

Chapter Members of:



MODEL A TORQUE

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Welcome to the North Island Model A Ford Club Inc.

The purpose of our club is to enjoy, restore, preserve and protect the Model A Ford automobile and to foster a spirit of good fellowship and family participation through the use of the Model A Ford.

Membership is open to anyone with a sincere interest in the Model A Ford. Ownership is not a prerequisite.

Website: www.modelafordclub.co.nz

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The cut off for articles/reports to the Editor is 15th of the month. Or earlier if you can. Please email to nimafc@outlook.com



SECRETARYS REPORT

NIMAFC Committee Meeting

held

TUESDAY 07 June 2018 – 6.30pm

55 Victoria Street, Onehunga

Meeting Chaired by: Hugh Hulse

Present: Hugh Hulse; Errol McAlpine; Karen Thomas; Kay Palmer; Bruce Stratton; Shaun Bellamy; David Heilbron; John Castle.

Apologies: Ralph Levinson.

Correspondence: Inwards

'The Bow Tie' - May newsletter from Chevrolet Enthusiasts Club; 'The Restorer' MAFCA. Thank-you letter Noel Mountjoy re Galaxy of Cars, New Lynn Lions Club.

Outwards: Nil

Treasurers Report: No Club Account balances presented due to our Treasurer being away. Payments for approval totalling \$278.99 were approved for payment e.g. stationery etc.

Editors Report: Kay outlined the new compilation and distribution of upcoming newsletters. Newsletters will now be sent out at the beginning of the month with cut-off date for contributions being 15th of month. To allow for ease of changeover the June newsletter will incorporate Club Events only.

Club Events Report:

The Triple Combined Run was very well attended. Possibility of more combined events.

Events for remainder of year were finalised and discussed in depth e.g. Ryders Theatre Evening; Alex Bar & Eatery; Bruce McLaren Trust Museum; Vegas Evening & Prize-giving; Club Swap Meet; N.Z. Warbirds & Aviation Museum. Many options were discussed re a venue for the celebration of International Model A Ford Day. A venue is still pending.

General Business:

Ellerslie Classic Car & Concours AGM was attended by Errol McAlpine and John Castle. A brief outline of this evening was given. The event has been rebooked for next year at Ellerslie.

Discussion on trophies and awards for this Club year was had.

Due to the absence of Committee Members over the next month e.g. MAFCA National Convention, our next committee meeting has been held over until 17 July 2018.

This year the Club has donated a Golden Longwool Sheepskin Rug towards the raffle at the 2018 National Convention in Reno.

Meeting closed: 8.15pm

Next Meeting: 17 July 2018

Karen Thomas
Secretary NIMAFC
Email: mosseykar@gmail.com

Henry Ford and Clara in his first car



Upcoming Event Calendar


July 2018

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North Island Model A Ford Club Events

