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International Model A Ford Day – Woodlands Estate, Gordonton, Waikato, New Zealand

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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“A” Captain’s Comment

Daylight saving has come again along with a host of spring flowers. The ideal time to take that country meander and enjoy the scents of spring and sniff the worldly country air. Many of us did just that for Henry Ford’s day as a procession of Model As wound their way down State Highway 1 to Gordonton for a super sunny day at the Woodlands Café and gymkhana. Well done to the organisers.

Also, a great opportunity to catch up with some out of town members and new recruits while being a precursor to the up-coming Christmas Function at Tauranga late November. Remember to save the dates. Check your bookings, your cars and directions for a safe journey.

This is the last newsletter prior to the AGM and I would like to take this opportunity to say a special thank you to the whole club committee who have worked tirelessly for you over the last year. The rewards of a great club spirit and satisfaction from the members is a joy to everyone. Some committee people have now served several years and are due retirement. It is a time for rotation and new learning. If you would like to contribute towards these action roles please talk to an existing or past committee person and discover the inner workings. Remember the Club survives on the actions of members.

Recently we had a record turnout for our Awards Evening and an awful lot of fun. Let us endeavour to better that result again.

Cheers and see you at the AGM

Hewy - Your Club Captain



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AGM

Annual General Meeting

**Where: V.C.C. Clubrooms
Fairfax Ave, Penrose**

Date: Friday 18 October 2019

Time: 7.30pm

This is a reminder to all our club members of our upcoming Annual General Meeting on Friday 18 October at the VCC Clubrooms, Fairfax Avenue, Penrose.

All of us share a passion for the Model A, the car that made automobile history in an early era rich in development, expansion and adventure. Come along and help the club sustain the present membership by showing an interest in the running of the club, become involved and bring along fresh ideas. Be a part of your Club's legacy by charting a new pathway for the Club and make a difference.

This year we have 4 committee members not standing for re-election therefore we will be looking for members to come forward and make themselves available for the 2020 year. The task is not arduous and becomes what you want to make of it.

AGM's are an important function in the running of any club so do not ignore this date – come along and join us. Share your views, ask the questions and receive the answers.

Note the date down in your diary now!

Further information and correspondence will be forwarded to club members one month prior to the AGM for your perusal.

If you have any enquiries please contact Karen Thomas, Secretary NIMAFC, PO Box 99 249, Newmarket Auckland 1149 or email mosseykar@gmail.com. Alternatively, if you wish to chat give me a call 027 419 0191.

Please join us



Karen Thomas
Secretary NIMAFC

Treasurer's Report



I'm writing this in mid September, just before leaving for Western Australia, where Jenny and I are planning to drive a coastal and inland route to the south and east of Perth. Gavin Leckner has reminded us to watch out for grazing kangaroos on the roadside in the early morning and late afternoon. Hopefully, a wide-eyed Skippy on our laps is not on the agenda.

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The Club's ASB term deposits of \$18,823 and \$5040 have been renewed – we're in good financial shape.

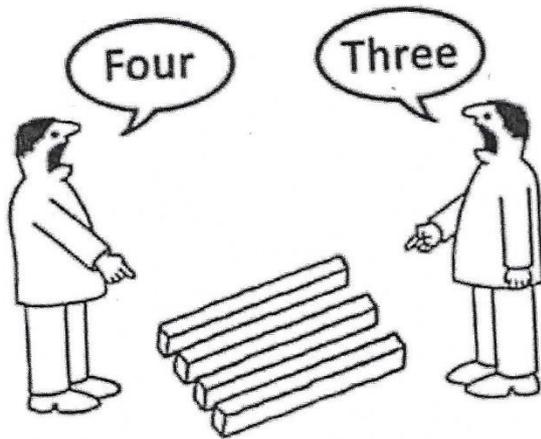
Our new financial year started 1 September ... a reminder annual subscriptions are now due. Both Individual and Family subs are a pretty reasonable \$45.00 per annum. Either transfer payment to the Club's ASB account 12 3068 0187485 00 (please include your name), or cheque

to North Island Model A Ford Club, PO Box 99249, Newmarket, Auckland 1149. See also the invoice elsewhere in this newsletter.

