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MODEL A TORQUE

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Model A's at Auckland Heritage Festival - Birkenhead

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.

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Event Alert – 31st October 2020 AGM – Christmas Dinner.
1st November Swap Meet. Details of events are on the website.

www.modelafordclub.co.nz

North Island Model A Ford Club Upcoming Event Planner 2020/2021

31 - Oct	Sat Eve	AGM – 5.30pm Remuera Club	Hugh Hulse	Confirmed
31- Oct	Sat Eve	Christmas Dinner & Prizes 7pm Remuera Club	Hugh Hulse	Confirmed
1 - Nov	Sunday	Swap Meet	Bruce Stratton	Confirmed
15 – Nov	Saturday	Concours Judging Seminar	Rob Brown	Confirmed
13 – Dec	Sunday	Christmas in the Park	Ralph	Confirmed
Jan 2021		Onehunga Beach BBQ		
12,13,14 Feb 2021		Matamata - Stewart Broomhall		Confirmed
		Awhitu Regional Park		Pending
		Awhitu Winery		Pending
		Kaiaua Run (Neil Aston)		Pending

FYI – Non North Island Model A Ford Club Events 2020/2021

Last Sun of Every Month		Caffeine & Classics
8 - Nov 2020	Sunday	Combined Car Club Gymkhana
30 – Jan 2021	Saturday	Wings & Wheels
14 – Feb 2021	Sunday	Ellerslie Car Show
16 - 17 Jan 2021	Sat/Sun	Kumeu Car Show
28 Mar – 4 April 2021	Sunday - Sunday	Gisborne Rally

**Print this page off for reminders and stick to your fridge!
or keep an eye on the website for updates.**

Captain's Comment October 2020

To our Members, Friends and Followers

Christmas is upon us, as is our Annual General Meeting. After seemingly a lazy year under constraints it is the busiest period to date as we organise a new committee and look forward to a summer in the sunshine and further projected water shortages. Life was / is not meant to be easy and the past months experiences has been a vivid reminder of that.

Remember to forward your committee nominations to the Secretary in time for our AGM as this is much easier than on the day. Imagine also the enjoyment and challenge of helping guide the activities that we so much love to partake in and look towards for companionship and conversation.

Remember also that immediately following our AGM this year will be a Christmas function for all our members to relax and enjoy. Music and a Christmas Dinner to settle the spirit, dancing if you wish or just idle chatter.

Remember also to be good to others. Still wash your hands, keep a safe distance and be kind.

Merry Christmas to all.

Cheers,

Hewy.



Hugh's Cherry at Birkenhead Festival

Officers and Committee member contacts – note new email addresses for officers

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Website update

The website seems to be working well, and we hope you are enjoying it. I'm still working on the backend of it when I can. If you would like a picture of your car in the slide screen on the home page, please send an original size photo from your phone to email nimafc.treasurer@gmail.com with owner's name of the car. The photo can also be added to the Members Gallery. Please visit www.modelafordclub.co.nz and enjoy ☺. Kind Regards, Fiona.

Merchandise

Update on club merchandise – the committee is currently thinking about the feasibility of obtaining and holding stocks of merchandise. We are looking at simplifying what merchandise may be purchased to try and meet our member's requirements. Any suggestions, please email Wade, the NIMAFC secretary nimafc.secretary@gmail.com with any thoughts about this. Thank you.

Potentially interesting items out there on the web, that Model A enthusiasts may find worthwhile looking at!
Copy & paste the links to your browser & enter.

[Flashback-driveable-dream-1928-model-a-business-coupe](https://www.facebook.com/flashback-driveable-dream-1928-model-a-business-coupe)

<https://tinyurl.com/y3ycny4s>

[Henry Ford timeline](https://www.henryfordfairlane.org/the-story)

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If you have links of interest that you have found on the web, please send them to the editor to share with others😊



Garry's 60th Birthday Cake - yummy😊

TOOLS EXPLAINED

DRILL PRESS : A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

WIRE WHEEL : Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, 'Oh sh*t'

DROP SAW : A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

PLIERS : Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

BELT SANDER : An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

HACKSAW : One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle... It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

WISE-GRIPS : Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH : Used almost entirely for lighting on fire various flammable objects in your shop. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race..

