

Model A Flyer



Model A Ford Club of NSW Inc

Web site www.modelafordclubofnsw.com.au
February 2020

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



It is with a heavy heart I start this report after attending Barry O'Shea's funeral. My condolences to Elizabeth and family.

I was informed that Charlie Sharpe has been ill and is on the road to recovery, I wish him well as I do all our members and their families.

Due to the welcome rain we received our Twilight Run has been postponed until the 14th March.

I held a committee meeting on Friday 24th January, and together we planned a number of exciting runs and events, including our 50 year anniversary next November. In consultation with the committee I have chosen Lilly's Function

Centre at Seven Hills as our venue for the anniversary lunch. This venue is close to the M2, M4 and M7 which makes it an ideal location for all those travelling from out of town. I have pre-booked a room that will seat 300 people, lets hope we can fill it up. The menu will be chosen in consultation with the members at our monthly meeting. More information will follow as we get closer to the date. I am currently in the process of getting costings for gold anniversary badges, both car badges and hat badges, which will be available to purchase in the coming months.

Our committee also formally created the organising committee for the 2022 Model A Ford National Meet, to be sponsored by our club.

Rally Director - Ken Young
Rally Secretary - Rob Taylor
Rally Treasurer - Jim Haling

Thanks gents for stepping up for this most important role, and I know in time this committee will create sub-committees for various tasks. I look forward to all our members supporting this team in organising this big event.

Regards, Col Bootle

Your 2020 committee

President	Col Bootle	0400 076 255	CFC & CMC	Phil Dalton	0413 970 704
V/President	John Hyland	4657 1734		Ron Elks	0419 296 201
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Public Officer	Rob Taylor	0434 314 198	Mail:	PO Box 1038 MERRYLANDS 2160	
Membership	Robert Brown	0439 731 066			

Saturday 8th February, Maintenance Day @ Guildford

Where: Sydney Safety Training, 395 Guildford Road, Guildford, opposite Kane Street

What Time: 9am - 1pm.

Topic: Today Greg Cribben will lead a discussion on brake adjustments of the Model A. There will be a car set up in the car park for a practical demo of the process.



What to bring: This venue provides all facilities, so just bring your Model A. All Model A's to park in carpark, all moderns please park on street.

Food: There will be a sausage sizzle, tea, coffee, biscuits & morning tea. Cost is \$5pp

Run Co-ordinator: Rob Taylor 0434 314 198

Sunday 23rd February, Sydney Vintage Tram Festival

Where: Sydney Tram Museum, Cnr Rawson Avenue (Old Princes Highway) & Pitt Street, Loftus

What Time: Please arrive at the Museum by 9am to park cars for display.

Event: This is the museum's festival day, so expect many visitors. We are there to add colour to this event with our vehicles on display inside the entrance to the museum. All the trams will be on display, plus constant tram rides into the National Park, unless there are fire restrictions on the day.



What to bring: Bring your chairs etc, there are picnic tables, but this will be a busy day at the museum.

Food: Grab a bite to eat at the Kiosk which serves hot and cold food, ice creams, tea and coffee, and a variety of drinks. Otherwise bring a picnic lunch and drinks.

Run Co-ordinator: Ken Warburton 0438 692 737



For Sale Club Badges

Metal Radiator Badges \$25 + Cloth Badges + \$10 Window Stickers \$5

Speak to Robert Brown, 0439 731 066 if interested please.

2020 Model A Ford Club Events



Saturday 14th March - Twilight BBQ Run to Lambeth Reserve at Picnic Point.
Meet at 3pm

Saturday 28th March - President's Event. Men's Meeting the Challenge
Conference, Kings School, car display 930am - 1pm

Sunday 5th April - SYLVANVALE 6TH ANNUAL PRE-WW11 VINTAGE CAR SHOW. Cronulla Mall fund raiser.

Sunday 17th May - National Heritage Day Run to north for lunch with the Northern A's. Mooney
Mooney Club, 5 Kowan Road, Mooney Mooney, on north side of Hawkesbury River Bridge.

Saturday 6th June - Maintenance Day

Sunday 21st June - The Oaks Historical Society, 87 Edward Street, The Oaks followed by picnic lunch in
the area.

Sunday 19th July - Run through the Royal National Park finishing at Bundeena Bowling & Sports Club for
lunch

Sunday 26th July - All Fords Day, but this event may be cancelled this year due to renovation of the
Sydney Motor Sport Park.

Sunday 16th August - Combined Motor Club Day, location TBA

September 6th-13th - Model A Ford National Rally in Ballarat

Sunday 11th October - Mt Tomah Botanical Gardens

Saturday 24th October - Maintenance Day

Club 50th Anniversary Celebration Weekend

Friday 13th November - AGM

Saturday 14th November - 50th Anniversary Luncheon at Lilly's Function Centre Seven Hills

Sunday 15th November - 50th Anniversary Run to Prospect Reservoir.

Sunday 13th December - Christmas Luncheon Run to Berowra Waters Fish Café.



Club Invitation Runs for 2020

Saturday 15th February - Gerringong Motorfest. Venue is the Michael Cronin Oval, Blackwood Street
Gerringong. Expecting 300 display cars, and entry fee is \$5 per person, kids under 12 free. This also
coincides with the Gerringong Market Day.

