

**Club Meetings** are held at Holroyd Community Centre, Miller St Merrylands. The parking entrance is in Newman Street. Meetings are held from 8 pm on the second Friday of each month unless otherwise stated.

Once again my report starts with a vote of thanks to Ian & Faye Ray. They are new members who have been TAYLOR MADE into organising a country run. To their credit they put together a most enjoyable weekend. Again the weather played an important part, it was perfect. Although the mornings were a little on the chilly side.

On my early morning walk I did notice a pawn brokers sign covered with socks not sure why.

Saturday began with 11 Model A's assembled outside the Mudgee Caravan Park for a short tour of 30kls to Gulgong a gold mining town. We were met by the local car club who served up coffee and tea with all the extras that go with it. The venue was the Opera House opened in 1871. Then it was off to a winery for a wonderful lunch, after lunch we visited another winery where another local car club waited to show us

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT



a motor cycle collection. The drive home on Sunday morning was absolutely picturesque it makes you wonder why you live in the big smoke. See report and pictures inside.

Our mid week run to Picton was again well attended by 29 members, lady lunch a lot knows where to

seek out good food.

Welcome to new members Peter Kellaway and Phil Tuohy. Hope to see you both on future outings.

Also hope to see as many members as possible at our next run to the Lower Blue Mountains. Remember this is the LAPSTONE Hill Zig Zag Railway just past Penrith.

As always, Happy Motoring. Mal.

## 20th May 2012, Sunday - Run to Lapstone Zig Zag Railway.

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our guide. Meet at the Tourist information Centre

## Sunday April 15 Run to Rouse Hill House - Report

A perfect sunny Sunday morning as we arrived at the visitor's centre of this remarkable residence that housed members of the Rouse family through six generations for a total of about one hundred and eighty years. The house still contains the furniture and fittings used by this family, and is surprisingly original as very little has been done to update or maintain the buildings during their existence. We began our tour with morning lessons in the restored schoolhouse,



Marie Hyland and the Huckstep family were suitably punished for being last to arrive by being made to stand in the corner for a while. The school brought many mixed memories of school friends, friendly pranks and stern teachers.

After a sumptuous morning tea provided by Ros and Peter Wigzell we were separated in two groups to tour the buildings and the grounds, the ornate stables were probably the high point and less impressive was the crop of Humber Super Snipes growing like weeds in the paddocks. The outbuildings remain as they were built except for Deterioration, even though the buildings were occupied till 1993 little, if any, alterations or repairs seem to have been carried out. We enjoyed lunch in the large shelter behind the visitor's centre with tea and coffee provided. Twenty four people, Eight Model A's and Five modern cars then left to journey home. ps. If you visit Rouse House and

you arrive before 9.30am don't

think that the visitor's centre is open to visitors because the door is open and the staff are inside or you might be sternly reprimanded as was Carol Virgona.

All in all a great outing and a very big thanks to Roz and Peter for spot on organisation and an enjoyable morning tea.

Regards to all Tom Virgona.

### Country members Joyce & John Cavanagh's 1928 Phaeton

Here is a photo of our car on its most recent outing ...Saturday night  $18^{th}$  February 2012. In the photo is our son Matthew driving, Jarrod Willoubhy from Bourke and our grandchildren Erin and William Cavanagh. The theme was 1920's, it was a  $21^{st}$  birthday party and so the car was in demand.

Now for the history.

The car engine No CA 11532 built January 1828 had 27000 miles on the speedo when we purchased it in 1972 from the Holden dealer in Cooma. We have only done short runs around the area, weddings and outings with the local car club. After the death of Dr Leigh Phillips his wife traded the car at the Holden dealer. A friend alerted us to the presence of the

car at the dealership so I made contact immediately and purchased and took delivery of the car within three days.

#### Here is the history from Mrs Phillips...

"To my knowledge we are the third owners of the Ford. It was bought by a man named Jim Stokes who I believe only bought it to town on election days so that he could vote.

The next owner was a man named Lorney Day who used to drive his wife to what in those days was known as

"Murphy's Corner". There she sat in the car and chatted to her friends as they passed by – that would happen on a Friday afternoon.

