

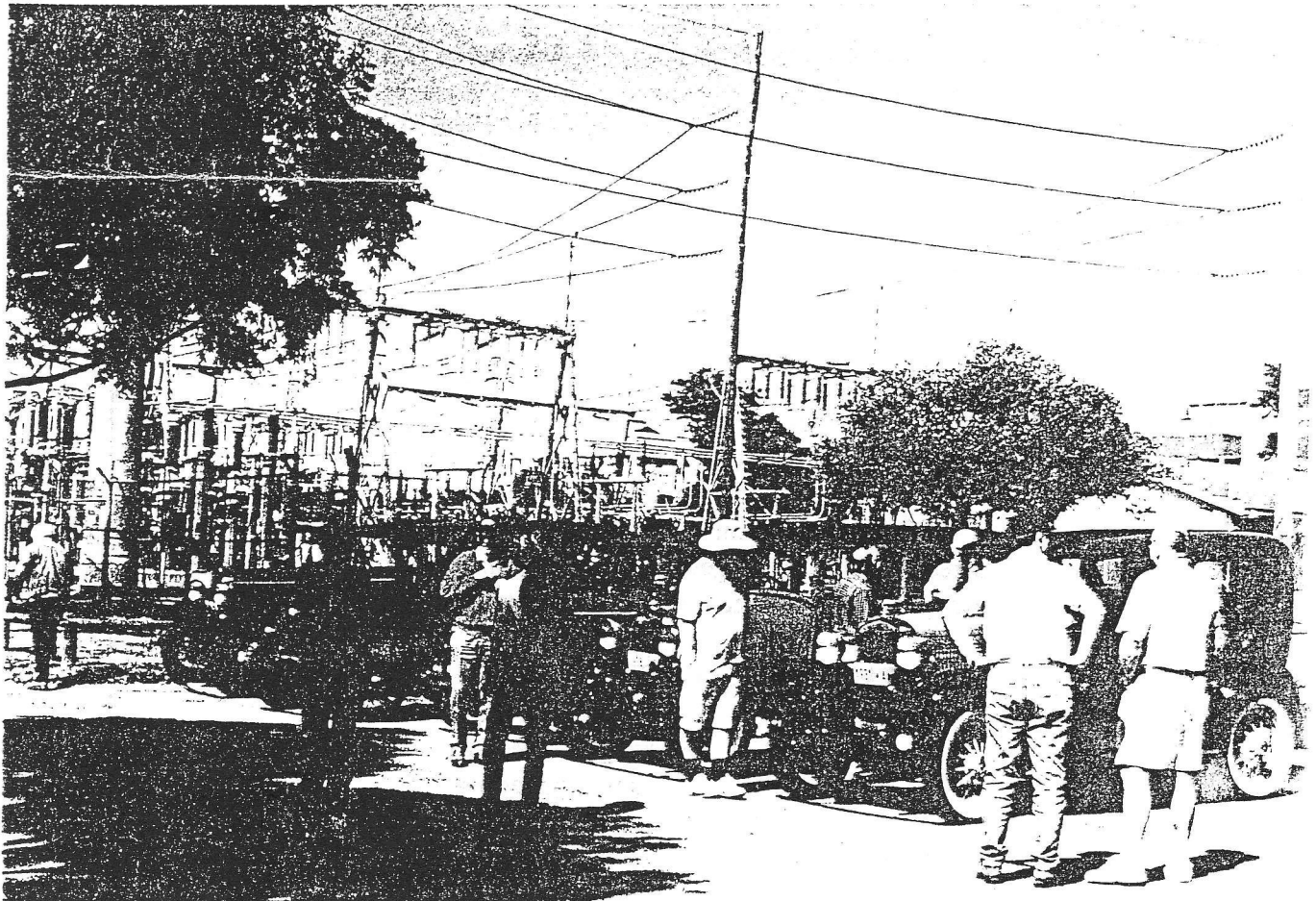


Western Model A News

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

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Banks Reserve, East Perth

A nice line-up for our October Cultural Run

Next Meeting/Run: Sunday 18th November, 2001 Meet: Beach St Fremantle Time: 9.00am
Sunday 18th November, 2001 Meet: Belmont Shopping Centre Time: 8.00am

