



MODEL A TORQUE

December 2019



Christmas function, Cosy Corner Holiday Park, Mt Maunganui

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 genuine interest in the Model A Ford. Ownership is not a prerequisite.

Website www.modelafordclub.co.nz

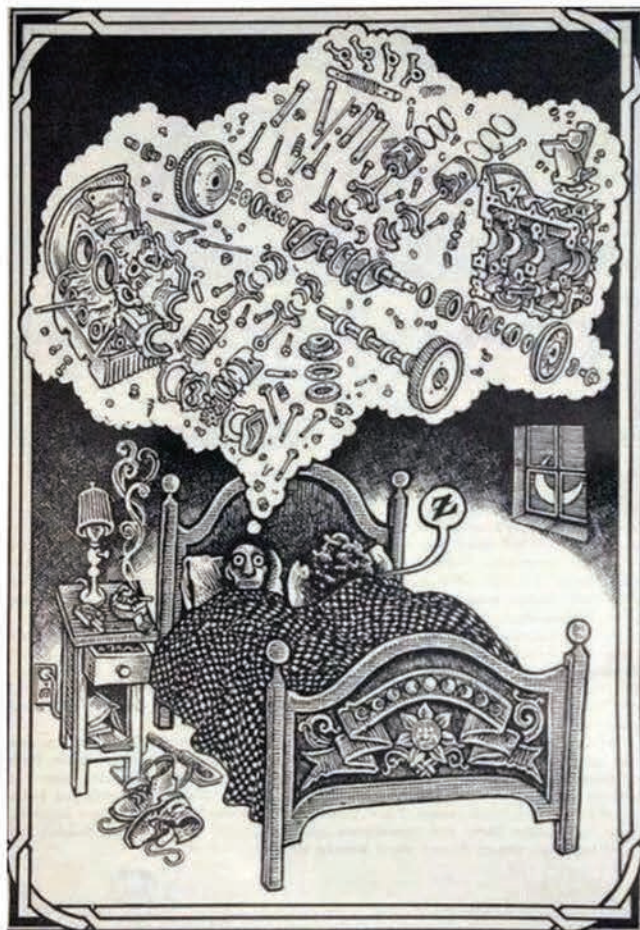
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Chapter Members of -





Hello fellow Model A'ers

It's almost Christmas! Suddenly it's the final month of the year and like many others, I'm wondering how the year disappeared so quickly. Does time speed up as we get older? Is the answer a 24-month year? Can we take solace in knowing we'll never be this young again?

Just in case you haven't heard, we had some committee changes at the Club's October AGM. After 4 years I've stepped down as Treasurer/Memberships. My place has been taken by Fiona Learmonth, assisted by her husband Garry. Wade Alexander is our new Secretary, replacing Karen Thomas. Andrew Costello replaces Errol McAlpine as Vice Captain. Finally, Kay Palmer has stepped down as Newsletter Editor. Her place has not yet been filled, so I've offered to be this month's Editor. Club Captain Hugh is hoping others will step up for a turn at being Editor in the coming months. If you've never done it before ... nor have I. I'm not even quite sure how this is going to turn out. But "having a go" is what life is all about.

And talking of "having a go", those who drove often considerable distances to the Club's recent Christmas function at the Cosy Corner Holiday Park, Mt Maunganui, seemed to thoroughly enjoy the event. More about that inside. Special thanks to the event organisers, Tony & Pam Mannington, supported by several Club members.

Meantime, your Club sends you Seasons Greetings, holiday cheer and a happy New Year. Calm seas and safe motoring in 2020 too.

Warm Model A wishes,

Ralph Levinson

Former Treasurer, one-off Editor and fellow member of the North Island Model A Ford Club Inc.



“A” Captain’s Comment

It has been another year to be proud of. Christmas is upon us once more with increasing regularity, but it is exciting and enjoyable all the same.

With the AGM behind us now your new committee is settled, active and running with a list of suggestions for events next year. But we must not forget our recent endeavours with the wonderful weekend at Tauranga and the Mount. Tony and

his team set a high bar to match and it was great to be able to link with the Central North Island Model A’s. Thanks again Tony and Cosy Corner for your great hospitality.

We can look forward to another Christmas “Park in the Park” this Sunday. Thank you Ralph for organising this annual activity, which is such an enjoyable relaxed occasion for our members and of interest to the public as they review cars of yesteryear.

May I take this moment on behalf of the Club Committee, to wish all our members and fellow motoring enthusiasts a very enjoyable Christmas and New Year as they unwrap their presents or write their New Year Resolutions. To all our followers have a very special and happy festive season.

Enough. It is time to be Merry. See you all on Sunday at Cornwall Park. Don’t forget to bring the sunshine with your Ford.

Cheers

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Officers of the Club/Committee

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|--|-------------------------|---|
| Club Captain | Hugh Hulse | Phone 021 599 981 Email gatland.park@xtra.co.nz |
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Introducing ourselves, Fiona and Garry Learmonth, the new Club Treasurers



We have been members of the North Island Model A Ford Club since 2014. We have both thoroughly enjoyed all the events we have attended and the comradery of the Club members. Especially their willingness to provide assistance when in need and the passion that members have for the good old Model A Ford. We are the proud owners of a 1928 AR Phaeton, which we have owned since 2000.

We have both been on, and are still on committees of Charitable Trusts, which require a lot of our time. We see the work and effort that the current and past Model A Club Committee members have put in to organising events and moving the Club forward.

Fiona works from home as a bookkeeper and lifestyle block slave, and Garry is a Police Officer, and also a lifestyle block slave.

In a moment of euphoria at the last AGM, we put our hands up to take over the role as Treasurer from the outgoing, wonderful Ralph Levinson. This was an opportunity for us to give back to the Club. We realise it takes time and commitment to be on a Committee. Hopefully we can keep the books in order and continue the work that Ralph has diligently completed over the last four years in the role. Thank you Ralph.

We will work for the Club members and the wellbeing of the Club. Please feel free to contact us with your questions or concerns, in relation to the Treasurer's role.

May we ask the members who have not yet forwarded their annual subscription to forward these as soon as you are able, so that the Club can continue to provide you with organised events, newsletters etc.

Annual Subscription, 1 September 2019 – 31 August 2020

Individual / Family membership

Paid by 15 November **\$45.00**

Paid after 15 November **\$55.00**

Payment can be made by:

1. Bank transfer to the Club's ASB account **12 3068 0187485 00**. Please include your name.

Or by 2. Cheque made out to the **"North Island Model A Ford Club Inc"**, (send to PO Box 99249, Newmarket, Auckland 1149).

