

Model A Flyer



Model A Ford Club of NSW Inc

Web site www.modelafordclubofnsw.com.au
March 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



On Sunday 16th February, Trish and myself travelled to Newcastle and enjoyed a day with the Northern A's. Di and Peter Paice organised a terrific day, with coffee at Heatherbrae and a run to the BHP Memorial site, which honours the people killed whilst working for BHP. We then went to their place where they entertained with pre-lunch drinks. Lunch was at the Harbour side restaurant next door. I wish to thank them for their hospitality.

I was sorry to miss the Loftus Tram Museum run, as a bad back stopped me from driving. Looking forward to being well enough to enjoy our Twilight run on Saturday 14th March.

It was with great pleasure last meeting to present Trevor Davis, one of our founding members, with a surprise Birthday Cake. Trevor turns 90 on the 2nd March and we wish him well with many more birthdays to come.

Hope this report finds everyone well and look forward to catching up soon.

Regards, Col Bootle

Your 2020 committee

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Saturday 14th March - Twilight Re-Run

Where: Lambeth Reserve, Henry Lawson Dr & Lambeth Street, Picnic Point NSW 2213. You continue south down Henry Lawson Drive past Deep Water Park.

What Time: from 3pm.

What is there: This venue has BBQs, some picnic tables and some covered areas. There is plenty of parking.

What to bring: Please bring chairs, picnic table, if you have a gazebo for additional sun shade, please bring along.

Food: There will be a club sausage sizzle, but please bring your drinks, any additional food e.g. salads etc. you might like on the night.

Run Co-ordinator: Ken Young



Saturday 21st March – Penrith Festival Invitation Run

Where: Penrith Festival will be in the Penrith CBD from 9am to 3pm.

Event: Cars to form up for street parade at PCYC 100 Station St, Penrith NSW 2750 between 11-12md starting at 1230pm where our cars may have dignitaries on board.

What to bring: There will be numerous foods stalls etc. on the day.

Run Co-ordinator: Please notify Robert Brown if you intend to attend and Robert will supply you with information sheet at the March club meeting.

Contact details: Robert Brown 0439731066. robert_brown58@bigpond.com

Saturday 28th March – Car Display at Conference at Kings School

Where: Kings School, 87-129 Pennant Hills Road North Parramatta. Enter via Russell Street entrance and turn left to meet other cars in front of oval

What Time: arrive between 0900 - 0930 please. Finish at 1pm

Event: This is an annual men's conference, and our cars will be on display at the entrance to the hall.

What to bring: Fully catered

Run Co-ordinator: Col Bootle
0400 076 255



Pre WW2 Car Show Sunday 5th April @ Cronulla.

Great day out at Cronulla Mall, for a very good cause, the Sylvanvale Home which supports the disabled. The club always has great turn up, so let's do it again this year please.

Arrival time is 8am via Purley Place off Croydon Street.

No driving out of Mall before 3pm due to safety reasons.



It is a great day with lots to see and do, so hope to see you there.

Upcoming Northern A's Runs

1. **Saturday 14th March** - BBQ lunch at Maureen & John Pryde's at their home in Vacy
2. **Saturday 18th April** - lunch at Kate & John Taylor's in Woodville
3. **Sunday 17th May** - Run down coast to Brooklyn to meet up with Sydney mob for lunch at King Tide Restaurant, Brooklyn.

2020 Model A Ford Club Events

Sunday 17th May - National Heritage Day Run to north for lunch with the Northern A's. Lunch venue will be in Brooklyn.



