



Ford Lines

JULY 2023



Hilltop Message

It is officially summertime in Oklahoma and hotter than the 4th of July!

The front half of June was a busy time for some of our Club members. There was the overnight tour to Ponca City and points west, attended by a few of our members. Then on the 10th there was the Prewar Pileup car show in Catoosa. Early morning rain dampened the spirits of some so it was a light turn-out, but it was a fun event, again attended by a few of our members.

June 11th, Sunday afternoon, turned off to be a beautiful day. Not too hot and a nice breeze. It was a good day for our Spring Club Picnic at Bob and Aprille Krah's house. Their beautiful backyard was the perfect setting and a great time was had for about 30 members. The following week was the big National Meet in Dearborn, MI. Our club was represented there but as of this writing I am not aware of who may have won what.

As you all are aware, the storm in the early morning hours of the 19th did extensive damage to Tulsa's power lines and left many without electricity for many days. Several of our members were affected, as well as the Union Street Café. They were without power and were closed through our meeting date Saturday, so we did not have a meeting in June.

With the exception of our July meeting on the 22nd, I am not aware of any scheduled club activities this month. Our faithful calling committee will keep you apprised of anything that comes up.

As is the case with most car clubs, the average age of members is getting older and ours is no exception. With that there seems to be fewer and fewer people who actively participate in activities with their old cars and consequently it gets harder all the time to come up with newsworthy commentary for a monthly newsletter. Joan Denney has done an outstanding job of coordinating and assembling the articles for our newsletter but that is an increasingly difficult job as the number of activities decreases and the number of people who contribute articles for the newsletter decreases as well. It has been suggested that we go to a quarterly or bimonthly newsletter publication.

That is a topic that will be discussed at the next board meeting.

Stay safe, stay cool, and I hope to see y'all at the July meeting.

Gary



Prewar Pileup 2023

The second annual Prewar Pileup is officially in the books and we had a blast! Mike Hollowell and Chad Cox expanded some rule requirements to allow more vehicles to participate and registrations started rolling in.

We headed out on a hot Friday afternoon on a Poker Run-style Reliability Run, taking in several Route 66 attractions along the way including Buck Atoms and Gasoline Alley.

The drive was not without drama though as we got split up and several cars made a detour to Broken Arrow on the way. We also had one small roadside seminar with a brake problem on Mike's Phaeton. With all the knowledge, help, and good selection of tools on hand, Mike was back on the road and we all learned the importance of cotter pins and how to use them properly. I also learned of a few new items to put in my tool bag such as a brake tool and spare cotter pins.

Saturday morning we all woke up to thunderstorms and probably made a lot of people reluctant to bring their cars out, but we had a nice showing of Ford Model A's and one lone 37 Chevy with a hopped up in-line 6 to make a respectable show. Debi and I also unveiled our new 1930 Model A coupe as well.

There was a really good 3-piece band called the Hi-Fi Hillbillies playing old rock and rockabilly tunes that everyone seemed to enjoy. Also they had quite a spread of raffle items with some high quality parts to be won. Debi and I teamed up to win a set of reverse eye springs to help give our "A" some attitude in the near future.

I would like to thank Mike and Chad for putting this show on. It's so much fun and we have met so many new friends. I hope you guys continue in the future.

PREWAR PILEUP



**Mike & Chad with their friend and helper
Val from CA**



**Layton Dozier awards a trophy
from the V8 Club**



One of the cool cars at the Pileup!



V-8 Road Trip to Ponca City via Wolaroc

June 3-4, 2023

On June 3, 13 members and friends of the Early Ford V-8 Club of Tulsa began their late spring road trip. The first town was that of **Skiatook**, which is known as “the Gateway to the Osage” Cherokee Chief William C. Rogers founded Skiatook when he established a trading post in the Cherokee Nation just south of Bird Creek. Historical records conflict as to the origin of Skiatook’s name. The next town is **Avant** was named after Ben Avant a native of Gonzales, TX who married Rosalie Rogers, a Cherokee-Osage and established a ranch in 1896. The oil was discovered in 1904 and the Midland Valley Railroad reached the town in 1905. Ben Avant was shot and killed by the town marshal in 1923 due to some type of dispute.

We finally arrived at **Wolaroc** at 9:45 after a few sprinkles of rain. Just inside the entrance there is a Phillips 1930’s service station where everyone lined up with their classic autos to have their pictures taken. The shelter at the service station was reserved for our covered dish luncheon. When traveled on to the museum showing Oklahoma history and western art work. Then we visited the Frank Phillips cabin which is right next to the museum with cabin as it originally was in Frank Phillips day. Then lunch at the Wolaroc Entrance shelter.

The next town is we passed through was **Barnsdall**, with the original name of Bigheart for Osage Chief James Bigheart. It was officially renamed in honor of Theodore N. Barnsdall and his Barnsdall Oil Company. This is where Anita Bryant was born and actor Clark Gable lived there a short while as his father was in the oil business. There is an oil well on the main street of the town.

Driving through this area you can visualize the wild buffalo grazing on the blue stem grass lands and possibly see an Indian hunter looking for his next meal. The old scrub oak trees were everywhere. The big oil boom could have been ready to bust wide open at any minute. The people that came for the land rush were robust and usually hard workers or they would have never made it in this rough terrain.