Your past Treasurer has kept the membership database up to date. To continue to do this, please let us know of any changes to your email address, postal address, phone numbers or Model A's that you have brought / sold in the last 12 months.

Thank you for the support you have given, and will give to your Club in the future. It is greatly appreciated.

Kind regards

Fiona and Garry Learmonth

NIMAF C Treasurers

Tech Night Visit to GMS Hot Rods

13 November 2019

Many thanks to Club members, Greg Stokes & Tania Foster for hosting a very interesting evening at their Kumeu home and business.

Greg wrote the following after the visit –

We really enjoyed hosting the Club on the Tech Night to GMS Hot Rods and were most impressed with the distances you all travelled to attend.

While my background comes primarily from hot rodding and drag racing, my appreciation for the Model A Ford runs deep.

Interestingly enough there are many cases of well-known and respected hot rodders throughout New Zealand who own one if not two or a few all original Model A Ford's. One example of bridging the gap between vintage motoring, hot rodding and everything in between, is the Lucky 17 Model A Speedster of Bob Neville which GMS Hot Rods has done plenty of design and fabrication work on.

While we have two 1932 Ford Roadster hot rods and my partner Tania has a heavily customised 1936 Ford three-window Coupe, we also have two original Model A Fords and a Model A powered 1922 Model T Roadster project. Despite the barbaric reputation hot rodders may have in some vintage car owners' minds, I know for a solid fact that "the hot rodders" have an increasing appreciation for original or restored Model A Fords.

Thanks also Tania & Greg for making your home available for supper around an outdoor fire, as night settled over your property.

BTW, see the October 2018 newsletter for the story featuring Club members Bob & Julie Neville's 1928 Model A Ford Boat Tail Racer. As Greg mentions above, he did extensive work to enhance the character of *Lucky 17*.

Yet another much enjoyed NIMAFC event.





NIMAFC Christmas Get Together at Mt Maunganui

29 November – 1 December

The 2019 NIMAFC Christmas function held at Cosy Corner Holiday Park in Mount Maunganui – what a great event!

Many thanks to the organisers, also our hosts, Vicki and Greg. Tony and Pam Mannington were lead organisers, pulling the event together from their home in Taupo. Not only was it a great event, they somehow provided good weather too.

Most people made it there on Friday and approximately 80 of us met up at the local RSA for a buffet dinner, a few drinks and social evening. Saturday started with the Model A muster in front of the Cosy Corner office block for a media photo. Then a welcome and safety briefing, before direction sheets were handed out as we left the Park.

Off to Doug Brown's Avocado orchard in Katikati, where he and Linda showed us true hospitality. Just enough room to park all the Model A's in one area, with the moderns being kept a respectful distance away. Tea and coffee were provided. Doug and his team gave us a guided tour of the farm and pack house. Questions regarding the growing and marketing of avocados abounded and were all answered.

We then all broke out our picnics and enjoyed a social lunch. After lunch, a drive through the backroads back to Cosy Corner. The Hubley race track was set up in front of the popular grandstand viewing area. Much interest was shown and apparently this is only the first or second time the Hubley track has been used at Club level. Judging by the interest, I hope this becomes an annual event. A draw was made with 16 entrants and the rules for the day explained. Two runs for each heat, one on each side of the track. If tied at 1 win each, a coin toss in which the winner decided what side of the track they wished to have for the tie breaker. Two dead heat races had to be rerun. After plenty of races, Greg Davidson won the Hubley trophy.

Towards the end of racing, the Club's Guacamole Masterchef Challenge started. The contestants (about 20) were all given avocados and dispatched to make their competition bowl of guacamole. All bowls were identical except for the number on the side, so our Mexican judges could not be influenced. Half an hour later the concoctions had to be on the table for judging. Sonja came away as winner of the Guacamole Challenge and was awarded the gold medal, chef's hat and very generous 7kg of Doug's avocados.

Then dinner. Organisers had cooked 2 large hams and a number of chickens and potatoes, so along with members' contributions, we had a great meal. Santa then appeared and did a brilliant job of distributing his sack of presents. The elves had had a busy year.

After Santa disappeared, dessert was served and we all socialised long into the night. Sunday morning arrived and some left for all compass directions, while others socialised and finished off leftover buns, ham and other food from the evening meal. What a great weekend.

We're looking forward to attending many more events in the future – I think that if more of our members wish to organise and hold events in their local areas, the committee will support them. I for one will try to attend (hopefully even in my now almost complete A Delivery van).

David Heilbron

A Model A Lover's Dream

Ecoavo Organic Avocados

Thompsons Track

Katikati

Can you imagine a more wonderful sight than thirty plus beautiful shiny Model A cars cruising along your drive. Then being parked ever so carefully, filling up every available space in your front yard ... with a few cars being parked amongst the shady avocado trees.

Such beauty and elegance made for a most interesting and enjoyable stroll around our home and orchard. Each Model A a splendid testament to its proud owners.

The warm sunny weather and happy friendly picnickers – all of us with a common love for Model A cars – made for a great time together.

Henry Ford would be delighted that his dream of "building a car for the great multitude" has continued so long into the future, and still brings so much pleasure to so many people.

Kind regards

Linda Downey

Cosy Corner Holiday Park

40 Ocean Beach Road

Mt Maunganui

It was our pleasure to host you all at Cosy Corner Holiday Park over the weekend; we enjoyed it just as much as you did.

We would like to especially thank you for the 81 cans donated to the Tauranga community foodbank appeal, and for your support with our plastic reduction efforts. By using and washing all our crockery and cutlery, you prevented over 500 items going in to our landfill bin. Thank you all so much!

