

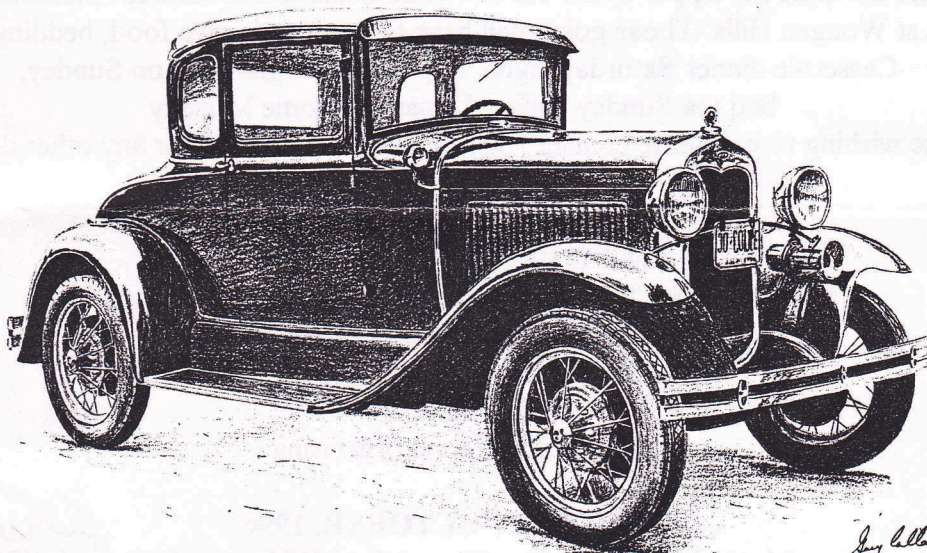


# Western Model A News

Official Newsletter of the  
MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA, Inc

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## 1930 DE LUXE COUPE

*Its alert speed, quick acceleration and ease of control give the De Luxe Coupe a distinct advantage in crowded traffic*

*Fitted with stainless steel cowl lamps and upholstered in choice of brown mohair or deep tan Bedford cloth makes this vehicle a distinctively personal car of rich appointment. Luggage is easily accommodated in the trunk under the rear deck.*

*Body colours were Brewster Green, Andalusite Blue, Lombard Blue, Kewanee Green, Copra Drab, Chiclé Drab, Thorne Brown, Black & Ford Maroon.*



Next Run/Meeting - Sunday, 28 July  
AGM & Vehicle Inspection - see Calendar

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**SUNDAY, 28 JULY, 1996**

**M.A.R.C. AGM & Annual Vehicle Inspection**

Venue: Noranda Primary School Walmsley Drive, Noranda.

Sausage Sizzle lunch provided by Committee 12:30pm.

Examination times: 11am - 1:55pm. AGM to commence at 2:00pm

Please bring a plate of goodies to share for afternoon tea & your own cups.

**AUGUST, 1996**

John & Fran Timmings organising

**28, 29 & 30 SEPTEMBER, 1996**

Meet at Apple St, Upper Swan for a 9:00am departure to June & Alan Smith's farm at Wongan Hills. Those going will have to bring their own food, bedding, etc.

Casserole dinner Saturday night. Trip in to Wongan Hills on Sunday,

bbq tea Sunday night. Depart for home Monday.

Those wishing to go please contact Alan or June on [REDACTED] for any other details.

**SUNDAY, 6 OCTOBER, 1996**

**FORD BIRTHDAY PARADE**

Organised by Classic English Ford Club, all Fords welcome

Further details in future newsletters.

**OCTOBER, 1996**

John & Pat Laurie organising

**SUNDAY, 27 OCTOBER, 1996**

Motor Museum Rally - Fremantle to Whiteman Park

Further details in future newsletters.

**SUNDAY, 17 NOVEMBER, 1996**

Max & Dora Annear organising.