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SATURDAY, 17TH & SUNDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 2001
BENDIGO SWAP MEET

SUNDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 2001

Get ready for the last official run for 2001!
Meet at carpark Beach St, Fremantle between railway line
and Fort Knox Storage. Time: 9.00am for 9.30 start.
Full tank of petrol required. BBQs are available at destination.
Max Annear organising

SUNDAY, 18 NOVEMBER, 2001

ALL FORD DAY CRUISE

Fords only to assemble at Belmont Shopping Centre at 8.00am
to receive ticket, map & goodie bag at a cost of \$5 per car.
Departure will start at 10.00am for approx 2 hours.
Mystery destination will be a picnic ground.
Sausage sizzle & drinks on site.
Further enquiries: phone [REDACTED]

SUNDAY, 9TH DECEMBER, 2001

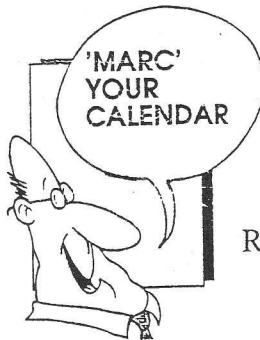
CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Bridgeleigh Reception Centre, 198 Mary St, Wanneroo
\$35.00 per person. Time: 12 noon
Buy your own drinks, no BYO available
Directions on how to get to Bridgeleigh in Notebook
Dora is collecting money now, phone her on [REDACTED]

MARLOWS CLASSIC CAR SHOW

SUNDAY 17 MARCH, 2002

Two marshals required from the Club and attendance of
the same at the marshal's meeting.
Any volunteers to take on the display or any other
tasks required for this day?



