

Model A Flyer



Model A Ford Club of NSW Inc

Web site www.modelafordclubofnsw.com.au
July 2018



CELEBRATING
NAIDOC WEEK

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

Thank you for those who attended the July meeting. A very cold night and no power. Only emergency lighting. Interesting challenge but the power did come back on after the meeting was started. It was decided to have an abbreviated meeting and everyone left early. An article on the 90th anniversary of the release of the Model A Ford in Australia is in the July

Retro-Auto magazine. This is only available online as it is an electronic magazine only. Anyone who wants to go to All Fords Day July 29th and does not have an entry sticker, please contact Phil Dalton. Anyone who wants to go to the CMC day on 12th August and who has not purchased an entry sticker, we have some left. Cost is \$20. Please let me know ASAP as any un sold tickets will need to be returned so the club is not out of pocket. Big thank you to all members who have been attending our club outings. We have been getting a good roll up of Model A cars and members which is great for the organisers who put these outings together and makes it all worthwhile.

It was decided at the meeting that members can nominate another club member for the Club Member



of the Year Award. This is also for country members who in their local club may have done something outstanding for the Model A movement within their own club and are also members of the Model A Club of NSW. Closing date for nominations will be the Friday 12th October. Please send nominations to the Secretary. The committee will meet and also put forward their nominations and will agree on the winner to be announced at the December meeting.

The South Australia rally now has 198 entrants which has exceeded their expectations. Really good to see. I have just been advised that there will be another rally in Gulgong on 8th to 10th May 2020 to celebrate the 90th birthday of the improved Model A. More on this later but those who attended this year's event in May had a really good time, along with the rodded A's in attendance. All A's welcome.

There are a number of our members who are not well at the moment so I wish you all a speedy recovery, hope you are all surviving the cold weather and looking forward to seeing you soon.

Regards Robert Brown

Your 2018 committee

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Sunday 29th July Northern A's Run - Tocal Homestead Open Day

The event is from 10am to 3pm

Location: 957 Tocal Road Patterson

The Event : Peek into the Past is when Tocal Homestead comes alive with the sights and sounds (and smells) of yesteryear. It is a wonderful old fashioned day out for all the family.

So let's see you there with your Model A.

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Sunday 29th July- All Fords Day Eastern Creek.

The Combined Ford Clubs of N.S.W. Inc. invite you to join the celebration of Fords finest to be held at the Sydney Dragway, Eastern Creek, NSW.

Ford only vehicles welcome, buses to drag cars and everything in between. Display vehicles gate opens - 7.00am to 9.00am.

Vehicles may not exit before 3.30pm



Future Runs

Sunday 12th August - Combined Motor Clubs Day Eastern Creek International Raceway

Sunday 19th August - Maroota Muster at Maroota Public School

Saturday 1st September - Presidents Run St Marys Spring Festival

Sunday 16th September - Lugarno Fair

Sunday 21st October - Memorial Day Burnum Burnum Park Woronora. Club BBQ

Invitation Events

- **14th & 15th July - Menangle Military Muster at Campbelltown Steam Museum**
- **23rd Sept - Spring Auto Fair, Berrima. 9-2pm Berrima Public School**

FOR SALE FULLY RESTORED 29 Ute

On behalf of Pat Finn I have been asked to co-ordinate the sale of her late husband Neil's 1929 Model A Roadster Pickup.

- ◆ We ask that only GENUINE BUYERS need apply.
- ◆ The asking price is \$35,000.
- ◆ The restoration was a no expense spared project, with very low mileage & Mitchel gearbox
- ◆ Extended body for leg room, modern seats with lap sash inertia seat belts.
- ◆ The car has full NSW Rego.

More details please call Mal Bradley on 0431 764 103.



Saturday 1st Sept President's Run & Parade

The President's Run on 1st September will be participating in the St Marys Spring Festival. The cars will be part of the parade down the main street of St Marys (Queen Street) at approx. 12:30pm and I am hoping to get enough Model A's to fill Queen Street with just Model A's. This event will be covered by local newspapers and radio stations.