Saturday 15th Feb & Sunday 16th Feb - Berrima Rally. Rally will be held at Mittagong Public School
enter via Lee Street. Saturday morning vehicle display, followed by afternoon Southern Highlands
Run. Themed dinner Saturday night, *Heroes Heroins Villains and Vagabonds*. Sunday after morning
tea at the school a scenic district run with lunch and awards back at the school. All information and
entrance forms at www.berrimadistricthistoricvehicleclub.org.au

Saturday 29th February - Pre 1931 Veteran Car Club Swap Meet. Held at 134 Queens Street Canada Bay.
If you wish to sell items you must book a table through the VCC before the 14th Feb.

Saturday 21st March - Penrith Festival

Sunday 22nd March - Oakville Bush Fire Brigade Car Show, located at Pitt Town

Weekend 8-10 May - Gulgong 1930 Fords 90th Birthday Weekend

16th & 17th May - Magic Metal Motoring Club Hobby & Motor Show, East Kurrajong
School of Arts Stanley Park, East Kurrajong



Wednesday Wanderers

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On February 5th we will be starting our day at Ron & Edna Cox's in Mortlake. They live right next to the Mortlake Car Ferry. From there we will be going to lunch locally.

Wednesday Wanderers March 4th

Bailey's Mystery Tour 2020. More details before the next meeting.

Regards Joan & Don

Vale - Barry O'Shea – 25.01.2020

Barry O'Shea and his wife Elizabeth joined the Model A Club of NSW on 6th January 1987. Barry was on the committee of the club in 2001, 2002 and 2003. He was also the events co-ordinator in 2002 and 2003.

Barry was a very talented and created many cartoons for the club flyer and wrote many events reports over the years. He and his wife Elizabeth were very involved in the club organising and attending many outings and runs.

In 1999 he and his wife were awarded the Club Participation Run Trophy. In 2002 they were awarded the Family Participation Trophy.

Barry retired in August 2004 and moved from Kingswood to the Central Coast. He has been an active member of the Northern A's Group from their inception. Barry turned 80 last May and this picture was of him at the Northern A's Christmas Lunch in December.



RIP Barry

Robert Brown



Thank you to all the men and women of the Rural Fire Brigade who faced the searing onslaught of the NSW bush fires over the past months. We owe a debt to you amazing people, who are continuing their volunteer work during this fire season.

RIP to the heroes who gave their lives, you will not be forgotten

Market Place

For Sale: Used 19" whitewall Firestone tyres, brand new Brass Works pressurised HD radiator suit 28/29 \$1350.00, call Ken Warburton 0438 692 737

For Sale: 1928 Phaeton, fully restored. \$27,000 ONO Rolfe Chrystal m: 0414653250 w: 02 9653 1715

Wanted: Model A Ford Heads, 7 & 8 bolt water pumps, call Ken Warburton 4872 036 171

Wanted: Mitchell Overdrive, or closed car that has a Mitchell overdrive - call Peter Michaels 0438 463 672

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 1931 Slant Window Town Sedan.

Please contact David Richardson via email at drichardson60@icloud.com



RENEWAL REMINDER.

There are members who are yet to renew. Can you please check that you have renewed, and if not fill out a renewal form and send it in.

Renewal forms are on our website:

www.modelafordclubnsw.com.au under MEMBERSHIP

The form needs to be filled in, even if you pay via EFT. Thanks

Our 2022 Model A Ford National Meet Organising Committee

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Thank you for volunteering for these positions. We know all members of the club will provide any assistance they can when called for.

Jim's technical tip

by Jim Cannon,

Electric Trailer Brakes

My apologies in advance: this month's Tech Tip is not about your Model A, but instead is about the electric brakes that you might have on the trailer you use to transport your Model A. I had a problem with my trailer brakes last year, which prompted me to learn more about them.

A big manufacturer of trailer axles and brakes in the USA is Dexter, www.DexterAxle.com. They have a lot of good information about trailer brake maintenance and adjustment. I wanted to share with you a bit of what I learned and what I discovered on my trailer.



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1. Unless you paid extra for auto-adjusting drum brakes (I was not given the option when I bought my trailer), these trailer brakes need to be manually adjusted, similar to our Model A brakes, every 3,000 miles. I did not know this and I only had them serviced by my trailer dealer once in 8 years. I hardly had any trailer brake function at the end, but I did not know it. I have now upgraded my trailer brakes to automatic adjustment. My brakes were so messed up that I ended up bolting on 4 new brake assemblies (backing plate, shoes/linings, springs, etc. -- all new). The extra cost to go auto-adjust was not that much. If you don't have a local source of trailer brake parts, a really good online source is www.eTrailer.com
2. Remove the drums (Dexter says once a year) and inspect the trailer brakes. You are looking for loose, broken, or excessively worn parts, a leaking grease seal, and other evidence of things not working correctly. Clean everything, make sure the mechanism operates freely, and lightly lube the spots where the shoes slide along the backing plate. When I opened my drums, I found one wheel with a broken spring, one wheel with a bad grease seal (shoes coated in grease), and all wheels with enough rust on the actuating mechanism that none of the brakes were operating correctly. One brake was sticking on at times, causing the drum to overheat. They were all a mess. Regular preventative maintenance would have avoided much of this.
3. While the brake drum is off, clean and inspect the wheel bearings, then pack with fresh grease and reinstall. This process is pretty much the same as what we do with our front Model A wheel bearings (except trailer drums have a grease seal added at each wheel). I put new grease seals on all 4 wheels, to protect my new brake linings. Easy and cheap.

So I encourage you to open up your trailer brakes and confirm that all is good in there, then adjust them regularly. Or bring your trailer to a shop that is experienced in trailer brakes and have the shop service the brakes for you.

Stay safe, and Have a Model A Day! Jim