TABLE SAW : A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK : Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

BAND SAW : A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminum sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST : A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER : Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER : A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws and butchering your palms.

PRY BAR : A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

HOSE CUTTER : A tool used to make hoses too short.

HAMMER : Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent the object we are trying to hit.

UTILITY KNIFE : Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

ADJUSTABLE WRENCH: aka "Another hammer", aka "the Swedish Nut Lathe", aka "Crescent Wrench". Commonly used as a one size fits all wrench, usually results in rounding off nut heads before the use of pliers. Will randomly adjust size between bolts, resulting in busted buckles, curse words, and multiple threats to any inanimate objects within the immediate vicinity.

Son of a bitch TOOL : Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling 'Son of a b*tch' at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.

Auckland Heritage Festival Birkenhead

On Sunday the 11th October, 7 Model A's turned up for the Birkenhead heritage park up and show event. We did a couple of laps around the main shopping centre before parking in front of the library. Most of us then had a coffee and/or breakfast in a nice little cafe across the road. A jazz, old time music group played outside the library providing very nice background music. In the library there was a film running about the Epsom tram barn and trams use and maintenance there. It was very interesting. The rain held off all day. At 2pm we all headed off home. Thanks to Stephen Upson for organising the Model A outing.

David Heilbron



Wrights Water Garden / Frog & Lily Café Patumahoe – Club Run

18th October 2020

The Wrights Water Garden run organised by Andrew and Marlene started off from the Z station at Bombay. A few locals were confused and first drove to the Z station in Drury as it was advertised as Z Bombay / Drury. Everyone still arrived at correct Z before start time. Instruction sheets were handed out by Marlene to the keen group of Model A enthusiasts that had gathered. Tom was very quick to pop the handbrake award into Andrew and Marlene's A when the subject was raised. Proved to be a good choice as they later earned it by having put one instruction on the rally sheet which should have been the other right...i.e.: left turn 😊. Gave us all a little extra challenge. Luckily, they were following us all and corrected their/our incorrect turn. They had set us a wonderful drive through the rolling rural countryside of Pukekohe, Patumahoe and Waiuku before arriving at Wrights Water Garden. It was a glorious sunny day and people either ordered food from the cafe or had brought their own picnic lunches. After spending a good amount of time at the gardens we were invited back to check out the Costello's new abode in Waiuku for a tea or coffee. A group of us moseyed on over and enjoyed the beautiful views and gardens around their house. There was even a piece of dirt / gravel driveway, so I could christen my A van on a real Model A roadway. We all then headed off home for Bathurst and the All Blacks test after a very enjoyable day. Many thanks are extended to Andrew and Marlene for organising this event.

David Heilbron





Celebration Fruit Punch!

Such a great big batch cocktail to make for parties, with cheerful colours! You'll love how this is refreshingly sweet with a light fizz, rather than overly fruit sweet like many fruit punches are. The booze is optional, but speaking frankly, when I make this, I'm always pushing the boundaries to see how much extra booze I can use without being able to taste it!

Ingredients

Fruit Punch

- 4 cups (1 L / 1 qt) cranberry juice or cranberry pomegranate juice , chilled (NOT light, Note 1)
- 2 cups (500ml) ginger ale , chilled (not ginger beer, Note 2)
- 4 cups (1 L / 1 qt) sparkling apple juice , chilled (non alcoholic, Note 3)
- 1 1/2 cups (375ml) white rum (Bacardi) (can omit)

Add Ins (Mix and Match!)

- 1 orange , halved, sliced then halved again
- 1 lemon , small, sliced into rounds
- 1 cup strawberries , halved or quartered
- 3/4 cup mint leaves
- 1/2 cup raspberries
- Ice , if desired (be mindful of dilution, consider using no-melt ice cube options)

Instructions

1. Pour Fruit Punch ingredients into a large jug, punch bowl or, as I did, trifle dish!!
2. .Add the fruit in, stir gently (don't agitate too much)
3. Serve immediately, using a ladle or mug to scoop and serve. To keep fizz alive for longer, best to make this just prior to serving.