**SATURDAY, 7 DECEMBER, 1996**

Christmas Dinner this year will be at:

**Perth Bowling & Tattersall Club, 2 Plain St, East Perth**

**Cost \$21 per person. Pay for own drinks at very reasonable prices**

**Time: 6:30pm Eat at 7:00pm**

Organised by Dora Annear

**22 & 23 MARCH, 1997**

Wyalkatchem Vintage Fair



## **RAY ABBOTT ENGINE RECONDITIONING**

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**MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE AIRFORCE MEMORIAL MUSEUM, BULLCREEK,  
16TH JUNE 1996**

Meeting opened by President at 12.45 pm. Alan thanked Barrie & Gwen Guest for organising the run. He also welcomed new members, Merv & Kath Ward and visitor, Peter, John Hall's brother.

**PRESENT & APOLOGIES:** As per attendance book.

**MINUTES:** Proposed Jim Williams, seconded Max Annear that the May minutes be accepted as read.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:** John Hall still needs a copy of wheel straightening plans. David Bussard will forward a copy direct. CCC Quiz Nite, Peter Gilberthorpe advised that tickets are available for one table of 8 people for the forthcoming Quiz Nite, 3 July 1996.

**CORRESPONDENCE IN:** \* Advertising - Shannons \* Courier Australia \* CCC Minutes \* MAFCA Highlights of Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting \* Fairbridge, Pinjarra \* Wyalkatchem Vintage Tractor & Machinery Fair. \* Model A Club of SA Newsletter.

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:** \* White Pages re change of telephone number in directory. \* Ken Harris enclosing application for membership.

Moved correct by Barrie Guest, seconded Peter Gilberthorpe.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

MAY: Opening Balance	\$11,388.53
Receipts	<u>69.50</u>
	\$11,458.03
Less expenses:	<u>206.06</u>
Closing Balance:	<u>\$11,251.97</u>

Moved Colin Davidson, seconded Steve Read.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

**Christmas Dinner** - John Hall offered his home for a Christmas Function or suggested the Fremantle Sailing Club. His brother, Peter advised that a Saturday night smorgasbord would be approximately \$25.00 per person plus drinks. Dora Annear has been doing some research and made numerous telephone enquiries to find only three places available, The Dorchester, Melville, The Wembley Lodge, Wembley or the Perth Bowling and Tattersalls Club, Perth. All venues offer a buffet style meal. The Dorchester is \$26.50 pp including drinks. The Wembley Lodge is \$27 pp plus drinks and the Perth Bowling & Tattersalls Club is \$21 pp plus drinks. Barrie Guest also offered to find out if the Airforce Memorial Estate had anything suitable.

After discussion it was by majority vote that this year's Christmas dinner will be at the Perth Bowling & Tattersalls Club unless the Airforce Memorial has something better to offer. The date for the dinner will be 7 December 1996 and Dora Annear was nominated to co-ordinate the dinner.

**September Long Weekend** - Alan Smith advised details of the long weekend at his farm in Wongon Hills and particulars will be in the July newsletter.

**Annual Inspection of Vehicles** - Steve Read advised these will be at the A.G.M. as in previous year. He also advised that as of Monday 17 June 1996 our club will be a fully fledged, A.I.S. (Approved Inspection Service Centre) and can now do concessional licences for club vehicles. Two more applications will need to be lodged for Max Annear and Reg Blewett if they wish to carry on as Inspectors.

**Good Luck/Bad Luck Trophy** - Louise Read advised that Laurel Cooke understood that this trophy was to be awarded either annually or bi-annually at the Club's A.G.M. It was agreed that this is the procedure and the trophy will be awarded at the next A.G.M.

**Barrie Guest** thanked everyone for buying his home made chutney from tomatoes they picked at Kirup and advised that \$44.60 was raised for the Club.

