

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.

Welcome to our May issue of the Model A Flyer.

A lot has been happening. We have been invited to the premier of "The Great Gatsby" which you would of received a flyer about. It is on 1st June at Richmond Regent Theatre. They are very excited as we will have three cars from the film parked in front of the theatre, plus many more in the main street. Please let me know if you are coming, and there is more info in this edition of the newsletter.

Unfortunately our trip to RAAF Base at Richmond is on hold due to a lack of confirmation from the base. Communication has been difficult.

I'd like to wish Jim Allingham all the best an enjo after his operation. We realise that the road to recovery is sometimes bumpy ... Our thoughts *Yours,* are with you and Maureen. Also we wish *Neville*



Steve Rudd all the best as it appears he is suffering from septicaemia from a simple incident and has been in hospital.. Steve we wish you a quick recovery.

On the brighter side I would like to welcome two new members to the club. Troy Parnell, who purchased Ian Rays Tudor, and Jeff Price & family who is a long term Morgan fanatic. Look forward to meeting you both and I hope Jeff we can find a Model A Closed Ute for you. The run to Newcastle in June is coming along nicely. So far we have 16 people attending what will be a really enjoyable outing to the "Back

to the 50"s" museum. I know many of us will be reliving our past years.

I wish those that are going to the Oil, Steam & Kerosene Day at Menangle a safe journey and an enjoyable day.

Yours, Neville Jones

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Berrima Run Report in April

Firstly it was a beautiful Sunday morning for a run to historic Berrima. The drive down was extremely enjoyable. We arrived in Berrima to find our Club President, Neville Jones, had already secured priority parking in the park and used marker cones to reserve out spots. Thankfully because it appeared every car club in Sydney was headed to Berrima on this Sunday.

We met the Canberra Model A Club and the Berrima Car Club at the park. I think about six Model As ran down from Sydney, one came up from Canberra, and there were four classic cars from the Berrima Club in attendance. It was great to get together with the members of the other club and share stories.

We all sieved through the various food outlets to secure lunch, which most people enjoyed back at the park. So it was a great picnic atmosphere. Most people started to head home around 2:30pm - 3pm.

Thanks to all those who attended, we will certainly plan another club get together at Berrima next year.

NOTICE - New Club Mailing Address

Model A Ford Club of NSW PO Box 1038 MERRYLANDS NSW 2160 .

Deirdre, they've got it all wrong



I took a 15 year old escort to Kev's Garage for a touch up...

Sunday 19th May - Oil, Steam & Kerosene Field Day at Menangle

The fair will be held at The Campbelltown Steam & Machinery Museum, 86 Menangle Road, Menangle Park. On the Sunday the field day runs from 9am to 3pm. We are directly opposite Mt Sugarloaf Riding School on Menangle Road, approximately 5kms from Macarthur Square heading south. From Sydney take the Narellan Rd exit on the Hume Highway

The Museum houses a unique collection of vintage steam and internal combustion agricultural and industrial engines. A two-foot gauge industrial railway is also operated on the grounds.

We aim to educate and entertain the public and promote the restoration and preservation of our unique past.

Majority of our exhibits are working at our field days so that they can be experienced with sights, sounds and smells of a bygone era. If you take your Model A it is FREE admission, if you drive a modern it is \$10pp.



The Model A Victoria 2 Door Coupe





The Victoria Coupe was introduced in November 1930. It came with a "bustle

back" (luggage space reached from behind the rear seat cushion). The Sales Department described the Victoria Coupe as "a fourpassenger model extremely attractive in



Domestic assembly of the Victoria during 1930 totalled 6.306 units. Another 141 were assembled in Walkerville in Canada. Production for 1931 reached 35,830 units with 1,096 assembled in Canada and an additional 828 outside North America. In 1932,

Victoria production was down to 250 units with only one of these

appearance, and the only one of our closed cars to have a slanting windshield; an effect that adds assembled in the United States. much to its appearance. The top and rear quarter down to the belt line are covered in a heavy tan coloured proxylin coated material... The spare tyre is set at an angle, which adds a final touch of smartness.." Later a steel back Victoria became available. Ford news described the Victoria as having "an atmosphere of jauntiness."

