Model A Flyer

October 2023



Club meetings are held at the Holroyd Community Centre, Miller St, Merrylands. At **7:30pm** on the second Friday of each month. Parking is in Newman Street, Merrylands.



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Presidents Report



Hello everybody to this month's report.

With the year starting to getting close to our AGM next month, Please consider taking a position on the execute, The positions of President and Treasurer plus Secretary will be vacant this November it's a most rewarding positions to keep our club moving ahead.

The Pre-World War 2 Charity Car Show at Sutherland was well attended but was a very HOT Day, Sometimes you can't predict the weather.

Shame our meeting for October had to be cancelled

due to maintenance on the club rooms.

Don't forget our October Event at Lambeth St Reserve Picnic Point on Sunday 15Th Oct, Jim Allingham has organised a BBQ Sausage Sizzle for us, Just bring your chairs and drinks from about 10Am onwards.

Our Wednesday Wanders trip to the Power House Museum last Wednesday was well attended (see story this Flyer).

The Xmas Party this year will be at the Bexley RSL on Stoney Creek Rd, Bexley from about 11Am for 12 Noon Lunch please give Ron Cox a call to help him with numbers.

Well until our next event stay safe and healthy, If any members are on the sick list we are hoping you get well soon.

Regards,

John Hyland





Despite the heat (33C or 91.5F), the seventh Sylvanvale Pre-WWII Vintage Car Show on Sunday 17th September 2023 was a roaring success. Crowds flocked to see the stunning selection of vintage cars on display, with an estimated 7,000 people visiting the event during the course of the day.

The Flora Street Council Car Park in Sutherland was the perfect venue for over 100 cars, stalls, kids activities and Food.



The annual Car show is a fundraiser for Sylvanvale, my parents were the founding members of this charity 75 years ago.

Funds raised on Sunday will make a difference to the lives of people moving into the organisation's brand-new, state-of-the-art Specialist Disability Accommodation in Illawong.

Sylvanvale CEO, Leanne Fretten, was thrilled with how the event went.

"We are delighted with the fundraising outcome, which exceeded our expectations. I am proud to report that this year we increased our fundraising by 33% from last year. The funds raised will well and truly furnish our new state-of-the-art disability accommodation. This will be hugely beneficial for the people who will soon be moving into their new home."





Special bonus for our show this year included the appearance of Mike Dalton from Channel 9 News. Feedback we have received is nothing short of sensational for our unique Vintage Car Show.

The exposure that we have received for Sylvanvale and our current sponsors and future sponsorship for next year's event is priceless.



Without the support of the Sutherland Shire Council, staff from Sylvanvale, (30) Qantas Volunteers, all our sponsors, including Platinum sponsors mySupply Store and Nexon Asia Pacific, this exceptional Sutherland Shire Community event would never have happened.



My inner circle team of John Bateman, Geoff Graddock, Trevor Eisler, Chad Holmes the electrician, Julie Everton (Sylvanvale) worked together like a well oiled Model A Ford engine. I am so proud of you all for your 120% efforts throughout the many months it takes to organise this event. As I keep saying to my team "if you don't do your homework, you will never pass the exam."

Let me tell you all from the bottom of my heart, you have all passed with honors, that is why we can all enjoy the outstanding success from of the day.



I also must mention the winners of our raffles: 1) David Musso. Chauffeur driven in my 1931 Model A Ford Tudor to the Sea Level Restaurant in Cronulla. 2) Adam Tokarczuk. 500 degrees. 3) Peter Beyer Bunnings. 4) Ross Williams Lively Catch. 5) Lena Teixeira Highfields. Congratulations and a BIG thank-you for supporting Sylvanvale.

Last BUT not least my choice for the best car of this years (2023) Sylvanvale Pre-WWII Vintage Car show went to Robyn and Bill Betts (from Berrima) in their immaculate and very rare 1908 Renault.

Robyn and Bill Betts are very special people, they have supported our Sylvanvale Pre -WWll Vintage Car show every year since our innaugral show at Cronulla Mall in 2015. Not only do they exhibit their 1908 Renault they also come dressed in period dress. In the next photograph Robyn is standing beside their 1908 Renault. The clothes rack next to her is chock a block full of period clothes. To help us raise more funds for Sylvanvale both Robyn and Bill dress you up in period clothes then sits you in their 115 year old Renault Vintage vehicle for the photo shoot of a life time, where else in the world can you do that!!





