
Model A Flyer



Model A Ford Club of NSW Inc

Web site www.modelafordclubofnsw.com.au
September 2019

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



Those members who attended the CMC day enjoyed the day out. Ron Williams received third place in the concourse de-elegance. Well done Ron and thank you for entering your car. Some members went to Maroota on the same day and I understand also had a good day out. The important thing is we are getting the cars out and they are being enjoyed by our members and the public. The Wednesday Wanderers run to Lindesay House at Darling Harbour on 4th September was attended by 15 wanderers. We learnt a lot

about the history of times past.

Unfortunately, the St Marys Spring Festival on Saturday 7th September was cancelled due to the wild winds that were forecast. Thank you to those members who were coming. There is always next year.

Next outing is the President's run to Grenfell on 20 -23 September. Twenty plus members from Sydney are going plus some of our country members. I have planned a full and interesting weekend away and I know we will have a great time together.

A reminder to members that the AGM is in November and nominations have to be received by the secretary by the October meeting. If you are thinking of volunteering for a position but are unsure, please have a chat to one of the current committee members. It is not difficult and you will find it a very rewarding experience.

Thanks to members for attending our meetings and supporting the club by going to the events we organise.

Regards Robert Brown

Your 2019 committee

President	Robert Brown	0439 731 066	CFC & CMC	Phil Dalton	0413 970 704
V/President	Ron Elks	0419 296 201		Ron Elks	0419 296 201
Treasurer	Charlie Sharpe	0404 014 583	Librarian	Carol Butler	4739 5723
Secretary	Helen Sharpe	0429 998 958	Wanderers	Tom Virgona	0420 342 392
Committee #1	Ken Young	0428 697 717	Newsletter	Rob Taylor	0434 314 198
Committee #2	Jim Allingham	0418 674 059		thetaylors79@bigpond.com	
Public Officer	Rob Taylor	0434 314 198	Mail:	PO Box 1038 MERRYLANDS 2160	
Membership	Charlie Sharpe	0404 014 583			

20-23 September President's Run to Grenfell *Book now*

President's run in September to Grenfell Friday 20th to Monday 23rd.

Arrive Friday Dinner Friday night at the Albion Hotel

Saturday Tour of Grenfell

Sunday Japanese Gardens Cowra

Monday Morning checkout and head home after breakfast.

Grenfell has much to see, a historic gold mining town where Henry Lawson was born.

The Motel - All rooms at motel now booked out for this event. Try the Railway Hotel 6343 1807 or Grenfell Hall 6343 1787

Offer from Ian Whittle regarding car & trailer parking

If any club members are trailering their Model A's to Grenfell they are more than welcome to leave their trailers and/or towing vehicles on our property. We have plenty of room for everyone to safely park.

Our property is approximately 20km from Cowra on the way to Grenfell so it would be quite convenient to drop-off the Model A's (leave towing set-up) and drive to Grenfell on the Friday in the Model A.. When leaving on Monday it would simply be a matter of driving the Model A to our place re-trailering it and then towing home.

If any members are interested please have them call me so I can give directions and/or meet them on the main road.

