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MODEL A TORQUE

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Welcome to the North Island Model A Ford Club Inc.

The purpose of our club is to enjoy, restore, preserve, and protect the Model A Ford automobile and to foster a spirit of good fellowship and family participation using 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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- **Visit our website www.modelafordclub.co.nz for new events, articles & updates.**

North Island Model A Ford Club Upcoming Event Planner 2023

All subject to Covid restrictions <https://covid19.govt.nz/>

Date	Day	Thoughts and upcoming Events	Status
12 th Jan 2023	Thursday	Onehunga Beach BBQ	confirmed
15-16 Feb 2023		Proposed Car Run	Details to come
April 2023		Waiheke Run	Details to come

The committee are working on events for the upcoming year. Please keep a watch on the website www.modelafordclub.co.nz for any recent updates.

FYI below – Non-North Island Model A Ford Club Events 2022

If you are aware of an event coming up, please let the editor know so we can share, thank you.

Date	Day	Event
20 th , 21 st & 22 nd Jan 2023	Fri - Sun	Kumeu Hot Rod Show
28 th Jan 2023	Sat	Wing & Wheels Thames
4 th – 6 th Feb 2023	Sat – Mon	Leadfloor Festival Hahei Coromandel
12 th Feb 2023	Sun	Ellerslie Concourse
16 th – 19 th Feb 2023	Thur – Sun	Art Deco Festival Napier
4 th – 10 th March 2023	Sat - Fri	16 th National Model A Rally Methven Christchurch

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

Art Deco Napier

Thursday 16th February to Sunday 19th February

A full programme including FREE events is on again this year. Also an event shuttle operating from Ahiriri into town. If anyone is interested in joining club members Kay and Stephen – booked at “Anchorage Motor Lodge” in Ahiriri phone 0274 887721 or 021 0731 542, or see you at the festival.

Thanks, Kay and Stephen



Captain's Comment – October 2022



How I wish I had bought a Ford I would have saved \$2000

Well two months into the job, what do I say. Committee has met twice now , with Jobs of Secretary and Treasurer still being transferred to new people, otherwise new committee up and running, sent away for Xmas with some homework to do .Our next meeting due on the 6th January, if you have any issues to be looked at please do not forget to let your committee know.

Rob, newsletter Editor has published his first edition and did a great job. This will be his second publication before a small break due to Xmas. Thankyou Rob (and Paul Smith hiding in the background).

Xmas in the Park organized by Ralph and Jenny Levison was a success today, after been postponed last week due to weather. Unfortunately we pulled the plug as the weather forecasts were not kind and the actual weather proved it. Some arrived at the venue before finding out about the postponement, but I believe the cafe at Cornwall park benefited from that. Thank You to those members who turned up last week for your dedication. Today there were 15 cars plus a couple of moderns with people from Taupo, Hamilton and North (Whangarei way & Mangawhai). I believed everyone enjoyed themselves. We awarded the cups and awards for the year this will be covered in another item. Special thanks to Ralph and Jenny for putting on the Xmas event of the year and all the others who helped make it a success, including the weather Gods who gave us one little shower not enough to drench us or water down my wine. Those who could not be there today you were missed and I am sorry if you could of made it last week..

Remember to keep an eye on website, newsletters and flyers for events happening

Well like a lot of others I am winding down for Christmas and taking this opportunity to wish you, your families and your Model A's a Merry Christmas and the best for the New Year and safe motoring.

Wade.

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Christmas in the Park

Well after last week my wife Tricia and I went to Whangarei on Friday to come back On Saturday night so we could be present at the Xmas in the park for NIMAFc.

It rained overnight but though grey, this morning was much better than last week .We grabbed our stuff and the gazebo and let's not forget the cakes and met Ralph at Cornwall Park.

He had roped off an area, much to the chagrin of the park warden who came along after about half the As had parked up and asked us to remove them.

We proceeded to put up the gazebo, whilst Jenny was organising their stuff. Then the Christmas spirited members started arriving in their As . Decorating them up for xmas with a lot of the public on looking.

