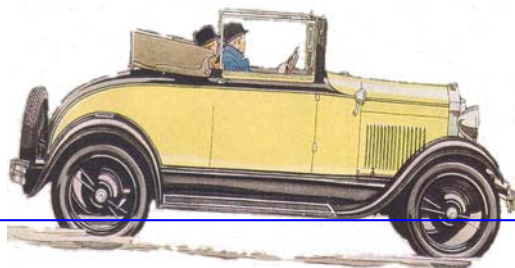


Model A Flyer



Model A Ford Club of NSW Inc

Web site www.modelafordclubofnsw.com.au

May 2015

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.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We commemorated ANZAC Day in April and after reminiscing about the soldiers and the battles and atrocities that occurred I then thought about the machinery that has been developed during conflicts and noted that Ford produced about twenty five hundred Model T ambulances during the last half of 1917. Such a shame that they were not produced earlier and in much greater number. These ambo's could carry three stretchers in back and two passengers sitting beside the driver. Not at all comfortable but so much better off than those left behind, I salute them all!

In 1917 Ford also sold seven thousand Fordson tractors to Britain so that the British farmers could feed their soldiers without needing to depend on importing food through the German blockade. Many of these Fordson's would have been driven by some of the quarter million women in the women's land army.

Our run in April was the drive to Berrima where we met up with members of the MARC from Canberra. Strangely the weather began cold wet and misty as so often happens, but soon fined up and remained quite pleasant. Neil and Pat Finn, being among the few who were brave enough to attend in their model A, experienced water loss and engine overheating along the way which progressively deteriorated the further they drove. One of those Model A mysteries that emerge from time to time. Leon Panov from the upper central coast also joined us and the gathering from such a wide area caused the conversation to stray from the usual "my model A" to



"your model A". The Berrima picnic area is a perfect setting for such a gathering and rarely overcrowded.

MAFC of NSW windscreen stickers are now available for \$3.00 each and the club still has a few iron on pocket badges for \$5.00 each and a very small number of metal car badges for \$25.00 each.

The Wednesday Wanderers took the River Cat cruise from Circular Quay to Parramatta. This is a bargain that can be enjoyed at any time by anybody, subject to weather and tide conditions. I have explored the river from Ermington down countless times but have never travelled upstream to Parramatta, mainly because most of the upper reach is restricted to ferries. This shoreline is mostly uninhabited and I imagine that it would have appeared much the same to Arthur Phillip in 1788 when he explored the same route looking for a MacDonalds in order to feed the early settlers. There are still no MacDonalds on the shores of the river and so we retired to the Sydney Rowing Club at Abbotsford for a sumptuous lunch. I spent many of my early years growing up in the vicinity of this club and well remember when it was so exclusive (and small) that it was near impossible to gain membership, not so now that it has been extended extensively.

Hearty congratulations to The Model A Ford Club of Victoria and all of their members who are celebrating the club's fortieth year this month. I regret that I can't make it to the party but I will raise a glass and eat some cake on the day.

Cheers for now.. Regards
Tom Virgona

Upcoming Model A Runs

Northern A's Run - May 17th Historic Motorfest - The Entrance

Meet at 8:30am at the Tuggerah Supercentre car park . This early start is due to the fact we have to be in place at The Entrance by 9:00am. The event is open to the public after that and the Police won't let the cars in.

Food and drink are available at the Motorfest. Please call me if you wish to attend, on 43252503 so we can all be parked together at the display.
Regards Bob

Saturday 13th June Run to ANSTO at Lucas Heights

Meet 10am Saturday 13th June ANSTO, Illawarra Road, Lucas Heights

ANSTO conduct group tours through the atomic facility on regular occasions. Jim Allingham has organised one of these tours for our run in June.

History: Lucas Heights was named after John Lucas Snr, a flour miller who in 1823 was granted 150 acres on the "head of an unnamed stream into Georges River." He built a water-driven mill for grinding corn from the Illawarra farms. Small ships sailed up the coast into Botany Bay, up Georges River and into the Woronora

River. So from a flour mill to an atomic research facility, quite a leap..