Ian Whittle 0418600754



Sunday 20th October, Memorial Run to Burnum Burnum Park Woronora

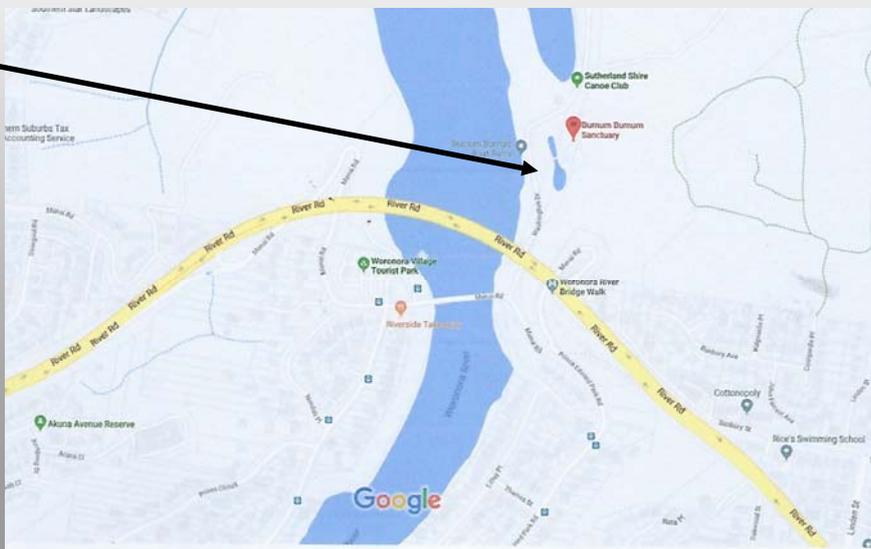
Where: 6 Prince Edward Park Rd, Woronora NSW 2232

Meet: From 10am at the park

Bring: Your chairs, drinks and plates, club will put on a sausage sizzle for all.

Getting In: No matter what direction you come from you need to go over the bridge and turn left. Make sure you go back under the bridge to the park.

Jim & Maureen Allingham are hosting the event



Saturday 2nd November - Maintenance Day Guildford

Arrive: 9am at 395 Guildford Road Guildford. Model A's park in rear carpark, moderns on the street please.

Program: Morning tea on arrival, 10am move to training room for discussions on Model A maintenance. Please suggest topics so we can ensure the speakers are prepared.

Lunch: Morning Tea & Sausage sizzle will be provided for all at \$5pp

Host: Rob Taylor 0434 314 198

Saturday 9th November - Aberdoon House Art Fair - Invitation Run

Where: Aberdoon House, Cnr Aberdour & Clower Avenue, Rouse Hill. Behind the Rouse Hill Community Centre, from 10am.

Event: We will be joining the Model T Club in supporting this very worthwhile fund raising art fair. So love to see you join us for a social day out in your Model A.



Sunday 17th November - Don Bradman Museum, followed by BBQ Lunch at the Gibraltar Hotel Bowral

Meet: : Pheasants Nest Truck Stop at from 9am for coffee

Depart: 10am for Don Bradman Museum, Bowral arriving 11am.

Lunch: 1230pm at Gibraltar Hotel, 7 Boronia St, Bowral

BBQ Special: They are putting on a special BBQ buffet at a fixed price of \$30pp just for our group. I have committed to 30 people, and will be provided with special seating. **So please let me know if you are coming along, so I can make sure I have the numbers for this event.**



Rob Taylor 0434 314 198.

Please be aware that our AGM will be on Friday night 8th November at Merrylands Meeting Rooms.

The following committee members will have completed their two year term, and must stand down in accordance with our constitution from their current positions.

1. President - Robert Brown
2. Secretary - Helen Sharpe
3. Treasurer/Memberships - Charlie Sharpe

These people have done a sterling job over the past two years and the club thanks them for their valuable time and efforts. Helen & Charlie, due to personal reasons, will not be renominating for another position. So we are now looking for nominees for all club positions. A nomination form is included in this issue, and would need to be completed and seconded by the 11th October, our cut off date for nominations. These are not onerous positions and can be filled by any member who will be provided with assistance and guidance to allow them to settle in. So please have a serious think about nominating, we would love to see some new faces on the front desk. Thank you.

Market Place

For Sale: 6 x 4.75-500-19" Firestone whitewall tyres, excellent condition. Ken Warbo, 0438 692 737

For Sale: 11 x 21inch A Ford wire wheels, all in good condition but not checked for run out \$100 each. Contact Jim 0466971302 or jindera1@yahoo.com

For Sale: . Model A engine in good original condition. \$250.00, contact Michael on 0296465354 or email mskura22@gmail.com for pictures

Wanted: Crankshaft Gear. Ron Cox 0408 254 485

Wanted: 2 x 1929 Tudor Doors. Call Darren Cook 0438 232 898

Wanted: 30/31 steering wheel with a key style hub. The condition of the rim is not so important, but good hub preferred. Rob Scott (02) 6254 5144, (m) 0412696 970, email svmact@effect.net.au