EASTER 2002, MARCH 29 - APRIL 2
17TH NATIONAL MODEL A MEET
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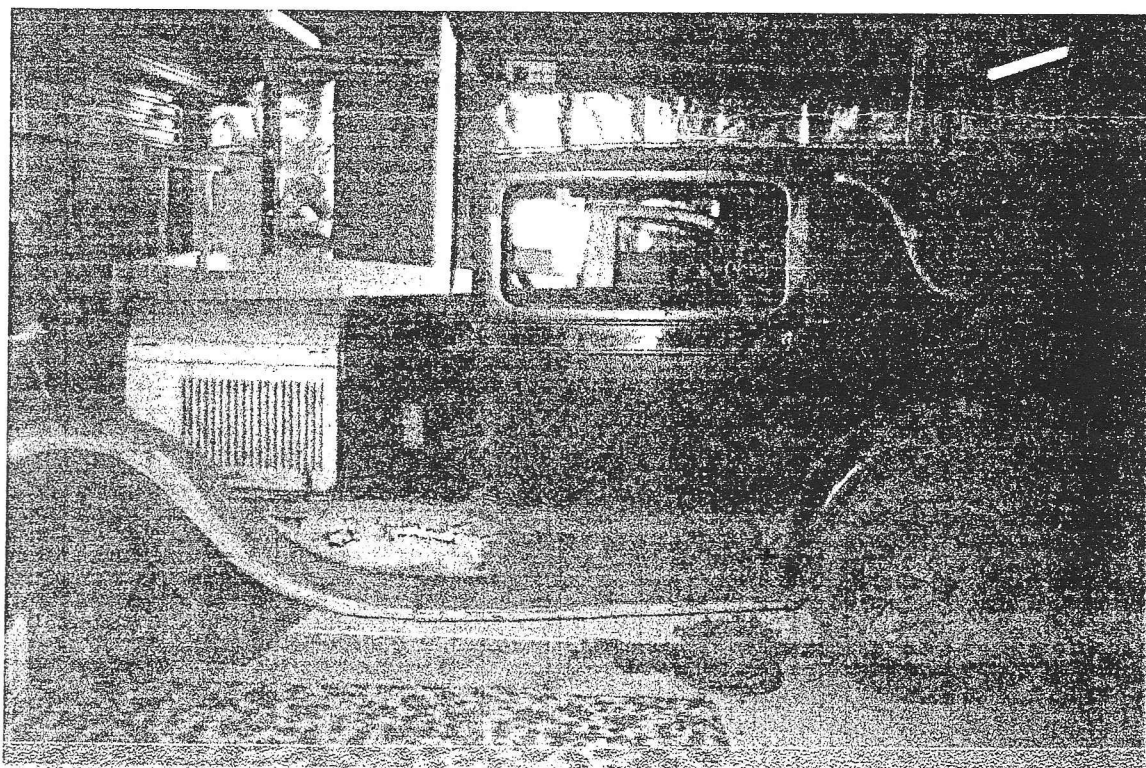
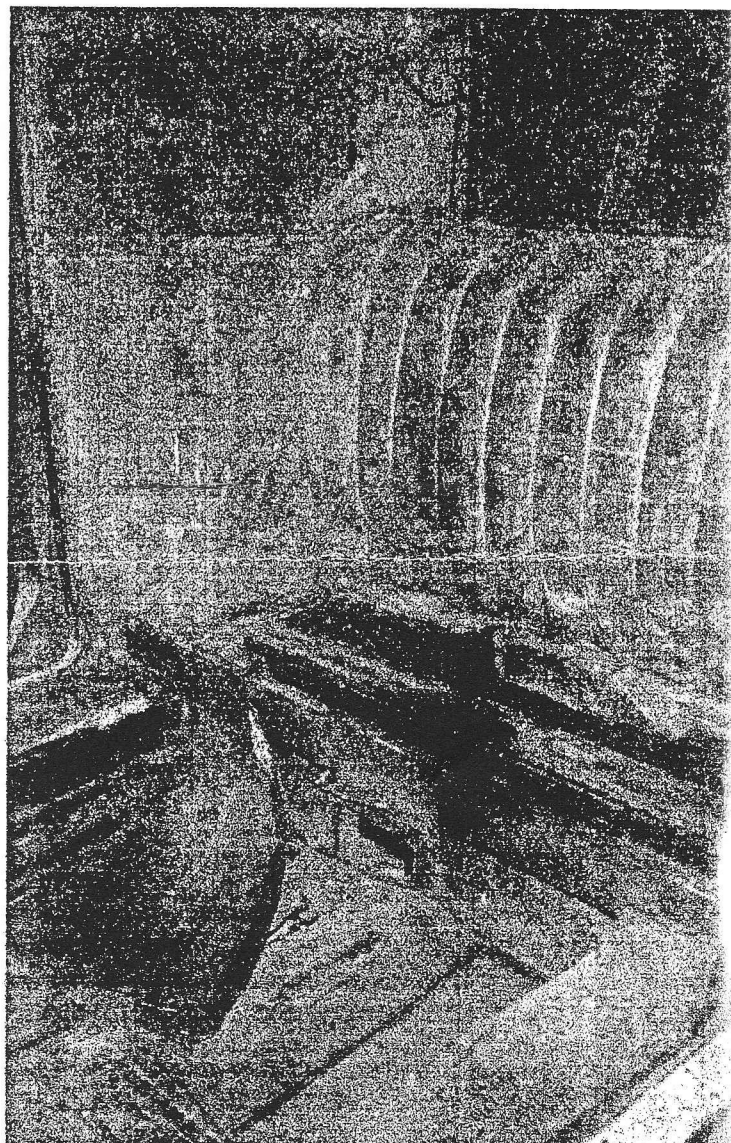
Traditionalists tend to focus only on body styles that Henry Ford produced in his own factories. However throughout the world 'factory' body builders manufactured a wide variety of body styles. For the purpose of this contribution we concentrate on just one of many Australian body building companies. Brownlie & Keats of Launceston Tasmania.

The number of Tudor Coupé bodies manufactured is not known but there is one known survivor in the hands of a Ken Murie originally of Victoria where he found the vehicle in a shed at Elwood in 1970. The cowl date is 8.15.28. The vehicle is as acquired 30 years past, is not for sale and is a retirement project. The vehicle was last registered in 1948.

