

Biography of Tom Jeanes



I saw my first Model A Ford when I was in high school. Just loved the running boards. I went off to school with a VW convertible...running boards, of course. I saw lots of Model A's over the next several years but family came first.

My son came home one day in 1990 and told me of a Model A for sale in the shopping center. We went down and looked at it. It was a mostly original 1930 Coupe Deluxe with a trunk. I bought it the next week. It had a lot of things to repair-brakes, carburetor, distributor, radiator and so on. It was a great learning experience.

I joined the Diablo A's and went to my first Northern California Regional Group meet in Murphys, California. I met Bill Jones and he asked if I would like to learn how to judge. I crawled under the car (the grass was wet) and Bill proceeded to show me what to look for on the braking system. That was the beginning, and I have been rolling under cars since then, always learning something new each time.

I have served in a number of positions with a couple of clubs and am also currently involved with NCRG as Newsletter Editor. I am recently retired after a short time as an English teacher and a long time as a Research Chemist for Dow Chemical.

I have a wife, two wonderful children and three grandchildren. I currently drive a 1930 Town Sedan named Zelda and have also been active in Fashion Judging. I recently moved from the San Francisco Bay Area to the Sierra foothills community of Pollock Pines California. ##