Ralph welcomed everyone with me adding my 10 cents worth. Jenny handed out Ralph & her master quiz forms for us to complete. I can't say who won. It was not me but I knew that beforehand. I think there was a point between the 3 leading contenders so no tie breaker was required but we have one up our sleeve for next time. Our one lil shower arrived with some of us moving either under gazebo or a tree. It was not enough to water down my wine.

Lunch amidst a cacophony of chatter as members enjoyed themselves. Santa came about 12 o'clock and with gifts for all but specially taking time out to give the children a kind smile and making fun. A very successful part of the day.

Christmas cake was cut by Tom and everyone had a piece with carrot cake as an alternative. Hugh handed out awards for the 50 the anniversary, with one photo being a competition as to where it was. I think it was down the limestone valley (back road from Te Awamutu to Taupo). Alas I could be wrong but it remains unanswered for another day. Marty warned some people he had the handbrake award but as he loves having it decided he would keep it till Onehunga BBQ

As by then it was the cloud was looking menacing we pushed things along and presented the Club Cups to the recipients that were there and mentioned of those who received one but were not there.

There was a best decorated car, three winners but everyone had made an effort. Kids did a form of treasure hunt looking for items and had their prize giving.

People had other things to do and started drifting off with xmas wishes and hugs.

Tidy up and we were all on our way.

Special Thanks to Jenny and Ralph for such organisation and effort, to Santa Claus for being such a jolly person (why is Santa so different to some airlines- he does make his one trip every year) , Gary & Fiona for organising the cups for presentation and anyone else not mentioned .

Thanks to all who made it to the event and sharing such a good day.

Wade Alexander

Club Captain

Awards for 2022

Aubrey Bateman Memorial Trophy	Fiona Learmonth	Outstanding services to club
Elegance Award	Mervyn and Leone Adams	People's choice at 50th
Hawaiian Trophy	Doug Brown and Linda Downey	Best Commercial
Amateur Restorer	Don and Teresa Windley	
Attendance Cup	Ross Bolton	
Endeavour Trophy	Hugh and Anne-Marie Hulse	Services to the club
Ladies Cup	Tricia Alexander	
Competitive Cup	Stephen Upson and Kay Palmer	
Pride of Ownership	Garry Learmonth	
Ron Griffin Trophy	Bruce Stratton	
Live Hubley	Terry and Joss Costello	
Couples Era Fashion	Di and Keith Humphries	



Murray Ashby on 50 years with Model A's

Sit back, get comfortable, perhaps top up your glass; 50 years is a long time and it will take quite some time to review.

The history of the Club, sort of parallels my own last 50 years, as Anne and I will celebrate our 50th anniversary next year, and much of this time has involved the Model A Ford.

I had many Model As come to stay with me from soon after I left school. However, after meeting Anne it was her idea that we needed one to restore. And as happens this target was exceeded as we continue with many more.

We were living in Upper Hutt when over Easter 1975 we bought a 1930 Roadster from John Bain, in Silverdale. We stayed with Anne's Aunt in Titirangi and learnt via Anne's policeman cousin that a group gathered at Henderson Police Station. Here we met Mike Watkins, also restoring a 1930 Roadster and so joined the North Island Model A Ford Club.

In Upper Hutt we had visits from Club members, Paul Smith, Ross Ward and Lloyd Cuthbert.

I moved to Hamilton in 1977 while Anne stayed in U/H for a couple of months so I spent time with Ross Ward in Auckland, enjoying his hospitality and Model A events. Soon we became quite involved, in fact often took Elizabeth, babe in arms, in the Roadster on Club runs.

In January 1981 six Model As toured the South Island over six weeks, again a three-year-old Elizabeth was in a harness on the back seat of our 1928 Phaeton, no child seats then. Other families were on the tour: Ray and Margaret Murphy with four children, Jeff Brokehals with two, Len and Stella Hoyland, Paul Smith, and Rene Dunn.

We arrived in Greymouth on Friday into a parade beginning the celebration marking ten years of Shantytown; we joined in and had special entry inside the replica village on Saturday.

We had an input into the AA chassis which was built as a "Bus" at Rene Dunn's premises. In fact, I remember changing engines in this a number of times after the centre main bearing was blown caused by excessive speed, over 32 MPH! There was also the speedster which Rene had built in his lounge, extracted from an upstairs window.