Hint

Jenny and I recently enjoyed dinner with friends. We all ordered curries – mine seemed to be *extra* hot! (Perhaps I'm a curry wimp). The young man looking after our table noticed my problem and suggested I sprinkle a small amount of sugar on the very hot curry. I found it worked a treat to "wimp" down a hot curry.

I couldn't resist sharing this –



Finally, a reminder

As already mentioned in some detail, 4 committee members are stepping down at the Club's October AGM. This includes me (after 4 years as your "bean counter").

Do consider joining the committee and having some input into the running of our Club.

Safe driving and all good wishes,

Ralph Levinson



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INVOICE

October 2019

To: All Club Members (except Youth and Life Members)

Annual Subscription, 1 September 2019 – 31 August 2020

Individual / Family Membership

Paid by 15 November 2019	\$45.00
Paid after 15 November 2019	\$55.00

Payment

1. By bank transfer to the Club's ASB Account 12 3068 0187485 00. Please include your name.
- or 2. Cheque made out to North Island Model A Ford Club Inc. Address above.

To keep our database current, please let us know any changes to your email address, postal address, phone numbers or Model A's you have bought/sold in the last 12 months.



SUNSHINE REPORT – OCTOBER

With the beginning of daylight saving comes an extra hour of sunshine. What a great thought to hold on to. We all love getting outside and grabbing a dose of Vitamin D, commonly known as the 'sunshine vitamin'.

This month has been a good month with no reports of any members who are unwell.

As this will be my last sunshine report for club year I wish all our members happiness and good fortune. I look forward to seeing you all out and about during the touring season.

Remember: A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery while on a detour.

Karen Thomas
Secretary NIMAFCl



SECRETARYS REPORT

NIMAFC Committee Meeting

held

Tuesday 03 September 2019 – 6.45pm

55 Victoria Street, Onehunga

Meeting chaired by: Hugh Hulse

Present: Hugh Hulse; Errol McAlpine; Karen Thomas; Ralph Levinson; Kay Palmer; Bruce Stratton; Andrew Costello; John Castle.

Apologies: John Ross.

Correspondence: Inwards – Western Australia Newsletter – August; MAFFI Liaison Letter; MAFFI Newsletter Minute, September; Ellerslie Classic Car Show; Doug Linden, MAFCA; FOMC – Wheel Torque; NZ Post; Paul Strawbridge; Jo Tilsey, Vintage & Classic Car Show Paeroa; Email – Heinz Haubrich – (Norwegian).

Outwards: Doug Linden, MAFCA.

Treasurers Report: Cheque Account \$4,401.31; Savings Account \$130.90; Term Deposit (1) \$18,823.76 (2) \$5,040.96. A total of \$13,500.00 has now been transferred from the North Island Model A Ford Club Inc to Ethan Jones Fund. This clears the Ethan Jones donations at the end of the Club's financial year, ending 31 August 2019.

Newsletter Editors Report: This newsletter will include a drive towards new committee members which Hugh has led the charge on. Included is a write-up on Aubrey Bateman Trophy and write-up on club's Life Members.

Club Events: Club Awards Evening – 07 September, Swap Meet – 08 September at Bruce Stratton's workshop; International Model A Day – Woodlands Estate 22 September; AGM – 18 October; 13 November – Tech Night; Christmas Party, Cosy Corner Tauranga – 29/30 Nov and 01 Dec; Cornwall Park Event 15 Dec. McLean's Island Swap Meet 11-13 October; Waikato Vintage Swap Meet (Karapiro) 18 November.

General Business:

Awards Evening – 07 September – 65 people attending. Theme will be 'I REMEMBER'. Doors open at 6pm, glass of champagne/orange on arrival, mix and mingle – take a trip down 'memory lane'.