That my friends is all she wrote until next year. We are so grateful to everyone who was part of it. Show us how much you appreciated the show by coming back to see us next year because it will be bigger again with many new entrants for you to drool over.

Stay safe, looking forward to catching up with everyone in the future and the prospect to meet new vintage car enthusiasts.

Sincerely,

Ken Warburton

Do you have something to included in our Club Flyer?

Just send an email to our newsletter editor (contact info on cover page) with your submission and we will be happy to include it in the next edition.









Model A Member Survey

If you haven't responded then please do so ASAP.

If you do not respond then the default position is to opt-out for both directories.

1. National Model A Ford member directory, and

2. Model A Ford Club of NSW member directory.

National and Club directory are two independent selections, you can opt in to none of the

above, either of the above or both of the above.

If you opt in to 1 above then information will be shared with all members of the model A movement within Australia.

If you opt in to 2 above then information will be shared with the members of the Model A Ford Club of NSW.

The survey is simple and can be completed in 1-2 minutes and is accessed by navigating to the below URL:

https://forms.gle/BgxtBv5fE4PZMfMB7



Wednesday Wanderers

Trip to 'MAAS' Museum at the Power House at Ultimo on Wednesday 4th October 2023

After the heat previous to this outing, the day was very cool and blustery, With 17 adults and 2 Grand Children's meeting for coffee at Central Station, Then catching the Light Rail to the Haymarket with a short walk up to the Power House Museum.

Being welcomed by a great group of volunteers especially John our guide who had his FORD T Shirt on (he has a 1964 Falcon Coupe) he observably enjoyed his



position as a volunteer because his knowledge and passion of the Exhibits was outstanding.

We were treated to a working display of the Bolton & Watt Beam Engine, It's only one of two still working in the world, The Flywheel alone weighs 10 ton, The Working Steam Engines were spectacular plus the Space Transport display 'WOW' the Saturn Engine size was mind boggling.

The Zero Gravity display at The International Space Station needed a steady hand to keep from getting nauseas. And what a great story with The Catalina Flying Boat 'Frigate Bird 2' with Captain Gordon Taylor pioneering an Air Route by Island Hopping across the Pacific from Australia to Valparaiso, in Chile, in 1951 taking 2 Weeks and flying 13,600 Km.

A great lunch was had at the Café in house and went down well with most members heading home about 2pm .

Thanks Ron Cox again for another great day,

Regards,

John Hyland





Club Events:	
15th Oct 23	Memorial Run, Lambeth Park, Henry Lawson Drive. Picnic Point. Meeting at 9:30ish. The club will provide a BBQ lunch. Members please bring refreshments, chairs, etc.
19th Nov 23	Zig Zag Railway, More info on page 11
Invitation events:	
14th Oct 23	Kero, Oil & Steam Day, Menangle Steam Museum, 9:00am
15th Oct 23	Old Car Social Club Show N Shine, Hungarian Social Club, Endensor Park.
29th Oct 23	Jamberoo Car Show, Kevin Walsh Oval, Jamberoo, 9:00am
10th Mar 24	Blacktown City Car Show.
2 nd > 4 th May 24	Central Tablelands Historic Car Club – Pre 1931 Tour to be held in Orange. Entry Forms available in October. Contact Keith Packham 0429-608-878 for more info.

Swap Meets:

11th-12th Nov 23 Bendigo Swap Meet



Zig Zag Railway Club Run Information

When: Sunday 19th November, 1230pm train departure from Clarence.

Meet: Glenbrook Visitors Centre from 9am – BYO or purchase Coffee/tea

Depart: 10am for Zig Zag Railway - 1:20 minute drive. Drive up Great Western Highway to Mount Victoria then follow Darling Causeway and Chifley Road to Zig Zag Railway Carpark in Clarence.

Arrive: Zig Zag Railway approx. 11:20/11:30am – enjoy your BYO picnic lunch in carpark. There is coffee and food available at Zig Zag Kiosk

We depart station at 12:30pm for our excursion from Clarence to Bottom Points.

CLARENCE TO BOTTOM POINTS, RETURN - 90 MINUTES

- · Arrive by car
- Park at Clarence and proceed to the station building.
- · Check in and board your train.

