



## April 2014 FRONT SEAT NEWS

MODEL T FORD CLUB of NORTHWEST OHIO, INC.



Jim Ballmer, Pres.; Bruce Klepinger, Vice-Pres.; Jack Putnam, Treas.; Gary Nau, Sec/Ed.

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, **May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014- 7:30pm** at Jack Putnam's shop 1215 Hancock Rd 28; Bluffton (fourth house east of Anderson Tractor Supply), Phone (419) 358-6313.

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Jim Ballmer call the meeting to order with 15 members and 1 guest in attendance for the April meeting in Jack's shop.

Minutes from the last meeting and the treasurer's report were given.

Upcoming Model T events were announced including:

- Model T Homecoming in Richmond Indiana on May 17<sup>th</sup>
- Sauder Village Car Show on May 17<sup>th</sup>
- Amish T Tour (Berlin, Ohio) on June 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. The group may also get a tour of the Age Of Steam Roundhouse on Saturday.
- Rick Linder will be speaking at Cleaner & Dryer Restoration located in Toledo, Ohio on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1pm.

Our clubs Spring Shakedown Tour will be May 10<sup>th</sup> to tour the Post Office Museum in Delphos Ohio.

The clubs website has upcoming T events listed with the current details about the event.

Jack showed lessons learned from rebuilding the steering column. Showed the difference between 4:1 and 5:1 steering gears and a steering column he had shortened.

The club's website has a Member's Vehicle page. If you would like your car shown, send an electronic version of the picture to Gary Nau (naugary@yahoo.com) or bring the picture to the next meeting.

Remember that this club is dependent on its membership to make it work. Everyone is invited and encouraged to put forward your thoughts and ideas to make this the best Model T club in Ohio.

Respectfully submitted,

*Gary Nau* – Secretary

Web site: <http://www.nwo-modelt.org/>

I am looking for articles from members of projects they are working on, places they have been with their car, stories about their car, or anything you think the other members might find interesting. What you send me does not have to be print ready. Just a simple e-mail telling the story or supplying the details (with or without pictures) and I'll rewrite it into the newsletter format then send you a proof copy to read before it is published. If you have anything that you feel I could use in the newsletter please email it to [naugary@yahoo.com](mailto:naugary@yahoo.com) or bring what you have to the next meeting.

Jack discussing the steering column he had shortened. On the right pieces and parts laid out on the table.



A carb with an extra treaded hole in the bowl. Bruce Klepinger had brought in a preassemble fan he had recently purchased.



Along with things to know about the 4:1 versus 5:1 gears, the throttle and timing rod replacement was also discussed.