We took photos of each car leaving our camp on Saturday morning. These have been posted on the NIMAFc Facebook page, but are also available by emailing your rego number to:

stay@cosycorner.co.nz

Best Regards

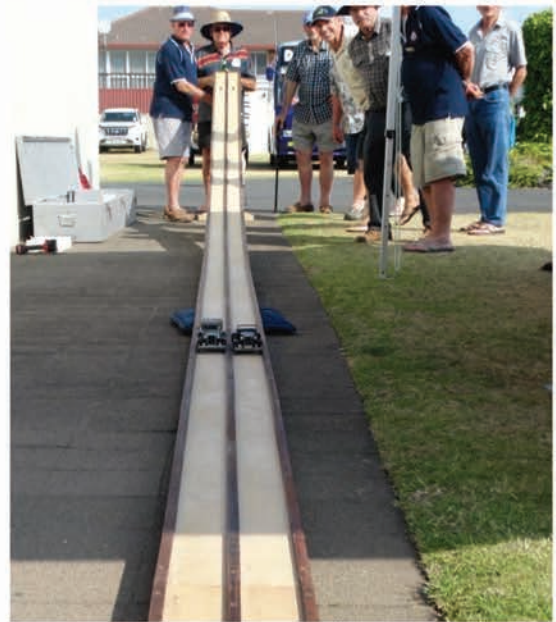
Greg and Vicki

Greg Davidson & Vicki Woodcraft



Photo Gallery

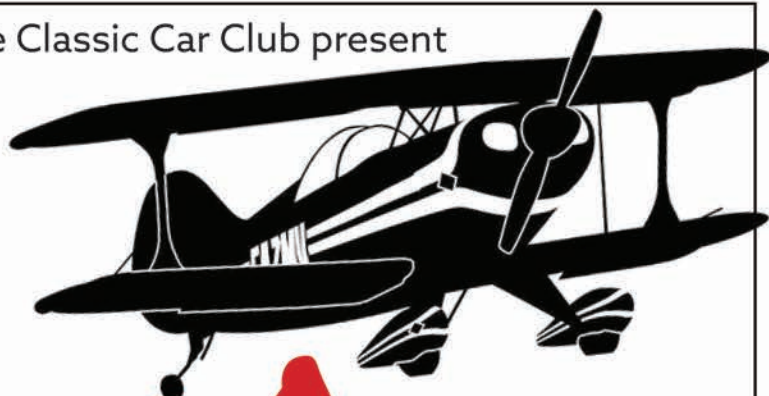
Thanks to Club members for these photos





Everyone who attended the September Awards Dinner will remember Minnie Mouse. At the end of the evening, Di Humphreys bid for Minnie as a fundraiser for Ethan Jones. Keith Humphreys has since sent this photo, showing that petrolhead Minnie has taken over Keith & Di's much admired 1930 Model A Special. Go Minnie!

Hauraki Aeroclub and Thames Vintage Classic Car Club present



THAMES

Wings

AND

Wheels



25TH JANUARY 2020

THAMES AIRFIELD

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Gates open from 8:00 AM, cars to be parked by 9:30 AM

\$15 per person - Children under 12 free

CASH ONLY, TICKET SALES AVAILABLE ONLINE

NO PETS ALLOWED

- A static display of aircraft and vehicles PLUS Warbirds in attendance
- Food, drink and entertainment
- Music by Craig Robertson, Mind Over Matter & Chet O'Connell
- Prizes for best cars and aircraft

Visit www.wingsandwheelsthames.com

Upcoming Events

Update flyers will be forwarded closer to the events by committee member, John Ross.

Wednesday 15 January

From 6.00pm. Onehunga Beach Bbq Get-together.

Saturday 25 January

10.00am – 3.00pm. Thames Wings & Wheels.

See flyer in this newsletter.

Sunday 26 January

Thames-Te Aroha Run, organised by Bruce Smith.

Meet Kopu Carpark 9.30am. Depart 10.00am. Lunch at Te Aroha.

Bruce Smith needs numbers in advance – **rsvp** to Bruce Stratton, 027 485 3634, brucestratton@xtra.co.nz

Sunday 9 February

Ellerslie Classic Car Show.

Club Entry (6 cars).

Coordinator, John Castle, 021 957 032, jmcastle@xtra.co.nz.

Wednesday – Sunday 19-23 February

Art Deco Festival, Napier.

Several Club members are planning to set off from Auckland on Wednesday.

Sunday 23 February

Jim & Jan's Run Out West, departing Massey Domain.

Coordinators, Jim Corbett, 027 417 8359, jimzz52@outlook.com

John Castle, 021 957 032, jmcastle@xtra.co.nz

Wednesday 11 March

Tech Night. Sunnybrae Auto Services, Northcote.

6 & 12v coils, condensers, generator cutouts etc.

Coordinator, John Castle, 021 957 032, jmcastle@xtra.co.nz

Date to be advised

March run. Details to follow.

Coordinators, Andrew & Marlene Costello, 021 943 063, gizmocat@slingshot.co.nz

Wednesday 15 April

Tech Night. Continental Stairs Ltd, Henderson. Manufacturers of quality bespoke stairs.

Coordinator, Jim Corbett, 027 417 8359, jimzz52@outlook.com

A warm welcome to the Club's most recent members

New member packs & name badges have been sent. We look forward to seeing you at future Club events.

Warwick & Kirsty Bremner, Clevedon

Bruce & Trish Jefferies, Taupo

Chris Blackwell, Whangarei



NORTH ISLAND MODEL A FORD CLUB INC

Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Friday 18 October 2019 – 7.30pm

Venue: Auckland VCC Clubrooms, 39 Fairfax Ave, Penrose

Present

Hugh & Anne-Marie Hulse; John Castle; Ralph & Jenny Levinson; Bruce Smith; Robert Steele; Bruce Stratton; Terry & Joss Costello; Rodger Ball; John Ross; David Mossman & Karen Thomas; Trevor Farr; Jim & Jan Corbett; Marty & Anne Perkinson; Andrew Costello; Kay Palmer & Stephen Upson; Steve Driver; Stuart & Diane Jordan; Shaun & Dianne Bellamy; Garry & Fiona Learmonth; Rob & Trish Brown; Brian & Kay Hosking; Daphne & Alex Wilson; Gavin Leckner; Wade Alexander; Noel & Trevor Shaw.

39 people in attendance.

Apologies

David Heilbron; Tony & Pam Mannington; Errol McAlpine; Warwick and Penny Woollams; Graham Somerville; Martin & Alayne Rees; Paul & Kerrie Hunter; Bill and Sherril Hulse; Bill Quelch; Tony, Lyndsay and Joshua Bartlett; Tom and Helen White; Murray and Anne Ashby; Harry Sherbourne and Robyn Shieff; Letitia Driver; Ross Bolton, Helen Leckner; Neil Aston; Marlene Costello; Mary Castle; Carol Farr; Vic Brickell; Val Ball; Rae Emus; Colleen Smith.

Moved, Jim Corbett. Seconded, Gavin Leckner.

Carried.

Obituaries

Members stood for a minute's silence in honour of Club members who had passed away during the year.

Minutes from the last AGM September 2018

The 2018 AGM Minutes were circulated to all members at the meeting and were also posted to all Club members. Sean Bellamy moved the 2018 AGM Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded, John Castle. Carried.

Matters arising from 2018 Minutes

1. Queried why there were 172 Memberships with total members of 291. Ralph explained most memberships are 2 people e.g. the Club annual subscription covers both individual and family memberships.
2. A good sound BBQ was purchased for Club use. This is detailed in Treasurers Report.