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| <p>Saturday 21 July</p> <p>A popular attraction!</p>  <p>BOOK your space NOW!</p> | <p>Mid-Winter Christmas – Ryders Theatre, 177 Riversdale Road, Avondale, Auckland Meal and movie night! Doors open at 6pm (Meal is served at 7pm).</p> <p>A hot roast dinner (choice of beef and/or chicken and roast vegetables), followed by ice-cream for dessert, seated in cosy surroundings. Our group then moves into the private theatre for an entertaining movie (selected by our Vice). The old time theatre is a unique experience. Not to be missed!</p> <p>PLEASE BRING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • your own drinking vessel & refreshments (BYO wine if you choose) – No alcohol sold by Ryders. • \$30 per person – cash on the night please for payment (No EFTPOS) <p>RSVP to Shaun Bellamy before Saturday 14th July. Numbers attending will be finalised prior for catering purposes. Phone (09) 292 7707 or 021 272 2551</p> <p>A maximum attending is set for the venue, so don't delay, BOOK your space NOW.</p> |
| <p>Sunday 12 August</p> | <p>Visit to Bruce McLaren Museum. Hampton Downs International Motorsport Park (Te Kauwhata). A must see!</p> <p>Meet 11am in the Mercer Carpark (next to the Mobil Service Station). Time for lunch at the 'Bacon Cafe' in Mercer, before departing to the Museum. Tea/Coffee available. Opportunity to refuel the 'A'.</p> <p>You may want to drop into the Pokeno Markets beforehand (optional) before meeting for lunch at Mercer (further South).</p> <p>We depart from the Mercer carpark, as a group approx.12.30pm for Hampton Downs.</p> <p>Enquiries to Shaun Bellamy. Phone (09) 292 7707 or 021 272 2551</p> |
| <p>Saturday 25 August</p> | <p>Annual Prize Giving Dinner – Auckland. 'Vegas' Night. An important event for the NIMAFC, please mark the date in your diaries NOW! See Page 5 for more information. RSVP: before 5th August</p> <p>Club Trophies and Awards will be presented on the night.</p> |
| <p>Sunday 26 August</p> | <p>Swap Meet – Run by North Island Model A Ford Club, Auckland (Make it a weekend if you choose - come along to the Prize Giving and then the Swap Meet on the next day)</p> <p>Where: 4 Vernon Street, Papakura, Auckland Vendors from 9.30am – Sales from 10am</p> <p>Sausage Sizzle/Tea/Coffee Enquiries to: Bruce Stratton. Phone 027 485 3634</p> |

Upcoming Event Calendar

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North Island Model A Ford Club Events

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| Sunday 9 September | Warbirds National Museum – Ardmore \$10 per person, More details to come. | |
| Saturday 22 September (and possibly Sunday 23 September). | International Model A Ford Day 'NZ - first in the world to celebrate! An important date in the Calendar for Model Aers all around the globe! In the planning stage – more details to come as finalised. (Keep the Sunday 23 September free, as celebrations may involve the Sunday also). |  |
| Friday 26 October | North Island Model A Ford Club – AGM – VCC Clubrooms (same venue as last year) |  |
| Sunday 25 November |  North Island Model A Ford Club XMAS PARTY A fantastic Club Event - Secure the date in your diary. More details to come. | |

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

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| Sunday 29 July | Henry Ford Memorial Day and Swap Meet, Hamilton (Claudelands Events Centre, Gate 3, Brooklyn Road. Details of the day to come. |
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VEGAS NIGHT

Plus



ANNUAL PRIZE-GIVING

DINNER MUSIC DANCING

SPOT PRIZES GALORE - RAFFLES

You have to be in to WIN



Saturday 25 August 2018 – 6pm

REMUERA CLUB - GREENLANE (the old CT Club)

27 – 33 Ohinerau Street, Remuera

If you play your cards right you could be a lucky winner. Join us for an evening of celebrations along with congratulations as we shake the dice and show our card hands. This will be a night worth remembering. It is important we know numbers for catering purposes. Please direct debit the club account your payment for ticket(s), using your name as ID, or discuss with Ralph. A ticket will be issued and must be brought along on the night.



Dusted your suit for Vegas Night Pop

Clara will do that for me

- \$28 per person (Members)
- \$38 per person (Non-Members)

RSVP and payment to Ralph Levinson before 05 August 2018. Please Book early!!

Bank Account No 123068 0187485 00
(reference your name)

- A buffet dinner will be served
- Pre-Dinner drinks (cash bar) 6pm
- Prize-giving
- Entertainment
- Dancing
- Fun activities (no gambling)
- Raffles

If you have any questions please contact Karen Thomas, Secretary 027 419 0191 (09) 443 5253 or email: mosseykar@gmail.com



Rotorua Vintage & Veteran Car Club Inc



THE THIRTY EIGHTH CENTRAL NORTH ISLAND **SWAP MEET** & CAR SHOW SPECTACULAR

**STOCK CAR RACEWAY PARADISE VALLEY
ON SUNDAY JULY 8th 2018**



FEATURING VINTAGE, VETERAN, CLASSIC CARS AND HOTRODS

This event will be of interest to all collectors of Vintage, Veteran, Classic and Collectable Cars, Motorcycles, Hot Rods, Memorabilia, Old Car Books, Old Toys, Model Cars & Trains, and anything of a Collectable or Antique Nature.