Notes

1. Cranberry Juice - Use Cranberry juice (like Ocean Spray Cranberry Classic) or Cranberry Pomegranate juice.

DO NOT sub for anything labelled LIGHT or LOW SUGAR or PURE Cranberry Juice as it is VERY sour. If you accidentally buy that, you will probably need to add sugar into the punch. Just mix boiling water with sugar to dissolve, then add into punch until it's to your taste.

2. Ginger Ale - not ginger BEER. Ginger ale is just fizzy water that's flavoured with ginger. Ginger beer is non alcoholic but fermented and has a stronger ginger and spice flavour. It will still be nice with ginger beer - but flavour will be a bit different!

3. Sparkling apple juice - literally just apple juice that's fizzy. Can sub with non alcoholic apple cider, OR alcoholic apple cider (ie hard apple cider).

4. Alcohol - add in as much as you want without being able to taste it too much! Splash of Cointreau also great for hint of orange flavour. Can also sub with vodka.

5. Fruit add ins - just go for colour here! Colourful fruit, then mint for green and also refreshing flavour. Such a great combo of colours.

Treasurer's Note

The 2020/2021 subs are well and truly coming into the club bank account which is great to see. Still some out there yet to pay so make sure you pay your subs before the 15th November 2020. The reason for this as it helps to reconcile and keep a timely track of the current members in the current financial year, and also saves you \$10.00 on your annual subscription.



NORTH ISLAND MODEL A FORD CLUB INC

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Club Subs

September 2020

Your subs information is below:

Annual Subscription, 1 September 2020 – 31 August 2021

Individual / Family Membership

Paid by	15 November 2020	\$45.00
Paid after	15 November 2020	\$55.00

Payment (Preferred payment is by direct payment into the clubs account)– details below.

1. Online Direct payment to the Club's **ASB Account 12 3068 0187485 00**. Please include your name. As banks are now starting to stop excepting cheques, e.g. (Kiwi Bank from the 28th Feb 2020) others have & will follow.

We would like to encourage all members to pay by online direct payment to the club bank account. Details above and please remember to put your name as a reference.

However, if paying by Cheque, make the cheque out to North Island Model A Ford Club Inc. Post to the 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.

Many thanks everyone!



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New Member Application Form

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Contact Details Home _____ Mobile _____

Email _____

Individual/Family Annual Membership \$45.00 (includes monthly emailed newsletters)

New Member Fee \$10.00

Youth Associate (under 22) no charge

Total Individual/Family New Membership \$55.00

Payment to –

Internet banking: Account #12 3068 0187485 00 North Island Model A Ford Club Inc.
Please include your surname as a reference.

Post: NIMAFC Treasurer, PO Box 99249, Newmarket, Auckland 1149

Year and Body Style of Model A(s) _____

Description / history, including colour & registration

I authorise the NORTH ISLAND MODEL A FORD CLUB INC., to include my details on a contact list, circulated to Club members.

Yes / No (please circle)

Signature _____ Date _____

The NIMAFC Committee reserves the right to decline any application. In this case the above fee will be refunded in full.

The Club's financial year is 1 September – 31 August.

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Fiona Learmonth
NIMAFC Treasurer

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Hi everyone,

Just a reminder to you all to send in your articles of interest and photos so we can include them in the newsletter. Always great to read about members and their cars and the journey they have taken to where they are today.

Let me know if you have a car to sell or if you are looking for a Model A and its many parts to buy as we can put an advertisement in the newsletter and on the website. If you have a yummy recipe that you would like to share, please send so I can include then in the newsletter.

Thank you.

Fiona Learmonth (NIMAFC Temporary Newsletter Editor)

Editor email nimafc.treasurer@gmail.com until further notice.

Please send articles/reports/photos *to the Editor by 15th of the month* (or earlier if you can).

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