

CANADIAN MARITIME TOUR 2008



by Ross Milne

Mark your calendars now for a great tour of Canada's Maritime Provinces. The tentative dates are Sept. 21 to Oct. 10, 2008

The tour will follow the historic shorelines of Nova Scotia, part of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. If you like great sea food, antique hunting, visiting historic sites, attending festivals and viewing terrific scenery, this is the tour for you.

The tour is being held on these dates to give you the opportunity to see the fall colors in all their glory around historic Cabot Trail on



Cape Breton Island.

This is also the time of year when there are a number of music festivals featuring great fiddle and bag pipe music.

Should you have an interest in your family's history you will find Pier 21 in Halifax of interest. Pier 21 is the Canadian counterpart to Ellis Island in New York. Many families first came to North America through Halifax and



later migrated on to the US. Perhaps your family was one of them. If so, the Pier 21 records will be of interest.

No visit to Prince Edward Island would be complete without a visit to the home of Anne of Green Gables and enjoying a theater performance.



Carvings by the Tides

See the highest tides on the planet and observe whales and marine wildlife. Enjoy an old fashioned church supper featuring fresh caught lobster. Experience great Acadian music at local festivals. Sense the history as you visit Canada's birth place where the Fathers of Confederation first met to form the country that we now call Canada.

The official starting and ending point for the tour will be Portland, Maine. From Portland we (people and Model A's) will take the ferry to Yarmouth, Nova Scotia to begin the driving tour.

We are arranging shipping for Model A's from Los Angeles, Houston and any other suitable location. Our friend **Rene Werder** is arranging these details. In addition, group air fares can be arranged.

Participants may make their own flight arrangements and may drive or trailer their Model A's to Portland. The tour will be priced from Portland. If you choose to participate in the group flights and/or have your Model A shipped to Portland, these costs will be extra.

The tour will be limited to 24 Model A's. Early registration is recommended. As with all our tours, Regular members have first chance at the tour for two-weeks, then the Inactive members can apply for a like period. After that, the tour is open to the entire Model A world.

We estimate that the cost for the tour

will be approximately \$3,000 (US Dollars) **per person, double occupancy.** This will not include getting your car to Portland and home, nor airfare, if that is contemplated. Cost and itinerary are still undergoing some revamping, so expect minor variations as we draw closer to tour time. Additional details will be published in *The Milepost* as they become available. The application will be in the Fall *Milepost*. Please contact the Tour Coordinator **Ross Milne** for additional information at (905) 455-6615 or ModelAFordFan@sympatico.ca. **Most important** – Mark Sept 21 to Oct 10 on your 2008 calendar in order to enjoy some wonderful Canadian Maritime hospitality. ☺

Late Breaking News!

The information above was extracted from *The Milepost* of July 2007. Since that time some changes were made, which are important for those planning to go on the tour.

- **Bob Moore** was designated the Assistant Tour Coordinator and is assigned the responsibility of receiving the applications. This should facilitate communications since the bulk of our applications will come from the USA and Ross' address is in Canada.
- The tour price was changed from \$2,500 per person (Double Occupancy) to **\$3,000 per person (Double Occupancy)**. All payments in US Dollars.
- We will increase the tour to two sections should the demand dictate.
- If there is sufficient interest, group air fares will be investigated.
- Tour development is still in the initial stages and the final itinerary can only be published when we have secured all the reservations. Watch this space and read *The Milepost* for this important detail.

This web site contains the Application. If you are interested in going on the tour, download it and send it to Bob Moore. If you are not a MATC member, you should download the Membership Application (go to the "Join" page) and send it along with your initial dues to Bob Moore, who will forward it to the Membership Chair.

Address all questions concerning this tour to **Bob Moore**, (626) 358-2027 or bobmoore@aol.com