More details call Jim Allingham 9522-6094 or M: 0418-674-059



Sydney's Central Station comes alive with steam trains, heritage train displays, vintage bus rides and live music . . .plus so much more!

Central Station, Sydney

Saturday 6 - Monday 8 June

Queen's Birthday Long Weekend

Transport Heritage Expo brings Sydney's transport history to life with the excitement of steam train rides through the suburbs and return of vintage double decker buses to the streets of the Sydney CBD.

This event is set to be a fantastic nostalgic long weekend event for families and transport enthusiasts alike. Club member are invited to get together on the Sunday, meeting at 10am

at Central. To book a train ride go to <http://www.transportheritagensw.com.au/#!transport-heritage-expo/c27a>

Maybe see you there!!!



Future Runs for your diary:

- **19th July** - All Fords Day Eastern Creek
- **25th July** - Christmas in July
- **16th August** - Shannon's Sydney Classic at Eastern Creek
- **23rd August** - Maroota Musta
- **4th September** - Young Rally

Northern A Run - 19th July to visit "The Garland Collection"

The Northern A's are running to Steve & Meagan Garlands home in Butterwick. Steve has a wonderful collection of Model As and Model Ts in two purpose built sheds. You will also see his restoration area, sand blasting area and paint room. This is a real treat, and you will be amazed at what this man can do.



Young Model A Rally September

Model A Rally 4th - 7th September 2015.

The Rally:

Friday 4th: Y.H.M.C. Club House . Arrival, Registration and afternoon Tea

Saturday 5th: The first of the two major runs.

Sunday 6th: Run #2.

Sunday evening dinner at the "yet to be decided"

Monday 7th: Aussie BBQ breakfast at "Lambing Flat Chinese Tribute Gardens" before departing for home.

Accommodation: Young Services Club which

has excellent facilities for the Dinner as well as motel accommodation (The Federation) .

PLEASE EMAIL Barry if you intend coming along to assist the boys with planning... Thanks

barry-rose@netspace.net.au

Booking details on our website under "Tours".

Kind Regards

Col Harmer Mob 0419822975

Barry Rose Mob 0409490223

24th Australian National Model A Ford Meet Northern Territory 22nd - 28th May 2016

Theme: Settlers of the Last Frontier

Proposed Programme:

Sunday 22nd May Registration in Katherine 12:30-3pm followed by a BBQ

Monday 23rd May - Run to Nitmiluk (Katherine) Gorge

Tuesday 24th May - Travel to Darwin (300kms) with optional stop at Adelaide River to view War Museum. Check in Rally HQ Club Tropical in Darwin.

Wednesday 25th May - Optional Daily Runs & Welcome Reception at Parliament House that evening

Thursday 26th May - Concours Judging , Optional Runs including Mindil Beach Markets with cars on display

Friday 27th May - Mandatory Run

Saturday 28th May - Option Runs which will include visit to the Parap Markets - Farewell Dinner that evening

Sunday 29th May - Farewell BBQ breakfast



Please see our website under "Tours" for the Newsletter #1 plus accommodation options and other information.



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Join the celebration of Fords finest to be held
at Sydney Dragway, Eastern Creek, NSW



VINTAGE • CLASSIC • MUSCLE

All Ford Family Day Sunday - 19th July 2015 Sydney Dragway, Eastern Creek, NSW

Display Entry \$20 per vehicle, Ford only vehicles welcome
Gates open to display vehicles 7am to 8am
No exit for display vehicles before 3.30pm

Show Entry \$5 per Adult, Children 12 & under enter free
Gates open to the public from 8am
General spectator parking available

For more information and conditions of entry
visit our website

www.allforddaynsw.com



The Combined Ford Clubs of NSW Comprises:

Adelaide Ford Club
Central Coast Ford Club
Gold Coast Ford Club
North Coast Ford Club
Queensland Ford Club

South Coast Ford Club
Sydney Ford Club
The Hunter Ford Club
Western Districts Ford Club
Wentworth Ford Club

Anglican Ford Club
Ballarat Ford Club
Brisbane Ford Club
Geelong Ford Club

Perth Ford Club
Tasmania Ford Club
Victoria Ford Club
Western Districts Ford Club

Limited tickets available from Club Treasurer, first come first served,
\$20 per car with occupants, money refunded at the event.