Opens from 7am till 2pm with hot food and refreshments available

FOR SITE ENQUIRIES

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Car Show Enquiries Ph: Bob Mackay ph 07 332 3849 Email: bob.mackay@clear.net.co.nz

Website: www.rotoruvintagecarclub.org.nz

Admission —
Seller's vehicle and driver
\$10.00 per site

ALL others —
\$5.00 per person
(Accompanied children FREE)

North Island Swap Meets - 2018

| Date | Town/Region |
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| 8 July | Rotorua |
| 6 October | Fielding |

South Island Swap Meets - 2018

| Date | Town/Region |
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| 1 September | Waimate |
| 12 to 14 October | Christchurch |

For more information, please drop Errol a line:

Email: errolmac@xtra.co.nz Or Mobile 027 4543 983





Car Show 2018

**WAIRARAPA BRANCH
50TH JUBILEE**

THE WAIRARAPA VINTAGE CAR CLUB WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO BRING ANY 30 YEAR, OR OLDER, OR SPECIAL INTEREST VEHICLE TO OUR CAR SHOW.

WE ARE ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO DRESS UP TO THE AGE OF THEIR VEHICLE OR 1968 AS THIS WAS THE YEAR OUR BRANCH STARTED.

THERE WILL BE A NUMBER OF PRIZES INCLUDING:

- Peoples choice
- Best club display
- Best dressed

Best American, British and Australian

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Myrna Lane
Phone (06) 377 3064
wandmlane@gmail.com

**SOLWAY SHOWGROUNDS
MASTERTON**

9.30am SUNDAY 14TH OCTOBER 2018

- ➡ Display Vehicle plus Driver \$5
- ➡ Adults \$2
- ➡ Family \$5

CASH ONLY **DONATION TO WESTPAC RESCUE HELICOPTER** **CASH ONLY**

If you know of any other events happening in the North Island, please drop the Committee a line.

Out and About in the 'A' – Club Night on Wednesday 13th June



A few photos from the recent Club Tech Night. Approximately 20+ members attended.

See full report, next Newsletter.

Winter Wednesday – 27th June at the Alex!



A group of 16 keen Model Aers braved a cold Auckland evening, to attend an informal social gathering at the Alex Bar and Eatery in Greenlane, Auckland on Wednesday 27th June. A chance to warm up with a 2 course buffet including steaks cooked on the indoor BBQ, a selection of salads and hot dishes, finished off with apple dessert, cream and custard. An evening to share stories and socialise with Club Members.

Thanks for coming along, Kay Palmer & Stephen Upson



Note: Editor, Kay was present but stepped out to take this photo

A happy group getting together to celebrate the Royal Wedding in style!



Sunshine Report



SUNSHINE REPORT – JULY

During the past month I was made aware that approximately four of our Club members are undergoing treatment for different forms of cancer, all at varying stages of their treatment. Understandably these people did not want their names published in the newsletter however they were strong enough to share their ordeal and feelings with me. Thank you, your burden has been shared. To all those members I want you to know that you have the Club's support and get well wishes. We all hope to see you back on the road again soon. For any other Club members who are experiencing an unfortunate interlude in their life we encourage you to maintain a positive attitude.

"A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it annoys enough people to make it worthwhile".

Karen Thomas, Secretary NIMAFC



What you find in another person's garage -- By Marty Perkinson

Recently in my travels I happened to notice the front of a Model A (with its distinctive stainless steel radiator surround) poking out the front of a garage. The number plate caught my eye - "31 JAP A". Initially I thought it might be a joke. But the plot thickened when I spoke to the owner (who wished to remain anonymous).

This car was, in fact, produced in Japan. Assembly plant production figures prepared by MAFCA report there were 14,008 Model As produced in Japan, 4,848 in 1931.