Club Captain's Report

The Club Captain's Report was read out by Hugh Hulse. Garry Learmonth moved that the Report be accepted. Seconded, Rob Brown. Carried.

Treasurers Report

Ralph Levinson spoke to the Treasurers Report, circulated at the meeting with a copy of the audited financial accounts for the financial year ending 31 August 2019. Jan Corbett moved that the Treasurer's Report and final accounts be accepted. Seconded Trevor Farr. Carried.

The Club's Ethan Jones Fund reached \$13,500 at the end of the 2018/19 financial year.

The Club has 175 Memberships, 4 Life Members and 5 Youth Associate Members. Club has total 299 persons. Over the year we have had 10 resignations and 13 new memberships.

A vote of thanks was given to Marty Perkinson for his services as the Club Auditor pro-bono.

Matters arising from Treasurers Report

Garry Learmonth asked whether committee members had free membership. Hugh indicated that we all volunteered our services but it was perhaps something for the incoming committee to consider.

Remit: Proposed change to Rule 7 (b) Officers.

Ralph Levinson explained the reason for the Remit change. There was much discussion over the correct wording for this. Terry Costello proposed we delete "If sufficient written nominations received" at the beginning of last sentence and start sentence with "Verbal nominations". Seconded Gavin Leckner. Carried.

Resolution - to be incorporated into the Club Rules with slight variation to that proposed.

The Officers of the Club shall be elected by a show of hands or if considered necessary by secret ballot at the Annual General Meeting and shall serve until the next Annual General Meeting. Written nominations, signed by two members, must be in the hands of the Secretary two days before the Annual General Meeting. Verbal nominations, duly seconded, may be accepted from the floor.

Election of Officers

No postal nomination forms received for any positions.

Discussion took place on the pros and cons of video conferencing club meetings. Hugh indicated this could be something for the incoming committee to look at. Meetings at present are monthly and dates decided by committee depending on calendar of events.

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| Club Captain | - Nomination, Hugh Hulse . Proposed, Terry Costello. Seconded; Rob Brown. | Carried. |
| Vice-Captain | - Nomination, Andrew Costello . Proposed; Terry Costello. Seconded; Jenny Levinson. | Carried. |
| Secretary | - No nominations were received | |
| Treasurer | - Nomination, Fiona Learmonth (assisted by Garry Learmonth) Proposed, John Castle. Seconded, Stephen Upson. | Carried. |
| Newsletter Editor | - No nominations were received | |
| Officers (2-4) | - Nomination, Jim Corbett . Proposed, Gavin Leckner. Seconded, Brian Hosking. | Carried. |
| | - Nomination, Bruce Stratton . Proposed, Ralph Levinson. Seconded, Garry Learmonth. | Carried. |
| | - Nomination, John Ross . Proposed, Andrew Costello. Seconded, John Castle. | Carried. |
| | - Nomination, John Castle . Proposed, Andrew Costello. Seconded, Steve Driver. | Carried. |

Newsletter Editor – there were no nominations received however there was much discussion. A suggestion was made to look outside the club for someone to undertake this role or look at our youth members who have IT skills. Select someone to gather the articles and outsource these for collation.

Kay Palmer suggested the newsletter could be bi-monthly.

Jenny Levinson indicated that a large percentage of our Club members live out of the Auckland area and are unable to attend events but happy to pay \$45 to receive a good newsletter. If we send out the newsletter bi-monthly are we still going to retain those members?

Club newsletters are meant to be the lifeline of any club and published to keep members fully informed of all that is happening in and around the club scene.

This position was not filled.

Secretary – there were no nominations received. There was discussion however the position was not filled.

Hugh Hulse decided to close discussion on the above two positions and leave any further development to the new incoming committee.

The Club has a committee of 7 for the 2019/20 year with position of Secretary and Newsletter Editor not filled.

General Business:

Trevor Farr enquired about the database of vehicle information Ralph Levinson had started. Ralph spoke to this and informed members of details.

Shaun and Dianne Bellamy were presented with their 30-year service badge by Bruce Stratton.

Meeting closed 9.00pm followed by supper.

Karen Thomas

Secretary, North Island Model A Ford Club Inc.



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Treasurer's Report for 2019 AGM

Currently our Club has 175 memberships. This includes 4 Life and 5 Youth Associate memberships. Since my 2018 report, we've had 10 resignations and 13 new memberships. Our annual subscription of \$45.00 covers both Individual and Family memberships – translated into numbers of people, this equates to 299 persons. Our members own 219 Ford Model A's or AA's.

As for the previous year, every membership was fully paid in the Club's 2018/19 financial year. And as for past years, it sometimes needed some persistent reminders. My record is 7 chase-ups prior to the subscription being paid. But you can never be sure if your emails or letters have been received – in the end a 'phone call inevitably gets a good result.

If you're reading this and realise you haven't paid your subscription for the Club's current year (1 September 2019 – 31 August 2020), payment would be appreciated. All payments are acknowledged. Details in the October newsletter.

A reminder to let us know of any changes to your email address, mailing address, landline or mobile phone numbers, sold or purchased Model A's etc. The Club has a fairly extensive membership database, including any details you tell us about restorations in progress etc. However it's only as up-to-date as the details you send us.

The Club's Ethan Jones Fund reached \$13,500.00 at the end of the 2018/19 financial year ... all contributions have been acknowledged with thanks. Every dollar received has been passed on to Ethan's Westpac account. This was a fantastic result, considering the committee were uncertain whether an initial target of \$5,000 could be reached. Our members have shown wonderful generosity and fellow Club members, Owen & Melissa Jones, Ethan's parents, have repeatedly expressed their gratitude. Ethan (4) has a form of cerebral palsy – he is now on a waitlist at the St Louis Children's Hospital in the US for the specialist surgery he needs to give him mobility. Of the \$150,000 needed, over \$115,000 has been raised.

We opened the Club's 2018/19 financial year starting 1 September 2018 with \$11,248.71 in our Cheque and Savings Plus accounts (of which \$4,323 was held for the Ethan Jones Fund). In March this year we transferred \$5,000 from the Savings Plus (formerly known as Accelerator) account to a higher interest bearing Term Deposit. We closed with a total of \$4,785.94 in our Cheque and Savings Plus accounts and a Term deposit of \$5,040.96. The Club's main Term Deposit of \$18,823.76 remains intact and earned interest of \$649.42.

