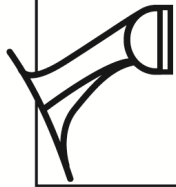
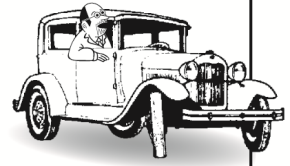


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## Upcoming Club Events:

- The Regular meeting is May 5th, starting at 5:30 for dinner followed by our business meeting at Smith's Family Restaurant, at 1427 W. Pine St.
- NWRM Steering Committee, May 3rd at 3:00 PM at the Gibbards
- Tri City Swap Meet May 2nd
- WA-HAC Mother's Day Tour May 10th, 1:00 pm



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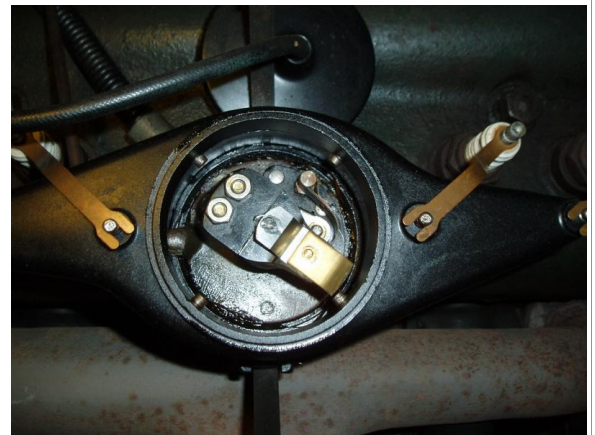
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## A Bad "Time" For Poor Performance

Comments by Purdy Swift (Posts form the Fordbarn.com)

When the engine has to turn to catch up the backlash before the distributor shaft will turn, the **timing** will always be retarded. Most engines are running retarded to some degree because of confusing **timing** instructions. To put it as simple as I can, when the points cam is tightened, all of the backlash MUST be in the counterclockwise direction or the **timing** will be retarded . The points can be set at any time without loosening and moving the points cam off the sweet spot. The sweet spot is when the **timing** pin drops in place. The trailing edge of the rotor tip must point at the number one contact in the distributor cap body.

Forget all the BS about the spark lever and the confusion of trying to do too many things at one time. Its always best to just set the points first. Then set the rotor tip pointing correctly at the sweet spot with NO clockwise backlash when the cam screw is tightened and then don't mess with the cam screw again.



Factory spec . for points gap is anywhere from .018 to .022 and it will run pretty good on any of those settings. It is said to be ideal for the points to be just ready to open, yes, just ready . If you need to check when the points are just ready to open, push the spark lever all the way up and take a look.

Points gap will control how quick that the points open or close. More gap opens quicker or advances . Less gap causes the points to open slower or retards. Most like a points gap around .020 . I prefer more gap that advances the **timing** to the max. In other words I set mine at .022 . Maximum advance gives quick, crisp throttle response and pep. I say, to hell with retarded **timing** !!!

**Timing** knock and bucking at low speed can be avoided by slightly retarding the spark lever when it begins to occur . The Model A is the simplest car ever to set the **timing** on . If a person is trying to get by with the so called modern points, they will continue to have problems of one kind or another until they change back to the simple to adjust original points setup .

## Mother's Day Sunday

May 10<sup>th</sup> 2015

Sponsored by WA-HAC

*\*Meet in Pioneer Park with auto facing Alder St 1:00 PM*

Odd Fellow's Home.....	1:30 PM
Wheatland Village..... 1500 Catherine .....	2:05 PM
Park Manor..... 1710 Plaza.....	2:40 PM
Park Plaza..... 1400 Dalles Military Rd.....	3:15 PM
Garrison Creek ..... 1460 Dalles Military Rd.....	3:45 PM
Quail Run..... 1701 Plaza Way.....	4:20 PM

*Mother's Day is fast approaching and the elderly care facilities are expecting us. Let us have a great turnout and make it a great day!*



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

# 39th Annual Tri-Cities SWAP MEET and Antique Car Display

Saturday, May 2nd, 8AM to 5PM

Vendor set-up Friday 2PM to 7PM

Benton County Fairgrounds

Kennewick, Washington (use 10th Avenue entrance)

May 2nd is the annual Swap Meet at the Benton County Fairgrounds. The Club has sponsored a booth in the main hall so if you have leftovers from you last big project that you want to clean out, here is the place to do it. Bring your stuff priced and if you are not at the table when someone wants to buy it let someone else know the bargaining rules. If you don't have anything to sell, come on over and buy! Bring a chair and coffee to share!