My husband was the third and last owner of the car. He



purchased the Ford from Lorney Day in I think 1963, and has been the proud owner ever since. My husband loved the old car and took pride in restoring it to its original splendor.

It has given a lot of pleasure to many young folk, driving them to weddings and giving joy rides at different church fetes.

*I hope you enjoy owning it and driving it as much as we did.*"

Well, this is as much as I know about my car.

Joyce and John live in Young..

## Mudgee/Gulgong run 4 - 6 May 12 organised by Ian & Faye Ray



It was a perfect Friday morning weather wise to start our trip to Mudgee/Gulgong. The day was sunny but nice and cool thereby allowing all Model A's (6 from the Hunter Region and 5 from the Sydney area) to run nice and cool and all arrived at Mudgee Riverside Caravan Park on Friday afternoon. Here is a shot where we enjoyed our "happy hour" after the drive up with Leon Panov to have a couple of drinks and wish him a happy birthday.



For myself and Faye it was great to finally meet the attending Sydney members led by President Mal Bradley and his good wife Nola who along with our Hunter Group provided great company throughout Friday evening to Sunday morning.

Saturday although very cold was excellent for driving from Mudgee to Gulgong where we were greeted by the Gulgong Vintage Car Club who invited us for morning tea (with very nice homemade scones and cakes) and Mr Maurice Gaudry (President of the Gulgong Vintage Car Club) who gave an interesting talk about the old opera house which has a lot of historical significance in the area. After spending some time in

Gulgong looking at the various attractions including the museum we then travelled a different scenic route (Henry Lawson Drive) back to Oatley's Winery and Vineyard for lunch. Lunch was great.

We then proceeded onto Robert Stein's Winery and Motorcycle Museum where we met with Mr Steven Sneesby and some of the members of the Cudgewong Valley Pioneer Car Club. Later we drove back to the Riverside Caravan Park at Mudgee for a relax and a couple of drinks before heading off on foot to Club Mudgee (Soldiers Club) for dinner whereby some of us did our best to help the wine growers of the region reduce some of their stock.

Mudgee is a nice clean town and is complimented by the smaller Gulgong Village and rural area which is

steeped in history and it was great to see a convoy of Model A's touring the very pleasant country side.

Sunday morning again was very cool but looking great for travelling from Mudgee back home. Hunter area members had a great trip back and Mal and Nola Bradley advised that Sydney members also had a good trip back home as well.

All in all it was a very pleasant weekend and it was nice to have the feeling of security with a group of experienced and likeable Model A members and one which has reinforced my confidence in the ability of the Model A Ford.



Back Row : Leon, Kate, Rhonda, Roz, John, Mal, Denise, Paul, Paula, Steven, Meagan, Faye, Pat, Neil, Di

Front Row: Alan,

Alan, Peter , Nola, Peter, Paul

Thanks to all concerned for a great weekend.

Thanks to Ian and Faye for organising a fabulous weekended, well done!!

### 2nd May to Picton Botanical Gardens Report

The Top of Razorback Range was a picturesque meeting place at10am this Sunny morning but the few already there when I arrived looked worried; concerned that nobody else was coming. Their concerns were very short lived and we ended up with a healthy compliment of 28 Happy Wanderers including two Model A's.

Morket Place



wander at will while catching up with each other on stories before rushing off to The Picton Hotel for a bistro lunch, there was mixed feed back on the acceptance of the food, but it was all fairly priced and the seating was not at all crammed.

After a leisurely lunch those that didn't need to rush off inspected the resi-

The Common Grounds Bakery built in 1889 was an Inn in it's heyday and must have many interesting tales to tell "if only", now it serves delectable teas and snacks in an old world environment. A most welcome stop off for us weary travelers. Next we were to enjoy the delightful ambience of the Picton Botanical Gardens, time to

dences at the nearby cemetery, some dating well back into the 1800's and the good condition of many being fine testimony to the excellent workmanship that enabled them to stand for so long. By this time the ranks were thinning out and with some trepidation of the peak hour traffic that lie ahead we all parted company till we wander again.

*Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2012. Where East Meets West.* Meet on the western side of Cabramatta Railway station at 10 am. Marion will meet us at the bus shelter opposite the lights to guide us on our way. Enquiries Marion Cook 9724 3914 (M) 0418 625 158.

*Wednesday* 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2012. Paddington Prowl. Meet at 10 am for morning tea at the Quay Gateway Food Court. Enquiries Ron Doyle 9772 3785 (M) 0412 764 741.

*Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November,2012. 3 day/ 2 night Katoomba Visit.* Staying at the Blue Mountains Heritage Motel at the Katoomba Town Centre. Cost is \$128 pp plus \$48 for single supplement. *Please have your deposit of \$25 pp by the general meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> July to ensure that we secure these dates.* Enquiries Barbara Bosher 9871 2030 (M) 0422 147 264.

For Sale:	1928 AR Model A Ford Tudor. National Concourse winner in 1974 and Blue Rib	
	bon winner in 2006. Owned since 1982 and in good condition. Great for winter!	
	Includes some spares. \$27,000. Trevor Davis (02) 9484 5116.	
For Sale:	1928 Model Ford Phaeton in storage 30 yrs Sydney as unfinished project. Call	
	Graham on 0407 230 391	h
For Sale:	1930 Model A Tudor left hand drive in good original condition and a good	5
	driver. New windscreen & rubbers etc. \$21,000 ONO John Pryde (02) 4938	2
	8244 (M) 0415 675 675	and a second
For Sale.	2 x 1928 phaeton rear guards, original brackets included\$300 Peter Butler	
	0247395723 Lower Blue Mts.	
For Sale.	6 Volt horn relays era type with screw terminals \$18.00.each.Get that horn going	
	good. John Everett 0297734941 Mob:0408852878	
For Sale.	Single plate flywheel with pressure plate and clutch plate \$80.00	
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For Sale.	1929 Tudor, Grey leather upholstery, good reliable car, sky blue with grey	
	swaging, tinted safety glass, whitewall tyres, \$ 25,000 Call Larry Smith on	
	02 44485009 or email <u>gail27@tpg.com.au</u>	
For Sale:	South Australia - Model A Motor & Gearbox on chasis used to power saw cranks	
	over but stuck valves Jeff Robertson 0419846633	
For Sale:	Two new Firestone tyres 4.50/ 21 inch made in Brazil. \$195 each. Model A horn in	
	good condition \$285. Powerhouse generator in excellent condition \$95. Trevor Davis	
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Wanted:	Top left hand side 28-29 bonnet. Des Fitzgerald 0421 084 170.	
Wanted:	Houdaille shock absorbers in any condition. Trevor Davis (02) 9484 5116	
Wanted:	<b>1928-1929 Closed Cab Pickup.</b> Hans Hurij WA (08) 9296 8744 (M) 0428358575	
Wanted:	Windscreen wiper motor ( 6volt) for 1928 Tudor & a 1928 Model A motor.	
	Contact: barry-rose@netspace.net.au Ph 0263821191 Mob 0327885991	

# Club Events - Be cool, be there.

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**2nd June Maintenance Day** Neville & Annette Jones 44 Chapel Lane, Baulkham Hills. These are a very popular day, so bring your car, but more importantly bring your problems and questions. Call Neville or Annette on 02 9639 7044 or 0428 293 301 to let them know you are coming for catering purposes. Remember BBQ is \$5 and let us also know if you are a last minute canceller..thanks

*Sunday* 17<sup>th</sup> *June, 2012. Manly Reservoir.* Meet at Table 10 at 10.00 am & park at our Club banners. Directions: Travelling in either direction along Condamine St at Manly Vale turn at traffic lights into King St, looking out for our A sign, and follow along to the very end which is the main entrance. Parking area is close by entrance. Enquiries Norm Bosher 9871 2030 (M) 0422 147 264.

### Invitation Events

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2012. The Early Ford V8 Club of NSW Annual Concourse, Show and Shine Day to be held at the Ettamogah Pub on the corner of Old Windsor Rd and Merrivale Rd Rouse Hill. Cars to be in place before 9 am. Please let Tony Burden (Secretary) (M) 0438 249 763 know if coming for planning purposes.

