

CRANKIN A'S MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB, INC.

MEETING MINUTES – December 7, 2024

The combined November/December meeting of the Crankin A's Model A Restorers Club was opened by President, Paul Howes, at 10:14 AM on December 7, 2024, at the Pioneer Art Settlement, 176 Lightfoot Lane., Barberville, Fl. FL., 32105. There were 35 members present and no new guests or new members in attendance. It was requested that the minutes of the last meeting be accepted as reported on our website: crankinasfl.com. motion was made and approved. Our Treasurer, Connie Kwiecien, gave the Treasurer's Report. It will be available upon request. We have 85 current members plus Honorary Members. Connie said that only half of our members have submitted their renewal forms for MARC, which should be to them by Jan. 15, 2025 or you won't receive the magazine. She will send letters to those not submitted. Membership forms are available on our website.

Sunshine Report: Karen Widajewski sent out a Get Well card to Kent Shisler, who recently had heart surgery. In Cleo's absence, Paul shared our Ford Question of the Day. Glenn Jewell reported that the project car now has a windshield and they are painting the sheet metal, progressing, but going slow. Fred Clark reported they have now connected the transmission to the engine of the Model T. Birthdays this month included Bruce, Ron, and Karen. Ed and Karen celebrated their anniversary! Paul Howes, Fred Ziffra and Bruce Hawley reported on Pioneer Art Settlement events; Dec 13 is Christmas Remembered. Decorated cars and volunteers are welcome. Save your old Christmas Cards for next year. They are very grateful for the donation of a freezer, by our members Dennis and Beth Young. They are still in need of a refrigerator. Paul will save your old Christmas Cards for next year), share via email the Settlements proposed list of events for 2025.

Old Business: Let Paul Howes know if you are not receiving Club emails, or have changed your email address.

Reminder of the Tool Fund Drive, you can make donations to our fund to replace worn out, broken tools and get a last-minute tax write off! Fall Car Show on Sat Nov 2 Car Show at Barberville Fall Country Jamboree was successful. All had fun on Thursday, Nov 7 day trip to Blue Palm Senior Center. We have visited two retirement centers last month, Bruce thanked everyone for attending. There were 13 Model A's for the Sat Nov 9 Veteran's Day Parade and lunch with the Corvette Club at Brians' BBQ. Tuesday, November 12, was LADIES DAY at Angie's, there was a good group and extra goodies went to the Garage. There were 38 in attendance for the Thu Nov 14 Monthly dinner at DeLand Stockyard, good food and a loooooong table. The Fri Nov 29 Gaslight Parade was cancelled for the first time in 66 years because of weather. Another fun event after Thanksgiving ,Sat Nov 30 Birthplace of Speed Car show at Fortunato Park – Rocky won for the Model A class!! Bruce Hawley and his car were on the front page of the Your Neighbors section of the Dec 5 Observer Newspaper.

New Business:

The Nominating Committee consisted of Jeff Moore, Ed Hart and Bruce Hawley. Bruce presented the slate of officers and new Board of Directors. There was a motion that we have one vote for all nominated officers and Board members.

Slate of OFFICERS for 2025

President Paul Howes

Vice President Kim Ziffra

Secretary Elaine Lowe

Treasure Connie Kwiecien

Slate of BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2025-2027

Larry Antonelli

JB Barnes

Fred Ziffra

alternate – Joe Filakosky

Nominations from the floor were opened. Being none, there was a motion to call for the vote. The slate of officers and Board members was unanimously elected as presented, none opposed. Congratulations to all! Board members retiring from the Board include Jeff Moore, Herman Wedemire and Fred Clark – Thank You!

Paul Howes shared information and actions from the Board of Directors meeting. It was approved that Club dues will be raised to \$20 for 2026, reasons included inflation, cost of supplies/stamps. Tinker Tuesday donations are now \$2 (where else can you get coffee and snacks for that?) After discussion of the possible benefits, The Board and Club approved to join MAFCA (Model A Ford Club of America) and the club will pay MAFCA dues for the 4 officers (Paul, Kim, Connie and Elaine) Funds will come from the Club account. Officers can choose to donate their dues if desired.

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events: **Tuesday Dec 10** Ladies Day, **Friday Dec 13** Crankin As Christmas Party, **Friday, Dec 20** Pioneer Settlement Holiday Potluck, **Tuesday Jan 7** Ladies Day, **Thursday, Jan 9** monthly dinner at Olive Garden 1780 W International Speedway Blvd, Daytona Beach, FL 32114, **Saturday, Jan 25** 10am Crankin As monthly meeting at Pioneer Barberville Settlement, **Thursday, Feb 13** 5pm Monthly Club dinner at DB Pickles, 400 S. Nova Rd., Ormond Beach, FL .32174.

There was discussion about possible trips to Florida Flywheelers 700 Avon Park Cutoff Road, Fort Meade, FL 33841, in February and a Spring Tour the first or second week of March. The tour would be to Fort Myers to visit Edison's and Ford's summer homes, all routes would be back roads. So far 7 or 8 cars are interested. More details to come.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25am. The 50/50 drawing was won by Rocky who will pick the dinner location for March.

Lunch of hot dogs, hamburgers, sides and desserts followed at the pavilion.

Respectfully Submitted:

Suzan Howes, substitute secretary