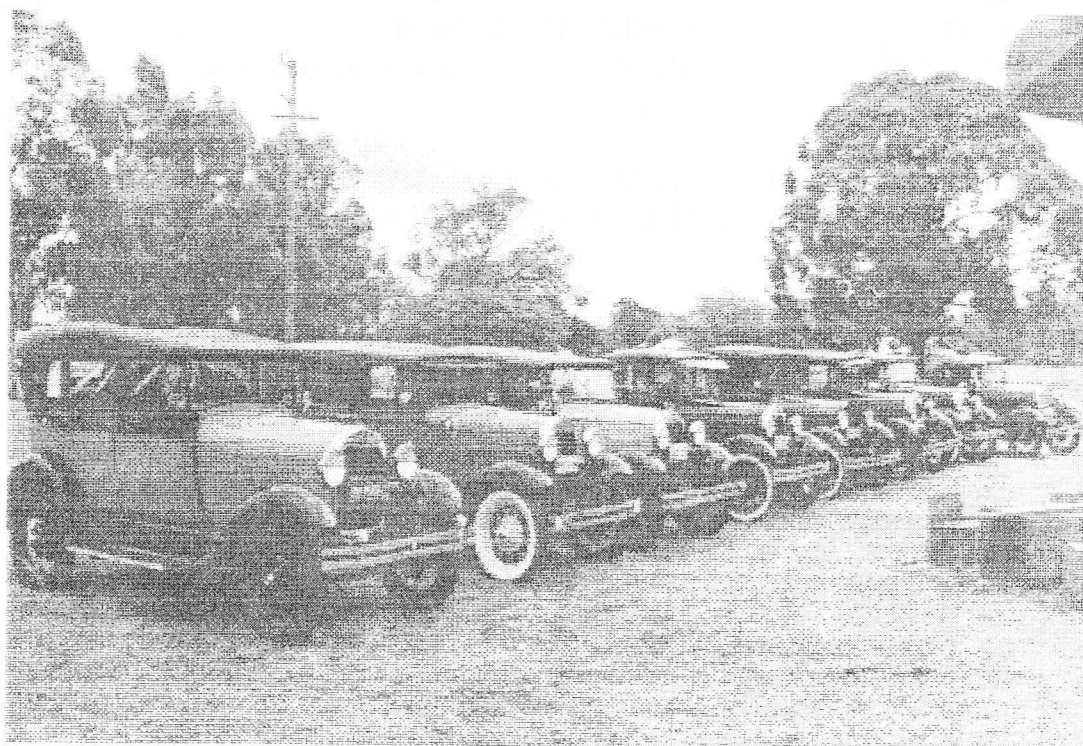


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MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA, Inc

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SEPTEMBER, 2000



A very nice line-up of Model A-s at Yarloop
Father's Day, 3rd September, 2000

Next Run/Meeting: Sunday, 15th October . Meet Causeway Carpark 9.30am
Sunday, 29th October. All Ford Day. Details inside

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SUNDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 2000

PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE

organised by Greg & Jill Axford

Meet Causeway Carpark

9.30am for 10.00am departure.

The trip to the zoo has been postponed until next year

SUNDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 2000

ALL FORD DAY

Co-ordinated by David Bussard

See arrangements for this event elsewhere in the newsletter

SUNDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER, 2000

organised by John Laurie

meeting time and place to be advised

SUNDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 2000

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

to be held at the RAAF Association, Bullcreek

Co-ordinator: Dora Annear



SUNDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY, 2001

AVON VALLEY VINTAGE & CLASSIC FAIR

Secretary has details

EASTER 2001

5TH NATIONAL RALLY - WANGANUI, NZ

Co-ordinator for the Australian contingent planning to attend
this rally, including discount fares, etc is

Neville Jones, [REDACTED] Baulkam Hills, NSW 2153

Ph: [REDACTED] Fax: [REDACTED] Mobile: [REDACTED]

THURSDAY 26TH - SUNDAY 29TH APRIL, 2001

SHANNONS 2001 TOUR

Celebrating the Centenary of Federation in Association with
Australian Historic Motoring Federation.