Club Swap Meet – 08 September - Bruce Stratton's workshop – 4 Vernon St, Papakura.

International Model A Ford Day – 22 September – This will be held at Woodlands Gordonton. Gymkhana to be organised for day. Depart 9.30am Caltex Bombay. Bruce Stratton to organise.

Tech Night – 13 November – it was suggested that we make this a Trade Night. No confirmation yet as to where this will be held.

AGM – 18 October – we need to begin looking around for new committee members. Suggested Remit change was read out and confirmed by committee.

Christmas Party, Cosy Corner – planning is well underway. Friday evening e.g. optional dinner buffet style at RSA. Saturday will be the main day with a run to avocado orchard (busy time at orchard so there will be particular times to visit), picnic lunch then drive back to accommodation. Happy hour drinks at Cosy Corner. BBQ evening with salads and desserts as previously done. Hubley challenge will be organised – will need volunteers to assist with this. Sunday will be day of leisure. Invite to go out to Bay of Plenty Club also. Few cabins still available along with other motels. Registrations will be required. Pam Mannington will handle these accordingly.

Meeting closed 9.30 pm

Next Meeting Tuesday 01 October, 2019 at 6.30pm

Karen Thomas, Secretary NIMAFC

Upcoming Event Calendar

<p>Sunday 13 October 2019</p> <p>check out websites:</p> <p>www.heritagefestival.co.nz or www.birkenhead.net.nz</p> <p>Birkenhead is located on Auckland's North Shore near the Harbour Bridge (4km northwest of CBD)</p> <p>For visitors, there is a free carpark (125 spaces) available, 17 Rawene Road, Birkenhead</p> 	<p>Auckland Heritage Festival – Birkenhead Town Centre (Model A display from 11am to 2pm outside the Town Centre Library)</p> <p>Meet: 10am 37 Northcote Road, Northcote (at Club Member Stephen Upson's workshop, behind the Z Sunnybrae Petrol Station) Leave for Birkenhead Town Centre in convoy, a short distance, to drive down the Main Street of Birkenhead (Ahooga!), then park on display (display is on 11am to 2pm).</p> <p>Bring a picnic lunch, or plenty of Cafes nearby to purchase food and coffee/tea. Join in the festival atmosphere, music, historic architecture, And more!</p> <p>Club Contact: Stephen Upson (Mobile: 0274 887721). If you would like to attend, please give Stephen a call (or text) to help get an indication of Model As to be parked on display on the Reserve outside the library.</p> <p>Birkenhead Village presents: transport routes of early settlers</p> <p>Event details The automobile arrived in New Zealand in 1927. Join us to explore how the change from horses to the automobile shaped Birkenhead's commercial development.</p> <hr/> <p>Brought to you by North Island Model A Ford Club, Kaipātiki Local Board & Birkenhead Town Centre Association</p> <p>Venue Nell Fisher Reserve, Birkenhead Library Corner Hinemoa and Mokoia roads, and Birkenhead Avenue, Birkenhead</p>
<p>Friday 18 October 2019</p>	<p>AGM – North Island Model A Ford Club, VCC Club Rooms, 39 Fairfax Avenue, Penrose, Auckland</p> <p>See Full Notice of AGM – Page 3</p> <p>Please bring a plate for supper/Tea & Coffee provided.</p>
<p>Wednesday 13 November</p>	<p>Club/Tech Night – in the planning stages – more details to come</p>
<p>Fri 29 Nov/Sat 30 Nov/Sun 1 Dec</p>	<p>Club Christmas Party weekend – Mount Maunganui, Bay of Plenty Club Christmas Party BBQ will be held on the Saturday</p> <p>See Page 9 and Page 10 for more details and information</p>
<p>Sunday 15 December</p>	<p>Cornwall Park Christmas Picnic, Auckland</p> <p>A relaxed, casual picnic in the lead up to the big day. BYO picnic from 10am.</p>

Other events of interest

The Very Vintage Day Out

Saturday, 19 October 2019

The organisers of this event have approached our Club offering free driver entry for members happy to display their car. Passengers (minimum of 1) pay the standard entry of \$26.00 per person.

