's go for a ride!

Happy Motoring... Happy



#### Fall 2021 Tour

#### Wild and Wonderful West Virginia

Tour dates: Friday, October 22-23, 2021 Optional day of touring: Thursday, October 21, 2021

Registration opens on September 10, 2021 - 9:00am Eastern time, 8:00am Central time

Almost Heaven....West Virginia!!! You're invited to one of the most beautiful states in the country during the most beautiful time of year. Drive your favorite Model A along the winding backroads of WV. Roads made for Model A's and sightseeing. Along the way you'll see scenic rivers, beautiful forests, awe-inspiring mountains and plenty of curves.

This tour will be packed with local treasures such as the Exhibition Coal Mine, The Greenbrier, America's Resort, and scenery like the New River Gorge Bridge. There will be something for everyone, even the shoppers in the group. Spend some time at Tamarack, The Best of WV; arts, crafts and cuisine. Looking for a photo op? We'll be crossing a covered bridge with time to stop and capture a souvenir picture. We will also tour Lewisburg, a National Registered Historic District, with quaint antique shops, restaurants and voted America's Coolest Small Town.

Welcome party on Thursday evening, October 21, at the host hotel to include BBQ, groovy oldies music and a dance floor to show off some of your moves.

There will be no limitation on registrations. Plan to arrive Thursday evening to begin touring first thing on Friday morning. Friday and Saturday will be devoted to touring, with departure on Sunday morning.

\*Remember all registrations are done through the club website. (southeasterntouringgroup.com)



Prepaid club license plates are delivered while on tour. They are \$5 each and are paid for on the

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#### **Spring 2022 Tour**

I'm planning a tour in the Great Smokey Mountains. Great Smoky Mountains National Park encompasses over 800 square miles and is one of the most pristine natural areas in the East. An auto tour of the park offers a variety of experiences, including panoramic views, tumbling mountain streams, weathered historic buildings, and mature hardwood forests stretching to the horizon.

There are 384 miles of road to choose from in the Smokies. Most are paved, and even the gravel roads are maintained in suitable condition for standard passenger cars. Travel speeds on most of the park's paved roads average 35 miles per hour.

The dates for the tour will be 4/29/22 - 5/1/22. We will have a kickoff on the evening of the 28th of April.

Please contact Happy (<u>happybegg@gmail.com</u>/803-622-0048) if you are well acquainted with the Smokies.

#### **Tour Hosts/Ideas Needed**

Where would you like the club to go? Surely, you know of a beautiful scenic drive, a history filled drive, or an unusual roadside attraction from days gone by to be seen and experienced! Send your ideas to Katie (<a href="mailto:katiehcpa@gmail.com">katiehcpa@gmail.com</a>) or Happy (<a href="mailto:happybegg@gmail.com">happybegg@gmail.com</a>). We would be thrilled to help you plan a club tour!

## 2021 Fall Tour

October (21) 22-23, 2021

## Wild and Wonderful West Virginia

Registration opens on Friday, September 10, 2021 at 9:00am Eastern time, 8:00am Central time

Your dues must be paid before you may register for tour

If you paid dues for 2020, you are automatically paid for 2021.

Check here. Password: claraford

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