## Grand Tour Run

On April 25th four of us made the round trip along the proposed Grand Tour Route for the Northwest Regional Meet in June. Although it turned cold for the day it was still a pretty day for a drive (at least in a closed car).

We made several stops along the route to discuss options for breaks and alternate routes. It looks like our morning stop will have to be moved closer since I got several complaints about bladder strength.

The route to Pendleton turned out to be 64 miles long, so we are making some adjustments for distance and time. Our driving time to Pendleton was 2 hours. We spent 30 minutes or so at our cookie stop.

There were some very pretty scenes along our route both going and coming home. Our return trip considerably shorter in time and distance. We will have to be on Highway 11 for a short time near Athena and again just above Milton-Freewater. Once we hit Milton-Freewater, we will stay on 11 into Walla Walla.

We ate our lunch in the park which I think will server well for our venue. The round trip was 121 miles by my odometer but will get shortened by about 5 miles with the modification. Nonda and I will re-run the route in a modern car in the next couple of weeks.

## Meeting Minutes April 7th

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Carlyle with 20 members present. Roll call showed Steve Plucker and John Fazio absent.

The treasurers report showed a positive balance and a whopping 47 cents interest earned! The minutes were approved as printed.

**Tour report:** seven Model A's and one modern iron trekked through the countryside to Weston for our annual clean out the cobwebs tour! We were met at the Longbranch cafe by 3 Model A's (five people) from the Pendleton club. Our next tour is Saturday April 25 where we will "try out" our grand tour route. We will meet at the Marriott at 8:30 am and leave by 9:00. We will have a sack lunch picnic (bring your own) at the park in Pendleton! Be sure to bring water...for yourselves AND your cars!!

**Regional Meet Update:** we now have received 120 registrations. Members were encouraged to get theirs in if they aren't, as the registration fee increases by \$25.00 (to \$100.00 instead of \$75.00) on May 1st. The next steering committee meeting will be April 19 at the Gibbard home at 3:00 pm. Nancy Betts will be attending the 2015 meet as a "ride along" with the Lemke's!!

The NWRM web page has been updated, and continues to be updated, with unscheduled offerings. Be sure to check it out at [www.nwrm2015.org](http://www.nwrm2015.org) Don Kopf will lead the guided tour to Ft Walla Walla. Saturday, June 27, from 12:30 to 4:30 your car will get you and one passenger in to the museum for free.

Craig Grieb gave a shout out to all the members for their good thoughts and cards during his MUCH longer than expected surgery and recovery! It was GREAT to have he and Franca back at the meeting where they belong!

Doc Weaver shared a story of a sighting made by a photographer while Doc was out and about in his beloved truck. The photographer took several pictures up against the beautiful foothills background and, at a later date, hunted him down and presented him with a BEAUTIFUL frameable picture of he and his truck! He and Valerie brought the picture to show us!

We all sang happy birthday to Louis Bossini who was celebrating his youthful 91st birthday with us!

Don Kopf, proudly wearing his name badge, won the drawing!!

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nonda Gibbard, Secretary

## Club Officers

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## Birthdays and Anniversaries

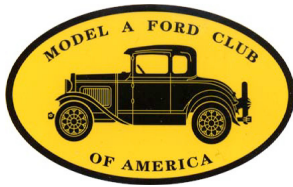


### Birthday Greetings to the Following members:

Sonya Gerow	May 8
Lorane Smith	May 9
Deirdre King	May 17
Judy Johnson	May 23
Daylan Gibbard	May 26
Bill Henry	May 27
Bob Austin	May 28

### Happy Anniversary!

Buzz & Martha Logan	May 5
Ralph & June Anderson	May 8



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## Tours and Events

Mother's Day Tour, May 10th, Sponsored by WA-HAC

The **3rd Wednesday Tour** will be discussed at our April meeting.

In May we will have a Club booth at the **Tri Cities Swap Meet**. If you have surplus parts that you don't want to store anymore this is a good opportunity to sell them. It is also a good time to pick up someone else's surplus parts and make them yours!!! But best of all, it is a time to visit with club members from around the Basin.

### FYI: Floyd's Model "A" Parts Under New Ownership

Floyd's has been sold to Amanda Uthe in Vancouver, WA. The new name will be "**Rusty Lugs Rods & A's**" She will have a website <http://rustylugparts.com> & will except credit cards. You can call 360-887-3346, (which happens to be Floyds old number) or email, [Rustylugparts@gmail.com](mailto:Rustylugparts@gmail.com) Amanda will be our parts vendor at the NWRM so if you want her to bring anything special call her before June.