Where Hall 2, ASB Showgrounds, Greenlane. Undercover parking of display vehicles in Hall 1.

Time Arrive by 9.00am, depart after 4.00pm. Event open, 10.00am – 5.00pm.

More details on www.veryvintage.co.nz

10 display parks are held for Club members. While this is not a Club event, if you would like to attend in your Model A, please call Hugh Hulse, 09 267 0850, 021 599 981.

Tickets on EventFinda from 29 June

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THEY'RE LEAVING!!

Yes, the News is correct, the Leckner's are leaving Auckland, bound for Gisborne! To celebrate this Terry and Joss Costello have kindly offered to Host a Farewell Party on 27 October at their Mt Eden residence. All NIMAFC Members are welcome.

Date: Sunday 27 October

Time: from 1100 hrs

Where: 12 Oaklands Road, Mt Eden, Auckland

Bring: A salad or a dessert, and your drinks

Sausages and pizza will be provided

Questions may be directed to Terry 027 492 0642 or Gavin 021 040 6116

Count down to.....

North Island Model A Ford Club – Annual Christmas Party – Tauranga



Family Christmas Party Weekend - This is a family event. Children & Grandkids welcome.

When: Friday 29 November/Saturday 30 November/Sunday 1 December 2019

Where: Cosy Corner Holiday Park, 40 Oceanbeach Road, Mount Maunganui

Highlights: **Friday** optional buffet evening meal (own cost), **Saturday** includes a Run to an organic Avocado Orchard for a picnic lunch, NIMAFC Hubley Champs, Happy Hour, then an evening Christmas BBQ Party **Sunday** is a Day of Leisure (walk the beach, shopping, grab a group and take a Trike Tour, go to the Hot Pools – so many choices)

Lead Organisers: Tony and Pam Mannington (Members NIMAFC)

Assisted by: Kay Palmer (NIMAFC Committee Member), Linda, Doug and Chris

Cosy Corner Holiday Park Hosts: Greg and Vicki

Checkout website: www.cosycorner.co.nz

To book accommodation, please email stay@cosycorner.co.nz or phone direct 07 5755899.

The cabins are near the main amenities and bathrooms in the Park.

There are plenty of motels located in the Mount Manganui area. Don't delay secure a place NOW.

If you cannot make the full 3-day weekend, there are options – Come along and join on-route to Tauranga for the Saturday picnic lunch or come along to the Saturday BBQ party. The choice is yours.



The Team of Organisers for the Event

For some of us, our culinary skills will be put to the test in the inaugural 'North Island Model A Ford Club Masterchef Challenge' with a Mexican twist. For those participating, their creations will be revealed at Saturday's 'Happy Hour'. Please register your interest NOW to Pam and Tony (3 ripe Avocados will be provided – BYO ingredients to make a tasty Guacamole Dip to share).

The weekend is sure to be a mix of fun, Christmas festivities, socialising and best of all showcasing our Model As. At a popular beachside town – Mount Maunganui. Don't miss it!

What do you need to do?

- Book your accommodation if intending to stayover
- 'Save the Date' or Dates
- Encourage Club Members to come along to this fantastic weekend
- Perhaps organise to drive on-route with a group – support & safety in numbers

What's to come?

- Watch the Club Newsletter and Club Communication for activity registration requirements, and requests to confirm attendance for catering purposes
- The Organising Team will keep you informed as arrangements are finalised (Watch this space!)
- The 'Man in the Red Suit' is planning his route to the party to make a grand entrance



Registration for the Club Christmas Party – this information will help to organise catering etc.

To All members that intend being part of the Clubs Christmas Party at Cosy Corner Holiday Park, Mount Maunganui, 29/30 November/1st December 2019 - we need you to register your interest.

