# Model A Flyer



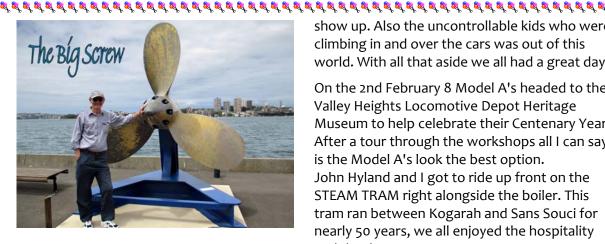


Model A Ford Club of NSW Inc

Web site www.modelafordclubofnsw.com.au February 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



The year started off well with an excellent attendance at the Twilight Run at Deepwater Park. Thanks once again go to the Hyland's for an excellent Bar-B-Q. Thanks to all those who ventured out on a very warm day to support the run. It was good to see the Bosher's in their Model A after an overhaul of the A and a service to Norms Joints. Norm is now paying the price for putting Hips and Model A brakes together. Not only did Norm and Barb overheat but the A did also. When the support crew arrived we found Barb stuck for words!. The CARnivale held on Australia Day in the City saw only 5A's. The parking of the cars was not the best due to other clubs not meeting at the Domain Car Park, then reserving spots for late comers who didn't

show up. Also the uncontrollable kids who were climbing in and over the cars was out of this world. With all that aside we all had a great day.

On the 2nd February 8 Model A's headed to the Valley Heights Locomotive Depot Heritage Museum to help celebrate their Centenary Year. After a tour through the workshops all I can say is the Model A's look the best option. John Hyland and I got to ride up front on the STEAM TRAM right alongside the boiler. This tram ran between Kogarah and Sans Souci for nearly 50 years, we all enjoyed the hospitality and the day.

Nola and I were sorry we couldn't attend the run to the Luskintyre Aviation Museum, we were looking forward to going as I've heard a lot of good feed back about the display. Last year the club promised 8-10 cars for the 8th March Vintage & Collectables Fair at The Sutherland Entertainment Centre in Eaton St. If you can spare 4-5 hours in the morning be there by 8.30am, thanks...

Looking forward to seeing as many as possible at Rob's Breckie Run. Please let him know if you plan to attend. Do you have HISTORIC REGIS-TRATION and are you UNFINANCIAL? And still driving your car, for your sake and peace of mind please send your dues NOW. Regards Mal

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### **Upcoming Model A Runs**

# Saturday 8th Mar - Vintage & Collectables Fair Sutherland

The Annual Vintage & Collectables Fair run by



Como-Jannali Rotary Club will be held on 9th. March at Sutherland Entertainment Centre. There will be over 60 different stallholders selling all types of collectables. Also featured will be a display of Model A Fords in the forecourt. Cars on display out front of fair from 8:30am to mid day... 8 cars needed to support Rotary. Call Mal Bradley 9522 6614 to let him know you are attending...thanks

# Sunday 16th Mar - Kakoda Track Memorial Walk Concord - Breakfast Meet



Meet 9am in car park at intersection of Concord Road and Mary Street in front of Oliveto Restaurant. Rob Taylor's special bacon and egg breakfast, \$5pp followed by a walk along the memorial track... Call Rob Taylor to let him know you are coming 0417 861 411



# Sunday 30th March - The Northern A's run to Kurri Kurri Nostalgia Festival.

Put your dancing shoes on and polish your cars as it is that time of year again. Pre paid entries \$10, on the day \$15 per car. Pre paying confirms your entry!!! For more information call Troy on 0412 075 158 or look at www.kurrikurrinostalgiafestival.com.au Call Troy if you are coming so he can ensure we all park together...



#### Sunday 13th April - Historic Vaucluse House -

Meet at Vaucluse House in the car park at 10am. Have a cuppa, and then tour the house at 11am, \$8pp followed by picnic lunch in the grounds. Cafe is open from 8am for breakfast. Call Rod Adams please to let him know you are attending on 9388 3787..

Saturday 3rd May - Visit to Woods & Woods Motor Restorers at Woy Woy...