There appears to have been little difference between the 1930 model, and the 1931 model since all were produced with the typical 1931 radiator shell.

You will notice that the Victoria and the later produced 1931 Type A400 Convertible Sedan are very similar.



Looking for ERA clothing

If you are looking to acquire some era clothing, try these sites..

Google Eradeals and you will get this ladies eBay site in Australia. Lots of ladies clothing at reasonable prices

For gentlemen there is a site in the US called Gentlemen's Emporium with anything that takes your fancy.. Website is www.gentlemansemporium.com/

Also to download a free eBook with fashion go here http://www.vintagedancer.com

Welcome into the club

We have two new members who have joined the club, so we would all like to welcome you aboard:

Jeff Price & Family from Willow Vale who are looking for a Closed Cab Ute & Troy Parnell from Kurri Kurri who has a 29 Tudor (Ian Rays old car) plus is into Morgan's..

Saturday 1st June – The Great Gatsby @ Richmond



Meet three Model A stars from the show, and come and see them in the film.

The Regent Theatre @ Richmond would be delighted if you could bring your Model A for display outside the theatre for their opening night of *The Great Gatsby*. They will have priority parking spaces available for all Model A's outside the theatre. Arrival from 2pm but no later So check your diary and join us at The Regent than 5pm.

The Red Carpet walk starts at 6pm and the film will finish at 9pm. The local Bush Fire Brigade will be acting as security for the vehicles

during the film.

Those attending are requested to wear period dress, or suit and tie/bow tie to walk up the red carpet.

The ticket cost is: \$12.00 pp or seniors \$10.00 each payable to Neville before the day. Please call Neville Jones to reserve tickets on 9639-7044 or mobile 0428-293-301. Also for those interested we have booked a chinese meal opposite the theatre for 5pm.. Please advise Neville if you will join us.

If you just want to drive out and display your car, but not attend the film, departure time is 6pm but let Neville know you are coming...

They would love to see ten cars or more there, and it will be a really fun night out...

Theatre in Richmond, Saturday 1st June from 2pm.

15-16 June Newcastle "Lost in the 50's" Museum, book now!!



Cheryl and Doug Kirkwood have organised a fabulous weekend to Newcastle for us in June. Drive up Saturday afternoon, stay at the ECO-INN Motel at Warners Bay Saturday night. Please call them on 4948 9666 to book, and mention the club for the special rate of \$115.00 for the night.

Being June we thought dinner at a local club Saturday night would be the most comfortable. Cheryl is organising a courtesy bus from the motel to the club for dinner...

Sunday morning we head off to "Lost in The 50's" museum. There you will see the 50"s Hall of Fame with 36 American big finned cars, or you can go into

The Rod Hall to see the Batmobile, Delorean, hot rods & a host of muscle cars. So this is no ordinary museum, this is a true classic. Entry fee is \$15 per person and well worth it. This is not a general public museum, this is for special groups by booking only. At the end of our tour you can purchase lunch, coffee or a snack from Oldmates café right onsite.

So please put this in your diary, a great Model A run and a wonderful experience at the museum.

Let Rob Taylor know if you are attending for catering purposes please. So far



Club Events - 2013



Sunday 19th May - Oil, Steam & Kerosene Field Day at Menangle. 9am - 3pm More details at the May Meeting

Saturday 1st June - Maintenance Day Neville & Annette Jones's 10am start. Please call Neville or Annette on 9639 7044 or 0428 293 301 to let them know your are coming for catering purposes.. thanks



15-16 June Newcastle "Lost in the 50's" Museum. Drive up Saturday afternoon, dinner Saturday night & visit museum Sunday morning... see article this issue for more details ..

Saturday 20th July - Christmas in July Camden Valley Inn. Put this in your diary and invite your friends for a great lunch experience.