All members registered will be notified in November of what we would like them to bring to contribute to the Saturday night BBQ dinner table (Salad or a dessert). Club will provide meat dishes.

Please let us know your intentions if you haven't already done so – email to tony.mannington@xtra.co.nz (use the form below or drop the details into an email to Pam and Tony.

Looking forward to catching up with Club Members at the Christmas Party. *Tony and Pam Mannington*



NORTH ISLAND MODEL A FORD CLUB – 2019 CHRISTMAS PARTY

MOUNT MAUNGANUI, TAURANGA, BAY OF PLENTY

Name (s):

Contact Phone Number:

Your email address:

Please tick your activities – we need numbers attending to organise the event and for catering purposes

Activity	Names	Number attending
Friday evening buffet dinner (own cost)		
Saturday Run to the Avocado Orchard for BYO picnic lunch		
Hubley Challenge – Saturday afternoon		
Contestant in the 'Masterchef Challenge' (Avocados provided/bring your additional ingredients)		
Saturday evening BBQ Christmas Dinner (Club providing Meat/BYO Salads & Dessert)		

Jim's technical tip

by Jim Cannon,



Torquing Nuts and Bolts on Your Model A

Torque is actually a measure of the twisting force on something, like a nut or a bolt. When you tighten a nut, you are actually stretching the bolt or stud that the nut is turning on. It is the stretch of the bolt or stud that provides the strong "clamping force" that holds everything together tightly. Think of the bolt or stud as a very powerful spring. You stretch it out when you tighten the nut and the stud or bolt "spring" keeps pulling it together. If a stud or a bolt is weak, due to age or corrosion, it will often break under the intense stress you are applying when you torque the nut.

Although Ford did not publish torque values "back in the day", there are many values published today for nuts and bolts on a Model A. I recommend you follow them as a guide and use a torque wrench. Today's modern torque wrench "clicks" when you get to the desired torque. When it clicks, stop tightening. If you are going to insert a cotter pin into the nut after it is tight, keep turning the nut beyond the point where the wrench clicks, just until the cotter pin will slide in.

All published torque values, unless it clearly states otherwise, are for tightening a nut or bolt with clean, dry threads. This means the rust has been cleaned off of the bolt or stud threads (I use a wire brush) and they have been wiped dry. No oil or grease or anti-seize compound should be applied to the threads that the nut will be turning on. (If you'd like to, a small drop of oil can be applied to the face of the head or other surface that a nut is tightening against, such as the boss on the top of a head, where the stud goes through the head.)

If you lubricate the threads on a stud or bolt, it will be too easy to turn the nut as you torque it. So when you stop at your target torque (say 55 ft-lbs for a head nut) you will have stretched the bolt or stud more than 2 times as far as you would with the same torque with dry threads. This will be like over-torquing the nut and can result in the stud or bolt breaking, the stud pulling out of the block, or the head or block cracking, due to too much stress on it. That will ruin your day!

So clean the threads before you start, keep the threads dry, use a torque wrench, and stop pulling the instant the torque wrench clicks. You'll be glad you did.



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Jim



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

North Island Model A Ford Club – 2019 Award/Trophy Winners

Please find below, read by John Castle during the presentation of Awards

Attendance Cup

Donated by Terry Royan and first presented in 1976 to the Robertson Family.

This award is self-explanatory and is given to the club member who has attended the most club events during the year and [David Mossman](#) receives it for the second consecutive year - well done.

Competitive Events Cup

This cup was provided by the Club and was first presented in 1987 to Len & Stella Hoyland.

A competitive event can take different forms such as a Gymkhana or form part of a club run and this year we have joint winners from the recent club run to Helensville. Congratulations [Gavin & Helen Leckner and Ralph & Jenny Levinson](#).

Amateur Restorers Cup

Donated by the Bow family and first presented in 1980 to Ted Casley

The cup is given for a restoration largely completed by the club member and this year we have selected [Morton Jordan](#) for his 1928 phaeton owned for 60 years and restored with the [assistance of Peter Donaldson](#).