Entry form & further information available from your secretary
or State Tour Co-ordinator, Andrew Wells Ph [REDACTED]

EASTER, 2002

17TH NATIONAL MODEL A MEET

TOOWOOMBA, QLD

Registration Form & information available from

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Model A Restorers' Club of WA (Inc)
GENERAL MEETING – SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST, 2000
LANGFORD PARK, JARRAHDALE

Meeting opened 12.30pm with Peter Sartori in the chair.

Attendance and apologies: as per the attendance book.

Visitors: Norma Robinson and Kevin Smith from Adelaide, friends of Mavis & Jack Berkshire.

Previous Minutes: as per newsletter report. Moved C. Davidson, seconded F. Farrelly that minutes be accepted. Carried.

Business Arising: H. Hurij – Request for an extra examination day for those who were unable to attend on the official day. Hans to contact S. Read.

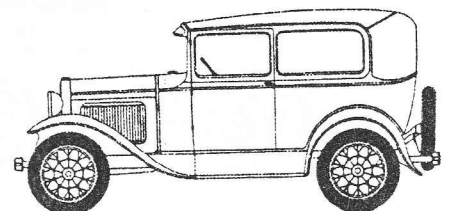
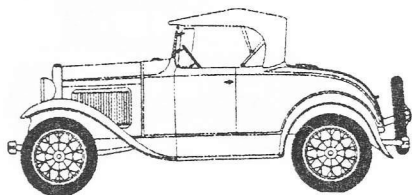
Correspondence In: CCC – Re charges for examinations for other car club members; J. Laurie – 2 letters regarding acceptable modifications to Model A-s and copies of correspondence received by him from Department of Transport; Ray Abbot – Advertising cheque for \$50; Avon Valley Vintage & Classic Fair – advertising fair to be held on Sunday 18 Feb, 2001 to be included on our calendar of events; Swapmeet to be held at Westcoast Plaza Shopping Centre, North Beach 10/9/00 7am; MAFC Qld – Club magazine; All Ford Day Committee – application forms; Bankwest- bank statement; King's Hotel; Apex Canvas & Trim, O'Connor – advertising information.

Correspondence Out: Card to Michael, Laurel & Jordan Cooke on the death of Laurel's mum.

Financial Report:	July and August Receipts	\$61.00
	July and August Payments	\$259.25
	ANZ Fixed Interest	\$11 425.80
	Bankwest	413.95
	Petty Cash	<u>56.20</u>
	TOTAL	\$11 895.95

Moved J. Laurie, seconded A. Jeffree the Financial Report be accepted. Carried.

General Business: *Easter 2001:* A. Jeffree advised that the Easter trip to Kirup is on for next year. *November Run:* B & G Guest asked for a volunteer to organise the November run – J. Laurie has offered to take over. *Christmas Dinner 2000:* T. Mahony advised our Christmas Dinner is booked for 10 Dec, for 12 noon. Entertainment has been organised for an hour after dinner. D. Annear will be handling bookings from October. The cost per head will be \$20-\$25 for the meal, with drinks to be paid for on the day individually. *Acceptable Modifications for Model A-s:* Considerable discussion was had on this subject with regard to what the Dept of Transport would allow for concessionally licensed vehicles. It was moved by C. Davidson that the vehicle examination team of S Read, R. Blewett, M. Annear and R. Mahony have a meeting to discuss this issue and for the President and S. Read to take any concerns to John Power at Transport. Seconded F. Farrelly. Carried. *National List Of Members:* J. Timmings suggested we contact other State bodies to set up a national list of Model A members and addresses. The merits of having this information at hand has been proven in the recent Wodonga trip where several of our members called from assistance from Eastern State members. T. Mahony to handle. *October Run:* G. & J. Axford advised that the October run will be going to the zoo and that parking for vehicles has been arranged.



Bits and Pieces: J. Laurie had a selection of brake drums. Advised that Busselton Foundry was able to produce these for \$82.50 each, compared with \$160.00 from Victoria, plus freight. Contact John or Philip Lyle at the foundry for more details.