**BITS & PIECES:**

Peter Gilberthorpe followed on from Steve Read's comments regarding the inspection of vehicles and advised that inspections are to be done before the end of June and as we are already aware, change of ownership of vehicles by club members should be notified to the Dept. of Transport. He also mentioned how the EPA are on the look out for smokey cars and John Hall commented on the letter he received from the EPA for his Bentley which apparently was seen 'smoking' outside the Burswood Hotel on a Sunday morning! John said that his Bentley does not smoke and cannot be made to smoke but the letter was a result of apparently an anonymous dobber. Peter Gilberthorpe also advised that the CCC A.G.M. is on 26 August 1996 and they are looking for new officebearers and committee members for the Marlows Classic Car Show next year.

John Hall advised that he now knows of a person in Osborne Park who can make stainless steel mufflers for any vehicle for a fraction of the price.

Alan thanked everyone for coming on the run and the **Meeting Closed 1.23 pm**

## GUEST'S SHORT GALLIVANT

13 Model A's, 3 moderns, a 1940 Ford V8 Coupe and Steve's MG driven by Darren and Germaine attended the run. We met at Riverton Forum by 10am but after lots of conversation and interest in Pat and David's Ford V8 Coupe it was 10.45am before we left on a short run of only about 6 kms. Had our morning tea break along the foreshore of Canning River at a nice spot. Lots of talk again!! Perhaps we had all missed each other as conversation seemed to be the order of the day. It was such a nice day to be out in our Fords. Arrived at R.A.A.F.A. Museum and lunched in the old tennis court shelter sheds. Thanks to Nina's knowledge of them as she had spent many years playing tennis there. At the meeting our two new members Merv & Kath WARD were introduced. Merv plans to restore a Ford A ute. The meeting over, we inspected the museum which really has a lot to show. Alan J. mentioned that he had always planned to see the museum. Most headed for home by 2.30pm. When Barrie returned to the museum just after 4pm he was surprised to find Kelvin still in the South wing. He still had the North wing to view. He had got so involved!! Hope it was of interest to a lot more and thanks from Gwen and Barrie.

Incidentally, instead of our usual raffle, Barrie had made jars of Tomato Chutney from the tomatoes we picked at Kirup per favour of Germaine's cousin. Hope those who bought chutney enjoyed it. Germaine please thank your family.

*GWEN & BARRIE GUEST.*

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### **WAGIN RALLY 1st - 3rd June 1996**

About twelve vehicles with their own crews, started from Pioneer Village at 9.15 am on Saturday the first. We stopped at Dwellingup for morning tea, when more people in various vehicles joined us. Lunch was at lovely historic Quindanning Hotel, then on through Williams via Piesseville to Wagin.

That evening, the Katanning Branch Members served soup and sandwiches to nearly a hundred people. Members came from Dardanup, Bunbury, Albany, Geraldton, Kulin, Collie, Denmark, Wagin, Katanning and Perth. There were seven couples, who also belong to the Model A Club.

That evening members and townsfolk attended the Old Time Dance which raised funds for the Royal Flying Doctors Service. Some members adjourned to the Hotel for a quieter evening.!!!

On Sunday, a run to Kojonup was organised, with a barbecue lunch at the RSL Hall. After a sightseeing tour of the Town, looking at the Military Barracks, Elverd Cottage, The Old Railway Station, now a craft shop and the Tourist Bureau, and a wood shop, we returned to Wagin. A casserole tea, a lot of chatter and a singalong, brought to a close a very enjoyable day.

On Monday, cars were displayed at the Wagin Historical Village, with a Foundation Day Service, stalls and displays. Everyone made their own way home by various routes. Some of us returned via Narrogin, where we had a look at the Narrogin Restoration Group's Museum, kindly opened for us by John Suckling, and onto his house for a look at his private collection, which includes an 'A'.

We returned to Perth via Wandering. A top weekend.