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

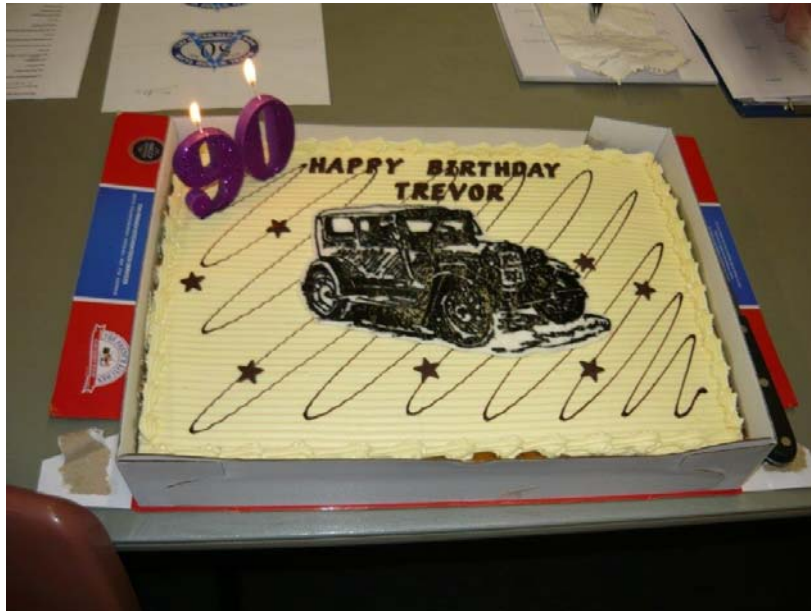
Sunday 22nd March - Oakville Bush Fire Brigade Car Show, located at Pitt Town

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



*Happy 90th Birthday on 2nd March
Trevor Davis, one of our founding and still
most active members. Trevor you are and will
remain always a guiding light in the club.*



Maintenance Day - 8th Feb at the Sydney Safety Training Guildford.

House management informed me that surely I wasn't going to a maintenance day as there was flooding everywhere. How do you explain this blokey thing where we go in all sorts of weather to discuss the intricacies of Model A Ford operation? It is like the rituals of attending a men's shed. Past member Neville Jones instigated maintenance day a long time ago and it continues to be very popular with members.

Anyhow, I couldn't let my friend Richard down who was looking forward to going with me. We went in the modern as I couldn't risk our old girl on slippery roads. The attraction this time was arranged by Greg Cribbin who was to give us a talk on adjusting the Model A brakes. This was to be followed by a demonstration of adjusting actual brakes on Rob Taylor's Model A. Finally there was to be the customary barbecue and yakka time before departing home.

On arrival we were surprised to find a large lake at the rear of the Safety Training Facility. There were two Model A's present however, that of Rob Taylor and Ron Cox. The presence of the latter was not a surprise as Ron will use any excuse to go for a run in his Model A.

What was a surprise however was the attendance of members. The lecture room was completely filled. In addition to Greg's talk we had valuable inputs from Mal Bradley and Bryan Wyborn on related matters. We then gathered on the edge of the back-yard lake to see Greg and Mal make numerous adjustments to get Rob Taylor's brakes just right.

Then a police helicopter roared up and did a number of circles overhead. We found later on leaving that the area near the Guildford railway station had been cordoned off by police.

Many thanks to Rob, Greg, Mal and Bryan for making our day. What a great blokey time we had!

This occasion reminded me of a comment made by our first Club President Geoff Buggie almost 50 years ago. He said that car clubs were intended for people and not cars. I generally do agree.

Trevor Davis



Model A Ford Club cleans up at the 44th Berrima Rally in Mittagong.

*I am pleased to report that fellow club members Ralph & Valerie Stedman won the Vintage 1930-1939 Category with their beautiful 1930 Model A Ford 2 Door Tudor Sedan, and the 'SQUIRE' also won the Vintage Commercial Category with my (Ex Neville Jones) 1930 Model A Ford Special Delivery Delux Van. *This one is for you Neville**

Unfortunately I do not have a photograph of Ralph & Valerie's vehicle to post, however I am sure you all know the car.

This was another spectacular success for the Berrima Car Club, as a matter of fact they had a 20% increase in entries this year. They overwhelmed us with their wonderful hospitality, entertainment and the catering was 1st class once again. Job well done my friends.

I look forward to more Model A's from the club attending next year.

Many thanks once again.

Ken Warburton.



Northern Model A Ford Club Run Sun 16th Feb

First stop for coffee at Heatherbrae Pies. Then we had a surprise Stop at BHP Memorial & Monument Mayfield. Volunteer Keith, on his birthday, opened the gate so we could explore, appreciate and remember workers who had lost their lives during 80 years of BHP Newcastle steelworks.

Then off to lunch at Harbour Bar Newcastle where we enjoyed lunch in the company of Elizabeth & Melinda O'Shea.