The Waikato group was quite strong for a while, and we had tours to South Island Rallies, hosted 1993 Hamilton third National Rally, with notable re-enactment of the Model A arriving in Te Aroha in 1929.

We have held period dress runs, as well as having a stand for a number of years at the Henry Ford Memorial Day (Henry's Birthday) in July, hosted by the Mustang Club.

In 2003 seven Model As toured North Cape to Bluff; Anne had to work so joined us in the middle week. We were featured on prime time TV1 News from Ashburton to Geraldine; I was thereafter quoted "You can tell the enjoyment of the open car driver, by the bugs in his smile." The company was Paul and Vicky, Malcolm and Jacky, Bruce and Colleen, Hugh, Andrew, Daggy and Lauren with two boys.

We also toured with a party of 32 Club members in 17 cars around the East Cape and back through Waikaremoana in 2005.

Other events arranged through the Club included a boat trip from Helensville to Dargaville and a bus expedition to visit Horopito Motors (Smash Palace) I had known Bill Cole from when we used to get parts in the late 60s. There was another bus trip into the far north, too. As well, as a Club event, we arranged a lady's driving day to present badges recognising "This Lady drives a Model A."

Swap meets are enjoyed with different groups; Pukekohe in February for a number of years, and Christchurch McLean's Island in October, we even had a tour to Bendigo swap meet in

Australia. There were rallies attended in the USA, including one where I was involved with the judging. We spent a day in Dearborn at the Henry Ford Museum with "Titanic" display and another day at the nearby Greenfield Village.

As part of this club, we have been invited to view collections, we have seen many interesting things that the general public may not, and have parked our cars in restricted areas too. Monthly Club Runs and Club Tech nights have been varied and interesting.

With no local volunteers, from a distance we edited the Club Newsletter from 1992 until 2012, paper copies photocopied and posted. During this time, someone phoned to say "you don't know me but you write to me once a month". We knew all club members, at least by name and location, but many personally, as well.

When Gavin Walker was Club Captain, we attended many committee meetings and club nights in Auckland along with other Waikato members.

The Club saw fit to award Anne and me a life membership 1995.

We are the 24th owner of the Roadster, and as much of it was not as it left the factory, I did the research and became involved with authenticity and of course Concours' judging. In fact, most days, I learn something new!

Our girls grew up supposing all families have a basement full of cars, and indeed both Elizabeth and Sarah learnt to drive in a Model A.

However, our common interest is the cars, but it is the people who we meet that enriches our lives. We enjoy the motoring, but the overnight visits where we interact with more than just our navigator is quite special.

I am very fortunate to have three families: those with whom I have blood ties, my work colleagues and my Model A family.

Within the Club we have made many very good friends, attending their weddings, celebrated births and unfortunately funerals.

With that can I propose one minutes silence to remember those who are not here tonight, be that they passed away any time over the 50 years or very recently.

Thank-you for allowing me to be your friend, come and tell us your stories and more importantly enjoy our 50th anniversary!

Murray (and Anne) Ashby

A great week with appropriate reminiscing, meeting new members and dissecting the old. Unfortunately, our 1931 Sedan played up a little on the way home, such that I have given it a valve grind and the test drive suggests a much-improved ride.

We now look forward to the Methven National Rally,

Murray



Chief Judge deliberates at Gisborne (editor)

The Black Twuck – off to the Irishman's

TC wrote a lovely story covering our truck in the newsletter a month or so back – it is fair to say we had quite a few laughs while on the restoration / rebuild and the '22 Irishman's rally was always a must do after we had borrowed Elsie for our first Irishman's rally in 2021 – we had a ball doing that and resolved we should repeat it

The Black Twuck with its Wheely Beige wheels – plenty of dry & well-lit storage – a warm draught free cab with dual coat hangers and the benefits of higher horsepower and the overdrive ticked all the boxes.