Next, we will pass through **Pawhuska** is known for its Native American culture. The Osage National Museum is located here as well as the first Boy Scout troop in the US was founded here in 1909 by Rev. John F. Mitchell, a missionary priest from England and there is a small Scout Museum at the train station. Actor Ben Johnson was a cowboy in this area before he went to Hollywood and there is a small museum dedicated to him. Frank Phillips was known to have a party once a year where he invited Sheriffs and outlaws to the Wolaroc Ranch and it was hands off. The sheriffs could not arrest outlaws and outlaws were kept on good behavior while at the ranch.

Finally, **Ponca City** went directly to the E.W. Marland Estate/Mansion and Museum. (Past Governor of Oklahoma) and founder of CONOCO. We were asked to back our classic autos up against the estate for pictures. We were then led by the Executive Director, David Keathly through the time in history that was outstanding to see and to hear all the stories about the estate. This is a gem that all Oklahomans should visit for a great history lesson.

Once we completed our tour we headed for our hotel and gathered at 6:00 PM for drinks and snacks. At 6:45 PM we headed to Frazier’s Restaurant for dinner.

Then following morning to Pawnee for lunch at Click's Steak House. After lunch we will visit the **Pawnee Bill's Home & Museum**. We were provided a tour of the home which has not changed since the time Pawnee Bill and his wife lived in the house. Pawnee Bill had a wild west show similar to Buffalo Bill's and traveled the world.

The famed Will Rogers traveled and stayed at both the Marland Estate and Pawnee Bill's home as they were all friends. In those early days it might take 3 to 4 days to travel to the facilities, so Will Rogers and other dignitaries were known to stay a week upon arrival.

We all said our good byes and headed for home.

Those making the trip were Jim Ayers and Grandson Brock, driving Jim's 1956 Convertible, Layton & Debi Dozier driving their 1940 Ford Deluxe Convertible, Jim & Teresa Strode driving their 1951 Lincoln, Gary & Charline Arnett driving the LMV with pick-up trailer, Doug & Cindy Stackpole driving a unmentionable (Chevy) truck, Ralph & Jane Johnson driving Jim Ayer's 1953 Ford Custom and Wayne Wilson driving an LMV.

Ralph & Jane Johnson



EW Marland Museum



entrance to Woolaroc

Route 66 Road Fest

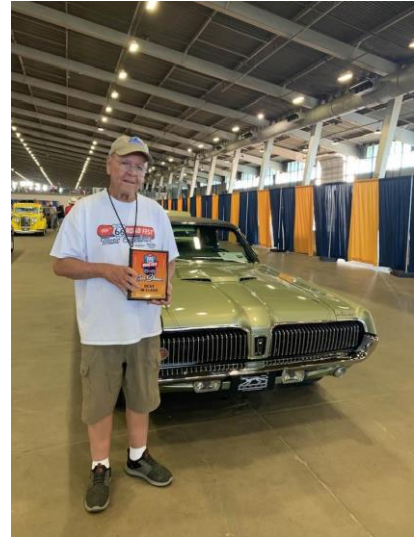
Three Early Ford V8ers won 2023 AAA Route 66 Road Fest "Best in Class;" Rob & Susan Barr for their '36 Ford Deluxe Coupe, Mike Denney for his '68 Cougar XR7-G, Layton for his '40 Ford Deluxe Convertible!! Congratulations!!



Layton wins 6-25-23



Rob & Susan Barr win 6-25-23



**Mike Denney wins
6-25-23**

V8 ROAD TRIP- CONTINUED



**dinner at Frazier's Restaurant in
Ponca City**

inside the Woolaroc Museum



**Cindy and Doug Stackpole,
possibly new members for the
club**



SPRING PICNIC

Our spring picnic was held at Bob & Aprille Krah's on June 11. Their beautiful shady yard was the perfect backdrop to host the close to 30 attendees who joined the party that afternoon. Bob grilled burgers and hot dogs, and V8-ers brought numerous salads and sides, fruit, and delicious desserts for all to enjoy. A big thank you to Bob & Aprille!!



all 3 old cars that showed up!

Enjoying the picnic



Bob & Aprille Krah relaxing at the end of the picnic

JUNK IN THE TRUNK



SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 8:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

LOCATION: BROKEN ARROW EVENTS PARK

21101 E. 101 Street, Broken Arrow, OK

Across the turnpike from the NSU BA Campus

Makes and Models 1975 and older

Judging begins at 8:00 AM

Entry Fee \$25.00 day of show

3 Trophies per class+ Presidents Trophy

The Early Ford V-8 Club is proud to invite you to the second annual car show and junk-in-the-trunk sale. This car show is for all makes and models listed in the classes shown. If you want to park as a group, please arrive as a group. You will be allowed to begin parking at 7:00 AM. This show includes junk-in-the-trunk sale and is just what is says, but remember that this is a car show. Please mark your junk with prices and bargain from there. Your junk must fit in the trunk of bed of your pick-up. **NO TRAILERS ARE ALLOWED!**

You will be allowed to stay as long as you want to sell your junk-in-the-trunk, but trophies will be awarded at 1:00 PM. There food, music, 50/50 pot, etc.

Classes 1975 and older

A. Best Ford

B. Best GM

C. Best Mopar

D. Best Truck

E. Best Mustang

F. Best Cougar

G. Best Thunderbird

H. Best Corvette

Name: _____ Make, year, model: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ Club Affiliation: _____

The Early V-8 Club of Tulsa is not responsible for any accidents, thefts of any other type of problem during the day of the show.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

July birthdays & anniversaries

Rick Claybaugh	7/2
Jim Strode	7/4
Glenda Neal	7/10
Terry & Kat Sandford	7/20
Roger Johnson	7/27

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Tire Kick: **Open**

Parties & Picnics: **Joan Denney & Aprille Krah**



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