Next Meeting: Next week 3/9/00 – trip to Yarloop.

Model A Restorers' Club of WA (Inc)
GENERAL MEETING – SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2000
YARLOOP STEAM MILL

Meeting opened by President at 1.45pm

Attendance and apologies: as per the attendance book.

Visitors: President welcomed John & Joyce Bowles, friends of Chris Butler.

Previous Minutes: were read by the secretary. Moved by C. Davidson, seconded that the minutes be accepted as read. Carried.

Business Arising: Acceptable modifications to Model A-s – S. Read has spoken to John Power from the Dept of Transport. John is organising a meeting of all AIS examiners, with a view to clearing up misunderstandings and setting some ground rules in the near future. Until then, we are to continue our examinations as we have been.

Another examination day – examinations can be done on any general meeting day for those who missed out, however S. Read needs to be contacted prior to the meeting if this is to happen. A small item to be put into the next club magazine.

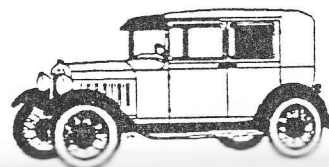
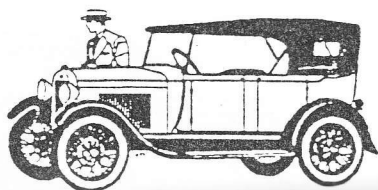
Financial Report: As there has been no income or expenditure in the past week, it was agreed to accept the financial position of the Club as that of last month's report. P. Bussard moved that \$500 be withdrawn from the ANZ Fixed Interest account to assist with expenditure between now and when our subs are due. Seconded by S. Read. Carried.

Correspondence In: From Norma & Kevin (visitors at the last meeting) thanking us for our hospitality; Goomalling Town advertising their "Flyer" to be held in April 2001; CCC advertising the Bay to Whiteman Run to be held 22/10/2000 and a call for open cars to participate in a parade through Perth for Olympians & Paralympians in November; a small video advertising Toowoomba area of Queensland, the site of our next bi-ennial run in 2002.

General Business: *Steve Read:* reminding the club we are an autonomous body and we do not have to fit in with other clubs regarding our club runs. *All Ford Day on 29/10/2000:* D. Bussard advised that this clashes with our regular monthly run, however Greg will endeavour to change the day of the regular run (see Coming Events section for amendment). As this is the 75th Anniversary of Ford in Australia, D. Bussard would like to encourage all members to participate on this day. Entrance forms available from Secretary and David. Cost is \$20 per entrant. *Toowoomba Steering Committee update:* Due to members being away this committee hasn't met recently, but will be doing so in the future. *D. Bussard* advised us of a group of Americans, the Model A Touring Club who regularly tour overseas. Suggested we promote a trip to Australia, particularly Perth in 2004, around Easter, with these people.

Bits and Pieces: Brake drums available – S. Read had one on display. P. Sartori would like a Model A horn.

Meeting Closed: 2.25pm.



A FORD RUN TO LANGFORD PARK
SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST 2000

We started from Carousel Shopping Centre, Cannington. I think we had 13 Model A-s which was good as the York rally which was on the same weekend and usually attracts. Some Model A-s including Alan & June Smith, who assure me they would join us on Sunday somewhere and also the Blewetts. Sure enough on Sunday morning Alan & June were at the start, old farmers never sleep in. Our first stop was the Gosnells Railway Markets for a comfort break and morning tea. There is always something to see at these markets. Frank Farrelly tried to sell raffle tickets to everybody (this being his new position in the club) but was told by our new President Peter Sartori you do that at the meeting! After proceeding on we were obstructed at the intersection of Tonkin and Albany Highway by a large house being moved on a trailer. Some managed to get by, but other traffic was held back for some time. I heard on good authority that Frank was seen at one intersection banging on the front door trying again to sell raffle tickets.