June 2022 we headed south – we opted to trail to Wellington – drive onto the ferry and then down to Chch where the rally was to start - so - Tuesday 31st Mar – off to Taihape where we hold special memories of a couple of nights in the world famous Gretna Hotel, Highland Flinging - feeling adventurous we now opted to stay at the Rusty Nail backpackers !! – Wednesday en-route south we had a bit of time to spare so a visit was made to Murray Horn's workshop of repute & special engineering in Levin– we had a look at some of his work in progress & dropped off some pickled onions (he has taste !!)- then to Murray's brother, Ivan's place – sheds full of A's T's and other stuff - powered into Wellington via the new Trans Gully highway -as we unloaded the Black Twuck – it was blowing like hell with hail & rain & thunder & lightning with some pestilence tossed in – it was also seriously cold – a fun experience ! Several other Irishman entrants were at the same motel – (they trailed to Fairlie and drove back to the start)

Thursday morn - onto the early ferry and a chance to have a chat to the other guys from Ak – a flat crossing – a pie in Blenheim then down the track to Kaikoura where we stayed at the Pier Hotel - to Chch the next morn where we delivered some Mod A parts – collected our rally data – there was no nogg n natter due to covid so an early night - only to be woken by some dickhead thinking we were in his room – not staying there again – lots of traffic sounds too

Sat morn in the dark at Cutler Park – and off we went –the rally instructions were given as we left the grounds and it was onto the Waimak River flood banks, - over the bridge and then head west up river – across a couple of slippery farm slopes – at the Waimak Gorge region an hour or so later we hit water – perhaps a tad too fast and without a drop screen on the radiator – also missing engine pans and it proved a tad too deep !! – out of the stream on two cylinders !! lifted the bonnet to give the engine a chance to dry off – gave the engine a rev or two and the noises were terrible – my jaw hit the floor – an engine with virtually no miles on the clock was banging severely when rev'ed & we could not decide what the cause was!! I figured we would be lucky to get to Fairlie and back to Wellington !! Plan B – miss the Porters Pass section and take it very easy on the lower roads to Fairlie - we ran for a while and then stopped for a lunch break - still down in the mouth with engine noises we gave it another rev up – blow me down – no bangs !! (This made us think the noise was caused by water of which there was a fair amount in the Weber air cleaner



Kaikoura Lodgings with very good tucker also booked for Methven trip

element being drawn into the cylinders and exploding under combustion temperature and the resultant steam causing severe banging !!) We finished lunch a whole lot happier and away to Fairlie where a good catch up in the pub was had!

Sunday morn was cold but dry – a very lean wind – we drove to Tekapo where all cars parked up and then it was into NZ Army grounds and then onto farm tracks over tussock territory – back onto farm tracks to Waterfall Creek – not on a map but I reckon about 10 miles due east of Mt Cook in the middle of nowhere – stunning country.

We passed a lot of traps on the cross country tracks – the odd one occupied with feral cats! I side with Forest & Bird on that subject! After our lunch break it was back down the valley via farm roads and onto the highway to Fairlie and onto Pete's Patch for the catchup and prizegiving with a lovely big bon fire to heat the bones - we stayed Sunday evening in the pub ! we regretted this later !!



Monday morn – an early start - back to Chch – visited Dave Rees - picked up a Laycock on the way out of town – up to Kaikaoua to the same pub – Tuesday breakfast at Bernie's Diner – good brekky was had and a look thru Bernie's very nice collection of classics – then up to Picton & a flat water trip to Wellington where we loaded back onto the trailer for an early start – the next morning we headed north and it seemed that both of us had run out of conversation as the day wore on – we arrived back in Ak and did the old covid test and yes – we both had it !! Sunday evening at the pub in Fairlie had a result!! Not the one we wanted!!

Moral of the story is – we built the Black Twuck with Covid restrictions all around – we enjoyed the rally and will do more of them – highly probable we will fit engine side pans too !! We may miss on Sunday evenings at the pub – not good for the health!!

Testing the sponsors products – top shelf!!

Waterfall Creek is way up there!!



A Ford Model A Story

As I head towards four score years, here are some of my past encounters with a “Henry”.