This particular car is a roadster, perhaps not a deluxe. It is all complete, no visible rust and could easily be made roadworthy without too much restoration.

There are some quite unique features for this Japanese manufactured car.

Because of the smaller cylinder dimensions it has a 28 BHP motor, or, measured in a different way, 14.9 tax horsepower. In some European countries, and Japan, a tax was payable based on the vehicles "tax horsepower", as measured by a mathematical formula based on cylinder dimensions. This was considered desirable in countries that had purchase and renewal fees based on taxable horsepower.



The hubcaps are part of the wheel hub and are not detachable. Well ahead of its time, trafficators/indicators are part of the car, obviously for safety reasons.

The step plates and radiator are marked with the manufacturer's name ISAMU SHOKO LTD



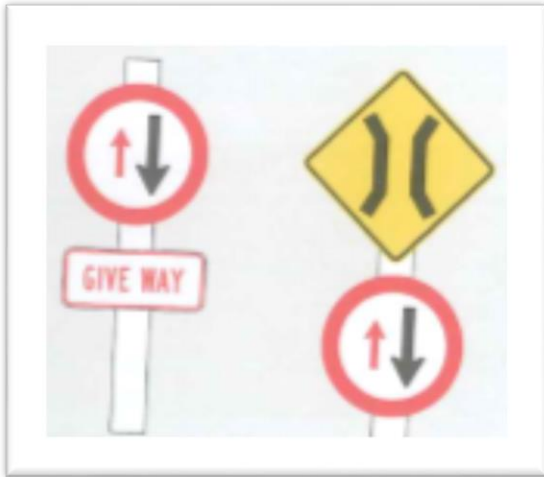
The owner told me about 7 years ago a reporter flew from America to do a story on the car, which was published in an American Ford magazine. It was hoped this would flush out any other Model A that had been produced in Japan. But no one came forward.

So perhaps this could be the only Model A left in the world that was produced in Japan?

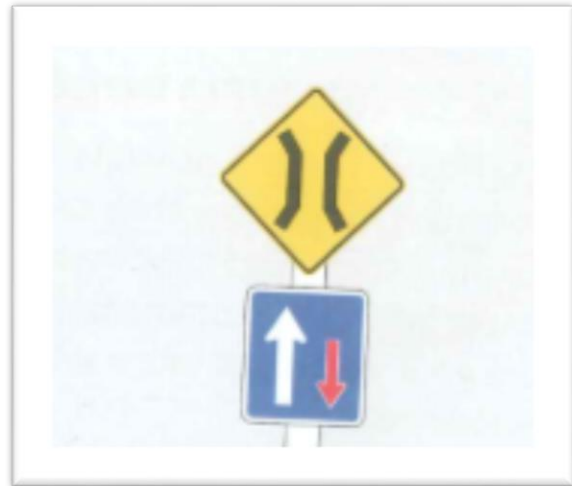
One-Lane Bridges

A number of roads in New Zealand have one-lane bridges where vehicles travelling in one direction must give way to vehicles going in the other direction.

Any of the signs below show that you are approaching a one-lane bridge. Slow down and check for traffic coming the other way. The smaller red arrow shows which direction has to give way.



These 2 signs show you must give way to traffic coming the other way across the bridge.



This sign indicates that if no traffic is approaching, you can proceed across the bridge with caution.

Winter Driving

Look out for this slippery surface sign in wet or icy conditions – slow down and avoid braking suddenly.

Snow and ice can make roads even more hazardous, particularly around mountain passes.



Travelling Times

It's easy to underestimate travelling times in New Zealand.

Distances may seem short on paper, but New Zealand roads may be narrower than you're used to, cover hilly terrain and vary from motorways to unsealed gravel roads.

If you're tired you're much more likely to have a crash. Here are some tips to help you stay alert.