Looking at the only photos that exist of the vehicle, two of which are herewith published for the first time, the body is of the short-coupled style, which was very popular with several Australian body builders of the time. The single door measures 985 mm (almost 39") wide which allowed entry to the rear with the front seat passenger still seated. The floor was of the well type with the tail shaft enclosed in the normal tunnel cover which allowed much better seating with ones legs in a more natural position. The front seats are much improved on the normal Tudor and are on sliding tracks. The whole interior is finished in leather apart from the roof lining.

Although a considerable amount of detail is in my possession, from an interest point of view the above details are sufficient to illustrate that in Australia we had and still have people quite capable of quality bodybuilding.

John Laurie



MINUTES OF MEETING OF MODEL A RESTORER'S CLUB OF WA
HELD ON 28 OCTOBER, 2001 AT
THE MARLOO THEATRE, DARLINGTON

Meeting opened at 1.38pm by the President, who also thanked John Hall of the Theatre for his hospitality and Peter Gilberthorpe for organising an interesting and historical run.

Guests: Irene and Rex, Peter Gilberthorpe's cousin from the UK.

Apologies: The Annears, A. and D. Jeffrees, Blewetts.

Attendance: as per the book.

Minutes: in the October issued. Proposed Bob Newton, seconded Peter Gilberthorpe that they be accepted - carried. No business arising from the minutes.

Financial Report: Income to 1/10/01 from Raffle, Christmas Dinner Payments, Membership \$339.00; Payments - Bank Charges and Cheque, Postage and Paper \$121.75. Secretary confirmed that \$2000.00 had been withdrawn from the ANZ Term Deposit and placed in a working account for the 2004 Meet, as approved by members some months ago. This account will be kept separate from the Club's finances and will be controlled by the Treasurer for the Meet, John Moorehead.

The balances as at 1/10/01	ANZ Term Deposit	\$9474.16
	BankWest	\$1221.04
	Unbanked cheques	\$ 145.00
	Cash in Hand	<u>\$ 338.55</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$11178.75</u>

Correspondence IN - All Ford Day 18 November flyers, Historical Car Covers (Vic member makes these for \$98), Milestones in Motoring Rally flyers, Shannon Insurance - change of address in WA, RACV- Rally in Vic late April 2002 celebrating, Avis Rental Cars - for the Qld Meet, special rates, Taxation Office - supply of our tax file no, Speech and Hearing Centre- invite to cocktail party; CCC Calendar of Events, General Meeting & AGM minutes, Classic Car Show 17 MARCH 2002; MAFCA minutes and X cup newsletter; Qld & Vic club magazines; MAFC of Vic - National Register of Model A Ford Club Members in Australia. Various advertising pamphlets.

OUT: Brendon Guy-Thornander - application for membership; John Moorehead - copies of Tax File number, ABN documentation.

2004 Committee Report: Ray Mahony asks that those who are writing up a short report on the area they are in charge of, to get the reports to Steve Read as soon as possible, for him to take to the Bendigo delegates meeting. Advised that the Committee had nominated to run the CCC Quiz Night in 2003 as a fund raiser, and asked for their assistance at the time. Members who would like to judge at the 2004 Meet are to let Steve Read know as he will running some training sessions on judging Model A's.

Fundraising for the 2002 Run - Bob Newton reports that the sausage sizzles have concluded for the moment. So far the travel fund has \$2247.40 from this source.

Swap Meet at either Belmont or Karrinyup on the 11th NOVEMBER, 2001. Items for sale and should be forwarded to Bob or Alan Jeffree. Pickup for items will be arranged if contacted before the day. If you would like to volunteer your services on the day, please contact Bob.

Barrie Guest continues to make and sell his buns, marmalades and jams. Keep it up guys!

General Business:

Peter Gilberthorpe reports that a write up in an English vintage car magazine of a WA Model A which the writer had owned here at some stage. Wondering where is the car now?

The Bay to Whiteman Park run on the 4 NOVEMBER, will benefit the museum at Whiteman Park and encourages people to attend if possible. Volunteers are always needed at the museum, as well.

Dora asks (via the Secretary) that \$130 be approved for her to purchase items for the Christmas function.

Moved Pat Bussard, seconded Shirley Hall - accepted.