 $\cdot\,$ Depart Clarence and travel to Top Points where the train will stop while the locomotive changes ends by running around the carriages (approx. 10-15 minutes)

• The train will proceed to Bottom Points where the locomotive will again run around the carriages (approx. 10-15 minutes)

- Bottom Points is the bottom of the Great Lithgow Zig Zag and the half way point on this journey
- The engine may take on water and when ready will then climb back to Clarence via Top Points
- · All stations on route have toilets there are no toilets on the train

Return: Arrive back at Clarence at approx. 2:15pm

Tickets: <u>Tickets MUST BE PRE PURCHASED ONLINE.</u> Web address is https://tinyurl.com/MAFC-ZIGZAG-BOOK

Sunday 19th November 12:30pm Departure

Cost is: Seniors \$27.50 each, Adults \$45 each, Kids \$27.50 each and a family of four \$120.00.

BOOK NOW AS TICKETS SELL OUT QUICKLY MONTHS BEFORE EVENT



Overheating?

The following article was originally published July 2009, Shade Tree A's Volume 36 Written by Ken Nelson

Engine overheating has been around as long as the automobile and the Model "A" is not exempt from the problem. However, the "A's" cooling system, if working properly, is more than adequate for almost any set of driving conditions you might encounter. There are many causes for engine overheating, but once identified, most can be easily corrected.

Fan Belt - Fan belts are prone to slippage and a belt that's loose will not turn the fan and water pump at the proper speed. Belt tension can be adjusted by loosening the generator mounting bolt and pulling the generator away from the engine to take out the excess slack. A ½ to ¾ inch of belt play between the pulleys is about right. After the adjustment is made, tighten the generator bolt securely. Unfortunately, an unmodified Model "A" has no means of locking the generator in place and over time, the belt will loosen again. To alleviate this problem, you can use a "belt tensioning bracket" to hold the generator securely in place when driving. The bracket can be easily removed if the car is to be shown.

Fan - Fans can cause a problem if a "modern" type has been installed and the diameter or blade angle is too small to provide adequate airflow through the radiator.

If you're determined to use this type of fan, check with other Model "A" owners to see what they have on their car. There's nothing wrong with the original two blade propeller type fan that came on the Model "A" but it should be checked frequently for cracks or other damage that could make it unsafe to use.

Hoses/Clamps/Petcock - A plugged radiator hose will restrict coolant flow and a leaky hose will cause coolant loss over time. Either condition can cause the engine to overheat. It's a good idea to replace both hoses even if only one is bad because the other hose is probably living on borrowed time. Check all hose clamps for tightness and if you're more interested in driving than showing the car, consider replacing the original wire hose clamps with the modern screw-adjust type. Also, make sure that the drain petcock located in the water return pipe is not leaking.



Water Pump - The Model "A" water pump is simple and robust but it can fail. If the impeller is loose on the shaft, the pump won't circulate the coolant. On the other hand, the pump may deliver too much coolant at highway speeds causing coolant loss through the radiator's overflow pipe. The new "leak-less" water pumps appear to have a higher output capacity and have the capability to overflow a poorly maintained system. Once again, check with others to see what they're doing.

License Plates and Other Radiator

Obstructions - The headlight bar seems like the ideal place to mount the license plate, but the plate does block a sizable chunk of the radiator's cooling fin area. A radiator ornament or plaque will do the same thing. On a hot day, consider removing the ornaments and flipping the license plate into a horizontal position to expose more fins to the airstream.

Incorrect Ignition Timing -

An incorrectly timed engine can run hotter than normal. Check your car's timing using the standard timing pin. While running in high gear the advance should be all the way down. On heavy inclines listen for any spark knock and reduce the amount of advance to eliminate the knock. Watch your water indicators for any sign of excessive heat.

Incorrect Fuel Mixture - If the fuel mixture is too lean, the engine will run hot. Check your carburettor settings and reset to specifications if necessary. **Brakes/Wheel Alignment** - Dragging brakes and poorly aligned wheels can increase the rolling resistance of the car and force the engine to work harder resulting in over-heating. The bad wheel alignment won't help your tire life either!

Bad Head Gasket/Cracks in Block -

These can be classified as serious problems and if uncorrected, you'll have more to worry about than overheating! To check for exhaust leakage into the cooling system, remove the radiator cap and briefly accelerate the engine. If bubbles appear in the coolant, you could have a bad head gasket or a crack in the engine block. Oil in the coolant may also indicate a cracked block. After the necessary repairs are completed, check the integrity of the block by magnafluxing. This process will detect any minute cracks that cannot be found by other means.