We will be meeting at the park CNR James Hackett Drive and Great Western Highway where the Bennett Wagon is **from 8 to 8:30am**. Entry to the park is off James Hackett Drive. Northern side of the great western highway. Around 8:30am we will leave as a group for a short drive, park and set up a display in our designated area TBC. The main Street of St Marys will be filled with stalls, entertainment and activities for all the family. A fun day out.

I need to know numbers so please advise me if attending for marshalling purposes as I hoping for 20 to 30 cars.

For the parade we will have some passengers of the St Marys Historical Society dressed in period costume. They will be meeting us at the marshalling point prior to the parade start.

After the parade we will come back to park in our display area. The Festival finishes at 3PM. If for some reason the event gets cancelled I will be notified early Saturday morning between 6:30 to 7:00am and will let you know as soon as I am told. Will only happen due to

very bad weather.

I also want to personally thank you for supporting this and helping me to put on a display and help promote the Model A Club. The organizers of the St Marys Festival are very grateful for our club attending.

Robert Brown 0439 731 066



Market Place

For Sale - Pair of rear modern shocks with fittings. \$80 Peter Thompson 0452 201 952

For Sale - New Model A Coupe Wind Wings and brackets unused, Rob Taylor 0434 314 198

Wanted : Model A Tudor good order Ron Cox 0408 254485

Wanted: Luggage Rack to fit 74 Coupe with full bumper. Oswald Cividin 4846 886 633

Wanted: Tail Light Switch for 84 Model A Drum Light or remains, also **Zenith carbi jets,** any condition. Bryan Wyborn 45761371 or 0428 256 058

Wanted: Model A Chassis, roadster doors 28-29 and or 30-31, 31 Cowel tank, sides, firewall dash etc. Complete diff assembly. Ted Wrigg 0412288060.

Services: Model A Ford White Metal Bearings - if needed call Dean, Dean Repairs 401767761

Please advise me if your ad is no longer required. Editor

Bryan Wyborn Richmond Run in June



Trevor Davis showing a Streeton landscape painted at that very location, now called Streeton Lookout. We had a lovely Model A run from Richmond through the lower mountains via Streeton Lookout to Bryan & Marguerite Wyborn's property at Kurrajong. Thank you to Bryan & Marguerite for the wonderful lunch they put on and the touring guides at critical intersections. Only a few got lost!!

Northern A's Run to the Garlands in June



Photos taken on 16th June 2018 on Northern A's run to Steve and Megan place to see "The Garland Collection". Another great day out with our club members in the Northern A's. Steve and Megan were great hosts, thank you.

Wednesday Wanderers

Wednesday 1st August - Explore Cabramatta Shopping Area

Meet: 10am for morning tea corner Railway & Arthur St near station Cabramatta.

Jim Allingham 0418 674 059



Wednesday 4th July - Trip to Qantas Heritage Collection & Museum

We met at Central Station Coffee Shop in Eddy Ave. It was so cold in the shop, we gathered outside in the sun to thaw out a little.

Our bus took us from Elizabeth Street to Mascot shopping centre where we crossed the road to board another bus going back the way we had just come. Fortunately it turned left & headed to the Domestic Terminal.

On arrival we had to pass through airport security. Marie Hyland was pulled to one side & asked to remove her 2 bangles, which were impossible to remove and fortunately they let her pass.

The Museum is located on the western end of the Terminal with a view plane watchers would die for! We could almost see the passengers faces as the aircraft taxied by. Having worked at Qantas for 29 years it was like a trip down memory lane. Many of the display items were donated by staff & public. The flight crew mannequins covered from 1950 to the present. Early photos of the Rose Bay Sea Planes brought back a few memories.

After lunch at the eatery in the Terminal, it was time to bus home. Thanks must go to Tom & Carol Virgona for the time & effort taken to organize this fantastic trip.



The above picture is to remind Ken Warburton of his colourful past...

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The 2018 MAFCA CONVENTION was hosted by the Sonoma A's in Sparks, Reno Nevada from Saturday 23rd June - Friday 29th June. Reno is situated 4,506 ft above sea level, and with so many of the Model A fraternity in their senior years we had to be aware of altitude sickness. Also how our vehicles would perform at this altitude.