If you look at the Statement of Income and Expenditure in the attached accounts, you'll see we had an excess of income over expenditure of \$1866.50. This year we purchased a stainless steel 6-burner, robust, hooded barbecue. Having bought a woefully inadequate cheap version, Bunnings agreed to a refund and we then purchased a quality unit that will last the Club for many years.

Once again, many thanks to our auditor, Marty Perkinson. Marty does a very thorough audit and annual account preparation, all on a pro-bono basis.

Thank you all. Our Club, now in its 47th year, exists because you belong to it, pay the sub and support events during the year.

Ralph Levinson

NORTH ISLAND MODEL A FORD CLUB (INC)
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
for the year ended 31 August 2019

2018

Balances, 1 September 2018

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|------------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 3,848.84 | Cheque Account | 6,186.57 | |
| 1,732.03 | Accelerater Account | 5,062.14 | |
| 18,823.76 | Term Deposit | 18,823.76 | |
| <u>24,404.63</u> | | | 30,072.47 |

Plus Receipts

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|--------------------|---------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| 7,210.00 | Membership Fees | 7,031.00 | |
| 674.34 | Interest Received | 759.14 | |
| 508.00 | Sale of Merchandise | 42.00 | |
| 1,710.00 | 2019 Awards Dinner Ticket Sales | 1,624.00 | |
| 0.00 | William C Daldy | 3,809.70 | |
| 4,323.00 | Ethan Jones Fund | 9,177.00 | |
| 45.00 | Sale of Badges | 0.00 | |
| 960.00 | Christmas Function | 0.00 | |
| 82.80 | Sundry Income | 191.00 | |
| <u>15,513.14</u> | | | <u>22,633.84</u> |
| <u>\$39,917.77</u> | | | <u>\$52,706.31</u> |

Less Payments

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|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 201.48 | Stationery | 294.52 | |
| 772.48 | Photocopying | 907.54 | |
| 119.00 | Engraving | 0.00 | |
| 755.56 | Badges | 649.77 | |
| 282.00 | Postage | 818.09 | |
| 2,190.15 | Christmas Function | 466.95 | |
| 1,099.36 | Club Functions | 739.50 | |
| 3,199.50 | 2019 Awards Dinner Expenses | 419.99 | |
| 0.00 | William C Daldy | 3,809.70 | |
| 86.83 | Trailer Expenses | 57.48 | |
| 120.58 | Accounts Payable | 17.00 | |
| 260.00 | PO Box Fee | 185.00 | |
| 101.50 | Subscriptions (NZFOMC) | 99.50 | |
| 207.00 | Website | 568.10 | |
| 126.80 | Gift US MAFCA | 0.00 | |
| 0.00 | Purchase of BBQ | 948.00 | |
| 244.66 | Insurance | 250.41 | |
| 0.00 | Ethan Jones Fund | 13,500.00 | |
| 0.00 | Donation, National Rally | 300.00 | |
| 78.40 | General Expenses | 24.00 | |
| <u>9,845.30</u> | | | 24,055.55 |

Balances, 31 August 2019

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|--------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| 6,186.57 | Cheque Account | 4,655.14 | |
| 5,062.14 | Accelerater Account | 130.90 | |
| 18,823.76 | Term Deposits | 23,864.72 | |
| <u>30,072.47</u> | | | <u>28,650.76</u> |
| <u>\$39,917.77</u> | | | <u>\$52,706.31</u> |

NORTH ISLAND MODEL A FORD CLUB (INC)
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
for the year ended 31 August 2019

2018

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|-------------------------|---|----------|--------------------------|
| | <u>Income</u> | | |
| 7,165.00 | Membership Fees | 7,076.00 | |
| 674.34 | Interest Received | 759.14 | |
| 82.80 | Sundry Income | 191.00 | |
| <u>7,922.14</u> | | | 8,026.14 |
| | <u>Less Expenditure</u> | | |
| 201.48 | Stationery | 294.52 | |
| 772.48 | Photocopying | 907.54 | |
| 119.00 | Engraving | 0.00 | |
| 710.56 | Badges | 649.77 | |
| 282.00 | Postage | 818.09 | |
| 1,099.36 | Club Functions | 739.50 | |
| 1,230.15 | Christmas Function | 466.95 | |
| 1,506.50 | Awards Dinner | 0.00 | |
| 622.00 | Depreciation (Note 2) | 498.00 | |
| 260.00 | PO Box Fee | 185.00 | |
| 101.50 | Subscriptions NZFOMC | 99.50 | |
| 207.00 | Website | 568.00 | |
| 126.80 | Gift US MAFCA | 0.00 | |
| 254.06 | Insurance | 245.69 | |
| 86.83 | Trailer Expenses | 57.48 | |
| 78.40 | General Expenses | 24.00 | |
| 0.00 | Computer Expenses | 0.00 | |
| 0.00 | Donation, National Rally | 300.00 | |
| 954.00 | Loss on Sale of Merchandise (Note 1) | 305.50 | |
| <u>8,784.62</u> | | | <u>6,159.64</u> |
| <u>-\$689.98</u> | <u>Excess of Income over</u> | | <u>\$1,866.50</u> |

Note 1

**Profit (Loss) on Sale of
Merchandise**

| | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Sale of Merchandise | | 42.00 |
| Less Cost of Sales | | |
| Inventory, 1 September 2018 | 875.00 | |
| Plus Purchases | 0.00 | |
| | <u>875.00</u> | |
| Less Inventory, 31 August 2019 | <u>527.50</u> | |
| | | <u>347.50</u> |
| Net Profit (Loss) | | <u>-\$305.50</u> |

NORTH ISLAND MODEL A FORD CLUB (INC)**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION****at at 31 August 2019****2018**

| | | |
|--------------------|--|--------------------|
| | <u>Accumulated Funds</u> | |
| 29,017.33 | Balance, 1 September 2018 | 28,327.35 |
| -689.98 | Plus Excess of Income over Expenditure | 1,866.50 |
| <u>\$28,327.35</u> | Balance, 31 August 2019 | <u>\$30,193.85</u> |

REPRESENTED BY:**Current Assets**

| | | | |
|------------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 6,186.57 | Cheque Account | 4,655.14 | |
| 5,062.14 | Accelerator Account | 130.90 | |
| 18,823.76 | Term Deposits | 23,864.72 | |
| 875.00 | Merchandise on Hand | 527.50 | |
| 203.88 | Prepaid Insurance | 208.60 | |
| <u>31,151.35</u> | | | 29,386.86 |

Non-Current Assets

| | | |
|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| <u>1,561.00</u> | Plant and Equipment (Note 2) | <u>2,011.00</u> |
|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|

| | | |
|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|
| 32,712.35 | <u>Total Assets</u> | 31,397.86 |
|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|