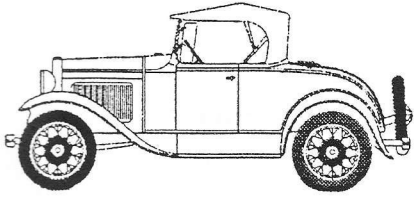
Bob Newton reports that John Laurie's organised run to Kalgoorlie went very well. The only mishap was two blown tyres. Commended the Mukinbudin hospitality after all were billeted when the hotel cancelled their reservations.

Louise had copies of the York paper with a picture of our vehicles lined up outside the museum.

Pat Bussard is taking Christmas dinner money on behalf of Dora. Payment needs to be made reasonably soon, so if you haven't sent yours in, do so soon please.

No bits and pieces for sale or wanted.

Meeting closed 2.15pm



OLD GOLDFIELDS TRACK TOUR

Eight cars fronted to the starter at 9.30am on Monday 15th October. Sadly John & Barbara Forbes, owing to vehicle troubles were not with us. Graham Smith and staff of Midway Ford chose what they considered the best vehicle, the Jeffree's Woodie. A very nice jacket was presented to Alan and all others were given a Ford cap. Thank you Midway Ford.

First stop was at our members Rex & May Wilson of Clackline where we had morning tea and spent time looking through an excellent collection of memorabilia and of course their '30 Fordor complete but yet to be restored. Thank you again Rex & May.

Prior to the start all vehicles filled to the top for the fuel consumption test to York with very interesting results: Lauries' '29 Roadster 12.67 ltrs, Jeffrees' '29 Woodie 13.32 ltrs, Letchs' '29 Roadster 13.56 ltrs, Newtons' '29 Tudor 14.46 ltrs, Smiths' '28 Tudor 15.06 ltrs, Annears' '30 Roadster 15.06 ltrs and Williams' Nissan said to be 2 ltrs, banned of course. Lauries were not permitted to enter so Jeffrees collected the fuel voucher. Ken & Coral Hall of Brookton joined us at York therefore they were not able to be in the fuel test. We partook of lunch on the Avon foreshore with much frivolity when Max received the bumper prize of a toilet roll.

Off then to Merredin via Mt Brown for a wonderful view of the surrounding countryside, the Old Goldfields Road and Youendegin for morning tea stop. There we inspected the still standing Police Station built in 1865 to protect the shepherds and graziers long before gold was ever thought of. This route was pioneered by Charles Hunt with his wells set about every 20 miles right through to what is now Menzies. Then known as Hunt's Track later the Yilgarn Track and finally the Old Goldfields Road. Off again through picturesque country to a stop at the Mission Road tip, not a great deal left but some goodies were picked up and some for a trailer trip later. The run through to Merredin was uneventful but at Merredin the booked accommodation was doubled booked with earlier arrivals in situ. Alternate lodgings were arranged at another motel and our deposit refunded. As it turned out it was for the better. High jinks at dinner with plenty of fun with a questionnaire and suitable prizes being spread including another bumper prize.

Next morning we visited the local Ford dealer Rich Hatch where the press were in attendance together with quite a gathering to see our cars. Rich did us proud, he and his staff selected the Letchs' '29 Roadster as the best choice, presenting them with an up market backpack and large Ford flag. Plenty of photos and interviews by 'The Mercury Press' with our people. We set off again at 10.00am to the Old Goldfields Road and a morning tea stop at Hunt's Well south of Burracoppin. Well surprise, surprise we were not alone in following this route for there we came upon a party of camelleers walking to Kalgoorlie. We requested them to join our Model A-s for a photo session and a chat. Next stop Carrabin end of Old Goldfields 'Track'. Here we proceeded north to Westonia for a quick look at this old town. Very tidy, very quiet, but still functioning. Back to Carrabin and on to Borrallin where we had lunch, refueled and met John Ivy an avid collector and restorer, so we followed him to his farm about 5 mile along the main road. Well there is simply not enough space to cover his collection of more than 30 cars, utes and station wagons, mainly Ramblers of all descriptions. Two hours later we had to disengage to proceed to Southern Cross.