- Get plenty of rest before a long drive
- Take a break from driving every two hours
- If possible, share the driving with someone else
- Avoid large meals and drink plenty of fluid
- If you begin to feel sleepy, stop at a safe place and try to have a short sleep for up to 40 minutes
- If you're feeling very tired, find a place to stay overnight

Form 3027
500M—7-10-29

NEW CAR DIRECTIONS

SPEED Avoid high speeds while the car is new. To obtain best results, IT SHOULD NOT BE DRIVEN FASTER THAN 30 TO 35 MILES PER HOUR FOR THE FIRST 500 MILES.

OIL Keep the oil at "F" on the measuring rod, especially during the first few hundred miles. Never let it get below the mark "L." Remove measuring rod and wipe with a dry cloth before testing the level. OIL SHOULD BE CHANGED AFTER THE FIRST 500 MILES AND EVERY 500 MILES THEREAFTER. Summer oil should conform to S.A.E. specification 40, and Winter oil to S.A.E. specification 20.

BRAKES this car is equipped with 4-wheel mechanical brakes which are quick and positive in action. Keep the car under control at all times to avoid the necessity for sudden application of brakes which might result in discomfort to passengers or collision from rear.

FAN BELT Do not tighten fan belt. The V-type fan belt does not require tight adjustment for proper operation. Too tight an adjustment will result in excessive wear on fan belt and generator bearings, particularly at higher speeds.

TIRES For easy riding qualities, proper braking and long life keep the tires, both front and rear, inflated to 35 pounds. (4.75—21 tires should be inflated to 40 pounds).

INSPECTION To insure best results have an Authorized FORD DEALER inspect this car and make necessary minor adjustments after the first five hundred miles of running.

TRIPLEX SAFETY GLASS Triplex Safety Glass is used in this car for your protection. Do not replace Triplex Safety Glass with plate glass. If replacement is necessary use TRIPLEX SAFETY GLASS.

DRIVE SAFELY


Original types of upholstery in restoration:



Information sourced from the 'Model A Ford' Restoration Handbook

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| PHAETON | Two-tone cross cobra grain artificial leather |
| ROADSTER | Two-tone cross cobra grain artificial leather, rumble seat, same |
| Interior trim | |
| DELUXE COUPE, DELUXE SEDAN, TOWN SEDAN | Mohogany garnish mouldings |
| TOWN SEDAN | Silk curtains on the rear quarter windows and flexible robe rail |
| DELUXE SEDAN | Robe rail |
| COUPE | Brown check wool cloth. Pockets in doors. |
| DELUXE COUPE | Mohair, green or taupe. Bedford cord, deep tan. |
| SPORT COUPE | Above belt line, tan cloth. Below belt line, brown check. Rumble seat, two-tone cross cobra grain artificial leather. |
| TUDOR SEDAN | Brown check cloth. |
| CABRIOLET | Tan Bedford cord upholstery and trim below belt line. Rumble seat, two-tone cross cobra grain artificial leather. |
| DELUXE SEDAN | Tan Bedford cord, taupe or green mohair. |
| TOWN SEDAN | Brown or green mohair. |
| STATION WAGON | Two-tone cross cobra grain artificial leather |

Jim's technical tip for March, 2018
by Jim Cannon, MAFCA Technical Director

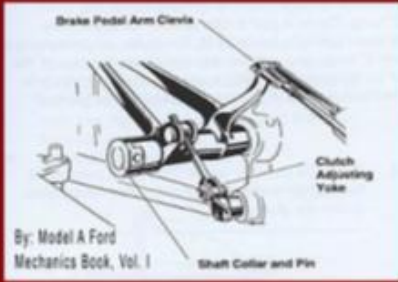


Clutch Pedal "Free Play"

You don't want to drive your car without any free movement or play in the clutch pedal before it starts to disengage the clutch. The clutch pedal must have at least 1" free movement or play at all times. As the clutch facings wear, this play gradually becomes less, and, if not adjusted back out, will result in clutch slippage and a burned out clutch.

The free play is adjusted by removing the clevis pin on the clutch actuating arm, below the clutch pedal. Screw the clevis rod out to increase pedal movement, to compensate for wear. Replace clevis pin and cotter pin.