Radiators - The key word in any radiator discussion is flow rate - how much water a radiator will actually pass in a given period of time. A good Model "A" radiator should have a flow rate of at least 38 gallons per minute. 1930-31 "AA" truck radiators should pass about 48 GPM. Anything less can result in overheating problems. Disconnect the upper and lower hoses and fill the radiator. A good radiator should empty in 4 seconds or less. Radiator troubles can be traced to broken or blocked tubes, an inadequate number of usable tubes remaining in the core after damaged tubes have been removed, so-called "stop leak" pellets clogging the tubes or leaky upper/lower tanks.



Blocked tubes can be opened by "rodding" or ultrasonic cleaning. Damaged or rusted tubes can be replaced but if a large number of tubes are in bad condition, it may be less expensive to replace the radiator. The condition of the overflow pipe should also be determined during the radiator check. A broken or rusted pipe can cause the coolant level in the radiator to be lower than normal. A broken or missing baffle plate may allow the water pump to push the coolant directly into the overflow pipe and out of the radiator.

To reduce the amount of water going out the overflow pipe, add a short piece of plastic tubing to the top of the pipe. Just make sure it is below the radiator cap. Loose tube fins can also contribute to over-heating. If the fins are not making good contact with the tubes, heat will not be transferred into the radiator's airstream. Sometimes over lubricating the original type water pump rear bearing can cause excess grease to be introduced into the water system and clog the tubes.

Coolants - The Model "A" was designed to run using plain water as a coolant. Most era drivers either drained their car's radiator before winter storage, or added some type of antifreeze for cold weather operation. Alcohol was common as an anti-freeze and worked reasonably well but boiled away at about 170 degrees F. Kerosene was also used but it attacked rubber parts and boiled at such a high temperature that the engine could be damaged before overheating was detected. Today's modern automotive coolants contain ethylene glycol and are designed to remain in the cooling system at all times.

The boiling point of the coolant is higher than water and the solution contains a built-in rust inhibitor and water pump lubricant. When mixed 50/50 with water, ethylene glycol will protect your "A" to about 34 degrees below zero F.

There are some disadvantages to using ethylene glycol in your Model "A" - the coolant may attack some types of paint and the Model "A's" water pump can whip the solution into a green, frothy foam, impairing the cooling action. To eliminate this problem there are two products on the market that will help.

Prestone "LowTox" and Sierra antifreeze is formulated with propylene glycol (PG). As compared to ethylene glycol, propylene glycol is less toxic and safer for children, pets, and wildlife in the environment. One final consideration - some automotive experts believe that ethylene glycol does not work as well as water in a non-pressurized cooling system.

In actual tests, some Model "A" overheating problems disappeared after switching back to plain water. If you decide to use water as a coolant, make sure that you add a good rust inhibitor to help keep the system rust free. At one time, soluble oil was suggested as a rust inhibitor. It worked, but the oil coated the inside of the radiator, degrading its heat transfer characteristics. The experts all agree - don't use oil of any kind as a rust inhibitor!



Also, consider using distilled water to eliminate "other" minerals being introduced into the water system. I see a lot of lower water pipes that are powder coated. They look nice, but the inside will be affected by the solution and will flake and clog up your water system. Go to a stainless steel pipe to solve the problem.

Thermostats - According to many Model "A" owners, a good thermostat offers two important benefits:
Coolant flow through the system is reduced so that less is pumped out of the upper radiator tank at high speeds.
The thermostat will maintain an engine temperature of at least 160 degrees F that many feel is optimum for complete fuel combustion and clean plugs.

On the down side, a thermostat that sticks closed will prevent adequate coolant circulation and overheating can result. To prevent this make, sure that there are two 3/16 inch holes drilled on the surface opposite the sensor so some water will still flow. If you install a thermostat, use the kind that fits inside the upper hose and has a short pipe welded to the end instead of the type that mounts with tabs. Some owners have experienced leaks with the tab-mounted variety. A good running engine makes EVERYONE happy.

Ken Nelson



Trading Post

For Sales:

- Ken Warburton has a Model AA truck for sale for **\$40,000**
- 1928 Phaeton Totally restored, as new covered 400 miles in last 20 years, cream in colour. **\$38,950** Paul Schembril 0415-489-844
- Darren Cook is selling an unrestored Sports Coupe for **\$8,000**
- Massive collection of Model A parts, mainly mechanical parts, from over 50 years of collecting, everything must go! Contact Phillip Haynes 02-63356210 or email <u>handh@bordernet.com.au</u>
- 1928 Phaeton **\$30,000**, Car is located in Orange. Contact Andrew Hall 0459-688-122
- 1928 Phaeton, Original condition with period box trailer **\$28,000** Col Bootle 0492-872-477
- 1929 Roadster, Older restoration in good condition **\$28,000** Col Bootle 0492-872-477
- 1929 Phaeton , Unrestored, Located Fairfield. Unsure on price **\$8k Approx**. Contact Helen 0427-776-448 (See Below Photos)