Less Current Liabilities

| | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| 4,323.00 | Ethan Jones Fund | 0.00 | |
| 0.00 | 2019 Awards Dinner (net) | 1,204.01 | |
| 45.00 | Subscriptions In Advance | 0.00 | |
| 17.00 | Accounts Payable | 0.00 | |
| <u>4,385.00</u> | | | 1,204.01 |

| | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>\$28,327.35</u> | <u>Total Net Assets</u> | <u>\$30,193.85</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|

Note 2**Plant & Equipment**

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Opening Val</u> | <u>Depn</u> | <u>Closing Value</u> |
|------------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Coffee cups | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Library | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Spring Spreader | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Wooden Sign | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Plastic Sign | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| A Frame | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Sectioned Engine | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Gazebo (20% DV) | 1,237.00 | 247.00 | 990.00 |
| Chairs (10% SL) | 14.00 | 2.00 | 12.00 |
| Trailer | Donated | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Laptop (50% DV) | 310.00 | 155.00 | 155.00 |
| BBQ (20% DV) | 948.00 | 94.00 | 854.00 |
| Tables (x2) | Donated | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| | <u>2,509.00</u> | <u>498.00</u> | <u>2,011.00</u> |

NORTH ISLAND MODEL A FORD CLUB (INC)

INVENTORY

| <u>Stock</u> | <u>31-Aug-18</u> | | | | <u>31-Aug-19</u> | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| | <u>Qty</u> | <u>Cost</u> | <u>Retail</u> | <u>Value</u> | <u>Qty</u> | <u>Cost</u> | <u>Retail</u> | <u>Value</u> |
| Caps | 10 | 1.00 | 15.00 | 10.00 | 0 | 1.00 | 15.00 | 0.00 |
| Sew on Badge | 26 | 9.00 | 5.00 | 130.00 | 26 | 9.00 | 5.00 | 130.00 |
| Hat Badge | 93 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 465.00 | 89 | 5.00 | 1.50 | 133.50 |
| Bumper Badge | 45 | 12.00 | 6.00 | 270.00 | 44 | 12.00 | 6.00 | 264.00 |
| | | | | <u>\$875.00</u> | | | | <u>\$527.50</u> |

Incorporated Societies Number 670526

AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NORTH ISLAND MODEL

A FORD CLUB (INC)

I have audited the Statement of Receipts and Payments, Statement of Financial Performance and Statement of Financial Position. The financial statements provide information about the past financial activities and financial position of the Club as at 31 August 2019.

Auditor's Responsibilities

It is my responsibility to express an independent opinion on the financial statements presented by the Committee and report my opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

An audit includes examining evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgments made by the Committee in the preparation of the financial statements; and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Club, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in New Zealand. I planned and performed my audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which I considered necessary in order to provide me with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatements.

In forming my opinion, I also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

I am a financial member of the Club.

Qualified Opinion

I have obtained all the information and explanations I have required. In common with other organisations of a similar nature, control over the income prior to its being recorded is limited and there are no practical audit procedures to determine the effect of this limited control.

In my opinion:

- proper accounting records have been kept by the Club as far as appears from my examination of those records; and
- subject to the possible effect of the limited control over income referred to in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements:
 - comply with generally accepted accounting practice; and
 - give a true and fair view of the position of the Club as at 31 August 2019 and the financial results of its activities for the year ended on that date.

My audit was completed on 24 September 2019 and my qualified opinion is expressed as at that date.



Martin Perkinson
JP, M.Com (Hons), Dip Tchg



How to Identify the Year of a Model A Ford

by Rick Black, Las Cruces NM



A typical question I hear is: *I have a quick question concerning the Model A Ford I've just acquired. It's in primer and in storage. What I would like to know is how to tell exactly what year it is. I think it's a 1931, but if you could give me some information on the changes in the body styles in the 28 - 31 years, I would be very grateful.*

In an attempt to answer this kind of question, I've put together the following "guidelines" based on my 30+ years of researching, collecting, and restoring Model A Fords. These guidelines are general in nature and don't attempt to narrow the date of manufacture to a particular month, but merely to identify the probable year of manufacture. If you're planning to have your car judged in club competition, the **Model A Restoration Guidelines and Judging Standards** are invaluable for helping you restore your car and determining the date with accuracy.

For Starters

There are two distinct Model A groups: **1928-1929** vehicles and **1930-1931** vehicles. Model A engines were made ahead of time and stamped with a number consisting of the letter A, a number up to 7 digits and a star. The [Reference Desk Page](#) on the MAFCA web site has a link to an [Engine Production Chart](#) showing motor serial numbers, so it's possible to look up the manufacture date of an engine.

However, it may have taken up to 3 months (or more in some cases) for engines to be used at an assembly plant and put into a chassis. During that assembly, the engine number was stamped onto the frame on the driver's side, just to the rear of the first body bolt hole. In most cases, it's impossible to see this number without taking the body and running board splash aprons off the frame.

Over time, engines wore out, and it was standard practice in the 1930s, 1940s, and 1950s to simply swap a tired engine with a different one. As long as the replacement engine was in good condition, the serial number on it was seldom a concern. Thus, it's common to find a 1929 engine in a 1931 car, for example. Trying to determine the year of the car merely by looking up the engine number is not conclusive. Instead, here's what to look for:

Is it a 1928-29 or a 1930-31?



The photo above left is a **1928 Tudor Sedan**. The photo above right is a **1931 De Luxe Tudor Sedan**. Each is typical of two basic year groups of Model A's. It's relatively easy to spot differences in the front bumpers, the size of the hub caps, the shape of the radiator shell and hood, and the gas tank/cowl section.

The 1928-29 Cars had nickel-plated, magnetic steel headlights and radiator shell. The same items on Commercial units (trucks) were also magnetic steel but were painted black. Bodies had a two-piece firewall with a horizontal seam (three-piece on Fords and Cabriolets). On the driver's side above the seam, the date of assembly might be found if you wipe the area clean. The radiators were shorter than later the 1930-31 models. 1929 style commercial bodies (trucks) were continued to mid-1930.