*Reg & Coral Blewett*



*"This much we must believe as a starting point: That the earth produces, or is capable of producing, enough to give decent sustenance to everyone - not of food alone, but of everything else we need, for everything is produced from the earth. That it is possible for labour, production, distribution and reward to be so organised as to make certain that those who contribute shall receive shares determined by an exact justice. That regardless of the frailties of human nature, our economic system can be so adjusted that selfishness, although perhaps not abolished, can be robbed of power to work serious economic justice."* Henry Ford

## A Look at the Life of HENRY FORD

by Bevan Sharp

from *Quotations from the Unusual Henry Ford*  
by William and Marjorie McNairn

A newspaper man describing Henry Ford in 1915, said:

*Mr Ford is a tall, slim, keen-eyed, alert man, who is apparently never too much occupied to see anybody that actually has something to talk over with him; a man who is just 50, in perfect health, and as active as any of his young employees ...*

Henry Ford's business career is one of the most astonishing in modern history. He was looked on by his contemporaries as a day-dreaming failure who couldn't concentrate on a career, he was almost 40 before he began his automobile company in Detroit. But in little

more than a decade he was known throughout the civilised world as the genius that had brought the Model T within reach of the common man. In time he became one of the world's richest industrialists, owning not only vast factories, but a railroad, a fleet of ships, a fleet of aeroplanes and an empire with assets worth more than a billion dollars.

Like most men, Henry Ford was neither saint nor devil. He had a special sensitivity to mechanics and production, a strength of character to pursue his dreams and he was an individual - an iconoclast standing up for his beliefs.

Year	Age	Event
1863	-	Born July 30 on a farm near Dearborn, Michigan, first son of William Ford, Irish immigrant, and Mary Ford, Dutch-Scandinavian.
1875	12	His mother died.
1876	13	With home-made tools took a watch apart and put back together in working order.
1878	15	Left school to go to work.
1879	16	Left home, walked to Detroit, took a job as an apprentice machinist earning \$2.50 per week. Worked another job at night for a jeweller for \$2 per week to help pay his rent of \$3.50 per week.
1883	20	Returned to father's farm, operated a saw mill and repaired machinery.
1888	25	Married Clara J. Bryant of Greenfield, Michigan.
1890	27	Got a job as engineer and machinist with Detroit Edison Company at \$45 a month.
1892	29	Taught night classes in metalwork, Detroit YMCA. Completed his first 'gasoline buggy'.
1899	36	Quit at Detroit Edison to develop the automobile. Organised the Detroit Automobile Company with \$15,000 cash.
1901	38	Raced against Alexander Winton at Grosse Point track. Won in his own design 2-cylinder car.
1902	38	Broke with financial backers, sold interest in Company which became the Cadillac Company.
1903	40	Built two 4-cylinder, 80hp racing cars, Arrow and 999, for publicity; won every race. Started Ford Motor Company, held 25-1/2%.
1904	41	Ford Motor Co sold 1,708 two-cylinder, 8hp Model A Ford autos.
1905	42	Set speed record of 39-2/5 seconds for a mile run.
1906	43	Father died.
1908	45	Majority control of stock in Ford Motor Company. Model T production begun on Oct 1, selling for \$850.
1909	46	10,000 Model T sold.
1914	51	Established \$5 day (was \$2.40 for 9-hour day).
1915	52	One million Fords sold.
1916	53	Joined Peace efforts. Peace ship mission failed, Henry ridiculed.
1918	55	Turned over Presidency to son, Edsel.
1919	56	Henry and Edsel sole owners of Ford Company.
1921	58	Survived financial crisis. Cut costs drastically.
1923	60	British Ford formed.
1924	61	Aided Russian factory.
1925	62	Nearly 2 million cars p.a.
1926	63	Model T cut to \$350.
1927	64	Model A introduced.
1928	65	Established Museum and Greenwich Village.
1929	66	Advice to US President.
1932	69	Model A stopped - V8 introduced.
1941	78	Willow Run bomber plant producing one an hour.
1943	79	Ford accepts unions. Edsel died, Henry resumed Presidency.
1944	81	Awarded American Legion Distinguished Service Medal.
1945	81	Resigned as President. Henry II takes over.
1947	83	Died at Fairlane on April 7. Career spanned 55 years of auto development.