Sunday 28th July ALL FORDS DAY Eastern Creek Drag Strip

Saturday 17th August - Visit Woods & Woods Vehicle Restorers and Body Builders Located at Woy Woy, meet Hawkesbury Bridge 8:30am. Rob Taylor Run Co-ord

Sunday 18h August - CMC Eastern Creek Motor Sports Centre

Sunday 25th August - The Maroota Muster is going to be held in the school grounds of the Maroota Public School. Run Co-ord Peter Wigzell

OTHER EVENTS

Sunday 19th May AUCTION at The Aust MOTORLIFE Museum Darkes Road, Kembla Grange Wollongong. They will be auctioning a lot of old paraphernalia. Go to www.motorlifemuseum.com for a catalogue.

Sunday 7th July BLACTOWN SWAP MEET. This will be at Smithfield Showground in Smithfield Road Prairiewood. Stand set up from 7:30pm Saturday, gates open 6:30am Sunday.



Market Place

For Sale: Model A Ford Roadster/Ute partly restored. *Call John Amato @ Foster* 6554-9737 or 0401-937-964

For Sale: 2 x Four bladed fans for Model A. One in good condition \$40 for both. *Call Norm Bosher Ph* 9871 2030 or 0422 147264

Wanted: Black Long -Short Grained Model A roof material 12'' x 48 '' approx. Call John Hyland on 46571734, or email waikato.park@bigpond.com

Wanted: Advance/Retard @ Manual throttle rods for Model A. Must be in good condition. Call *Rob Taylor on 0417 861 411 or home on 02 9411 5644*

Wanted: Restored Model A Closed Cab ute Call new member Jeff Price on 0410 444 443 or 4871 3049

Wednesday Wanderers May Visit



Another bright sunny morning and in spite of major traffic problems all over Sydney everybody arrived early enough to enjoy morning tea in the car park before entering the helicopter base which is tucked away in a neat little haven in the national Park.

The Westpac Life Saver Rescue Helicopter service is the longest serving search and rescue helicopter service in the world and has carried out more than 50,000 missions since 1973. Although the Westpac logo is emblazoned everywhere they do not own the service but pay a fee for the naming rights and then the balance of running costs has to be found from sponsors, donations and fund raising activities. A small band of permanent employees is complimented by a large number of Volunteers. These guys are living heroes in my mind as the thought of dangling sixty metres on a 5mm cable in bad

weather to help somebody who quite likely got into trouble being careless isn't fun to me.

The small staff on duty gave their time graciously to describe the equipment and share some of their experiences with us before hurrying off for maintenance and training on the helicopter, of which they have two based on the NSW coast. The helicopters have a flying time of less than three hours, meaning that they can fly about sixty miles offshore and carry out a short rescue before having to return for fuel. This unit does not normally carry paramedics but is essentially a search and rescue unit which can winch people on board or drop a life raft.

From there we moved on to the Brassiere bake house for meals based on varieties of bread. All in all a fantastic day thanks to Joan and Don.

Regards

Tom Virgona





Wednesday 1st June - Nicholson Museum @ *University of Sydney* meet at Circular Quay at 9am then we will have a short bus run to the Sydney Uni on Parramatta Road departing at 9:30am. Lunch to follow.

Wednesday 3rd July – Japanese High Explosive Shell Damage Sites at Rose Bay. In the very early morning of 8th June 1942 the Rose Bay area was shelled by a Japanese submarine located off Malabar. Meeting at the Quayside Gateway Food Court at Circular Quay for morning tea we will then travel by bus to Rose Bay. Here we will look at two sites, one where a shell exploded and another where a shell failed to explode. A comprehensive information pack will be available on request prior to the visit together with photos of the damage which occurred. Guidance and comment will be provided during the visit. There will be very little walking involved and at most 200 metres. Lunch is available at inexpensive cafes close by. Details of meeting time and bus travel will be provided later. For planning purposes please advise your interest ASAP in case many wish to attend. Enquiries Trevor Davis 9484 5116.