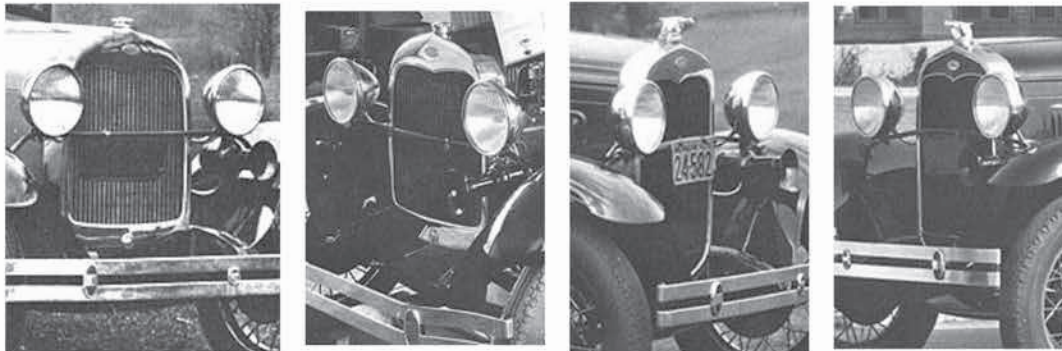
1930-31 Headlights were stainless steel and more rounded in the back. Radiators and shells were taller and made of stainless steel. 1930-31 cars had a seamless firewall. No dates are commonly found stamped on the firewall.

Wheels on 1928-29 vehicles were 21" with 4.50 tires and used smaller hub caps than the 1930-31 cars, which used 19" wheels and 4.75 tires. Since the wheels would fit on any year, wheel size alone won't determine the year of the car.

Quick Identification

The first thing to look at to identify the year of a Model A Ford is the area of the **radiator shell, headlights, bumpers**. If the car is original or accurately restored, you can quickly assess the correct year of the car. Remember though that there were many variations, and the Model A Restoration Guidelines and Judging Standards are the final word on what is correct for each year.

Take a look at the following pictures, from left to right, of **1928, 1929, 1930, and 1931** cars:



It's easy to determine whether the Model A is an "early" or 1928-1929 year model or a "late" 1930-1931 model by looking at the **shape of the radiator shell**. On the early cars, the shell is shorter and lacks the painted lower section. It's also pretty easy to tell a 1930 from a 1931 - notice that the 1930 shell has a smooth top section, while the 1931 shell has a painted top section. However, the 1928 and 1929 shell and radiator look identical.

Instead of looking there, look closely at the **headlights and center bumper clamp**. It's hard to tell in the photographs above, but the 1928 headlights had vertical fluted lenses and round center bumper clamps. 1929 cars (and 1930-1931 cars too) had Twolite lenses and an oval center clamp on the bumper. The 1928-1929 headlights were "acorn" shaped, while the later 1930-1931 lights were "cup" shaped. Sharp eyes will also note that the early headlight bar was straight between the headlights while the later one had a slight upward bow. Compare the headlights in the 1929 and 1931 photographs and see if you can spot the differences.

Finally, **front bumpers** on 1928-1929 vehicles had a reverse bend at the ends where the later 1930-1931 cars had gently curved ends. Compare the center two photos - the 1929 and 1930 cars - and you'll see the difference. Once you learn how to put all these things together, you'll be able to identify the year of a Model A quickly with a high degree of accuracy. But don't forget, there are some exceptions to these general guidelines, so you may not want to bet a lot of money on your identification!

Fine Tuning -- Is it a 1928 or 1929?

At first glance, 1928-29 cars look identical. You'll have to look closely to tell the difference. The single tail light of the 1928 cars was shaped like a tuna can and is referred to as a "drum" tail light. This design was carried over to the early 1929 models until the more common "tea cup" design was introduced. That design was used until the end of production. The drum tail light bracket was forged steel and was bolted to the bottom of the body on the driver's side. The tea cup bracket was stamped steel and was bolted to the rear fender on the driver's side. If you find a left-rear fender with no mounting holes for a tail light, it's probably a 1928 fender.

1928 cars originally had red steering wheels. These gave way to black wheels in 1929. 1928 roadsters, pickups, and phaetons lacked outside door handles but 1929 roadsters and phaetons were so equipped.

Headlight lenses can also help determine the year. 1928 lenses were a carryover from Model T days. The design of the lens was changed for 1929 and continued through the end of production.



Comparison of Model A Headlight Lenses
1928 Lens (left) has vertical "flutes" - 1929-1931 Lens has different design
Both have the Ford Script in an oval at the bottom of the lens

Is it a 1930 or 1931?

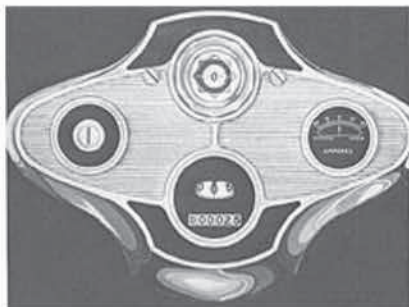
This one is tricky, but in general, you can tell a 1930 from a 1931 by looking at the radiator shell. 1930 cars had a stainless shell with a painted insert at the bottom and a blue Ford logo. 1931 cars had a painted upper insert with a stainless steel Ford logo. [Click Here](#) for a photo comparing the 1930-31 radiator shells

Another difference between 1930 and 1931 vehicles are the running board splash aprons. The 1930 vehicles used a two-piece splash apron. The main piece was integral with the running board, and the small front section was bolted to this assembly. The 1931 vehicles used a separate, one-piece splash apron that bolted to the running boards. However, the transition period commenced in October 1930 and continued to year end. [Click Here](#) for a photo comparing the 1930-31 fender/running boards.

Splitting Hairs -- Early 1930 versus Late 1930



Instrument Panel
1928-1930



Instrument Panel
1930-1931

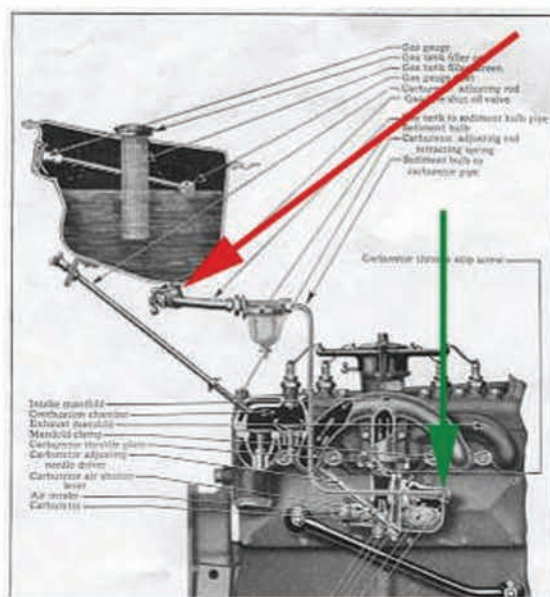
From the beginning of production, the instrument panel in the vehicle was diamond shaped with a smooth face, an oval speedometer, and a light protruding from the center.

