Model A Flyer



Model A Ford Club of NSW Inc

Web site www.modelafordclubofnsw.com.au

DECEMBER 2008

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



Seasons greetings from Club HQ. Our December meeting was well attended, with many opinions being aired on almost every topic raised, which is great. It is going to be a big year for travel for the Club.

Apart from our regular monthly runs, some interesting variations are being arranged. Secretary Greg Cribbin has kicked the ball off by arranging a run in March, which will begin with a visit to a retirement village where we will stay for about an hour and a half and be on hand to show our vehicles to residents and I am sure have long

discussions with them about the cars their father drove. Watch the events news for more details

Trevor Davis has his big run planned to the outback. Pam and Larry Gee together with Neville and Annette Jones are arranging a 3 or 4 day trip around Cowra. Neil and Pat Finn with help from Phil Dalton are planning a 2 to 3 day trip around Kiama. Gail and Ron Huckstepp are leading another short trip to Inverell /Grafton area, with help from John and me. The only area not yet catered for is the Central Coast, and hopefully I will have more to report next month.

These trips are specifically being planned to be accessible to country members, and I do hope as many as possible will be able to join in. It is on the runs where a great deal of the fun happens and where memories are made. The plan is that all country members in the vicinity of each run will be contacted and comments sought as to how to make the most of the local attractions

My congratulations to Rhonda and Alan Hale our Club persons of the year, who have gone way beyond the call of duty, setting up our Club web site. Your magnificent efforts will be an enormous benefit to the Club for years to come.

Ron Elks won our restoration of the year, for a wonderful job which has taken him somewhat more than a year to complete. Well done Ron!

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas with family and friends, and that the new year is kind to you. Remember, a great place to snooze for an hour after the huge Christmas lunch is in your Model A.

Safe driving always, Kate Taylor

Club News From The December General Meeting

The condolences of his many friends were expressed to Ernie Meneguzzo whose mother died just prior to the December meeting.

A repeat message from November. Please advise the editor if you want to download the Flyer from the Club's website or if you wish to have it emailed.

If you are a member of the Model A Ford Club of America would you let the Secretary Greg Cribbin know on 9631 6063? We need to register 5 membership numbers in order to maintain our chapter membership with MAFCA.

Club Events—Be cool, be there.

17th January, Saturday 2009. New Year BBQ. Meet 3.30 pm at Lambeth St Reserve, Henry Lawson Drive, Picnic Point. Bring chairs, drinks etc.

26th January, Monday 2009. NRMA Motorfest. Assemble at 6 am in the Domain Car Park. By now those who applied should have received notification details. Please come on time so that we can park our cars all together.

29th March, Sunday 2009. (5th Sunday). Meet 9 am at Genista Nursing Home 185 Old Prospect Rd Greystanes just west of Cumberland Rd. We will be most welcome at the nursing home and the residents are looking forward to seeing our cars. We hope you will make a special effort to attend. Depart 10.30 am to Model Park at Luddenham Rd, Luddenham. Admission \$15 per car. Train rides \$3. Live steam trains, garden railway, control line and RC planes, 1/4 scale RC Cars, tether cars, slot cars, boat pond. BBQ facilities available. Enquiries Peter Wigzell 9837 2490.

19th Sun. April to 8th Fri. May 2009. MAFC of NSW Inc Outback Adventure - 20 days and 19 nights. This could be **your chance of a lifetime** to visit the outback. Visiting Dubbo(2 nights), Cobar(1), Broken Hill(2), Quorn(1), Arkaroola(2), Wilpena Pound(2), Woomera(2), Port Augusta(2), Burra(1), Renmark(1), Balranald(1), Narrandera(1), Yass(1) then home. Special attractions - Rocket range tour, visit Roxby Downs & opal mining at Andamooka, and steam train trip from Port Augusta via Pichi Richi railway to Quorn & return. We will be meeting up with some of the ACT members & locals for dinner at Yass on the way home. For a detailed itinerary contact Trevor Davis (02) 9484 5116. The present list of those going include Baileys, Fitzgeralds, Paynes, Finns, Taylors, R Johnson and Frances and Davis's.

CLUB INVITATION EVENT:

9th-13th April 2009. 9th National Model A Rally at Taupo New Zealand. OTHER EVENTS:

15th February, Sunday 2009. Sydney Super Swap at Hawkesbury Showground. Information 0410 44 SWAP email vvcaa@optusnet.com.au

21st & 22nd February, 2009. Highlands Steam & Vintage Fair. Enquiries David McMurray (02) 63365331 email mcmurrayfamily2@bigpond.com

22nd February, Sunday 2009. 6th Annual Central Coast Show 'n' Shine. For details contact Angela 0408 439 865, email angela.stanford@bigpond.com.au, Ross 0412 416 043.

Wednesday Wanderer's Events

7th February, Wednesday 2009. Details will be in the next Flyer.

2009 Barrington Tops Wilderness Tour Proposal. See previous Flyers for details. Still insufficient numbers going to make it viable. If interested in this proposal contact Trevor Davis soon on 9484 5116. Information at www.barringtonwildernesscottages.com.au.

Thoughts for the month-

Practice makes perfect...But nobody is perfect... so why practice? Money is not everything..... There's Mastercard and Visa.

Club Outings Photo Album

Happy Wednesday Wanderers who went to Dangar Island on 3rd December 2008









Some of those who went to Nurragingy Reserve on 6th December 2008

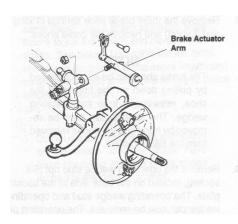




Technical Comment

Recently one of our members found an excessive amount of grease at the bottom of a front brake backing plate which had saturated the brake linings. It was initially thought that the excess grease had come from the inner wheel bearing.

On closer inspection however this was found not to be the case. The grease had actually come about due to a long time habit of pumping excessive grease into the grease nipple



on the brake actuator arm.

When this is done grease will be extruded at the end near the brake lever arm but what is not seen is that grease also travels in the opposite direction to the king pin cup and then down the inside of the king pin to the brake wedge and thence to the bottom of the backing plate, depositing finally on the brake drum. The diagram illustrates the parts involved.

There is a felt dust seal located around the brake operating pin which is located within the king pin but this is not designed to prevent grease travelling down to

the brake drum. The conclusion therefore is that it is best not to excessively grease the brake actuator arm.

Market Place

For Sale: Model A steel subframe suit 1928-29. Consider swap for other Model A parts.

John Everett (02) 9773 4941 (M) 0408 852 878

Repairs: To powerhouse generators 6 and 12 volt.

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For Sale: 2008 National Meet DVD \$20 includes postage. Trevor Davis (02) 9484 5116. For Sale: New Model A Ford Book "Advertising The Model A Ford' - A collector's guide

to Model A Ford advertising. Autotiques PO Box 498016 Cincinnati

Ohio 45249. US \$39.95 plus \$4.65 S & H.

www.autotiques.com email autotiques@aol.com

Wanted: 1929 Model A 21 inch wheel. Dave Armstrong 0418 867 512 Wanted: Driver's side front guard to suit 1929 Model A Ford Tudor.

Barry Rose (02) 6382 1191 (M) 0427 885 991.

Wanted: Pair of front guards to suit 1934 Ford (without wheel wells)

Geoff Charlesworth (H) (02) 6383 2349

Wanted: Front cross member for an early 1928 Model A. Dave Bryan (02) 6926 1985

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