After passing through Armadale and Byford we took the scenic drive along Nettleton Road to Langford Park, opened in 1975 and was the site of Alcoa's first bauxite mine in WA. We regrouped for lunch and our meeting and were joined by our South Australian friends Kevin and Norma; Jim & Nina Williams. Also great to see Barrie & Gwen Guest join us. Both are on the mend after their traffic crash (not in the Model A). Gwen assured us she will be back boot-scooting very soon. We all hope so.

Frank soon had the raffle tickets out again and you just had to buy some to keep him quiet. It is very hard to write about one's own rally but Mavis and I tried to please everybody. We thought Langford Park was a great little spot. On departure our friends Kevin and Norma joined us at George Parolo's garage and machinery museum, Jarrahdale. (Just a short trip from Langford Park). George met us at the gate and gave us a free guided tour of the complex. Worth a look. But don't take your cheque book, it's for looking only.

Anyway thanks for your participation and our friends won the raffle, thanks Frank.

See you soon ...

Jack & Mavis Berkshire

ALL FORD DAY

Elsewhere in the newsletter is the Entry Form for the All Ford Day to be held on October 29. Our Model A Restorers' Club is attending as a group and will have a club display, but everyone attending has to submit their own entry form. This requires a \$20 fee and a photograph of the vehicle, and must be in by Monday, October 4. The entry fee will be refunded to the club and returned to individual members if they request it, otherwise it will be donated to the Variety Club of WA. If you want your fee reimbursed don't order a T-shirt.

I plan to have all our vehicles meet at the new Bunnings Warehouse, located on Patterson Road just west of the Ennis Avenue traffic lights in Rockingham, by 8.15am so we can depart as a group at 8.30am. All vehicles must be in position on site opposite Challenger Ford in Dixon Road by 9am.

There is no requirement that you remain at the event for the full day.

Possible activities will be discussed at the October 15 run.

Any queries please contact David Bussard, event coordinator, [REDACTED]

All

Day



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FATHER'S DAY RUN TO YARLOOP

Unfortunately due to circumstances beyond my control, Sunday 3rd September dawned overcast and drizzling but we weren't going to let a little bit of rain ruin our day. A total of six Model A-s:- Greg and Jill Axford in their '29 Roadster, Colin Davidson and Elaine in the '31 Town Sedan, Steve and Louise Read in their '29 Closed Cab Pickup, Peter Sartori in his '28 Phaeton, Alan Smith in his '28 Tudor, myself, Nic and Michael in our '29 Roadster in company with Ray and Toni Mahony in their unmentionable modern departed Pioneer Village just after nine heading down South West Highway to Pinjarra. As we passed through the Serpentine turn-off we were joined by David and Pat Bussard in their '28 Special Coupe.

On arrival in Pinjarra we were met by Lindsay Blacklock in his '30 Phaeton who had driven across to meet us from Mandurah.

After a coffee break cut short by the rain, we moved off for Yarloop; thanks to Peter Sartori there was now more room in the Roadster (Michael was now busy bending Peter's ear in the Phaeton).

The further south we went the better the weather became. On arrival at Yarloop we parked the cars and after Steve had negotiated a special deal, we all enjoyed a very informative wander through the historic steam workshops. We were joined here by long-time friends John and Joyce Bowles from Waroona (John has been Vice President of the TC Owners Club since 1969).

The live steam shed was absolutely incredible, the sight of those huge motors chuffing away totally enthralling for both young and old (I'd have one but the wife won't let me). After a really good look around the facility we returned outside for the lunch and the meeting. By the time we had finished our lunch the sky had cleared and it was really pleasantly warm sitting in the sun. With the meeting over, a bit of chat and then it was time to head home.

Everyone appeared to enjoy their day and my thanks to them all for coming and making it a success.

Chris Butler

Thanks to Judy for the cinnamon rolls, they were delicious (Ed.)