Commercial Trophy (Hawaiian)

Best Commercial Trophy was donated by the Hawaiian chapter of MAFCA and presented by Ray Murphy to the club with the recommendation that it be given to acknowledge commercial Model A's. It was first presented in 1990 to Joe Scott.

This year we have selected [David Heilbron](#) as a worthy recipient for his almost completed 1930 colonial bodied commercial.

Annual Concours Cup

Donated by Bob Pipe who was one of the founders of the Club and I might add is still a member and it was first presented in 1973 to Arno Westerwoudt.

From this early period through to recent years there were many club members actively restoring cars and commercials as Henry built them so it became popular for vehicles to be judged using the MAFCA judging standards as the bible. Restoration to the MAFCA standards at club level has tended to diminish and so it was decided by the committee to pick a club member who achieved the highest result at the recent National Rally in Te Anau and this year we have selected [Paul Smith](#) for his 1931 Special Delivery imported from the US.

Elegance trophy

Donated by the late Bob Hoy who was an early stalwart of the club and first presented to Rex Benns in 1999.

Bob provided this trophy to recognise a club member who while they may not have a Model A to concours judging standard had a car or truck that had all the usual body and mechanical attributes of the Model A and was maintained to a high standard.

This year the trophy is presented to [Martin & Alayne Rees](#) for their excellent 1930 Phaeton restored by Nick Scott in the 70's who was also a past member of the club.

Pride Of Ownership Cup

This cup was donated by the Hayes family in memory of Joe Hayes a club member who to my knowledge was the only club member to own and restore a rare 1931 Deluxe two door phaeton.

It was first presented in 1994 to Terry O'Brian and this year we recognise [Russell and Jocelyn Mc Alpine](#) and their 1930 Phaeton.

Endeavour Cup

Donated by Arno Westerwoudt an early club member of the club in memory of his son Maarton who died tragically and it was first presented in 1975 to Roger Bale.

This Cup is presented to any club member or members for service to the club over a number of years and the committee this year wish to recognise long time model A stalwarts [Keith & Di Humphreys](#) for their interesting articles mainly of a technical nature published in the club newsletter.

Aubrey Bateman Trophy

Donated by Bruce Smith in memory of Aubrey Bateman and you can read about Aubrey and the Trophy in the September Newsletter.

This prestigious award was first presented in 2011 to Murray & Anne Ashby and recognises a club member or members who have given exemplary service to the Club.

This year we recognise our outgoing [Vice Captain Errol Mc Alpine](#) and I have asked Stephen Upson, last year's recipient to present the trophy to Errol and say a few words.

Ladies Cup

Donated by Trevor Jones and first presented in 1985 to Raewyn Casley.

This cup is to recognise an individual lady club member for their service to the club and this year we recognise [Ngaire Lambarth](#).

Ngaire generously produced two exquisite hand sewn quilts which she donated to the club for fundraising.

One was auctioned off providing a donation to breast cancer research and the other was auctioned to raise funds for the Ethan Jones fund. I understand one was donated back to the club by Bill Quelch and Vivian Burgess to be auctioned again thereby raising more funds for the Ethan Jones fund.

Ron Griffen Trophy

Donated by Ron Griffen and presented by him for an attendee on one of his annual club runs and first presented in 1993 to Vic Scarborough. Since Ron's passing in 2015 the trophy has been awarded to the winner of a Hubley Derby and this year goes to our esteemed [Club Captain Hugh Hulse](#). Hugh will tell you something about the about Hubley models and how he achieved his win at the recent National Rally in Te Anau.

Congratulations to all recipients of an Award!