For Sales (Continued):

1928 Model A Huckster / Woody, Lots done in last 12 Months. Vehicle currently located in Bathurst NSW, **\$25,000.00** Contact Bill Daws 0437-698-007



"PON11Y" NSW Plates, Currently on hold with Service NSW, No ongoing fees. **\$450**, Contact Jim Allingham on 02-9522-6094 or 0418-674-059





Wanted:

- Phil Dalton is after Left and Right rear guards to suit a 28-29 Phaeton/Tourer, Any condition. Contact 0413-970-704
- Robert Senz is looking for 2 pairs of rear guards and 1 pair of rear hinges and locks for a 1928-29 pickup / utility. Contact Robert on 0411-895-695
- Wanted to buy, 1930/31 Tudor Sedan, Restored condition. Contact Gary Archbold on 0422-753-369 or dooralong1960@hotmail.com

Do you want your For Sale or Wanted included in our Club Flyer?

Just send an email to our newsletter editor (contact info on cover page) with a brief summary of your Sale/Want with pictures and we will be happy to include it in the next edition.







IMPORTANT NOTICE

Attention all Model A Ford Club Members

The club meeting scheduled for Friday October 13th has been cancelled.

Unfortunately due to urgent repair works Cumberland City Council has informed us that the Merrylands Community Centre will be closed until 22/10/2023, as such there will be no club meeting in October.

This information was distributed to all members via email Sunday 1/10/23.

OCTOBER 2023 MEETING CANCELLED



Club Merchandise

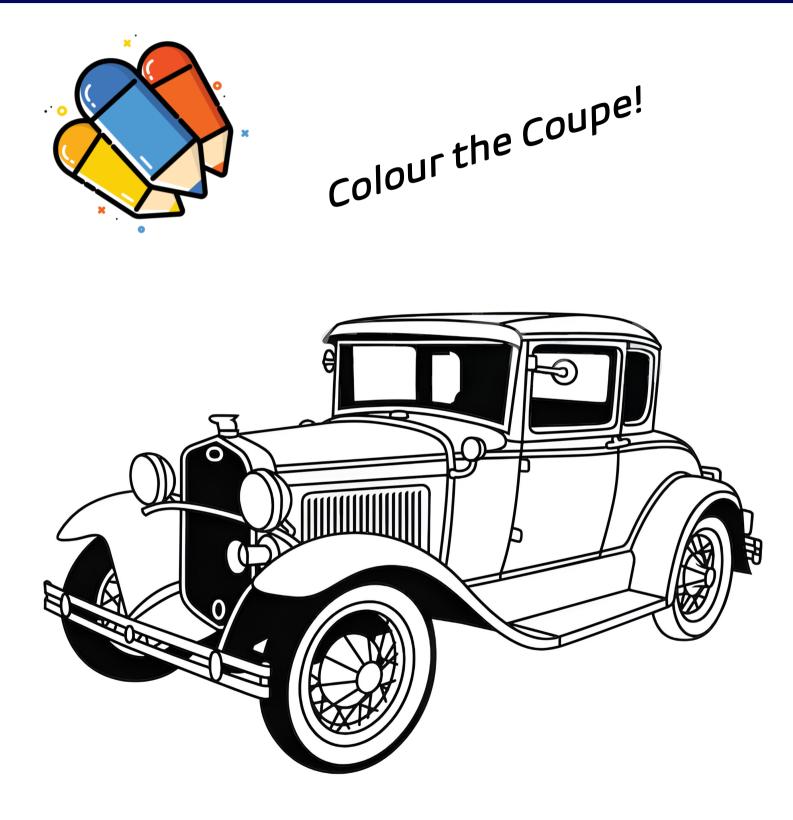
Club Badges are available

Club Badges as follows, see Treasurer Jim Haling.		
Club Cloth iron on badges	- \$5	
Cloth iron on 25th Anniversary	- \$2	
Hat Pins 50th Anniversary	- \$2	
Cloth iron on 50th Anniversary	- \$2	
Windsor Rally Badge	- \$5	
Metal Car Badge 50th Anniversary	- \$5	
Club Stickers	- \$1	
Club Metal Car Badge	- \$18	





Kid Spot







PRESENTS

"A" RALLY THROUGH THE CANE FIELDS

The 28th National Meet Model A Ford Clubs of Australia Maryborough, Queensland 1 to 8 September 2024

Based at the Maryborough Showgrounds Displays at the Thursday Markets and Friday, Seafront Oval Hervey Bay Drives throughout the Region in a Week Long Extravaganza.