Make checking the clutch pedal clearance and adjustment (when needed) a part of your routine maintenance checklist, and Have a Model A Day!



By: Model A Ford Mechanics Book, Vol. I

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Roadtrips

Spotted in a book 'Unforgettable Road Trips' (36 drives of a lifetime), by Martin Derrick

Christchurch to Queenstown, New Zealand

Distance 375 miles (603km), Driving Time 7 to 8 hours (in a Modern car).

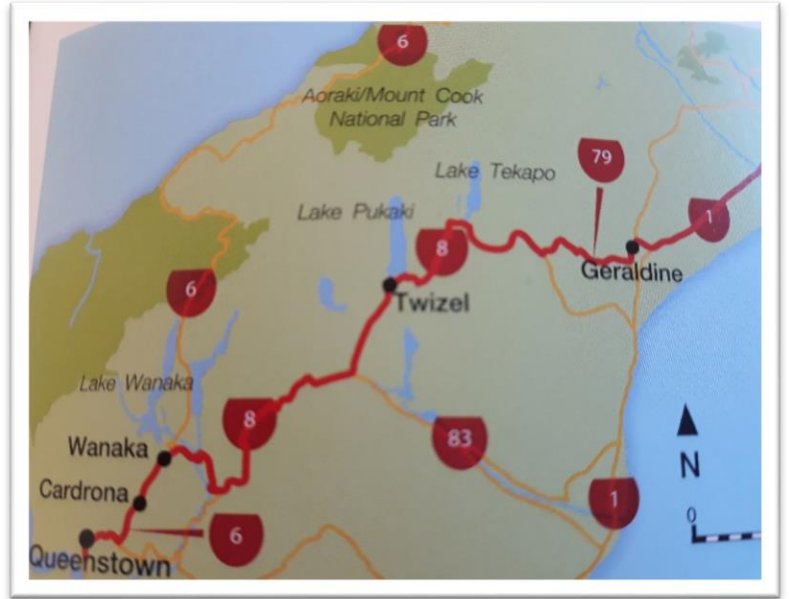
New Zealand's South Island is a place of beautiful scenery and nowhere are the views more breathtaking than on the road from Christchurch to Queenstown.

Must see:

Quite apart from the attractions of Christchurch and Queenstown at each end of this road trip, along the way are some of the finest scenery and some of the finest views in the South Island.

Burke's Pass, the Lindis Pass and the Crown Range Road offer high-level panoramas, while the clear waters of Lakes Tekapo, Pukaki and Wanaka provide a different sort of scenic beauty.

Also, on route nearby is Mount Cook (Aoraki), New Zealand's highest mountain, which towers over the placid waters of Lake Pukaki.



Queenstown in recent years has become even more popular since the 'Lord of the Rings' series of films was shot nearby.

Is there a Roadtrip you would like to share with Club Members?

North Island Model A Ford Club is a registered Chapter Member of the **Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA)**.





Wearing 1920/30s stockings today

For basic colours, choose nudes and tans, one shade darker than your natural skin.

- Matte sheen is better than shiny materials
- If your stockings don't have seams, you can draw one in with an eyebrow pencil that matches the stocking colour

Source: vintagedancer.com

Classified Advertisements

There is no charge for members selling their own items. Items will be advertised 3 times unless renewed or cancelled. Business size commercial ads are \$25 per year.

For business ads contact Ralph Levinson (09) 578 3000.

