

# The AHOOGAH HORN

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## Independence Day Parade



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The Ahoogah Horn is a publication of the Watchung Valley Region of the Model "A" Restorers Club, a non-profit organization established in 1980, and is dedicated to expanding and maintaining interest in the Model A Ford.

The Watchung Valley Region of the Model "A" Restorers Club is an affiliate of the Model "A" Restorers Club. Membership in the club is open to all. Ownership of a Model A Ford is not a condition of membership.

Dick and I went on a tour with the Running Board "A's" on Saturday, July 7, 2007. Tom Fritz wanted Dick to see the restoration progress of his 1929 Special Coupe, so he invited us up to his house for a picnic and tour.



On our way to meet Tom and Debbie, we passed a bunch of Model "A's" on Valley Road in the Stirling area. We stopped and found John Bedner there with a bunch of others. They were having a car show at the PNC bank. After admiring the

cars, we again went on our way to Tom's house.

As we were a little late, everyone from the Running Board "A's" was already there. A couple of the members came out from Pennsylvania (over a 1-1/2 hour drive, all in "A's"). All the cars were lined up in Tom's driveway and properly being admired by everyone. After a delicious lunch prepared by Tom and Debbie, we all set off in the A's for a tour of the Raptor Trust.

The Raptor Trust, located in Millington, New Jersey, includes a hospital with state-of-the-art medical facilities,



quality exterior housing for several hundred birds, and an education building. The Trust is a privately funded wild bird rehabilitation center -- a wild bird hospital. Their goal is to care for injured and orphaned wild birds (fixing their broken bones, healing their injuries and raising them if they are orphaned) with the aim of releasing them back into the wild. The Raptor Trust is one of the premier, privately funded wild bird rehabilitation centers in the United States.

# Upcoming Meetings!



Meetings: 8:00pm  
Greenbrook Manor Nursing Home  
303 Rock Ave  
Green Brook, NJ

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|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| August 14 <sup>th</sup>    | November 13 <sup>th</sup> | January 8 <sup>th</sup>   | April 8 <sup>th</sup> |
| September 11 <sup>th</sup> | December 11 <sup>th</sup> | February 12 <sup>th</sup> | May 13 <sup>th</sup>  |
| October 9 <sup>th</sup>    | 2008                      | March 11 <sup>th</sup>    | June 10 <sup>th</sup> |



At any given time, The Trust houses over 3,000 birds, representing more than 120 different species. Over the last ten years, TRT has cared for over 30,000 wild birds of about 150 species. The center specializes in the care of Raptores: hawks, falcons,

eagles and owls. On our visit, we walked by many of the 70 outside aviaries where The Trust's 100 resident, un-releasable Raptores live. These custom-built cages are set in a forest under a canopy of leaves and branches. We saw Raptores ranging from the tiny saw whet owls (approximately 1/4 of a pound bird) to Great horned owls, Barn owls, Screech owls, Red-tailed hawks, Sharp-shinned hawks, Turkey vultures, and even a Bald Eagle. Tom gave a very interesting and knowledgeable talk about the birds we were seeing, and the work being done, as he works there as a volunteer. The Trust is open seven days a week, all year round and presents a rare opportunity to see a wide variety of birds. There is no entrance charge, but a modest donation of \$2 per adult is appreciated. *By Bobbi Bettie*



## Watchung Valley Region of the Model "A" Restorers Club / 2007 Officers

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Club meetings are held on the **second Tuesday** of every month at 8:00pm

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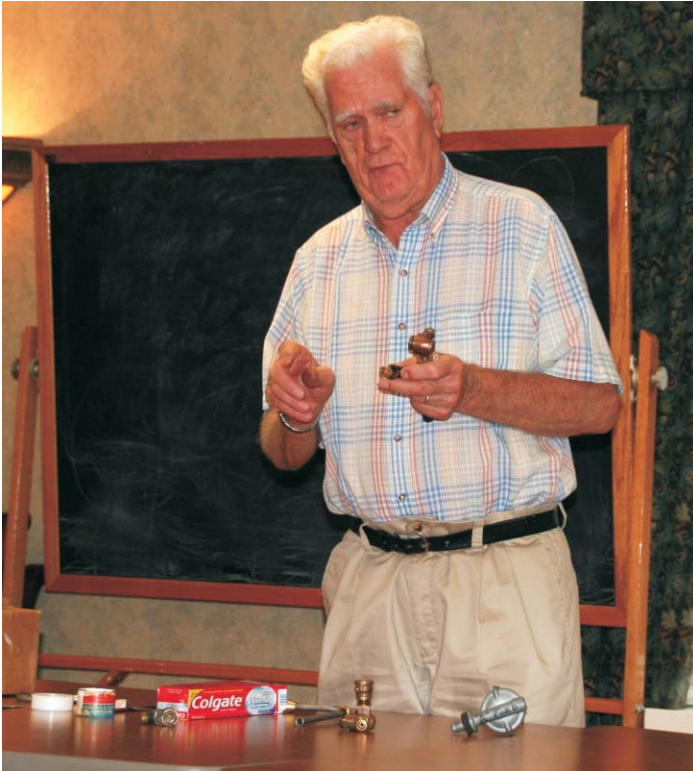
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### Minutes of the meeting

Art Hall gave an informative talk on fuel filters, lines and valves. He also showed us how to seat the lines to the valves and filters. Following Art's presentation, there was a short break for goodies. Lou then opened the 327<sup>th</sup> meeting at 8:30 pm.

### Upcoming Events

*Das Awkscht Fescht*, 8/03/07 to 8/05/07, Macungie Memorial Park, Main Street, Macungie, PA . You must register by 07/01/07. Contact Phone: 610-967-2317. Call Lou for info 973-476-4619.

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Club Picnic, NEW LOCATION**  
**09/09/07, 10:00am to 6:00pm at The Bedner's, 82 Ravine Drive, Colonia, NJ 07067. Contact Phone: John Bedner at 732-388-0894. The club will supply dogs, burgers and soft drinks, bring something to share.**

*New England Model A Ford Meet*, 09/14/07 to 09/16/07, Sturbridge Host Hotel, Sturbridge, MA. Contact Phone: Jo Johnson 978-807-9081.



### Treasurer's Report

Larry reported an ending balance of \$2124.31.

### Secretary's Report

Check to see when your program is due. I am running out of articles and pictures to put into the newsletter. While I don't mind publishing the newsletter, I don't think it should be a one man show. The rest of you must do something with your cars that others would be interested in seeing or reading about. Write about it, send pictures. If not, the September issue will be my last.

### Parades

Larry, Lou and Dick went to the Florham Park Parade. Being it was still early, we then went to Chatham to do their parade.

### Old Business

Lou said there was no news yet on what the nursing home would like for their 2006 gift.



### Technical

Teddy thought he broke his rear axle, but it seems the key was not holding the hub in place..

### Programs:

**August: George Harbt    November: Larry Littman**  
**September: Bill Koeth    December: Dave Lounsbury**  
**October: Jack LeCarl    January: Annual Club Auction**

**The member giving the presentation is responsible for bringing the refreshments.**

### 50/50

Art Hall won \$5.00 in the 50/50.



### Adjournment

Lou adjourned the meeting at 9:00 pm



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## **Next Meeting:**

**August 14<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 p.m.**

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**August Meeting:**

**George Harbt**