April Run to Berrima Report

We had a great turn out of Model A's for our April run to Berrima. Everyone gathered at Pheasants Nest where we enjoyed a tea or coffee. Once again Leon Panov drove down from Newcastle for the day and brought a friend from Milperra. Well done mate, Wollongong in March and now Berrima in April, impressive.

We departed at 10:30am and headed to Berrima in convoy to rendezvous with the MARC members from Canberra. We also enjoyed the company of Allan & Bev Worner from the Berrima Historic Car Club. Always great to see them.

Unfortunately Neil Finn had heating problems

with his newly restored ute and had to get a tilt bed trailer home. He is going to take the motor out and strip it down to try and locate the cause. Not a happy Model A'er.

We lunched with our Canberra cousins, and I must admit the local pie shop was very popular, they had great pies.

After lunch the dark clouds started to appear everyone felt it was a good time to head home.

Regards John Hyland

May Run to Historic Hill End

The run of very wet and cloudy weather persisted into May and as a result only 2 Model A's travelled to Hill End. Congratulations to Trevor & Pat Davis & Richard & Beth Payne for driving their cars up the mountains in very unpleasant weather.

Once at Hill End the weather was beautiful, and their Model A's were a picture in this historic township surrounded by autumn trees.

We had 24 members enjoy a very social and historically interesting weekend. There were 10 historic buildings open on the Sunday, and some of them were just amazing. The pie shop in Hill End is definitely one of the best.

Our accommodation at the Hill End Lodge was extremely comfortable, and they made us very welcome. Even the local kangaroos paid us a visit. There was plenty of yarning and story telling around 5pm Saturday and Sunday evenings as everyone enjoyed a ginger ale and a nibble. And that chatter continued on into our own private dining room.

Monday morning everyone headed off into the mist after breakfast for the homeward journey. We just wish Neil Finn well, as he was off colour when leaving on the Monday..



The Wednesday Wanderers

6th May Outing on The River Cat.

Another great turn out with 17 Wanderers meeting for coffee at Circular Quay before boarding the 10:07 River Cat to Parramatta. How lucky we were to have such a glorious autumn day with sunshine filtering into the boat and a cool breeze coming in from the west. Once the Cat arrived at Parramatta we took the return trip to Sydney Rowing Club at Abbotsford for lunch. What spectacular views we had while enjoying a wonderful lunch. This is a must do for anyone with a spare day to

enjoy. The homes that line the river are eye-openers for Glitz & Glamour. No wonder Sydney is the money capital of OZ. Regards John Hyland.



Wednesday Wanderers

TUESDAY 2nd June

Penrith Printing Museum -

Tuesday 2nd May (note the change of day) Penrith Printing Museum. Meet at the cnr Ransley & Station St Penrith. Museum is located in The Penrith Paceway Complex. BYO Morning Tea about 10-30 am, Museum opens 11-00am. Tour is about 1 1/2 hours @\$3 each. Lunch at Panthers. For more detail

contact John Hyland 46571734 or 0406368527 on the day.



NSW Model A Ford Club

Window Stickers now available!!!!

Just \$3 each, see the Treasurer..

Also Metal Bumper Badges \$25

Market Place

For Sale: Model A Ute, factory build (Mort Williams old ute) **call 02 658 487 51**

For Sale: 2009 Nissan Micra White 19970km \$10500 call Valerie Hawkins 9609 3130 Rob Browns mums car.

For Sale: 1928 Tudor \$28000 with free trailer or trailer \$3k by itself **call Jeff Shields 9970 5426**

For Sale: Full set of 1931 Steel Mudguards \$ 880. V/good condition, 4 x 1930 wheel rims \$ 160. **call Craig Finney 9548-2424 0438-881-417**

Wanted: Restored Model A Phaeton, good quality **call Ron Huckstepp 0408 943 611**

Wanted: early hand brake with cross shaft and pawl, fits on top of gearbox **call Ron Cox 9743 5955**

Services: Model A Ford White Metal Bearings - if needed **call Dean, Dean Repairs on 0418 680 027**

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