Currently updating this section – if you have an ad please let us know. Items may have sold since the last publication email to nimafc@outlook.com

AUCKLAND CAMS

www.aucklandcams.co.nz

Camshaft Machine Shop
Unit 1, 32 Moselle Ave
Henderson, Auckland
Henry van Vugt
Mobile 0274 -860400
aucklandcams@xtra.co.nz

Courier Delivery address
251 Don Buck Road, Massey, Auckland
Competition/Race/Rally/Performance Camshafts

A rectangular advertisement for 'Veteran AND Vintage Spares and Repairs Ltd'. The background is a collage of vintage cars. The text is arranged as follows: 'Veteran AND Vintage' in large, bold letters at the top; 'Spares and Repairs Ltd' below it; 'RESTORATION SUPPLIES TYRES & BODY PANELS' in a blue box; 'Specialist | Model T & Model A 1907-1931 16" Tyres black and white wall' in smaller text; and contact information for 'Errol & Linda McAlpine' including phone numbers (09 832 9818, 0274 543 983), email (vet.vin@xtra.co.nz), and website (www.veteranvintagecars.co.nz), along with the address '1127 Scenic Drive, Swanson, Waitakere, Auckland'.



While reading this 12 of our Club Members are away in Sparks – Reno, Nevada attending the MAFCA National Model A Convention. Spark is 4-5 miles east of Reno, 850 miles from Tucson and with an elevation of 4400 feet. There are over 500 Model A's registered for this year's event. Can you imagine that many A's. What a sight.



MAFCA has served Model A Ford owner's since 1997 and provides members with good sound information. If you would like to become a member and receive a monthly newsletter from MAFCA, send an email to chapters@mafca.com with the subject "Sign me up".

Alternatively contact Karen Thomas, Secretary NIMAFC to discuss. I will be only too pleased to answer your questions.

See you when I get back. An account of our trip to the National's will be supplied for your next Club Newsletter. Watch this space!!



Did You Know?

Your MAFCA membership includes a monthly digital newsletter

With each edition you will receive

- The latest MAFCA news
- Technical information
- MAFCA's President's thoughts
- Jim Canon's monthly tec tip
- Tour thoughts by Miss Katie
- The best articles of The Restorer from 50 years ago
- Updates on activities from the world of MAFCA
- Great Model A photos
- And More, More and More!

to sign up simply send an email to chapters@mafca.com and say "Sign me up"



Karen Thomas, Secretary

From the NIMAFC Editor:

Hi everyone. As promised, the full Newsletter is back.

The cycle for Newsletter distribution is now altered, with the aim to distribute to all Members, at the beginning of each month.

The key is variety in content, with wide appeal to our readers. We have an international following too.

Special thanks to the Contributors this month. It makes my job easier, when articles/photos are submitted and helps to make the Newsletter interesting to read. If you have a restoration story you would like to share, please let me know.



I'm now back from a 9-day holiday in Honolulu, Hawaii, braving the winter season and wrapping up warm. On holiday it was great to spot 3 Model A Fords around Honolulu, including a Woody, complete with surfboard on the roof (Hope to share this photo with you all soon).

Hope to see you at the Movie night at Ryders soon!

Thanks and Best Wishes, Kay Palmer (NIMAFC Newsletter Editor).

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Officers of the Club/Committee

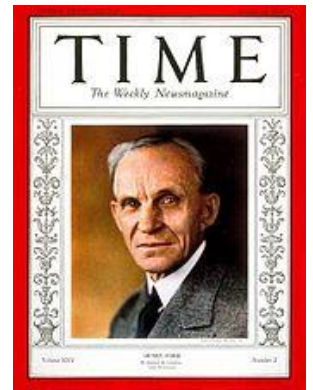
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| Historian | Paul Smith | |

If interested in joining the NIMAFC – please contact Ralph Levinson, (or any of the above Committee).

On a final note:

Henry Ford (Founder of the Ford Motor Company) **July 30**, 1863 to April 7, 1947

Photo from Wikipedia (1935)



