

FINALLY, THE BLONDE JOKE TO END ALL BLONDE JOKES! (Thanks Leslee) In the swim-meet, after the blond came in last competing in the breast-stroke, she complained to the judges that "all the other girls were using their arms."

12 VOLT OR 6 VOLT?

Question: I have owned Model A's for 40 years and I just purchased a 1930 Model A Dlx. Coupe all restored & beautiful. The only thing is they put a 12 volt alternator that reads 12 volt negative ground. I have the car at a friend's house waiting to make space to bring it home so I have not gone through it yet. My question is that it appears that they put a 12 volt alt. & battery because the car spins over very fast but it seems like the wiring is correct looking for 6 volt? Could someone convert to 12 volt without changing the wires? and if so I assume the bulbs must be 12 volt as well. I am not good when it comes to electrical. Would the stock wiring hold up for 12 volt?

Thanks, Joe Todaro, Bedford Hills New York

Answer: One of the reasons the auto industry converted to 12-volts in the '50's was to reduce the cost of the automobile. When the electrical system is changed to 12-volts the amount of current (amps) is reduced to maintain the same electrical power (watts). With the reduction in current in the system the size of the wire can be reduced, therefore saving money.

As the original system wiring is designed for the 6-volt system the wire size is actually heavier than necessary. This doesn't cause any problems in the system. As for the light bulbs, these would also have been changed to 12-volts. This will also affect the horn, either it has been re-wired for 12-volts or a voltage reducer has been installed to reduce the voltage to the horn to 6-volts. The ignition coil would also have been changed or a voltage reducer installed in series for it also. You might wish to contact the previous owner and determine what was actually done when the conversion was done. - **Chuck Christensen**, 2011 MAFCA Technical Director - posted 12/10/11 http://www.mafca.com/tqa_electrical.html

TURKEY OR CHICKEN BURGERS (Thanks Annie)

2 lbs ground lean turkey or chicken

- 1/2 c. chopped sun-dried tomatoes (not in oil)
- 3/4 c. chopped onion
- 1/2 c. chopped fresh basil
- 1/2 c. chopped Italian parsley
- 3 cloves garlic
- 1 t. salt
- 1 t. pepper Mix all together, form 8 patties. Grill 4 minutes on each side.

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If anyone would like to submit technical articles or recipes to me (via e-mail please) I would be **very** happy to put them in the newsletters! If anyone would like to pursue some advertising, we have some empty spots! ©

CCRG (Central California Regional Group Jamboree) April 14th-17th in Clovis

We had four A's turn out to go to the meet. Those who came were Lorne & Christine, Alan & Rene', Eric & Margaret and Truett & Jill. I think a good time was had by all!

Many thanks to the Sierra club for all the hard work they did putting it all together! Well done!



Ron seeing some of us off for the trip!







Alan with a large fruit from the Underground Garden property

Some animals at the Fresno Zoo!