Starting around June 1930, a new design was used, shaped more like an oval, with horizontal ribs, and a round speedometer. The dash light was moved above the panel, just under the dash rail.

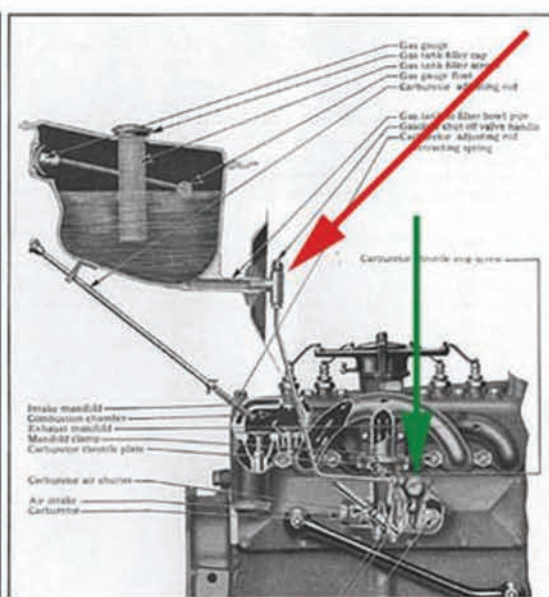
Early 1931 versus Late 1931

In May 1931, the area where the gasoline line came thru the firewall (passenger side) was indented so that the gasoline shut-off switch could be mounted in the engine compartment instead of inside the car. The sediment bowl was redesigned so that it could be mounted to the side of a specially designed Zenith carburetor.

In the photo below, the red arrows show the location of the fuel shut off valves. The green arrows show the fuel inlet on the carburetors.



Late 1930/Early 1931



Late 1931

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



Update on Ethan

Great news! Our Club has fund-raised to help send 4-year-old Ethan Jones to the St Louis Children's Hospital in the US, for life-changing surgery. Ethan is the son of Club Members, Owen & Melissa Jones and great grandson of NIMAFC Life Member, the late Len Hoyland.

Ethan has a form of cerebral palsy which affects his arms and legs. He cannot stand or walk independently. The surgery, known as Selective Dorsal Rhizotomy (SDR) will help Ethan function in a more normal way.

Last month Ethan's father Owen announced the best Christmas present his family could receive. Not only were they close to their seemingly impossible fundraising target of \$150,000, but they had a confirmed SDR surgery date of 10 January 2020.

In the end our Club raised \$14,500 to help Ethan – we can be very proud of this achievement.

Warmest good wishes to Ethan and his family for their coming travel to the USA for Ethan's surgery.



A (Model A) little gem to hopefully help out any members with radiator problems

Recently I finally got my Model A van back on the road. While it ran great around town, it quickly overheated on the motorway and blew 3 or 4 litres out of the radiator. I had had a reputable radiator shop clean the radiator, then needed to take it back. They re-did job and assured me it was clean, though they wouldn't remove the top tank to test. *Still* had overheating issues. Advised by another member to re-core radiator. Got prices from 4 repair shops that varied by over \$1100.00. Went to Trevor French radiators in Otahuhu. A fantastic old school radiator repair shop with good old-fashioned service. When they opened my old rad it was still 1/3 blocked. I asked them to re-core with a flat finned core which they did at a very reasonable price. Test drove today and everything is looking good. If you want to talk to me about Trevor French radiators or the other repair shops I talked to, feel free to phone me; (09) 528 9709 or 027 296 6266.

Cheers

David Heilbron

A note from Daggy Sperry, our most northern North Island member

Been hustled by Ralph to write something for the newsletter, a report from those of us who live on the fringes of the Model A fraternity, in our case "backupinthehills" at "Waitapu Creek" on the "Whangaroa Harbour". (We do things a bit different up here).

Our main point of contact with the Club is the newsletter, it is our lifeline with the world of vintage motoring so it is eagerly read and reread each month.

We have had to cancel our annual Waitapu Creek Hillclimb again this year due to a lack of entries. Our Pickup is still awaiting the replacement of the rear end that internally haemorrhaged several years ago and the Overland (1911 Roadster) has been wintering in the Waikato for the past couple of years. Its first winter down there was spent in air conditioned comfort in the Ford showroom at Fairview Te Awamutu, along with a couple of late model Mustangs and it has developed a "bit of an attitude", and now thinks it is "too classy" to return to the far North. Both these vehicles are respective winners of the Veteran and Vintage sections at previous hillclimbs held at Waitapu Creek in the past, possibly due to the fact that they were the only entries. Anyway, "got to go" so all the best for Christmas, many thanks to the newsletter team, you do a great job.

Cheers

Daggy

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And finally ...

A postscript to thank all those who turned up last Sunday, 15 December, for Park in the Park. 22 fine Fords, collectively almost 2000 years of vintage motoring, lined up in a nostalgic row. All dressed in their Christmassy best. A brass band would not have been out of place.



The Club's gazebo supplemented by Trevor Farr's shelter, provided shade and an NIMAFC presence, close to Cornwall Park's popular cherry trees.

Around 100 people brought chairs, sun umbrellas, energetic grandchildren, picnic lunches and Christmas cheer, for our last event of the year. Special thanks to those who shared home baking.

Daphne Wilson's brother Des and wife Bev, judged the most Christmassy cars. 1st – Terry & Joss Costello, 2nd – Andrew & Marlene Costello, 3rd – Stephen Upson & Kay Palmer. The annual Mastermind Quiz was won by Diane Jordan, with runners up, Mary & John Castle and Terry & Joss Costello. The Model A Olympics, comprising teams making the best snowman/snowwoman from copious rolls of toilet paper and a balloon waddle event that defies description, added to the entertainment.

The most Christmassy looking people on the day, as judged by sisters-in-law Sherrill and Anne-Marie Hulse, were Grahame (Coxie) Cox & Rae Emus.

Garry Learmonth convincingly won the most unusual screwdriver award. Without doubt, Ross Bolton was the runner up with a liquid entry best left to the imagination!

It was especially good to see Club founder and Life Member, Alan Minson, call in for a catch up. The weather, forecast to be wet, windy and miserable, was the complete opposite – fine, with a gentle zephyr breeze. We couldn't have asked for more.

And if we had charged \$1.00 for every Model A photo taken by members of the public, we could likely have waived Club subscriptions for an entire year! This annual event is a very popular way for the public to meet vintage Fords in their Christmas finery.

Model A's Rule!