The First Model A

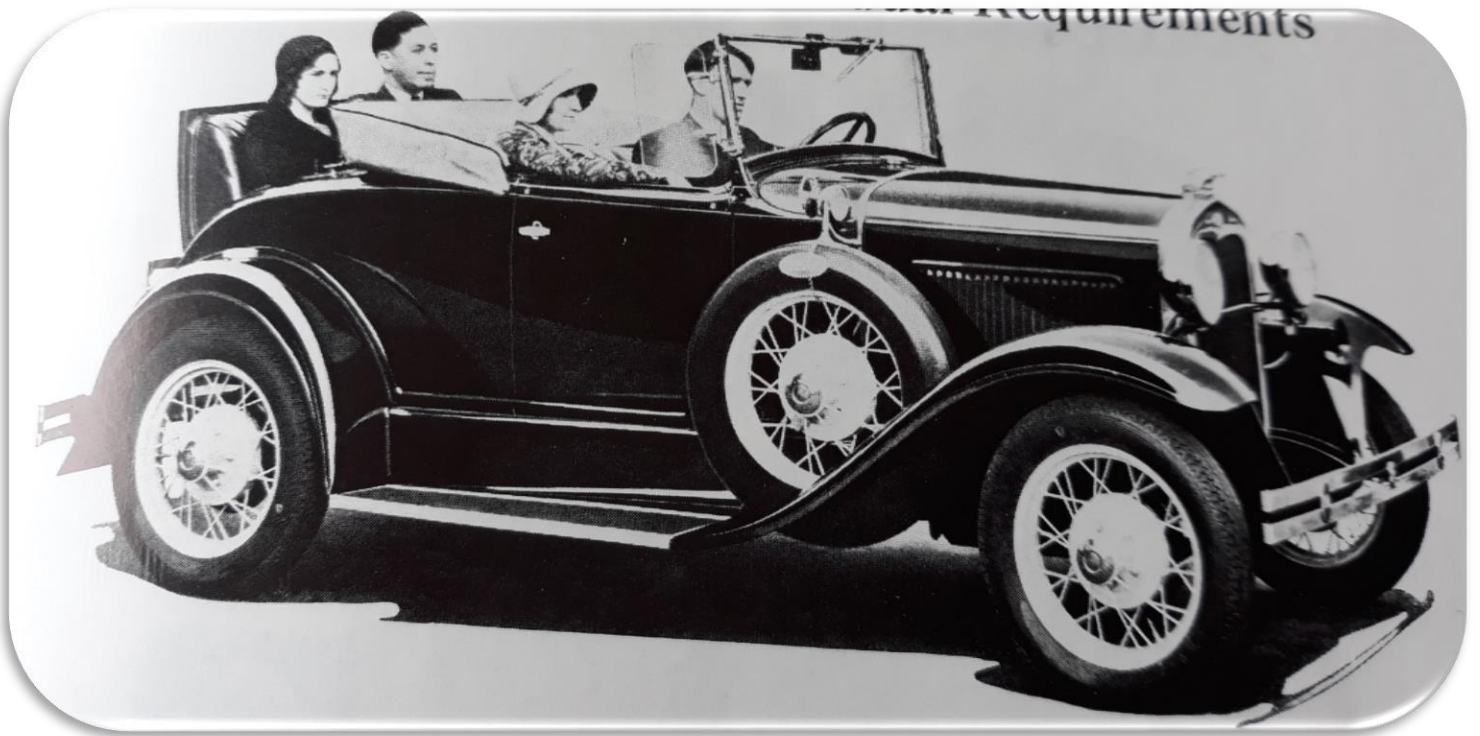
The very first Model A rolled off the assembly line on October 20, 1927. This was only about 40 days prior to the official Model A introduction date of December 2, 1927. This car was a Tudor Sedan and has often been seen in promotional photographs showing Henry Ford stamping serial number "1" on its engine block. Henry presented this car as a gift to his best friend, Thomas A. Edison. As Henry found out that Edison really preferred an open car, he had the Tudor Sedan body removed and replaced with a Phaeton body.

Extract from Restorer, September/October 2015 (By Jim Thomas, Cincinnati, Ohio)

From the archives (Restorer May/June 1967)

Model A taxicab

On December 4, 1928, production of the Model A taxicab was announced. First shipments were painted Balsam Green below the belt, upper bodies were medium Cream. Approximately 4,500 cabs were made domestically in 1928 and 1929.



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