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

The 1928 Tudor shown was entered by Steve and Meagan Garland in the concourse event at All Fords Day. Having left before the awarding of prizes I was unaware that their entry had come second so to make amends their car is given a prominent position in my report. This was not a bad effort by the Garlands considering the winner was a much more expensive car ie a Rolls Royce! Congratulations to you both.

Your committee has been very busy on a number of fronts. One of these has been to review arrangements for the future election of the committee. As the constitution presently allows nominations to be received up to 7 days before the AGM it is not possible therefore to inform those members who are unable to attend the AGM so that they can forward votes for the persons of their choice. Because all members should have this right we have decided that committee nomination forms should be sent out with the September Flyer. Members who are unable to attend the AGM are requested to return their nominations on the form enclosed to reach the Secretary in time for the October general meeting. The Secretary can second numerous nomination forms provided that the member submitting nominations has contacted those nominated to ensure they have agreed to be nominated.

Should multiple nominations be received for any one position at the October general meeting, a proxy form and a list of these nominated members will be sent out with the October Flyer advising all members so that they can exercise their vote. As the constitution has yet to be altered we ask members to adhere to the process of above and not leave it until 7 days before the AGM otherwise this will deprive members unable to attend.

We have received notice of Department of Fair Trading changes to associations legislation. Our current rules currently comply and until such time as we choose to lodge any changes no action is necessary.

Included in the August Flyer was a 40th Anniversary Update and Meals sheet which we requested you return by no later than 1st October 2010 to MAFC of NSW Inc PO Box 162 Panania NSW 2213. Please hurry if attending.

We welcome new members Allan & Ngaire Bujayer and look forward to meeting them soon.

The logos shown are of three of our sponsors of the 40th anniversary of the club and we thank them for their valuable assistance.

We wish those going this month to Tamworth a safe trip and a great time. In the meanwhile keep smiling. Trevor Davis

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Norm Bosher has a hip operation scheduled for the 13th of September. Best wishes for a speedy recovery Norm. Marion Cook has a fractured wrist and we also wish her a speedy recovery.

19th September, Sunday 2010. Central Coast Club Meeting With Our Club. Meet at 10 am at Shirley Singleton Pavilion Park at the corner of Baden Powell Ave and Brooklyn Rd, Brooklyn. Our club will provide morning tea and a sausage sizzle lunch. The Central Coast Club will provide hot water. Please bring your own cups, tea, coffee, chairs, tables etc and everything else you need. We ask our kind ladies to help out with something to eat with morning tea. Please phone if you would help and also let Neville Jones on (02) 9639 7044 know if attending for catering purposes.

24th Friday - 27th Monday, September, 2010. Seminar & Country Meet at Tamworth. Meet at 8.30 am on Friday 24th at the F3 truck stop at Brooklyn Bridge & depart 9 am. Arrive Friday with seminar starting 10 am Saturday with lunch being catered for at the home of Geoff Bennett 10 Gipps St Tamworth. Saturday night dinner to be selected. Sunday will be a run to Nundle for lunch. Either return to Tamworth for the night or return home from Nundle, your choice. This weekend is about meeting our country members and helping them in any way we can. If you know any country people with Model A’s who could like to attend please let them and us know. We have chosen the motels below as they are close to where the seminar will be held and close to town. Please book your accommodation ASAP and advise the motel staff you are part of the Model A Club booking. As there are weddings on the same weekend and is also in school holidays please book quickly.


12th/14th November 2010. Model A Ford Club of NSW Inc 40th Anniversary. For information and enquiries phone Neville Jones (02) 9639 7044 (M) 0428 293 301.


22nd August, Sunday 2010. CMC Display Day Eastern Creek.

There was a good turnout of Model As, 12 in all. John Dikeman is pictured on his first run with the club with his 1930 deluxe roadster. Congratulations John and it was great to have you along.

An interesting sight was to see a Model A with a P plate on the back reversing into a parking spot. It was Ben Cribbin with his father waiting anxiously by providing guidance.
Wednesday Wanderer’s Report

1st September, Wednesday 2010. Watson’s Bay by Harbour Ferry.