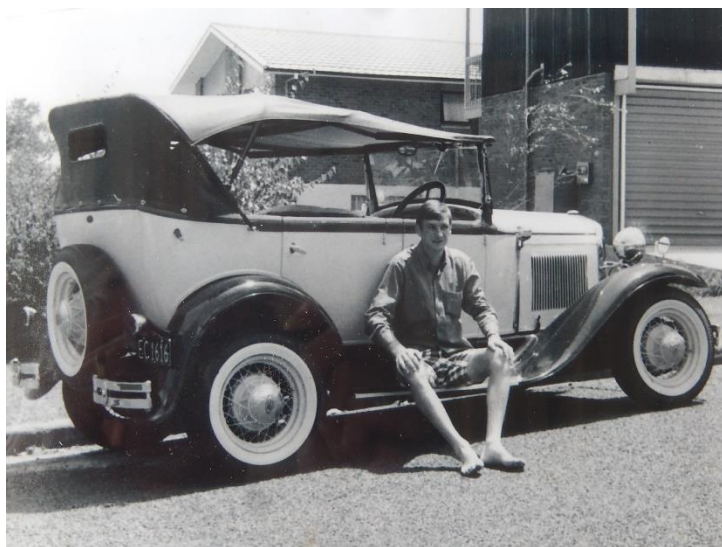
Leaving Westlake Boys High in 1965 I purchased my first car, and it was the Black 1928 Tudor with white wall tyres all brush painted with house paint as you did in those days. This car had taken 5 of us to school, a stop for a ciggy on the way, for 3 years without any major issues, and was quite an original car I now recall. I was able to find the correct headlights and a missing front bumper. We were all into surfing by now and a home made roof rack was bolted through the roof to carry the long boards.

I was now hankering for something new and the Tudor was sold to Rainton J Hastie who owned the Pink Pussie Cat Club in KRoad and it was painted bright pink but it disappeared soon after the Cops ordered him out of the UNI capping parade up Queen St!

I then bought a 1946 Ford V8 panel van for surfing, great wagon but an oil burner, also a quite original 1931 Chev sedan with a knocky engine so that was on sold, and the bones of a 1929 Ford Pickup.

I had come across a 1930 Phaeton locally about 1966 in pieces but complete minus an engine, gearbox & diff and a chance visit to Matakohē to see some of Merv Sterling's collection of cars we were introduced to Darcy his son who was our age and his 1930 Sedan with a V8 shoehorned into it – the way to go. Darcy still has this car.

The required 1938 V8, gearbox diff was sourced, and the car painted bright yellow, and it went well. Some shock parts unwanted from this car were sold to Keith (Phaeton) Humphreys I recall although Keith may not!



Around 1968 I sold the Phaeton much to my mother's disappointment; EC1616 where are you now? and purchased a 1958 Vauxhall Cresta UK assembled rust bucket which I was lucky to later sell to help fund my OE to London in early 1969.

Returning to NZ at Xmas 1970, I moved to Wellington for work with P&O (shipping) and later met Mary, got married and we moved back to Auckland.

I had a hankering for another Model A to restore and a good friend Paul Paton who some of you have met

was teaching at my old school Westlake and noted there were one or two Model A's in the carpark, Paul Smith owned one I believe and I learnt about the recently formed Model A Ford Club.

Through that connection I joined the Club and purchased a 1930 Fordor in pieces from Elwyn Cryer (Max's brother) in East Tamaki. This car was duly fully restored by me and professionals. IA 1930 is currently on Trademe for sale in CHCH for \$37500.

This car with our family of 5 attended numerous Club events including three National's.

Once the bug is established in one's self, you move on to more Model A's don't you!!

1928 Roadster I fully restored from a basket case now up north somewhere.

1929 Roadster Pickup ex Geoff Broekhals and I fully restored, in my eyes the neatest looking A.

1929 Tudor with a knocky engine and sold as is and probably on the road somewhere.

1929 Phaeton in very good mostly original condition that I purchased in Ashburton and the best driver I have owned, now in the capable hands of Andrew Foote.

1928 Tudor an older restoration and partially re-restored which I did not intend to keep but we still have this now.

You may have realised I have a soft spot for early cars and I would like a 1928 – 29 Coupe (NZ new) but these are rare in NZ. Let me know if you spot one.



John Castle, November 2022



50 years ago in the Club (December-January 1972/3)

December 10th 1972 saw a members and families Club Xmas BBQ at Mairangi Bay.