Tramway Museum Display Sunday 23rd February.

Once again we had a good showing at the Tramway Museum Open Day. In all there were nine Model A's on display which really added some colour to the event. Thanks to all those who attended, everyone really enjoyed the tram rides and displays on the day.

Bit worried about the unsavoury characters around Jim Allingham's taxi, thought they might be going to lift it for a job.



Wednesday Wanderers

Wednesday Wanderers February Outing Review

Edna and Ron Cox graciously allowed us to gather at their delightful house on the bank of Parramatta river. It was a lovely day, and perfect for sitting back to observe the variety of boats glide by and the occasional helicopter pass overhead whilst enjoying a sumptuous morning tea on the terrace at Villa Cox.

The Butlers travelled in style coming up river from Sydney on the river cat.

After morning tea we adjourned to the Golf club at nearby Massey Park for an enjoyable lunch in pleasant surroundings

Another great turnout of twenty Wanderers.

A very big THANKS to Ron and Edna from all who attended.

Regards
Tom Virgona

Wednesday Wanderers March 4th

Bailey's Mystery Tour 2020. Please meet at the Eternity Café before 10am, as we are departing promptly at 10am to parts unknown.

Australia Day at Pioneer Village

Thank you to Charlie & Helen Sharpe and Richard Hehir for representing the club at Pioneer Village Wilberforce on Australia Day.



Market Place

For Sale: 1928 AR Phaeton in parts. Ready to restore \$3500 ONO call Russ 0438 130 641

For Sale: B Motor, needs restoring , \$250 Russ 0438 130 641

For Sale: 62/63 Honey comb radiator good cond \$594 Craig Finney 0438 881 417

For Sale: 5 x 19" Rims good condition \$500 the lot, Craig Finney 0438 881 417

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

Wanted: Running board bracket (long) John Hyland 4657 1734

Once again welcome to the club Nick & Anna Charalambous. Your first run trophy and membership badges.



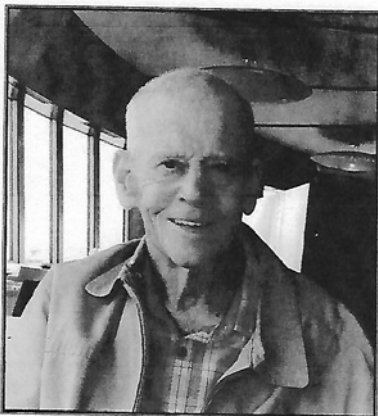
RENEWAL REMINDER.

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

In Loving Memory of



Harry John Macdonald

09.06.1942 ~ 21.02.2020

Vale Harry MacDonald

Harry was not a member of our club, which I did not realise, as he would attend with Ernie Meneguzzo all of our maintenance days and other events. He really enjoyed his time with the club, and mixing with all the boys

We extend our condolences to his family, as well as Ernie who was his best mate.

Harry you will be missed.

The restoration of an A400

Mal Bradley has seen a dream come true with the completion of his total restoration of an A400. This is now the second A400 in the club, and they are a very rare Model A. The car was imported from the US some years ago by Victorian Model A enthusiast, who then offered it to Mal. Mal was so excited to get the opportunity to acquire an A400, something he had wanted for over 40 years he did not realise the amount of restoration required to get this car back on the road. In hindsight he now would not have taken it on,.



The restoration commenced in 2013, and took six long years to complete at the end of 2019.

Some details:

- ◆ Engine was reconditioned by Bob Croft, but Mal assembled the motor.
- ◆ The chassis, running gear, wood work, and paint work were all completed by Mal
- ◆ He ordered a Le Baron Bonney interior and hood, which after a lot of effort installed himself. Lots of skinned knuckles and colourful language during this phase of the resto. He did have to get the services of a pro to re sew the arm rests so they would fit
- ◆ The car is a beautiful restoration, and Mal is not that keen in taking it out of the garage after the amount of blood, sweat and tears that have gone into the job.

Well done Mal, this is a beautiful car and looking forward to seeing it along side Alan Hale's A400 in the future.



For Sale Club Badges

Metal Radiator Badges \$25 + Cloth Badges + \$10 Window Stickers \$5
Speak to Robert Brown, 0439 731 066 if interested please.