## It's hats off to Smithy and the boys

**Brisbane, June 9.** With a graceful landing, Captain Charles Kingsford Smith and his companions in the Fokker FVII monoplane *Southern Cross* completed the last hop of their remarkable, America-Australia flight at 10.14am today in Smith's birthplace, Brisbane.

Thousands greeted Smith, his co-pilot Charles Ulm, and Americans, navigator Harry Lyon and wireless operator Jim Warner at the Eagle Farm aerodrome at the end of the eight-day 7,000-mile trip.

The *Southern Cross* was bought from the down-and-out Smith by the US industrialist Captain G. Allan Hancock who told him "to fly it to Australia". On their arrival, the airmen were handed a cable giving them the plane, and announcing that their debts, of £10,000, had been cancelled.

### Doctor takes flight

**April 27.** Australia has launched a flying doctor service. A distinguished group of clerics and medical men met for lunch at the Windsor Hotel, Melbourne today to honour Dr KStV. Welch, chosen from a list of volunteers to take up the post of first aerial medical officer in the Northern Territory. He will be based at Cloncurry and will have at his disposal, night and day, a Qantas plane. The project, on trial for a year, is financed by the Presbyterian church's Inland Mission, with federal and Queensland government aid.

### Number Three

Other  
Happenings  
during the

## MODEL A ERA

in  
AUSTRALIA

# 1928

by Bevan Sharp, from  
"The Australian Almanac"  
and  
"Chronicle of Australia"

### New airline: ANA

**December 12.** Local aviation heroes, Charles Kingsford Smith and Charles Ulm, today launched themselves into yet one more flight adventure. They announced that they have formed their own passenger airline, to be called Australian National Airways Ltd.

The move comes at the end of an extraordinary year for these two men. As well as completing the America-Australia flight, in August they were the first to fly non-stop across Australia and in September they were the first to cross the Tasman from Sydney to Christchurch, New Zealand.

**February 22** - Bert Hinkler arrived in Darwin after completing the first solo flight from Britain to Australia. The journey had taken 15-1/2 days and cost a mere £51.00. (After the explosion of the American space shuttle 'Challenger' in 1986, it was revealed that a part of Hinkler's plane, on board at the time, had been destroyed as well.)

**March 31** - Australian Grand Prix motor race held for the first time - at Phillip Island.

**April 14** - First sky-writing exhibition in Melbourne by Capt Lingham in his SE5 biplane. Letters spell "Hello".

**April 30** - Over 2,000 people at Leggett's Ballroom, Melbourne to compete in Victorian Amateur Dance Championships.

**May** - Cadbury's Dairy Chocolate first produced in Claremont, Tasmania.

**August 28** - Local government Bill Act amended to allow municipalities to charge parking fees in streets.

**August 29** - Australian Iron and Steel Ltd's blast furnace begins production in Port Kembla.

**September 2** - St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, 60 years under construction, opens.

**September 30** - Collingwood defeated Richmond and won their 7th League premiershi

**September 30** - Statesman won the Melbourne Cup.

**December 31** - "Talkies". "The Jazz Singer" opened at Lyceum and "The Red Dance" at the Regent.

## Violence on the waterfront

**Melbourne, September 28.** Violence has broken out across the Australian waterfront over the use of outsiders to break a nation-wide strike by waterside workers.

In Melbourne yesterday a gang of 60 men attacked two taxi cabs carrying non-union labour volunteers. Shots were fired and the drivers and their passengers were badly beaten. The Stevedoring Company foreman's house was later attacked and its windows smashed.