Thanks to sponsor John W. Andrews Ford, 8 Model A's and a variety of modern cars gathered at their Royal Oak branch at 2pm and travelled in convoy over the harbour bridge to 19 Montrose Terrace Mairangi bay. BBQ and fuel supplied, but everything else was BYO including beer!

Those in attendance = Rene Dunn 1930 Roadster, John & Annette Grey, 1930 Fordor, Roger Bale, 1928 Tudor, Mark Hanson, 1930 Tudor, Warwick & Penny Woollams, 1930 Coupe, John Williams & family, 1928 Phaeton, Martin & Margie Howson, 1929 Fordor, Ray Williams & family, 1930 Roadster.

The convoy was led by Rene's "push to go" Roadster with its bright red top!

Bob & Bess Ballantyne, 1930 Coupe, joined at Mairangi Bay.

An extremely successful and enjoyable first Club outing.



From the Minutes Book:-

December 12th 1972, no new membership applications despite advertising etc. further advertising was mooted (provided it is free) in the Herald and Auckland Star newspapers.

Planning was under way for a "motoring" event for February 1973 – this was later canned as everyone is on holiday.

Members profiles were to be included in the newsletters. (Alan Minson as Club Captain started it off with his).

Paul Smith (Club Historian & Life Member)

I am 26 years old and was born in Christchurch, where I lived for the first 23 years. While I was still at secondary school the need for some form of transport arose. On the advice of a very wise cousin of mine, I took my 45 pounds into town and bought myself a 1930 Town Sedan which seemed to run reasonably well. Eight years and six A's later I am still keen as ever.

My present car is a partially restored 1930 Phaeton which has been in bits for five years now. Disgusting isn't it! My latest escapade was to dash down to Christchurch and spend three days assembling the car to a state where it could be towed. Now that it has been flown up here (thanks to the Air Force) it is once more in many pieces. Do not despair though because work has started in earnest and all should be completed in a years time.

Since before the A's came along, I have been actively interested in yachting in boats of all shapes and sizes. As well as giving me the thrill of competition, I find sailing very relaxing and have often launched my little 12 footer when there is no wind at all, just to enjoy drifting lazily around in the sun.

One of the things I miss most in the North Island is the mountains. While at University I spent nearly every weekend (other than those close to exams) climbing peaks in the Southern Alps. As you can probably imagine, my ice axe and crampons are getting a little rusty. I better not say too much about the North Island as I did come up here out of choice, and it certainly is warmer.

In 1970 I completed my Bachelor of Engineering degree at Canterbury University, then joined the Ministry of Works to obtain practical experience for my registration in 1974. The first 18 months were spent in Rotorua where I saw a great deal of the Bay of Plenty during the course of travelling around looking after bridge contracts in the area.

While in Rotorua I met my wife Ruth who was working in the Public Relations Office. We were married in April 1971 at her parents home in Opotiki, and then chugged off on a 1000 mile honeymoon in what was then our early form of transport, a 1930 Town Sedan. Incidentally all that went wrong on that trip were a couple of flat tyres.

Auckland has been our home now, living in Hillsborough. My job involves planning and supervision work in conjunction of the new Mangere bridge across the Manukau Harbour. If anyone is interested, I will be only too happy to run a conducted tour.

Well that covers all the main points of my life, Warwick Woollams will divulge his dark secrets in the February 1973 Newsletter.

Paul Smith (Club Historian & Life Member)

MODEL A CLUB 50TH ANNIVERSARY SONG

by Daggy Sperry

NOW LET ME TELL A STORY, 'BOUT A MODEL A FORD
A CAR FOR THE PEOPLE, BUILT BY HEN-ER-Y FORD
A CAR THAT WAS BUILT, TO REPLACE THE MODEL T
LISTEN TO MY STORY, LEND AN EAR TO ME.