For Sale in Sydney

1928 Phaeton

Original except for new upholstery, top, side curtains, tyres and battery

\$27,000 ONO

Rolfe Chrystal

m: 0414653250

w: 02 9653 1715



CMC Shannon's Sydney Classic at Eastern Creek International Raceway in August

Over 1900 Veteran & Classic vehicles from over 110 clubs displayed this year at Shannon's CMC Day. On display were vintage and classic cars, motorbikes, scooters, military vehicles, police vehicles, ambulances & fire engines. There was also plenty to see and do on the various stands around the grounds. The bus rides around the track were a big hit, as was driving your Model A on a fast lap. The highlight of the day was that Ron Williams Fordor gaining a 3rd place in Concourse. Well done Ron, we all know you are a very happy chappy. We were disappointed with our allocated area this year, and our committee will be advising CMC Co-ordinating staff so we can regain our regular display spot for 2020. Thanks to the members who displayed their A's.

Regards Ken Young.



Maroota Muster August

We had six Model A's plus sixteen members turn out for a wonderful day at the Maroota Public School Annual Fund Raising Fete. We all had a great day, purchased trinkets from the many stalls in support of this worthwhile fund raiser. Big display of cars and farm machinery, and another enjoyable Model A drive out on Older Northern Road or Wisemans Ferry Road.



Thanks Pete & Roz.

How To Test a Condenser

On The Back Roads

By Barney Gaylord www.MGAguru.com

Many people will replace a condenser (capacitor) with regular periodic maintenance, because they have no way to tell how much longer it might last. Some new condensers might be bad right out of the box, or might fail very shortly after installation.

Carry a known good condenser in the traveling tool kit, and don't replace the old one until it fails. Be prepared to change one at some inconvenient time on the side of the road.

For decades I have had very good luck with condensers, but in recent years there have been lots of reports of condensers that fail prematurely. In December 2013 I had one fail after 18 months and 9,000 miles. Then two months later another one failed after only 257 miles.

This begs the question, how do you test a condenser to determine if it is good or bad? If quick testing reveals an apparently good condenser, then you can look elsewhere for a problem without having to replace the part.

Considering that a condenser is a cheap part, and you should always carry a good spare anyway. The expensive (\$20 to \$200) "real" condenser tester seems a bit overboard. Fortunately there is a way to do a rudimentary test with a cheap common analog (*moving needle*) ohm meter.

1) Inspect the Condenser: Remove the condenser from the engine. If damaged toss it. The metal connector on the end of the condenser is the "hot" positive (+) connection. The metal case is the grounding point (-). Discharge the condenser by shorting the hot lead wire to the case.

2) Set up Meter: Switch the meter to the ohms position. Red lead goes into the "ohm" connector on the meter. The black lead into the "com" or common on the meter. Set the resistance range to the highest available setting (*if it is selectable*). Touch the test leads together and zero the meter. If the meter won't zero replace the battery (*Yes, an ohm meter has a battery*).

3) Test One: Attach the red lead to the hot point on the condenser. Touch the black lead to the metal case. The meter's needle should jump *slightly* to the right (*toward 200-ohms*), then rapidly fade back to the left (*towards infinite resistance*). Hold the leads in place for 20 seconds. The extra time places a small charge into the condenser. If the test shows any steady reading other than infinity (*full left*), the condenser is leaking. Trash it.

4) Test Two: Reverse the leads: Attach the black to the hot lead. Touch the red to case. At the moment of contact the meter should move towards the right and fade back to full left. Maintain the needle's contact for a couple seconds to discharge the condenser.

5) Results: Movement (*very small - about 1/16" in both 3 and 4*) of the meter's needle indicates the condenser is good. If no movement the condenser is bad. Retest the condenser several times for a consistent reading.