This motel was owned by very friendly people, the only hiccup was a key issued to one who shall unnamed to a unit already occupied. The bloke returned to the office and complained that as he opened the door there was a woman lying on the bed stark naked. One wit remarked, "What the hell are you complaining about?" or so the story goes. That evening we had another great fun night at the dinner table. The following morning we refueled and set off to Bullfinch via the last we will see of Hunt's wells. At Bullfinch we had morning tea followed by a quick run around the much degraded town. Next stop was lunch at Baladjie Rock and Lake. Some climbed the rock for an incredible view of the surrounding farmland and the extensive lake.

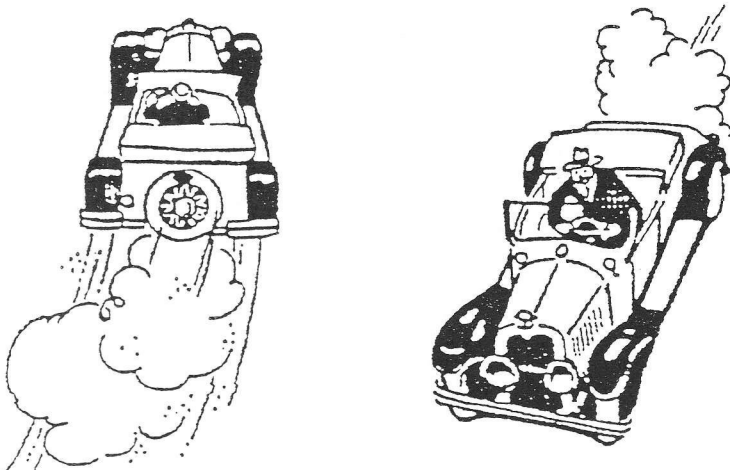
Lunch finished we pushed on to Mukinbudin and the night's stay. We parked near the rail station in what is none other than a beautifully kept town. In fact it has won the award for the best kept country town some years running. Jim Williams went off to get his key to a motel unit and was told we were not booked in. I arrived shortly after and as I had made the bookings I ended up "getting into the B*!<+#d." Jim had returned to the group where a local woman had stopped to look at the cars. After hearing Jim she said, "What's new?", pulled out her mobile phone and said, "I shall have bed and breakfast for you all within 10 minutes." This guy is notorious for this sort of thing and the community is accustomed to arranging emergency beds.

That evening at dinner, fortunately pre-arranged at the Bowling Club, we were joined by Russell & Ann Brandis, members of our club and John & Lesley Smith who are also restorers. At dinner we had a visit from the Shire President and some councilors apologising for the unfortunate events, presenting us all with a small gift mug and a book of Mukinbudin. They left no doubt that this publican is bad news for all the town and must go, but how? Next morning we did a tour of the schools then proceeded to Smith's farm where we had morning tea and inspected Russell's AA, which is proceeding quite nicely, and Smith's Model T-s and other tractors and cars.

An enjoyable stop, which then took us on to the lunch, stop at another farm collection of Malcolm & Merle Henning at Cadoux. Well!! Hennings provided us with a wonderful setting for lunch where the women stayed whilst the blokes went off to look at his collection. Very extensive but the gems were hidden behind tractors, '29 Tudor, '48 Holden, '54 MG TF early Valiant Ute and some other gems including a motor bike that took Max's eye.

We took leave with a small gift to Merle and set sail, with a tail wind, for the Wongan Hills Motel and the last night's stay. We arrived early, all had a hot shower and readied for dinner. Party hats were the order of the day and another good night proceeded until after 9 pm. The organisers Pat & John Laurie were stunned by a presentation from the other participants together with words of praise for the event. Our response was, "That's how it's supposed to be, and thank you all for making the run as enjoyable as we hoped."

