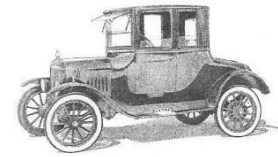


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President's Message



CenTex Tin Lizzie Members Well after griping about the heat this summer, the weather for the T Party was slightly warm, but great. If I can remember, I will bring the book to share. A good thing was also that we had no breakdowns. Joe lost a rear tire to a blow out on the Friday, so he was not able to continue. We enjoyed the Wolcotts from Georgia and Joe, his daughter in law and two other friends for several meals. Next year's Texas T Party is going to be based in the Kerrville area. I would like to see everyone who is a driver in our club be there.

We are having some conversation with Hugh Hemphill trying to figure out how we can have more sharing between Texas Model T clubs. So far the fear of sharing lists is driving the idea and keeping it from happening. If any of you have an idea of how to make it happen, please share it.

The power failure that occurred at the Catfish Parlor just before the October meeting was a bummer to experience, but we could not help it. My brother Arnold is planning to come back in November to share his story with the Pierce Arrow.

You should have on your calendar the Christmas Party on December 9 in Martindale. A special presentation is scheduled at 11:00 there that morning which you will not want to miss. By the time you read this the Kingsbury Fly-in will have occurred. I hope that many will have gone and enjoyed it. I here that there were a good many club members there.

Peggy and I will have returned from our trip to Greece spending time in Athens and then on board a Viking ship cruising. We hope that we will have good stories to share with you. It was a good trip seeing the antiquities of Greece and one stop in Turkey at Ephesus. I certainly have a great respect for the civilizations, the construction, and the art dating back to 3 to 6 hundred B.C. The weather was wonderful for the whole trip.

I just heard from Steve Bumgarner with the Model T Club International who wanted to know if we were still a going club. His question arose from having my address incorrect, which we straightened out and will be listed in the magazine as well.

Randy reports that Joyce is on the mend. He also reports that at least two of her cars will remain in our area with club members, Steve Witt and Barbara and Gary Baker. Remember we vote on new officers at this meeting. If you bring \$ 15.00 per family membership you can pay Treasurer Jan Donnell for 2024 dues. Thank you. I look forward to seeing you Tuesday evening, November 21 at 5:30 for supper and 7:00 for the meeting at the Catfish Parlor on Ben White.

Tom Romberg



Model T Tip of the Month: [A Forgotten Model T \(Episode 14\) Making A New Wooden Roof From Scratch - YouTube](#)

This is a series of 18 YouTube videos on restoring a Model T in England that hadn't been run in 30 years. Very interesting.

If you read this on your computer, just click on the YouTube tip and it will take you to the YouTube program.

MINUTES OF THE October 17th, 2023



MEETING of THE CENTEX TIN LIZZIES

There was no meeting for the month of October due to a power outage at the Catfish Parlour in south Austin.



Do You Wonder?

Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard when he lives in the jungle without a razor?

Do You Wonder?

Why do banks charge a fee on 'insufficient funds' when they know there is not enough?



Programs set up For This Year:

November: Arnold Romberg will do a presentation on one of his restorations.

December: Christmas Party

January 2024: To Be Determined

Members:?? Do you have a speaker or topic you want to hear about...contact Britanie at 512-848-8503 or brit@btsjobs.com. We need to fill January thru November months in 2024!



This 1914 Ford Model T Is the Oldest Surviving Motorhome, and It's Completely Bonkers

By: Peter Corn, August 29, 2022

To be clear, motorhomes weren't really a thing in 1914. Hell, cars were barely a thing in 1914. Be that as it may, this 1914 Ford Model T Motor Caravan exists, and it is the oldest one known to exist. More than it being the oldest RV, it's also one of the craziest ones we've ever seen.

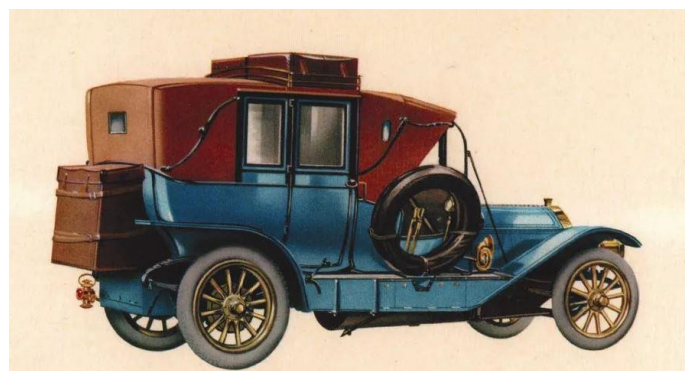
What is the oldest RV in the world?

This: The 1914 Ford Model T Motor Caravan – At least, it's the oldest surviving motorhome. Silodrome notes that while it's hard to say who built the first motorhome, the first production RV was almost certainly the Touring Landau, made by Pierce-Arrow in 1910.



1914 Ford Model T Motor Caravan

The Touring Landau existed in a time before the interstate and before most roads were paved in America. This means a cross-country trip would nearly require a motorhome. While RVs quickly attracted many customers, between WWI, the Great Depression, and then WWII, the industry didn't get a chance to get off the ground until the early 1950s when Winnebago hit the scene.



1910 Pierce Arrow Touring Landau
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What is going on with this Model T motorhome?