There were 560 official registrations (that is a lot of Model A Fords in one place at any one time). So you are looking at well over 1,000 people in attendance at this function.

We were all accommodated at the Nugget Hotel and Casino, a 29 story complex right in the middle of town. From the moment I arrived until the completion of the event there was always somewhere to go or something to do.

Saturday June 23rd.

I checked into the Hotel around noon, I had previously arranged to go on the Lake Tahoe Dinner Cruise that afternoon. Buses picked us up from the Casino at 1530 and drove us up to Lake Tahoe approximately a 45 mins drive to the lake. (6,225ft.) Where we then boarded a paddle steamer and cruised around the magnificent Lake Tahoe for the next 3 hours engulfed in the beautiful scenery and being fed and watered, not a bad way to be introduced to the Convention. By the time we were driven back to the Casino it was well past my bed time of 2300.

Sunday June 24th.

Today was really the official start to the Convention. Registration in the morning, also acquainting one self as to where every thing was situated, then at 1530-2100 Welcome Social & Dinner.

Monday June 25th.

The Brake Seminar delivered by the Legendary Les Andrews on how to properly adjust Model A Ford brakes.

Tuesday June 26th.

Every day there were seminars, depending what you were interested in.

1) Do it Right: Presenter: Tom Rut: Using the Model A Ford Guidelines to Restore and buy parts etc., etc., etc.

2) Hubley Speed Shop Presenter: Bob Johnson: An award winning Hubley racer will divulge some of his secrets for how to make your Hubley model car travel down the track faster.

3) Model A Brakes & Pedal Adjustment Presenter: Les Andrews:

4) Model A Wiring and Troubleshooting: Presenter: Alex Janke.

Wednesday June 27th.

Today I attended the swap meet, repair garage, Vehicle Judging, head to toe Fashion Expo, Fashion sales boutique, Fashion Judging & finishing the afternoon at the Fashion Tea and Awards.

You will all have to wait until next years Pre WWII Vintage Car & Bike Show to see the period outfit that I purchased at the Fashion Sales Boutique.

Thursday June 28th.

Today there was only 1 event to attend and be part of. ACE'S & A'S GRAND TOUR-Sparks, Reno, Carson City, and Lake Tahoe.

The Grand Tour Route at our own pace was from the Nugget Casino/ Hotel in Sparks to Downtown Reno, to Carson City, over Spooner Summit, along Lake Tahoe to Crystal Bay, over Mt. Rose, and to the Bowers Mansion for lunch.

The complete route from the Nugget to lunch was 101 miles, the return route from Bowers Mansion was only 23 miles. There were many beautiful and interesting sights along the route.

Friday June 29th.

Last official day of the Convention:

1) 0800-1200.Gymkhana.

2) 1700-2100. Social hour then the Awards Banquet in the evening.

Saturday June 30th.

All good things must come to an end, however I would like to tell you about the "vehicle of the Convention" as far as I was concerned.

In one of the photographs below you will see a 1931 (black) Special Delivery Model A Ford Vehicle. This particular vehicle is just 1 of 6 of this Model left in the world, so it is very rare. The vehicle is in better condition than it would have left the Henry Ford assembly plant back in 1931. The speedo reading is: 00,002 miles, yes I am telling the truth.

This vehicle is owned by a very rich Lady. She purchased it recently at an auction. Another gent was at the auction and he dropped out of the bidding at \$250,000.00 U.S.\$'s. He said that he would sell all of his collection to own this piece of history.



I would just like to give you some interesting facts and figures of my 17 day journey to Reno, and return to Phoenix Arizona in my amazing 'Sheila'

1) Total miles driven. 2,350. Total Kms. 3,790.

2) \$401.00. Petrol used on the journey averaging 22 mpg.

3) I was only 1 of 3 Aussies representing our country at this Convention.

4) There were approximately 8 Kiwi's representing their country.

5) 'Sheila' did not use one ounce of water on the whole journey.(pressurised water system. 4 lbs).