John & Patricia



confronted by on-coming Model A-s and Peter Gilberthorpe leaping out to the rear of us with a 'sign'. We were in Marloo Road and pulling into the carpark of the Marloo Theatre along with the rest of the gang. Lindsay Blacklock arrived in time to join our tour. We were introduced to John Hall (not the Model A owner) and invited to organise ourselves while he lit the barbecue in readiness for the cooking of lunch before the grand tour. I'm not sure of John's official title, but his duties would seem to be many, so putting on his tour guide hat, he took us into the foyer of the theatre where he explained briefly the history and beginnings of the Marloo Theatre. The Darlington Theatre Players (hope I got that right, didn't know I would be doing the write up) have been performing in this little theatre, that seats one hundred and three people, for many years. The old three-roomed Greenmount School had been disused for some time, and hence it was an ideal venue to use for the group when they were looking for somewhere to perform. John took us back stage to the dressing rooms and the scenery/props area, explaining how the building had been altered to suit the needs of the performances. At the moment scenery and rehearsals are in full swing in preparation for the annual Christmas Panto, this year 'Aladdin'. Check out the advert on the back of the newsletter.

Gwen Guest must have been felt the influence of the players as she was seen doing a little line dancing on the paving outside the complex.

The tour over, lunch was on our minds. Some took advantage of the barbie to cook their meals, others produced the usual fare of rolls and sandwiches. Gus the theatre cat walked across the knees of Helen and John Moorehead to make himself comfortable on the seat between John and myself. John disappeared to check out the cooking which seemed an invitation to Gus to spread out and make himself comfortable. On John's return Gus was ousted from his spot and placed on my knees where he made himself at home for some time. He then opted for the paperwork belonging to Toni the other side of me. Not shy with his affections at all.

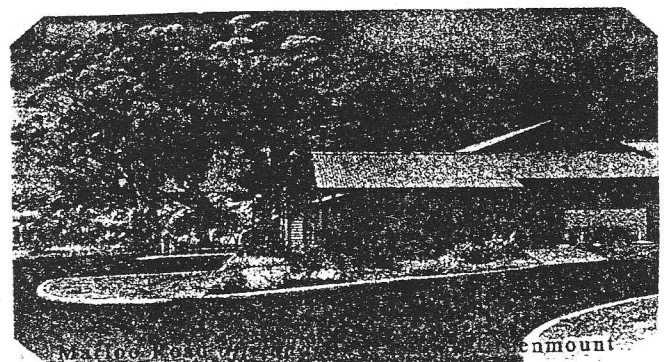
Barrie hawked his famous buns and jams to all including John Hall and in return Barrie and Gwen became supporters of the Marloo Theatre.

The meeting was quickly and efficiently dealt with before Peter Gilberthorpe produced the answers for the quiz questions. I don't know if anyone knew all the answers or if anyone actually heard them all, but it was very educational. One by one Model A-s disappeared out of the carpark while some of us lingered on to chew the fat with John Hall.

So all in all we had beautiful weather, a mini cultural guide of Perth and a learning experience rolled into one. You should have been there!

Many thanks to Peter and Elaine Gilberthorpe for organising the outing and it was nice to see so many cameras out in force; look forward to the results to put in the club album.

Louise



Peter Gilberthorpe's Cultural Experience

28th October, 2001

I have always wondered how it would feel to be able to just hop out of bed, have a shower, have breakfast and get ready to go out without doing all the other little chores that proceed leaving the house for the day. Well I nearly found out, did all that, was leisurely getting dressed at quarter to nine and then the cat decided to chuck-up, so that put paid to finding out. Something to be cleaned up before my chauffeur arrived at nine.

Peter Sartori had kindly offered to pick me up on his way through to the starting point at East Perth. We arrived in a small convoy of Model A-s at Banks Reserve around nine thirty then set about discovering the entrance to the carpark. John Moorehead was busy cleaning up the carpark whilst waiting to get the run underway. I think there were ten Model A-s and one modern as we were flagged off by Elaine Gilberthorpe, with a set of directions and a quiz sheet, at thirty second intervals. No cheating or following anyone else!

Peter Gilberthorpe had provided a run sheet that directed and informed us all at once. Peter Sartori knows how to follow orally-provided instructions but is not up to scratch when quizzed about thaumaturgists. How can one not get through life without knowing this? Politicians profess to work these all the time!