### **January Twilight Meeting**

# January Twilight BBQ to Deepwater Park Milperra

39 enthusiastic Model 'Aers' in 12 Model A's arrived at Deepwater Park from about 3pm. It was a warm and balmy January night. Our usual shelter was already taken so we graduated to a clump of very Shady River Gums and boiled the billy. It

was great to see Margret & Robert Brown, Dennis & Mary Ashton, Harry & Laurel Huckstepp along with the regulars. Des Fitzgerald came in



his 30 Closed Cab Pickup with more modern go & stop, which all the males present admired. Neil Finn as usual supplied the very tasty entrees then the group did justice to 8kg's of sausages. As the afternoon turned into evening they started to head home, this was a great start to the Club year of upcoming activities.

Thank you to all the members who helped with the BBQ duties and the success Of the event. John Hyland.

### Some pics from Valley Heights Loco Museum & CARNivale









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#### HOW TO TELL A BRIGGS FROM A MURRAY...

The difference between a Briggs & a Murray can be seen in the door windows. The tops of the windows are straight in a Briggs & arched in a Murray.



Briggs: straight top of door window opening



#### Club Member Update

We would also wish the following ex members well in the future:

Ron Pike, Graeme Gullick, now in Tasmania, Jerry Jasmin & Phil Touhy. We will be here if you want to come back...



We're sorry to see you go...

### Market Place

For Sale: Various Model A parts unwanted by a hot rodder in western Sydney, please call *Joe 0418 351 301.* 

**For Sale:** Model A Copper Head Gasket's \$ 35.00; complete gasket set \$ 50.00 & Chrome Radiator Shell brand new \$200.00 *call PETER LIMON 0412764231* 

For Sale: 1928 Model A Tudor in outstanding condition. This is a beautiful example and would suit the most fastidious enthusiast. She has had a total ground up restoration is finished in Arabian Sand, Copra Drab and black guards. Low miles, very reliable, currently on full rego to 08/14, RHD and a trophy winner. Asking price is \$35,000 *Max Squires 0448 032 303 or 02 9896 3593* 

For Sale: Model A Vintage or Very old glass shop display counter belonging to the club in reasonably good condition which would suit a collector of memorabilia. Width 2450 mm, depth 540 mm and height 1010mm. \$250 or near offer. Contact Trevor Davis on (02) 9484 5116 for further details. Photos can be emailed on request

Wanted: 28 to 31 rolling chassis with gearbox and or ideally with engine. Call Richard on Ph 0419556158 thanks

Wanted: Model A Ford Tudor or Fordor in good condition. Scott Baker 0488 152 570.

Wanted: Model A Ford Tudor or Fordor in running order. Andrew Benoit 0409 974 744.

Wanted: Rear spare tyre mount bracket for a 1930 Model A Roadster. Ring Leon

Panov 0417491547

Who wants to get their car to WA..Larry Gee just shipped a Ford Front end, one way for just over \$2000.00 so see below..

#### UPDATE - Getting your car to WA for the National Meet.

**Company:** Prix Transport - covered car transport for ten cars

**Drop Off Location Sydney:** 5 Holbeche Road ARNDELL PARK 2148

**Drop off Date:** No later Tuesday 28th August **Pick Up Date:** From Thursday 18th September

Pick Up Location Perth: 7 Hudswell Road Perth International Airport (off Horrie

Drive Miller Drive

#### **Return Journey**

**Drop off Date Perth:** No later than Monday 6th October (not negotiable)

**Drop off Address:** Same as pickup

**Pick Up Date Sydney:** Not yet exactly sure

Total Cost of Shipment: \$3293.00 provided we have TEN cars going, so far 4 confirmed.. So please seriously consider this and let Ken know...

Other Model A Clubs welcome to join us!!!!

Ken will need a 10% deposit of \$329.30 to finalize. Please call Ken Warburton 0438 692 737 or email kw47@bigpond.com now!!!!!

