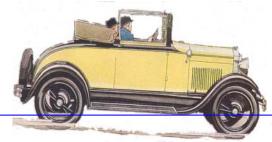
## Model A Flyer



## THE SPIRIT LIVES 2014 - 2018



Model A Ford Club of NSW Inc

Web site www.modelafordclubofnsw.com.au November 2014

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



This being my final report, I'd like to thank first and foremost my committee who assisted me throughout the last 12 months. Also all those members who were elected to the remaining club positions. Then there are those who assist in all those small jobs which make our club what it is today. Thank you all. It is VERY pleasing to see the makeup of our new committee. I know they will do a fabulous job over the next 12 months. Please support them in the best way you can by attending meetings, outings and the like.

Our Memorial Day at Yarra Bay was very well Regards Mal. attended, not to mention the fabulous

weather. Thank you to Jim & Maureen Allingham. It was good to see past members Bill & Linda Dawes in their Merc. Thanks go to Craig Finney and Peter Deane for organising a great maintenance day. I know that all who attended appreciated all their efforts. Peter's hoist assisted Jim Allingham to check out what's under his Taxi. It also helped other members to discover all the greasing points. We also had a discussion on a few of the problem areas in the Model A. No doubt all those who attended picked up a few valuable points. There are many problem areas on the Model A that are not covered in books. I'm sure that many of you will relate to that. This is why Seminars and maintenance days are valuable to all members.

Best wishes to Pat Davis for a speedy recovery after a recent hip operation.

Now I'm off to the Back Bench, best wishes,

#### Your 2015 Committee

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#### Richard & Charlie Vowell hit the Variety Bash Sydney to Perth

New NSW club members Richard and Charlie Vowell have recently driven two Model A Fords from Sydney to Perth as part of the 2014 National Variety Bash.

Both cars belong to WA member Brett Pollock, who also took part in the Bash entering a 1928 Model A utility and a 1930 Model A Phaeton Tourer together with the fourth driver Tim Hough from Armidale NSW.



They travelled 5,150 km including over 2,000km of dirt roads. The cars performed very well and with stood the rough terrain which included bone jarring tough limestone dirt tracks, numerous sand hills and never ending rough property tracks through dry creek beds weaving through harsh scrubland, all part of the "Bash Adventure". The trip took 14 days starting in Sydney on



Monday 18 August travelling to Orange, Condobolin, Broken Hill, through the Flinders Ranges to Parachilna past Lake Eyre. From there we travelled to Roxby Downs and onto Kondoolka Station, Ceduna, Smokey Bay across the Nullarbor to Eucla, onto Rawlinna Station following the Trans National railway line to Kalgoorlie, then Merredin finishing in Kings Park (Perth) on Saturday 30 August.



"Glad" the 1930 Phaeton, a seasoned traveller, performed well with the only major issue being a broken thrust pin rendering the clutch useless. So it was over 3000km without a clutch requiring well timed and limited gear changes, starting each time in first gear. The clutch was eventually repaired in Kalgoorlie.

"Merv" the 1928 utility, was a restoration project of "The Mosman Park Men's Shed" in Perth WA. It was completely rebuilt from 700+ parts (purchased in Carnarvon WA in November 2011) and had only travelled 400km before starting The Bash. Needless to say, the repairs/maintenance included brake rods, shock absorbers, wind shield (broken by freezing conditions outside Orange, NSW) loose door latches, dirty fuel problems, condenser failure (wrong condenser supplied) faulty points and distributor failure to name just a few!

Richard and Charlie enjoyed the trip so much they have now purchased a 1930 Model A Phaeton from Victoria. They now intend enjoying the Model A experience, albeit at a gentler pace than the Bash.

Regards Richard & Charlie...



### **Upcoming Model A Runs**

## 14th December -The Honey Shed Run



**Location**: 2828 The Northern Road, Luddenham. If you travel down Elizabeth Drive, turn right into Northern Road, about 1 km the Honey Shed is on the right side of the road.

Arrive 9-9:30 for a BYO morning tea. At 10:00am there will be a talk on Bees and Honey. The Honey Shed will be open for a sampling of their products, and they will have their products available for purchase.

Ron Doyle's new address: 24 Fleet Street **HOLBROOK NSW 2644** Ph: 0412-764-741

Heading to Melbourne, please pop in..Ron

Around midday we will proceed to Luddenham, turning right into Roots Ave, and will have lunch in the park on the Left Hand Side towards the end of the street. BYO chairs, tables & picnic lunch.

**During lunch** I will also be providing a demonstration of wiring bees fames and putting starter wax into the frames. I will also be taking an empty bee box to demonstrate the different parts and how it all works along with some other interesting information.

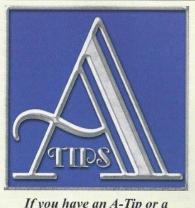
There will be a small questionnaire for members to fill in at the talk at the Honey Shed.

If the weather is not suitable for lunch in the park at Luddenham we will travel back along Elizabeth Drive to Kemps Creek Sporting and Bowling Club for lunch.