Not getting lost once, what a team, we arrived at Ritcher Lodge and were greeted by Ray and Toni Mahony at the gate. Well Ray anyway, Toni had her head stuck in an olive tree, supposedly reading a plaque. We know from whom you were hiding! The residents looked over the cars and chatted to our lot and then we were invited to partake in some welcome morning tea. I did see Peter Sartori trying out the lounge chair in front of the telly. Getting ready for your retirement perhaps, Peter? Peter Gilberthorpe's mum lives at Ritcher Lodge. I heard him say, "Just brought a few friends to visit you."

Leaving the Lodge we followed Peter and Elaine, who were accompanied by Pete's cousin Irene and her hubby Rex (currently visiting from the UK), around a few back streets in Bassendean to Surrey Street. At number 1 Surrey Street is an old Pensioner Guard Cottage that has been faithfully restored by the Bassendean Historical Society. Michael Grogan the Vice-President of the society informed us about the restoration and the original inhabitant before we were invited to view the cottage and gardens. This two-roomed dwelling provided accommodation for John Law-Davies, his wife Amelia and their nine children. (Correct me if I have the wrong number of children) Anyway no doubt it was very cosy.

Still stumped on some of the quiz questions several of us discussed the answers and I suggested to Toni that I phone her enroute to ascertain some of the correct answers, after all she was on 'Sale of the Century' she should know! Apparently after we left Surrey Street the phone rang, but it wasn't me.

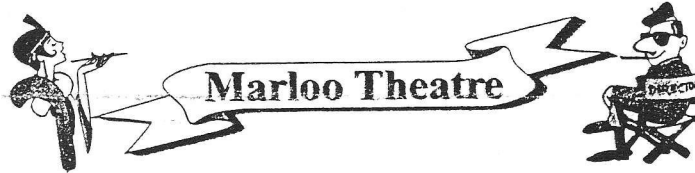
Peter and Elaine left us with another set of directions and headed off by themselves to destinations unknown, but only by us. Our Model A-s trundled through the back way to Guildford and along Morrison Road up to Greenmount. As we headed up Woolloomooloo Road Steve phoned on Peter's mobile to ask where we were on the off chance it was close enough for him to join us for the meeting. Taking the last direction to turn right with the note 'There is no sign but watch for the vintage vehicle signs', and not seeing any of those signs, I suggested to Peter that we may have missed something. So doing a u-turn we were

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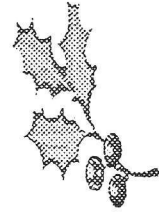
Aladdin

Xmas Panto

2001



Directed by Neroli Burton



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BOOKING NUMBER [REDACTED]

The season runs from the
14/11/2001 till 8/12/2001

and will include four matinee performances.

Give your children the opportunity to join some of
the cast at a fairy tea, held in the grounds of the
theatre at the end of the afternoon show.

“Fun for all the family”

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Secretary/Treasurer: Toni Mahony, [REDACTED] Bedford 6052
Ph: [REDACTED]

Notebook

BIRTHDAYS for November: Birthstone: Topaz; Flower: Chrysanthemum

Ann Byers, Geoff Ingram, Lindy Ingram, Peter Jordan & Alma Letch.

Have a great day!

SINCEREST CONDOLENCES to Colin Davidson on the recent loss of his mother from all club members.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH VENUE: Bridgeleigh Reception Centre, 198 Mary Street, Wanneroo. NOTE: If you have a new street directory 'Bridgeleigh' may be listed under Wangara or Pearsall. How to get there-

If coming via the Mitchell Freeway, take the Ocean Reef Road exit and turn right into Ocean Reef Road, left into Lenore Road and then right into Mary Street.

If coming via Wanneroo Road, turn right into Ocean Reef Road, left into Lenore Road and then right into Mary Street.

The car parking area is off street and actually inside the beautiful grounds at 'Bridgeleigh' and would be a great place for a photo for our Club Album.

Why not consider coming in your Model A? *Dora*

MARLOO THEATRE: On our recent cultural outing we were given a tour of this little known theatre which nestles in the hills of Greenmount. A cosy theatre which would cater for a fundraiser for the club or just a great night out for independents. Local support would be greatly appreciated. For bookings phone Gwyne Marshall [REDACTED]

BRING & BUY: 11 November. We need your JUNK, well the good stuff anyway.

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