Examination Requirements

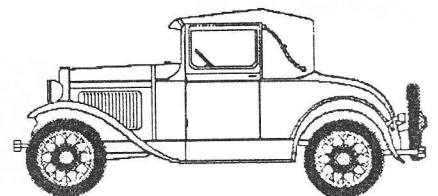
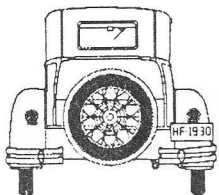
As all club members are aware, it is a club requirement that all club cars are examined annually whether on full or concessional licence. The Department of Transport requires a report on concessional licenced which have not been examined by this club or another authorised club forwarded to us by July 15. If your car is examined by another club you must forward a copy of the examination report to our Club Examiner by 13 July to avoid the Department of Transport having contradictory reports by clubs. As the annual examination rule is on the joining form for our club nobody has a reason to be unaware of this rule. [*S Read*]

Our main examination day has been the day of our AGM which is held in late July. As a little leeway in time is usually given by the Department, we have been able to forward our report soon after the AGM without problems. However there are some vehicles which have not been examined by our club and we have not been notified that they have been examined by another club. These have been included in our report for this year. If you know you will be unable to present your car for examination on the AGM day, you **MUST** contact our vehicle examination team preferably a month or two **PRIOR** to the AGM to make arrangements for an examination prior to the AGM. This can be carried out at a regular monthly run or at some other place convenient to you and the club examiners.

THE AGM WILL BE THE FINAL DAY FOR EXAMINATIONS EACH YEAR to avoid any conflict with the Department of Transport. Newly restored vehicles may be examined at any time during the year.

As this method of licensing is a privilege-extended to motoring enthusiasts and as we are lucky enough to have our own Authorised Inspection Station standing and examiners, I feel it is something we should take seriously.

Toni Mahony, Secretary.



Notebook

BIRTHDAYS for September: Birthstone: Sapphire; Flower: Aster

Jill Axford, Barry Bristow-Stagg, Ross Chamberlain, Gail Duns, Barry Fowler, Joy Fowler, Georgina Hart, Germaine Jeffree, Beth Martin, Graham Mc Donald, Peter Sartori, Margaret Strahan, Don Sutherland, John Teale, Malcolm Wood & Chris Wringe. Best wishes for all you birthday people!

NEW OFFICE BEARERS sure had a baptism by fire, two club meetings within two weekends. That Chris Butler has a lot to answer for, fancy making us drive all the way down to Yarloop. Just kiddin' it was a great run, even the weather behaved itself once we got to our destination.

RUNAWAY CAR.... the following tale was told to assembled club members at Yarloop and I thought maybe the rest of you who weren't there may be interested in this sad story. Colin's daughter had borrowed her friend's car to go grocery shopping. This young lady who was used to driving an automatic, parked in the carport and gathered the shopping up and proceeded inside the house. For those who don't know, Colin's drive slopes gently down to the shed where he keeps his prized Model As. You think you know what is going to happen don't you? But wait, there's more. Colin had been to collect a trailer load of wood and had parked the trailer between the carport and the shed. The modern sailed down the drive, collected the trailer, the trailer had hit the roller door, bringing the door down on the bonnet of the modern and the whole lot had stopped a few inches away from the Model A. Modern, trailer and door were a mess, but the A was okay. Phew !!!

ANOTHER CAR STORY... Peter Sartori hasn't had much luck with his moderns. He had his new car stolen from home a few weeks back and was lucky to have it found with minor damage. Then this week he had just hung up from talking to Steve on the mobile when he was hit in the rear whilst driving his work vehicle. It's dangerous out there!

BITS & PIECES:

Wanted: Model A horn Contact Peter Sartori [REDACTED]

Wanted: Steel wheels, speedo, carby, etc. for AA Truck
Contact Matthew White [REDACTED]

For Sale: Brake drums \$82.50 ea Contact John Laurie [REDACTED]

For Sale: Cast iron brake drums, produced locally, close copies of original
Price to be advised. Contact Steve Read [REDACTED]

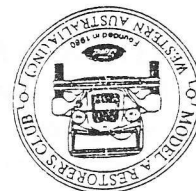
LUNACY OF THE LANGUAGE: Here's more of the story:-

If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all of them except one, is it an odd or an end? If teachers taught, why didn't preachers praught? If a vegetarian eats vegetables what does a humanitarian eat? Sometimes I think all English speakers should be committed to an asylum for the verbally insane. In what other language do people recite at a play and play at a recital? Or have noses that run and feet that smell? How can a slim chance and a fat chance mean the same thing, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites? How can overlook and oversee be opposites? Have you noticed that we talk about certain things only when they are absent? Have you ever seen a horseful carriage or a strapful gown? Or met a sung hero or experienced requited love or met anyone who is actually grunted, ruly or peccable?