Photo Gallery – Awards Dinner and International Model A Ford Day



Photo Gallery – International Model A Ford Day





INTERNATIONAL MODEL A FORD DAY

WOODLANDS ESTATE – GORDONTON

Sunday 22 September 2019

What a Great Day – Sunshine all day

**Thank you to all those members who celebrated
this significant day driving their beloved Model A.**

Approximately 16 cars departed the Bombay service station bound for the mighty Waikato region. On arrival at Woodlands we were joined with another 5 Model A's and their owners from the Waikato region making this a very well attended event and a great celebration of International Model A Ford Day.

Anne and Murray Ashby along with friends Devon and Nadine did not disappoint by portraying to the public the dress code of the vintage area. Their presence in vintage clothing added to the significance of the day, as did their quaint picnic table with bone china cups and saucers, lamingtons and club sandwiches etc. Well done, your efforts were appreciated.

The remainder of the club members joined the long queue of visitors to Woodlands Estate and ordered their lunch from the café. Seated in the pavilion overlooking the vast estate and cricket pitch we all relaxed whilst devouring our much waited for lunch. The weather was perfect and club members were entertained by the many parents and children playing cricket, riding carts and flying kites.

Bruce Stratton and Andrew Costello organised a gymkhana with the majority of club members participating and enjoying the 4 challenges set. The winner of the gymkhana was Gavin and Linda Walker by ½ point from Anne-Marie and Hugh Hulse and Ross Bolton who were tied 2nd equal. Congratulations to you all and thank you to Steve Driver and David Mossman who assisted us with the organisation of the gymkhana.

Devon and Nadine were presented with a bonus gift for being the youngest attendees and also dressed in vintage clothing to top it off. Well done guys – we look forward to adding you to our club membership!!



Have fun drive a Model A Ford

Vintage Car Club Daffodil Day Sunday 25th August 2019

Auckland dawned in it's usual, of recent weeks, miserable way. Cold, windy and wet. My call for volunteers pulled forward an excellent number of Waitemata'ites and with their help our Branch of the Vintage Car Club did a sterling job at Caffeine & Classics of getting those who wanted to take part in the VCC Daffodil Day for Cancer Run parked in the right area. After last year, where a number of Daffodil Day participants had got a bit lost in the system before even leaving the venue it was decided that a special area be designated by the Caffeine and Classic organisers making it easier to have all entrants leave from the same spot so we wouldn't lose anybody in the first 5 minutes of leaving Smales Farm. The VCC Branches of Waitemata and Warkworth/Wellsford join together with each Branch having specific parts to do to achieve a streamline well operated event.

Caffeine & Classics, a 'show your prized machine' event is held at Smales Farm, Takapuna the last Sunday of every month and draws an eclectic selection of motors and, dare I say, an eclectic selection of owners! This Sunday, 25th August was no different except this time many more vintage vehicles lined up because of this being an annual vintage club event. The Registration gazebo was set up for us by Colin, the man behind Caffeine & Classics and thankfully Paul from Warkworth/Wellsford Branch had the sense to bring some weights to hold down the paperwork, daffodils and most importantly the money!!! Strong winds and the threat of rain did not deter those made of stern stuff! including a few Model A owners, and with registration at \$10 per vehicle by the run start time we'd had 115 vehicles of all different makes and models register for the drive to Warkworth.

Along with the \$10 a vehicle registration, four excellent bucket collectors did a fabulous job collecting from the eclectic folk and the buckets rattled with dosh all the way to the bank!

The run took a convoy of machinery through the back way of Albany, across to Highway 16 and by 1pm all were parked in Warkworth down along the waterfront where the Scow Jane Gifford was moored and available for inspection. Believe it or not the rain stayed away, the cafes did a roaring trade and many of the Warkworth shops, usually closed Sunday afternoon, remained open for the ladies to do some serious damage to their credit cards.

Once again the official word from the Bank is that with the extra monies made from bucket collecting at Warkworth, we made \$2943.90 for the Cancer Society, more than last year. Excellent!!! This news made the standing around early morning at Smales Farm in the cold and wind very worthwhile.

Di Humphreys



The Daffodil Day team at Caffeine & Classics

Vaughan Beesley poses with 'the' daffodil between some seriously nice machinery



Cars at rest in Warkworth

Lean & Brenda Salt and their Model A on route to Warkworth.