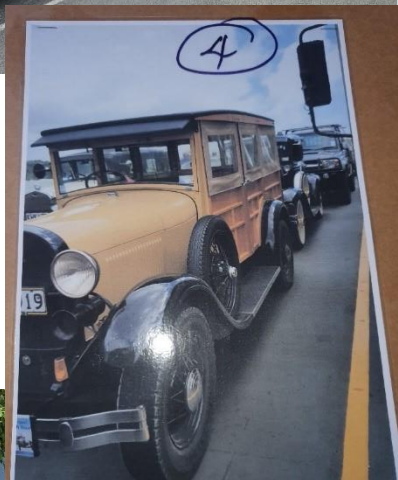
THEY SHUT DOWN THE FACTORY AND TOILED AWAY
SIX MONTHS LATER, OUT CAME THE MODEL A
SHE WAS SEXY, SHE WAS SASSY, WELL MANNERED ALL THE WAY
SO THEY CALLED HER LADY A

SHE STILL HAD A CRANK, YA DIDN'T NEED IT ANYMORE
IT HAD A LITTLE BUTTON, DOWN ON THE FLOOR
SHE WAS ALWAYS WELL BEHAVED, SHE STARTED EVERY TIME
BUT BEST OF ALL, SHE STOPPED ON A DIME.

SHE WAS COMFORTABLE AND CLASSY, A CAR FOR AROUND TOWN
THE NEW LADY A, WOULD NEVER LET YOU DOWN.
A TRIP TO THE BEACH, TO LIE IN THE SUN
THEN HOME AGAIN, A JOB WELL DONE



The Taupo Location Quiz





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Membership Subs for 2022/2023 due now!

If you have not paid your subs for the 2022/2023 year, now is the time to pay
the 15th of November cutoff date has passed so cost is \$55.00.

Note:

However, please check your own accounts to see if you have already paid for the 2022/2023 year. There are a number of members who have paid more than once for this year's sub. All the merrier for the club bank account but makes accountability a larger task & less for your account 😊.

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

The amount now payable, to be a financial member, is \$45.00.

Your subs information is below:

Annual Subscription, 1 September 2022 – 31 August 2023

Individual / Family Membership

Paid by	15 November 2021	\$45.00
Paid after	15 November 2021	\$55.00

Payment – details below.

1. Online Direct payment to the Club's **ASB Account 12 3068 0187485 00.** Please include your name.
Please remember we can no longer receive cheques.

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.

Thank you.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The NIMAFC no longer has a PO Box address. If you need to post something to the club that cannot be sent by email, please contact the club secretary.

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Things Mechanical (or electrical)

Many Model A's have an aftermarket fuse fitted in the circuit from starter to terminal box. This is only partial protection as with a 30amp fuse link fitted, only a dead short will blow it quickly enough to prevent damage. When this fuse blows or becomes loose, the generator output will become unstable above idle speed and could burn out any electrical parts operating. Better fire protection can be had by mounting fuses for the lights and horn at the generator where these circuits originate. With a standard lighting system a 15amp link will do.



Newsletter Editor/Website Corner - www.modelaford.co.nz



Merry Christmas from a “beyond wet” but well attended Birkenhead Christmas Parade



Thanks to the North Shore five who at short notice turned out to support this event. The old cars, children and Christmas made a great combination. For the Duffy's Model A it was the second parade of the day.

Location Quiz answers

Not to make it too easy, here are the locations for you to match to the images.

Sullivans Bay Mahurangi Regional Park June 22

Reefton April 19

Onehunga Bay Jan 22

Opua ferry VCC rally

Steam tug outing William C Daldy

Ellerslie Car Show Feb 15

Kaipara Coast sculpture gardens March 22

Wellington ferry terminal April 19

Te Karaka Gisborne rally March 21

Ryders movie night June 21

(NIMAFC Newsletter)

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In Microsoft Word is the preference.

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WANTED

Two good condition 21 inch wheels. Please contact David Heilbron heilbrondavid@gmail.com Also available is a number of good 19 inch wheels should someone need them.



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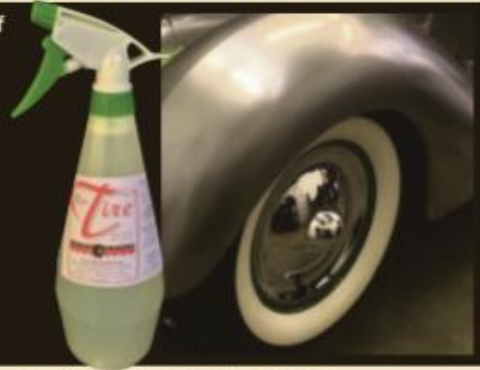
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