6) 'Sheila' used a quart of Valvoline High Mileage SAE 10W- 30 Motor oil on the journey.

Now if this is not a good recommendation about the Model A Ford that Henry built 87 years ago you are definitely hard to please.

Roving reporter signing off for now, until my next Adventure.

Cheers

Ken Warburton.



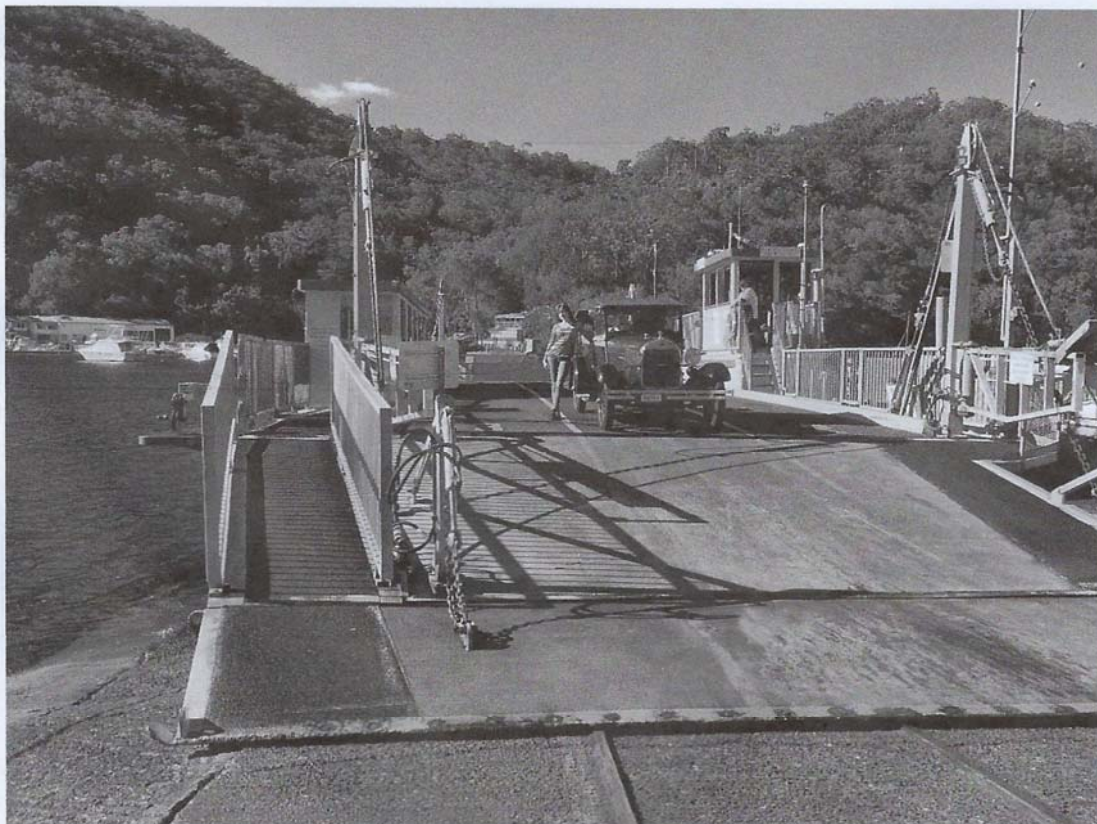
Berowra Waters ferry, then and now.

Thanks Rolfe Chrystal

The Berowra Waters ferry started operating in 1902 and is still in operation today. This picture must be from the late thirties. The engine seen at the side of the ferry is a Chapman Pup. If the engine ever broke down the ferry master could bring the ferry to the shore manually.



THIS PHOTO & CAPTION WAS FOUND ON THE HORNSBY SHIRE COUNCIL WEBSITE JUNE 2018



THIS PHOTO WAS TAKEN OF OUR 90 YEAR OLD 1928 FORD MODEL A ON THE BEROWRA WATERS FERRY ON 5 JULY 2018 WITH ANNINA AS THE MODERN MODEL A

What's the car in the original photo???