

Fifth newsletter

17th National Model A Ford Rally

23-28th March 2025, Solway Hotel and Showgrounds, Masterton.



Dear Model A Enthusiast,

Following the publication of the fourth newsletter we have had a steady flow of full Formal Registrations for this event, however of the original 114 'Early-bird' registrations received there are **still 30 of you who have not made Formal Registration yet.**

We understand there may be many reasons why some of you won't be able to attend, due to ill health, changed circumstances or a Model A that needs too much work done to have it ready for the Rally on time! That leaves a lot of you who may not be able to find the Registration documents in your email system or are unsure about how to fill them in and return them. We respectfully suggest that if you are in the latter category you ask a friend or family member to assist you.

The Registration documents and previous four newsletters and information about the Rally can be found on our website www.modelafordclub.co.nz. Look for the link to the '17th National Rally'. As a last resort, if you can't or don't know how to download the documents from our website, then email me at nimaafc.secretary@gmail.co.nz and I can email you the documents again. (they were sent on 2-9-24 from nimaafc.editor@gmail.com). We want to make the process as easy as possible for you!

Entries close on 10th November, so please make an effort to return your Registration documents and 'Waiver' document before then.

The **main purpose** of this newsletter is to let you know about the **lunch arrangements** in more detail as we have had a lot of requests to know what we will be getting for lunch at each venue. So, this information follows!

	Venue	Meal
1.	Le Gra Vineyard, Opaki.	3 x Cheeses, Le Gra Chutneys, bread and butter pickles, pinot gris pickled pumpkin, fresh fruit, pates, smoked salmon, cracker and breads, served on platters.
2.	Cobblestones Museum, Greytown.	Sausage rolls, quiches, bacon & egg pie, Club sandwiches, Sliders with ham or chicken Fruit & Sweet treat platters Unlimited tea or coffee
3.	Whakataki Hotel, Castlepoint.	Buffet style lunch with 2x cold meats with condiments to match. Salads with lettuce, tomatoes, etc to then build a bun or sandwich, or people can make a plate of their choice. A sweet 'slice' for dessert.
4.	Luna Estate Vineyard, Martinborough.	Two Choices. 1. Chicken Katsu curry 2. Pumpkin Katsu curry (this is 'gluten free' & 'dairy free')
	Which meal you get on which day will depend on which colour group you are in and which route you are driving.	
	For people who have special dietary requirements, you can choose to deduct \$100 from your Registration fee and provide your own lunches. You will not be issued with lunch tickets.	

There may be some subtle alterations to the planned meals due to seasonal or market availability of produce.

If any of you have suitable items you can donate for 'auction' or 'raffle' please let Martin Rees know, email nimaafc.secretary@gmail.com

It is important that we get as many people as possible getting Formal Registration done **by 10-11-24** as we have to send all our material for the Rally Brochure to the printers to get the brochure printed before Christmas. It is very difficult to get anything done in this country in January, due to so many people being on holiday. Those people not Formally Registered before we 'go to print' will find their details will not be included in the list of 'attendees' in the brochure, which is a valuable source of contacts after the Rally for people to keep in touch with each other!

Please, email your 'Waiver form' and completed Registration documents to nimafc.secretary@gmail.com **not** to nimafc.treasurer@gmail.com **nor** to nimafc.editor@gmail.com

If you made an 'Early-bird' registration with the intention of coming to the 17th Rally, but now you know you won't be able to come to the Rally for whatever reason, please email Martin Rees at nimafc.secretary@gmail.com to say so, then we won't need to be 'chasing you' for a Formal Registration that is not going to happen!

Kind regards,

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Terry Costello, Martin Rees

17th Rally Committee