In Brisbane, watersiders stoned and bashed volunteers signing on for work; in Adelaide, where a secret ballot was expected to recommend a return to work, several strikers seized the ballot box and used it as a football before smashing it and tearing up the voting papers.

Later, in Adelaide, about 4,000 waterside workers stormed the free labour employment bureau. Troopers were called in when the mob scattered to the wharves attacking ships, trucks and a train suspected of carrying volunteers.

The strike was set off by a new award unacceptable to the Waterside Workers Federation because of what it calls anomalies in rates of pay. It has tied up over 300,000 tons of shipping in 65 ships.

The ports affected are Cairns, Brisbane, Newcastle, Sydney, Melbourne, Launceston, Hobart, Adelaide, Port Augusta and Fremantle.

### AROUND THE WORLD

**July 19** - King Fuad took control of Egypt, dissolving parliament and suspending freedom of the press and of assembly.

**August 1** - Croatia refused to co-operate with the Yugoslavian Government in Belgrade and established a separate parliament in Zagreb.

**October 1** - British bacteriologist Sir Alexander Fleming discovered penicillin.

## UNDERSTANDING THE INITIAL CONSTRUCTION HELPS WITH RESTORATION

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# The New Ford Bodies

The two outstanding features of the bodies of the new Ford car are good appearance and roominess.

These new bodies strikingly demonstrate that a small car may have all the features of comfort usually expected only in large cars. When plans for the new car were first considered, the matter of wheelbase was held up until the body engineers had determined upon the length of a body necessary to provide for proper leg room, both in front and rear seats. As a result, the cars are roomy and passengers ride restfully.

Another pleasing feature is the low appearance of the bodies, a feature obtained without sacrificing head room inside.

In design, in construction, in finish and in interior trimming, the new Ford cars meet every modern requirement for beauty and comfort.

### Body Types

There are fourteen passenger car body types for the new Ford car, each of an attractive design.

The fourteen types are:-

Phaeton	Roadster	Coupe
Sport Coupe	Tudor Sedan	Fordor Sedan
Town Sedan	Cabriolet	Station Wagon
Victoria	Town Car	Business Coupe
Taxi Cab	Convertible Sedan	

The bodies are of steel and wood. These bodies are built to the high standards of quality workmanship which characterises all of Ford manufacture and which makes Ford bodies equal to any on the market today.

### Colours

Body types are offered in most pleasing colour combinations. A choice of four colours is offered to the customer on each body, something unusual in a low-priced car, but strikingly illustrative of Ford value.

The colour combinations are as follows:

*Town Sedan* - Black, Chicle and Copra drab, Maroon, Kewanee Green.

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*Station Wagon* - finished in natural wood, light maple. Hood, cowl and coupe pillars are done in Manila Brown, a light brown touching closely on the tan.

### Pyroxylin Finish

The finish used on new Ford cars is pyroxylin lacquer, the finest and most enduring finish for automobile bodies. It is not affected by heat or cold, withstands all kinds of weather conditions, is not easily marred or

scratched and the lustre improves under ordinary washing and polishing. In every respect, it is a finish in which the new Ford owner may well take pride.

The care and high quality workmanship with which the pyroxylin is applied to the bodies is best illustrated by an explanation of the process.

When the body enters the paint department it is first washed with special spirits until all traces of oil or grease is removed and is then dried with clean towels.

Following this it is carefully buffed to remove all burrs or marks and any remaining rust or scratches are removed with fine sandpaper. Cavities and places inaccessible

to a towel are blown clean with compressed air.

Next comes the final wash which not only cleans the body but neutralises any acids that might remain. Workmen engaged in this final wash are required to use rubber gloves as there must be no hand or finger marks on the body surface. Following this, the body is carefully wiped off with specially-prepared rags to remove all trace of lint or dust.

The clean body goes into a spray booth where it is given a coat of primer which is dried for two hours at 225°F. Any slight imperfections that might remain are removed with a flexible knife and metal glaze.