Looking forward to a great turn out, as this is our end of year, Christmas Run...

Regards Robert Brown





If you have an A-Tip or a **Question Contact** Ron Ehrenhofer, EMAIL marctech@modelarestorers.org or CALL 630-781-7883 or MAIL to Ron at 1914 N. Fernandez,

Arlington Heights, IL 60004

## How to Determine If a Bearing is Good or Bad



his Tech Tip is another one of those "I can't remember when or who" gave me the idea but it is one I use all the time and so I thought I would pass it on. Ever wonder when you disassemble something like a transmission, or any caged ball bearing, what the condition of that bearing is that has been in service for who knows how many years. There is a simple test you can perform on the bearing that will tell you its condition.

Gently clamp the bearing in a vise and rotate. Do not do this with a dry bearing. If you feel ANY roughness the bearing is no good. If the bearing is good the movement will feel perfectly smooth.

#### The Wanderers

## The Wanderers visit to "Sculptures by the Sea" at Bondi in October

We all met at Circular Quay where we boarded the bus for Bondi. We were all surprised when the bus dropped us at North Bondi, which was as close as the buses go. So after a short uphill walk we encountered the sculptures; there were several hundred and we walked all the way to Tamarama Beach where there were more in the park. From there we all caught the bus to The Tea Gardens Hotel for a well deserved cold `BEER` and a great lunch. For those who missed the display this year, try and make it next year, it was well worth it.



## The Wanderers Melbourne Cup Lunch on 4th November Report

We had 19 Wanderers at Josephine's Bar & Grill for lunch. All were enthusiastic punters and lots of money was seen changing hands (left pocket to right pocket). The all important SWEEP was won by The Cavanaugh's. Another great day out with the Wanderers.

Regards John Hyland

### The Wanderers Christmas Lunch @ Gymea Tradies 4th December 11:30am

Address: 57 Manchester Road, Gymea NSW 2227

Phone: (02) 9540 1933

5 minutes from Gymea Railway Station.

For details please call John Hyland 02 4657 1734





#### Market Place

Wanted: Model A front wishbone, 39 Ford Gearbox, 17" Ford Wheel, 19" Ford Wheel, 29 Front bumper

irons Des Fitzgerald 9605 6026 or 0421084170

Wanted: 1930 Model A Roadster roof irons any condition Sid Turner 9642 1726 or Paul 0419 157135

For Sale: 1930 Phaeton full restored great condition \$26000.00 Brian Bicknell 02 9543 6733 or 0438 251140

For Sale: 1930 set of 4 doors for a Murray body call Ron Doyle 0412-764-741

For Sale: 1929 A Model Roadster, ex cond, fully restored, \$28,500.ONO. Kevin Jan 0412966655,

email: kvjan@ozemail.com.au

FREE: Model A exhaust system, used Jim Allingham 0418 674 059

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

# Maintenance Day in October at Peter Dean's Garage.

Our Saturday afternoon Maintenance Day at Peter's Garage was excellent. Jim Allingham put his car on the hoist and made some minor adjustments and gave it a grease. Mal Bradley gave a very interesting talk on carbies... I think I now really understand how they work. A big thank you to Craig Finney for organising the

A big thank you to Craig Finney for organising the day and putting on the sausage sandwiches...



Jim doing some fine adjustments on the left and major adjustments on the right..with his multi tools.





#### **Memorial Run in October**

Thanks again to the Allingham's for organising a great run to La Peruse... We had a fabulous day weather wise, and Jim didn't even burn the sausages.







Thanks to members who've already renewed

If you haven't as yet renewed, please do so before 31st December 2014..thanks

#### FOR SALE: 1929 A Model Ford Roadster

Excellent condition, leather upholstery, fully restored, Historic Rego handed in at time of sale, \$28,500.ONO. Contact Kevin at Brookvale, Mobile 0412966655,

email: kvjan@ozemail.com.au



### **New Committee for 2015**

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Thank you to all of the above members for standing up and assisting in running our wonderful club for 2015.. It should be another very good year.







# Tiny Tips From MAFCA Members

From the late Jack Crawford, Seattle, Washington Illustrated by John Pratt, Urbana, Illinois

#### Painting Model A Wheels

The next time you paint your Model A wheels, remember to remove the paint from the space where the lug nuts seat when the wheels are mounted to the brake drum. If you don't, paint will eventually wear away and the 1-2 thousandths of an inch space left between the lug nut and the wheel will be sufficient to start "play action" that can eventually cause the lug nuts to back off as the wheel turns. Voila! There goes a wheel making a nice dent in the fender, a squared-off backing plate and brake drum, plus other damage to the occupants of your car and any other object it may hit.

A good choice is to block the lug nut holes with old lug nuts set in place while painting. This protects the holes and makes for a better, tighter holding wheel.



If you have a helpful tip about Model A restoration or maintenance that you'd like to share with MAFCA members, please forward it to the MAFCA Office, 250 S. Cypress St., La Habra, CA 90631-5515 or e-mail to: restorer@mafca.com.