20th May Tilligery Motorama at Tilligery RSL

Tilligery is 40km north of Newcastle located in Port Stephens. Over the last two years they have raised \$29,000.00 for the Nicholas Trust, which supports paediatric palliative care. The Motorama plays a big part in this fund raising, and they expect over 4,500 people to attend. The vehicle static display also includes live music, helicopter rides, stalls and food and drinks. They are hoping for 300 cars, and the entry fee is \$10 which goes to this very worthwhile charity. Entry details contact Don or Linda Barrett 0427 450 911

#### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2012. National Motoring Heritage Day at the Australian Motorlife Museum.

Sunday 17th June. 2012. 2nd Annual Sydney Classic & Antique Truck Show. at the Museum of Fire Inc at 1 Museum Drive Penrith. Pre entry fee of \$30 to be sent with Registration Form. Enquiries & copy of form phone Trevor Davis 9484 5116.

*Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2012. Liverpool Super Swap Meet.* Fairfield City Showground Smithfield Rd, Prairiewood opening at 6am. Enquiries Colin Murphy 4729 0482 or swap@chryslerclub.org.au.



#### **NSW Model A Ford Committee 2012**

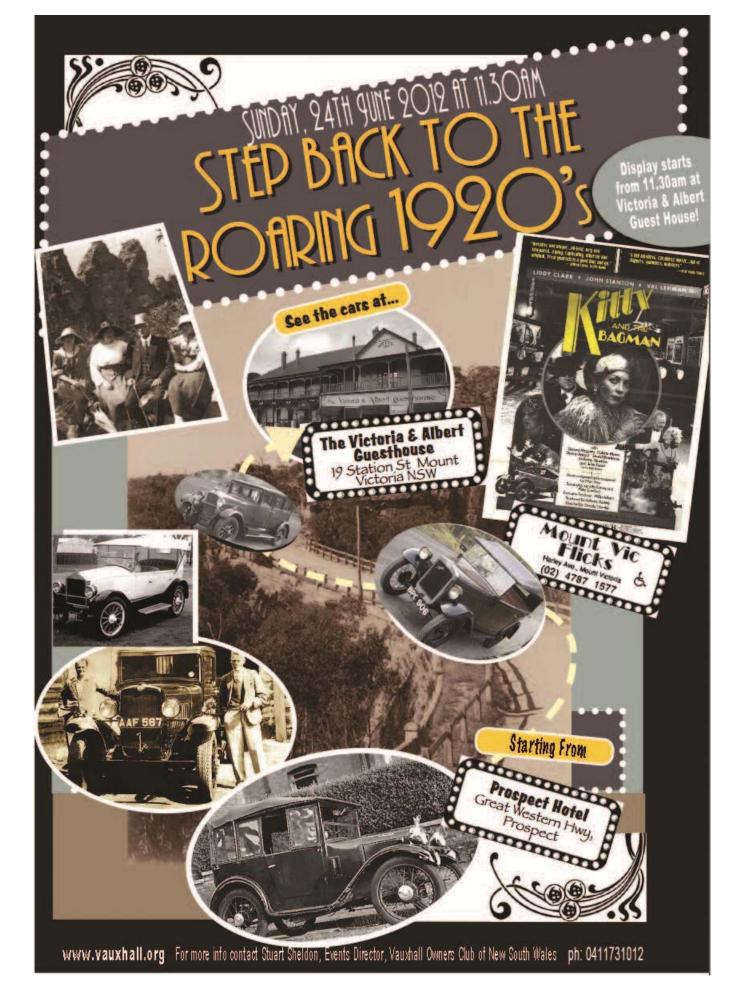
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#### INVITATION FROM THE VAUXHALL CLUB

I would like to extend an invitation to pre-war vehicles only, as I believe that these are more in-keeping with the period of the movie. The cinema holds a maximum of 120 people and the date and venue has already been booked. The Victoria and Albert Guest House has also been booked with lunch able to be served in one sitting. Details of the menu are yet to be confirmed. The cost for the combined lunch and movie is \$40 pre-paid. *Model A Club details to follow*.