The body next receives a coat of foundation surfacer, after which it is dried for 1-1/2 hours at 225°F. It emerges from the drying room into a rubbing deck. Here, with clean water and fine sandpaper, the surface is smoothed and washed clean.

After 30 minutes in the drier at 175°F, the body is ready for the pyroxylin. It is moved to the spray booth where it is given two 'double-header' coats of pyroxylin. Each 'double-header' coat consists of two consecutive coats, one applied with vertical strokes of the air brush and the other with horizontal strokes. Twenty minutes is allowed for air drying between each 'double-header' coat.

Two an a half hours are allowed for the pyroxylin to thoroughly set and harden. Then with water, sponge and fine oil bonded silicon carbide paper, it is sanded to an absolutely smooth finish, the body washed and dried with clean towels, compressed air again being used to clean out places inaccessible to a towel.

Then comes the final trip to the spray booth where the body is given a mist coat of pyroxylin thinner - just enough to permit the microscopic sanding marks to flow smooth. After drying for 20 minutes at 100°F, the body goes to the polishers where it receives the high lustre which gives it such an attractive and pleasing appearance.

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## **BIRTHDAYS for JULY: Birthstone: Ruby. Flower: Larkspur**

Reg Blewett, Pauline Edwards, Barbara Farrelly, Henry Ford, Hans Hurij, Glenda Hurij, Susan Marti, Kelvin Pepper and Lorraine Sartori. Have a great day!

## **NEW MEMBERS:** Welcome to three new family members:

Colin & Margaret STRAHAN, [REDACTED], Koorda, 6475 ph: [REDACTED]

These folk have a ute they are restoring.

Ken & Enid HARRIS, [REDACTED] Katanning, 6317 ph: [REDACTED]

The Harris family have a restored 1929 phaeton.

Merv & Kath WARD [REDACTED] Spearwood, 6163 ph: [REDACTED]

are restoring a 1928 ute.

Please add these new members to your register.

## **FOR SALE:**

1928 Tudor restored, licensed, excellent condition.

Price: \$18,000 Phone: Mike Cooke [REDACTED]

Also assorted parts p.o.a.

**FOR FREE:** Four well-worn tyres suitable only for moving chassis while restoring.

If interested contact Malcolm Wood [REDACTED]

**LONG TIME , NO SEE** Kelvin Pepper, it was very nice to see Kelvin along on our last outing and it seems he thoroughly enjoyed himself.

**FOR THOSE WHO WANTED TO KNOW** or couldn't figure out the answers to last month's Brain Teasers here they are:

1. Sand box 2. Man over board 3. I understand 4. Reading between the lines 5. Long underwear 6. Cross roads 7. Down town 8. Tricycle 9. Split level 10. Three degrees below zero.

**"I HAVE A CAR"** John Laurie's granddaughters have sent him this song to get him motivated to finish his Model A. "I have a car, It's made of tin, Know body knows, What shape it's in. It has a mirror, and a running board, It's A Ford, And has two doors. Rrooah,rrooah,rrooah, Rattle,Rattle,Rattle, Don't crash when we are in, Rrooah,rrooah." We hope it does the trick John and maybe encourages others!!

**Congratulations** to John & Pat on the arrival of a new grandson Angus James born 21st June, 1996, weighing in at 8lbs.

**LAST REMINDER** Don't forget our AGM & Vehicle inspections on the 28th of July. This is your only chance to get your car examined free of charge and a free lunch. Let's see you there!

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## Western Model A News



### What price your Model A as an Investment?

Most Model A Ford owners probably consider their vehicle/s as more of an interesting, value-for-money 'hobby' than just an 'investment' proposition. However, no one wants to lose money unnecessarily, so it may be interesting to look back at some prices of Model A Fords in the past.