A capacitor may absorb moisture over a long period of time. Moisture can cause failure of the condenser. A condenser



Test 1: Attach the red lead to the hot point on the condenser. Touch the black lead to the metal case on the condenser.

stored for 10 years or so might fail prematurely in service. It is a good idea to pack a spare in a small zip-lock bag with desiccant in it. Check your traveling spare condenser occasionally. (BG)



Test 2: Reverse the placement: Attach the black to the hot lead. Touch the red to case.



A cheap OHM meter will do this test. When test leads make contact, in either test, the needle will move quickly from the "infinity" setting (black needle) to *almost* the 200 (+-) mark (red line) and then fade back to "infinity" (∞). If ∞, condenser should be working. If no movement or a higher steady setting is read, the condenser is trash. (CY)

Wednesday Wanderers

Wednesday Wanderers 2nd October Tulip Top Gardens Sutton

A 10 acre garden of magnificent tulips and other spring flowers create a spectacle at this time of year. Hundreds of blossom trees nestle between the flowers and provide a magic pathway to the cascading waterfall and watercourse with classical music wafting through the air in the hidden valley. Take the popular pathway past the rosemary field framed by unique blossom trees to the 70 metre high viewing platform for the perfect photo.

Meet: At Tulip Top Gardens at 10am.

Address: 20 Old Federal Highway Sutton, Bywong NSW 2621

Visit: The visit is \$16 per person group of 8 or \$17 concession per person.

Lunch: We will have lunch at Tulip Top.



Co-ordinator contact Col & Trish Bootle 0400-076-255 .

Wednesday Wanderers 4th Sept Report Lindesay House Tour

Fifteen Wanderers trekked out to discover Lindesay House in Darling Point. We arrived by ferry and met our guides Diana and Barbara. These two ladies really made the day, they had an incredible knowledge of the history of the house and all that served there.

The tour lasted for around 90 minutes and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The house dates from 1984 with stunning Georgian interiors and a fine collection of English and Colonial furniture. Below ground floor is the stone kitchen, servants quarters and a fresh water well. The property is owned by the National Trust of Australia (NSW). It was added to the New South Wales State Heritage Register on 2 April 1999. Lindesay was the first major house to be constructed on Darling Point and is aesthetically important as the earliest example of the domestic Gothic Revival style in Sydney. Some of its residents were colourful figures who played an important part in the history of New South Wales.



Warning Order - 6th November Wanderers Destination is the Sydney Bus Museum



1928-29 (60-A,B) LEATHERBACK 4 DOOR SEDAN



1929 (60-C) STEELBACK 4 DOOR BRIGGS SEDAN



1929-31 (170-A,B) 2 WINDOW 4 DOOR BRIGGS SEDAN



1931 (160-A) SLANT WINDOW 4 DOOR MURRAY SEDAN



MODEL A FORD CLUB ON NSW INC
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 8th November 2019

Nomination Form for Committee and Club Elected Positions for 2020

Please fill in and mail back to PO Box 1038 MERRYLANDS NSW 2160 or bring to the AGM..

I hereby nominate the person/s named below for the following position/s:

POSITION - PRESIDENT

Name..... Proposer Seconder

POSITION - VICE PRESIDENT

Name..... Proposer Seconder

POSITION - SECRETARY

Name..... Proposer Seconder

POSITION - TREASURER

Name..... Proposer Seconder

POSITION - PUBLIC OFFICER

Name..... Proposer Seconder

POSITION - COMMITTEE MEMBER 1 & 2

Name..... Proposer Seconder

Name..... Proposer Seconder

POSITION - COMBINED FORD CLUB DELEGATE

Name..... Proposer Seconder

POSITION - CMC DELEGATE 1 & 2

Name..... Proposer Seconder

Name..... Proposer Seconder

POSITION - MEMBERSHIP REGISTRAR

Name..... Proposer Seconder

POSITION - LIBRARIAN

Name..... Proposer Seconder

POSITION - MID WEEK RUN CO ORDINATOR (WANDERS)

Name..... Proposer Seconder

POSITION - NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Name..... Proposer Seconder