### Larry Gees Broken Gearbox Float a Motor Mount

On the recent washed out breakfast run to
Kurnell I had the misfortune of breaking the
rear mount of the float-a-motor kit fitted to
our Victoria. Heavy braking at a set of traffic
lights combined with a large pot hole that felt
like a swimming pool at the time. The kit fitted
has been in situ for some 20 odd years or
more so has given good service. Examination
of the fracture showed evidence of earlier
fatigue cracking through the thread of one of
the feet.



A search of Mac's site revealed that the Aluminium version of the kit has been replaced by a Ductile iron kit. I am familiar with Ductile iron, we used it for water main replacements. Unable to purchase just the

rear bracket I opted for a new complete kit at \$US64.75. I forgot how heavy Ductile iron is, so freight component added another \$US100. Woops. When I got the new kit I discovered to my frustration that it would not line up to be fitted.

It is pretty obvious why not. To align the



thread of the mounting feet with the universal cover housing required considerable careful sculpting of the coned section and the feet with a grinder to facilitate sufficient clearance to allow fitment of the bracket. I also reversed two of the coupling cover bolts for better clearance.

I contacted Macs Technical department and felt they were a little indifferent to my plight. It is not a major problem, just a bit of a trap for beginners. It took me three attempts and then a tidy up of the sharp edges to be happy with the fit. Macs claimed they sold 300 kits last year but I suspect they were the Aluminium ones, not the "new" ductile iron variety. When you consider that Snyder's and Brattons and others also sell these kits, that's a heck of a lot of cars being fitted with float-a motor kits. So be aware.. Larry Gee





28 - 29 Cowl View





1930 Front



1931 Front





### The Wanderers February Outing Report

#### Wednesday Wander's trip to Australian Naval Museum Garden Island 5<sup>th</sup> Feb

The Australian Navy is keeping our Naval Heritage in wonderful condition and superbly housed, it was an eye opener.

Twenty Two keen Wander's

met at the Gateway Cafe for coffee & cake before catching the Watson Bay Ferry to Garden Island. We were met by the Concierge (read No1 Security Chap ) who gave a short talk on what was to see & the time needed to see it all.



The museum tour took about 90 minutes, then we drifted back to the Salthouse Cafe for lunch. Later we toured the back lot with all the BIG Item's mounted on concrete plinth's.

Leaving on the 2pm

Ferry back to Circular Quay some went home with a small group going onto the Lower Town Hall to view the Art Exhibition of Chinese New Year. Shame it was so overcast, because the Harbour is such a glorious place on a sunny day. Cheers John Hyland.

#### The Wanderers 5th March Outing

# 5<sup>th</sup> March sees us heading to Woollahra on a MISSION!!!!

We our off to find the lost Butcher's Shop in Queen St Woollahra. Meet 9-30am at the Gateway for a coffee, then bus up to the search area... You will be briefed by the "Search Director", and after a detailed search we will lunch at one of Paddo's many watering holes...

Search Director Ron Doyle 97723785, 0412764741.



#### Mal's TECH TIP

#### **MOLASSES Vs CITRIC ACID FOR PAINT STRIPPING YOUR CAR...**

Many members are well aware of the use of Molasses as a way of removing RUST. I personally have used molasses for over 25 years. For those of you who are familiar with this product will know only to well the beautiful aroma that comes from this product. Not to mention the disposing of it. Well, after all those years while at our midweek run on Melbourne Cup day we visited a members home on the South Coast. He had a Wheeley Bin full of what he called his **Rust Remover**. I asked if it was Molasses he replied no, **its CITRIC ACID**. He then explained how his process worked. On my return home we tracked down a supplier who had this product. We purchased 6 off 2.4 kg bags in powdered form. I experimented by pouring 2 of these bags into a wheeley bin. I then placed a few very rusty pieces of solid steel and sheet metal parts into the bin. After a few days I removed the parts and to my surprise the rust had gone and to top things off, there was No smell. If you type in ROSA HERBS AND SPICES MELBOURNE CITRIC ACID you can order this product.

Try various small ratios first until you find the correct consistency.