The following information and prices are from America's *Old Cars Weekly* of April, 1980. Strangely enough, the prices listed are much the same as those being asked today - remember we are talking US\$ in 1980. No doubt the level of income has risen considerably in the past 16 years so, presumably, today's prices have actually decreased!

**1929 Model A Roadster.** 6 wheels, frame up restoration, excellent car, runs super, \$13,000. or will trade 450SL.

**1928 Model A Woody.** All original, recently completely restored, \$11,000.

**1931 Model A Std Roadster.** Ground up restoration, excellent touring car, \$10,500.

**Rare 1928 'A' Briggs Town Sedan.** New upholstery and tires, great driver, \$7,200.

**'31 Ford Deluxe Roadster.** Complete in every detail, rebuilt engine, \$14,500.

**1930 Panel Truck.** Burned in fire but reasonably complete: restorable, \$1,950.

**1930 Model A Ford Roadster.** Completely rebuilt, 90% restored, \$6,800.

**1930 Model A Deluxe Coupe.** Excellent run/show condition. Prettiest Coupe in Mass., \$8,500.

**Then, in November, 1979:**  
**1931 Ford Roadster.** Won every first place in national competition entered. Probably best 1931 Roadster in the country. \$30,000. !! [Did he ever sell it - we'll never know!!]

#### OTHER VEHICLES ON OFFER IN THE SAME ISSUE:

**1964 Cadillac.** Beautiful interior, excellent body, \$4,200.

**1957 Cadillac.** Coupe DeVille. All good condition, all options, \$3,500.

**1961 Cadillac.** 2-door hardtop, original, like new, drive or show. \$2,895.

**1969 Corvette Convertible.** 4-speed, 427 engine, 430hp, \$5,000.

**1957 Chevrolet BelAir.** Hardtop, excellent original car, 4-door. \$3,995.

**1927 Chrysler.** 4-door sedan, runs good, \$2,800.

**1965 Mustang.** Convertible, 6-cyl, new paint, needs floor pans, \$1,900.

**1964 T-bird.** Hardtop, No rust, \$650.

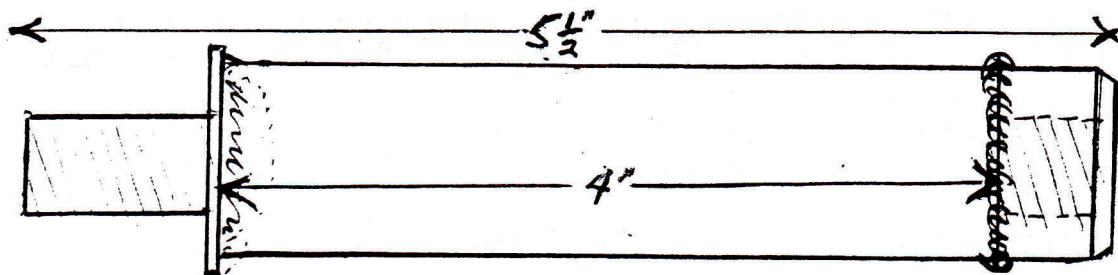
**1966 Mustang.** Hardtop 23,000 original miles, excellent condition, \$2,950.

**1966 Mustang.** Coupe, beautiful inside and out, ready to drive, \$2,195.

**1966 Mustang GT Convertible.** Pony interior, 289, 4 barrel, floor shift, deluxe model, \$1,250. BS •

### ADAPTER TO CARRY TWO SPARE WHEELS

by Club Member Maurie Creedy - in South Australia's *Model A Torque*



Wheel Nut  
 Welded to Tube

Washer / 1/2" SAE  
 Stud or Threaded Bolt

**Materials** -12" x 1" square tube. 3 wheel nuts (most Fords fit Model A). 3 wheel studs or threaded 1/2" SAE stock. **Method** -Place first spare wheel on existing studs, tighten using extension bolts, then fit second spare wheel and tighten using normal wheel nuts. BS •