This was a well attended event, there being 12 present. After meeting up with everyone for morning tea we took the ferry to Watsons Bay for a walk around the Gap area. I was surprised to see how far it was from the Gap around to the South Head. You can only walk a short distance however as the area has restricted access due to the Dept of Defence having camped on the site a long time ago. Why, I’ll never know! We had a fish and chip lunch on the wharf and then returned by ferry. Many thanks to Barbara and Norm Bosher for arranging this outing.

by TD.

Wednesday Wanderer’s Event

6th October, Wednesday 2010. Guided tour of Sydney Town Hall. Meet for morning tea at 9 am at the New York Metro Café in Town Hall Square. The tour commences 10.30 am at main stairway of Town Hall in George St. We need to know accurate numbers by 29th September. Lunch perhaps at the same café or at Woolworths Metro Café opposite the Town Hall. Tour cost is $5. Enquiries Ron Doyle 9772 3785.

Technical Comments

Oil Leaks at the Rear Main Bearing. (continued) In the August Flyer a statement by Les Andrews was made that the Model A engine was not designed to leak oil. He further commented that any leaking is due to poor workmanship. He asserts that with proper assembly and tolerances not a drop of oil will leak from the rear main. Some of the typical common faults he has noted were:

1. The sump gasket not positioned under the cork gasket that wraps over the rear main bearing housing.
2. The sump distorted at the rear corner.
3. Silicon type sealer being used under the rear main shims.
4. The rear main bearing cap not being flat due to not using a file correctly.
5. The aluminium half moon oil slinger housing protruding above the block surface. He also noted that the aluminium slinger housing is sometimes damaged by flywheel mounting bolts being too long causing protrusion above the block surface. Les recommends that should the engine be sent for a rebuild it should be mentioned that if a new reproduction oil slinger is to be installed it could protrude and therefore should be checked for correct height and filed level with the block surface prior to line bore.

The following checks should ensure an oil leak free engine:

1. Rear main bearing clearance adjusted to 0.001 inches.
2. Perfectly flat block surface at rear main including oil slinger housing.
3. Perfectly flat rear main cap across entire surface. Must be checked and corrected before and after the rear main cap bearing is poured and before line bore operation.
4. Correct installation of oil return tube in rear main housing and free of obstruction. Check for clear opening of oil return passages in the bearing. Especially check should there be signs that silicon sealant has been used previously.
5. Correct installation of oil pan gasket and rear main housing cork gasket. (continued on page 4.)
6. Maximum of 0.003 ins end play clearance of crankshaft measured at the rear main. Excessive end play could cause oil to be pumped out the rear main by crank end play movement.
7. Correct installation of block to bell housing gasket. Use no silicon sealants. Ensure flatness against block to prevent oil loss from cam shaft opening at rear of block.
8. Inspect and ensure a flat oil pan flange surface at the rear main bolt up area. If bolt hole surround surfaces are distorted, correct them by making them flat again.
9. Do not overfill the oil pan. Add only enough oil to bring the level to within 1/8 inch of the full mark. There is sufficient oil at any point between full and low levels. An oil level at or above the full mark will cause excessive flooding of the rear main area when driving up steep hills (8% grade or more) and cause oil to be forced out through the rear main bearing. (Some owners have made it a habit to overfill the oil pan in the belief that it is beneficial in that it keeps the oil temperature cooler. If in doubt about such oil loss park your car after a long run on a steep slope and see how much oil runs out.)

PS. Comments and information for this column are always welcome

By Trevor Davis

Market Place

For Sale:  Pair of new 28/29 front fibreglass mudguards $600. Also in very good condition 1928 black splined steering wheel $250. John Hyland (02) 4657 1734


For Sale:  Club badges and club shirts. For availability contact Neville Jones (02) 9639 7044.

For Sale:  Quantity of Model A backing plates, hubs, brake drums, diff trumpets & torque tubes. John Everett 0408 852 878 (02) 9773 4941

Wanted:  Serviceable 21ins 450/475 whitewall tyre. John Everett 0408 852 878 (02) 9773 4941

Wanted:  1930 Model A cowl & petrol tank. Craig Finney (02) 9548 2424 (M) 0438 881 417

Wanted:  Bottom section of Model A steering box. Keith Smith (02) 9585 1223 (M) 0411 833 936

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