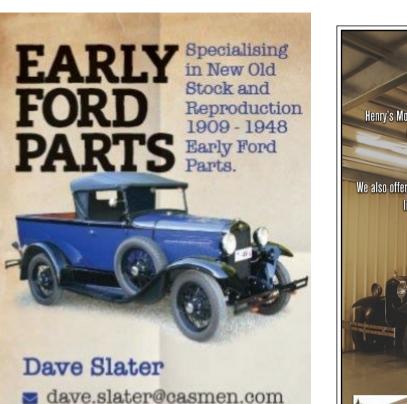
Over 100 Model A cars (vintage 1928 to 1931) of all types including Buckboards, Coupes, Phaetons, Sedans and many others presented in all colours of the the Rai bow

Make sure it is inked in on your Calendar of Events

Contact Les Dunstan (dunstan.pms@bigpond.com)







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 0412 59 3535
- . We post Australia-wide.



Our Car Club HSV Data Base

The Club will be transferring all membership and registration details to "Our Car Club" database which will be used as a central repository for club membership and HVS/CVS information. This is a secure database and is used by over 200 car clubs Australia wide, only authorised members of the Model A Ford Club of New South Wales will have access to information that we store on the database.

We request that members with vehicles on HVS/CVS scheme to provide the following information for each vehicle to Bill Daws via e-mail <u>bill.daws@iinet.net.au</u>

- o Pictures of your vehicle
- front quarter and side view
- o A copy of the Certificate of Approved operations
- o A Copy of Conditional Registration Certificate
- When renewing registration a copy of the Approved Safety Certificate (Pick Slip)

The above will allow us to have a greater level of compliance with the requirements of Transport NSW.

Please take the time now to gather this information and email to Bill, or mail to:

Model A Ford Club NSW PO Box 1038 MERRYLANDS 2160







Bendigo National Swap Meet

Featuring:

- 4 Wheel Drive Display
- Barn Finds & Survivor Car Display
- Die-cast Models & Toys
- Over 1700 Sites

11th & 12th November 2023

Prince of Wales Showgrounds Holmes Road, Bendigo



Entry Prices

Saturday Only \$15 Sunday Only \$5 Children 15 and under Free (if accompanied by an adult)

> www.bendigoswap.com.au Site Bookings 0427 446 660 General Enquiries 0434 730 822 info@bendigoswap.com.au

Gates Open to the Public

Saturday 6am Sunday 7am Sheds Open 7am







Jamberoo WHAT'S ON Sunday 29 Oct

Jamberoo Car Show & Family Day

What Enjoy the huge display of vintage, classic & modified cars, stationary engines, entertainment, food, kids activities and more! Proudly raising funds for Jamberoo Red Cross & Jamberoo Rural Fire Brigade
 Where Kevin Walsh Oval
 When 9.30am - 2pm

Jamberoo JAM Street Festival

 What Destination Kiama brings FREE, family friendly fun to Allowrie St with live music & dance performances, a circus drop zone, free workshops, lawn games, kids corner, a music playground and more!
 Where Road Closure Allowrie St between Churchill-Young
 When 9.30am - 2.30pm

Jamberoo Village Markets

What The monthly markets featuring live music in the rotunda! Enjoy craft stalls alongside fresh food, fruit & veg, flowers & plants, homewares, clothing, sweets, knitwear, bread & seasonal specialties!
 Where Cnr Churchill & Allowrie Street
 9am - 2pm

Illawarra & Shoalhaven Festival of Roses

What A weekend of roses on display from Illawarra & Shoalhaven gardens. Talk to growers to get tips for your own garden! Entry via gold coin donation or raffle ticket. Morning tea & lunch available to buy.
 Where Jamberoo School of Arts - 30 Allowrie Street
 When Saturday from 12pm, Sunday 9am - 2.30pm

St Matthews Annual Book Fair

What St Matthews Catholic Church is gearing up for their annual gigantic book fair, spanning two days of incredible finds at great prices.
 Where St Matthews Catholic Church - Chapel Lane
 When 10am - 4pm