1914 Ford Model T Motor Caravan driver's seat

According to Silodrome, this historical treat got commissioned by a wealthy English family just before the beginning of the first World War. While the Motor Caravan was built on the Ford Model T chassis, it isn't exactly a standard production vehicle. The family needed the chassis longer and stronger to accommodate the length and weight of the motorhome. Baico was tapped to do the frame and chassis work while its aforementioned caravan body was designed and built by Dunton.

If the body reminds you of an old-timey train car, it isn't just you. Although it's a bit smaller than a standard rail car, it is completely made of wood and very much styled similarly.

Today, luxury cars will be described as "more comfortable than a living room," well, this here is an actual living room. Hell, the driver's seat is a literal Chesterfield leather sofa. What's really wild is that the sofa can spin 180 degrees to face the rest of the cabin.

Speaking of the rest of the cabin, the oldest motorhome in the world didn't worry about space-saving, weight, or anything like that. This thing has full-blown house furniture; wooden bookshelves, a wardrobe, bunk beds, a wood-burning stove, and rafters in the ceiling. This motorhome is insane.

Where was the early Ford Model T motorhome found?



1914 Ford Model T Motor Caravan interior

According to Silodrome, the early life of this prehistoric (excuse my taking of liberties with the definition of this term) motorhome is largely lost. Still, we know it was rediscovered in the 1970s by Leo Smith, who restored it alongside his friend (and talented cabinetmaker) Robin Tanner.



Did you know?

Ninety percent of all species that have become extinct have been birds.

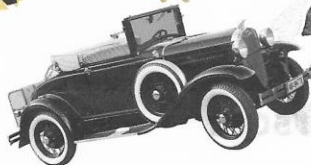
Did You Know?

The word “samba” means “to rub navels together.”





AUSTIN TIN LIZZIE



Miss Kinsley
PARTY
LUNCHEON

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

SATURDAY DEC 9TH - 2023

\$17 /PP (PAY EARLY PREFERRED) + CASH WINE BAR

PLEASE NOTE IF YOU RSVP FOR FOOD/ CANCELLATION IS TUES DEC 5TH

MEAL OPTION BELOW (NEXT PAGE) :

CROOK STORE - MARTINDALE TEXAS

413 MAIN STREET

9AM CAFE OPEN FOR DONUTS & SOCIAL TIME

11AM TOUR & VIDEO OF HUPMOBILE DEALERSHIP HOTEL
(ACROSS STREET)

12PM LUNCH & MEETING

PLEASE BRING A CHILDS GIFT- UNWRAPPED FOR BROWN SANTA

DESSERTS NEEDED : VOLUNTEERS TO BRING B.Y.O.D (COOKIES; BROWNIES, CUPCAKES -
THINGS EASY TO SERVE & EAT)

PRIZES: BEST UGLY SWEATER OR CHRISTMAS HATS 1ST & 2ND PLACE

RSVP: BRITANIE 512-848-8503 OR BRIT@BTSJOBS.COM

AUSTIN TIN LIZZIE



Christmas

RSVP:

Names: _____

Total Guests: _____

Meal Choices for each person:

Loaded BBQ Smothered Chicken - Roasted chicken breasts coated in Texas-style BBQ sauce and smothered in a melted cheddar cheese, bacon bits and scallions.

ALLERGY INFO: Gluten free, dairy free, nut free, egg free, soy free, corn free

needed _____

Burgundy Braised Beef Roast w/ French Onion Gravy - Beef roast rubbed with onions, garlic and an array of herbs, oven braised and served with French onion gravy.

ALLERGY INFO: Gluten free, low carb friendly, dairy free, nut free, egg free, soy free, corn free

needed _____

Everyone will get a side : Loaded Twice Baked Potatoes Roasted russet potatoes hollowed out, the pulp blended with whole butter, sour cream, cheddar cheese and bacon bits and re-roasted to perfection.

ALLERGY INFO: Gluten free, nut free, egg free, soy free, corn free

Everyone will get a roll

***** Special Dietary requests - Contact Britanie before Dec 4th**

Did You Know?

In 1939, Buick introduced turn signals as standard equipment.



Events Coming Up:

1. 3rd Thursday, Monthly **CMB Classic Cars hosts a potluck.** Bring your dish or antique car - 4:30 – 7PM – Plum, Texas – just west of La Grange, TX.
2. 9 December, **Christmas**



TIN LIZZIE MARKETPLACE

Well Randy has done it again, with Joyce Shierlow's help. Well, actually Joyce is selling her cars. She has left the 1915 Model T Coupelet, the 1909 Hupmobile and the 1927 Hupmobile are still available. See Pictures Below.



1915 Model T Ford Coupelet



1909 Hupmobile 20 Roadster



1927 Hupmobile Model 32 Touring Car

Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies Model T Ford Club – Send mail to Steve Hadorn, 10312 Peekston Drive, Austin Tx 78726

The Cen-Tex Tin Lizzies meet monthly (except December) on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM. Visitors are welcome! New Members are even more welcome!

President – Tom Romberg Vice President – Steve Hadorn

Board members: - Drew Patterson - J. C. Carter - Vic Donnell - George Brunner – John Anderson

Treasurer – Jan Donnell

Secretary – Glenn Gillman

Program Chair-Britanie Olvera

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