EarlyBird Registration is open for the 15th National Model A Ford Rally 2021.

This will be held from Sunday 28 March to Sunday 04 April (Easter Weekend)

in Gisborne at the A & P Showground and Events Centre.

‘Earlybird’ indicates to the organisers you have chosen to receive your rally information early and avoid missing out on the news as it comes to hand, or tours that may have limited numbers.

EARLYBIRD REGISTRATION FEE - \$20

To obtain your Earlybird Registration Form email the team at

gisbornemodelafordrally@gmail.com

or phone one of the organising team members

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Be sure not to miss out!



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) 578 300.

For Sale

Model A Engine (Currently being assembled)

- ** Tank cleaned and de-scaled - top deck re-surfaced
 - ** Cylinders re-bored - exhaust valve inserts fitted
 - ** Line bored for shell bearings - crankshaft re-ground
 - ** Con Rods machined for shell bearings
 - ** New crank and camshaft and oil pump drive gears)
 - ** Camshaft re-ground (Touring)
 - ** Modern type valves - new springs and adjustable tappets
 - ** Full flow oil filtration system
 - ** Standard cylinder head (re-surfaced)
 - ** Flywheel lightened (app. 40 lb.) - prepared for V8 pressure plate
- balanced

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Hi Compression Cylinder Head
Hi Performance Camshaft
Optional Oil Filtration System
Large Inlet valves
Contact Steve Driver 0274 949905

For Sale

Extra-long Trailer, ideal for big loads. Length 3.4m. Width 1.8m.

Contact Tom White: Phone 06 875 8055 or Mobile 027 2323225



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For Sale

Model A engine completely dismantled, block appears good but not suited to shell bearings, head and manifolds appear good. No flywheel.

Includes camshaft, valves and springs etc., two sets of pistons and rods plus all necessary nuts & bolts. Also four rear bumper brackets (all different) two rear bumpers (rusty),

rear cross tube and a few other bits. (engine number appears to have been over-stamped but as far as I can make out, itsCA89854 which makes it Feb/march 1929) \$100 ono. Contact: Keith (Phone 09 446 0916) or

modelspeedster@gmail.com

For Sale

I recently purchased a collection of mainly early 1928 and 1929 original parts and have aimed to offer these to club members where possible first so if you need an original part I may have it.

Phone John Castle 021957032

For Sale

1930 Model A Pickup adapted from Phaeton done 800 miles on rebuilt motor re bored new pistons, shell bearings, over size valves, high comp head 5.5;1,cam to 100e spec fly wheel lightened balanced. v8 pressure and clutch plate. Hydraulic brakes, new lines master and wheel cylinders, tyres done same miles, new kingpins, rims acid dipped and powder coated, recon generator, plus other stuff. First NZ rego. was in the 1960s as far as we know. \$25,000

Contact: Brian Marshall, Papakura 027 2960047



Wanted

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1930 Model A Ford original front bumper brace LH side

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From the NIMAFC Editor:

As we head for the Club's AGM, it is time for me to sign off on my last Newsletter. A very rewarding time.

A special thank you, to our club members for sending in articles, reports and photos. Thanks to Stephen for working alongside me, taking photos.

If you are considering taking on the role as the Club Editor, I would be happy to share my skills and knowledge, and support you in the role. Perhaps a couple of you could work together.

See you out and about in the A!

Best Wishes, Kay Palmer (NIMAFC Newsletter Editor and roving reporter)



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On a final note:

For some-time I have wondered where the oldest and youngest Model A in New Zealand is?

Having recently read an article about body numbers and the various plants they came from, I thought this might be an interesting place to start.

If you could send me the number on the body cross member under the passenger seat along with an original engine number and if present a firewall date, I will compile a database and see what comes of it.

Thanks

Rob Brown (NIMAFC Member)

rtmgbrown@xtra.co.nz



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