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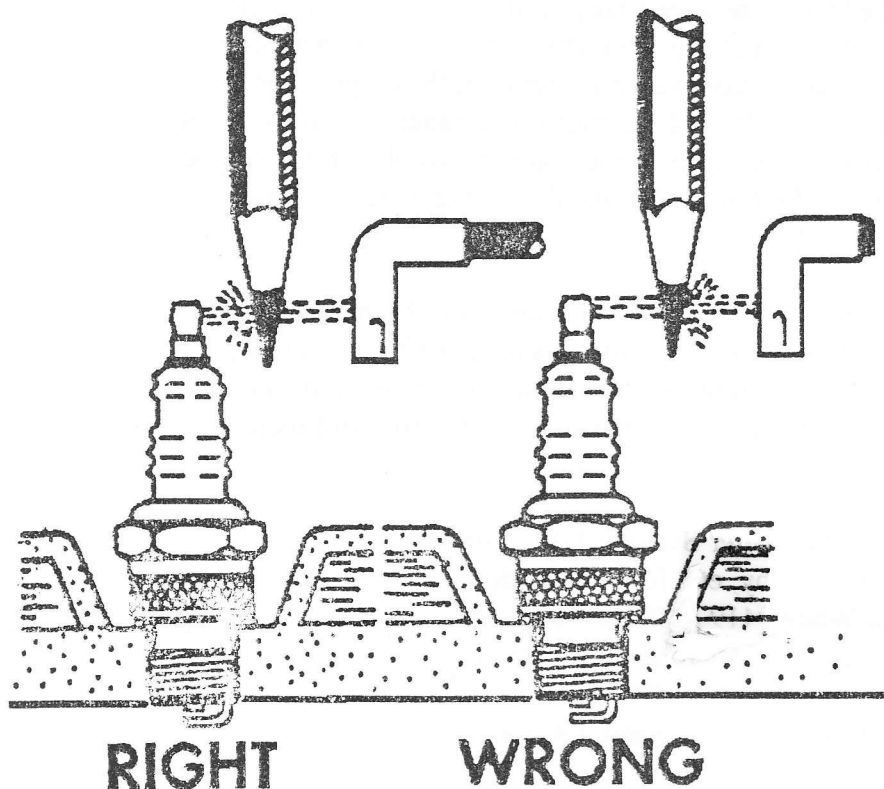


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IGNITION COIL POLARITY CHECK TEST

Bob Bidonde

In answer to a request on how to check if a Model A Ford ignition coil was correctly wired Mr Bob Bidonde kindly provided this drawing. There is some confusion over ignition coils wiring due to the following factors:



1. There was a wiring change made in 1929 to bring the ammeter into the ignition circuit. This is a very good idea as coil current flow will show on the cabin ammeter indicating that power is going to the coil via the ignition switch when the switch is ON. The wiring change will also reveals a short circuit due to a faulty coil, bad Electrolock cable, stuck points and a faulty capacitor.

The modification required changes to the terminal box wiring causing confusion over where the ignition coil wires should be connected.

2. Ignition coils do not necessarily have + or - markings on them.
3. The coil will work wired either way although it is much more efficient when wired correctly.

Coil polarity is determined by watching the the spark.

The spark jumps from the wire to the pencil if the coil polarity is correct.

Change wires to the ignition coil if the spark is on the wrong side.

CAUTION Pencils have a graphite core and can conduct shocking high voltages!

Copied from Ford Torque, Sept-Oct 2000 edition

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