



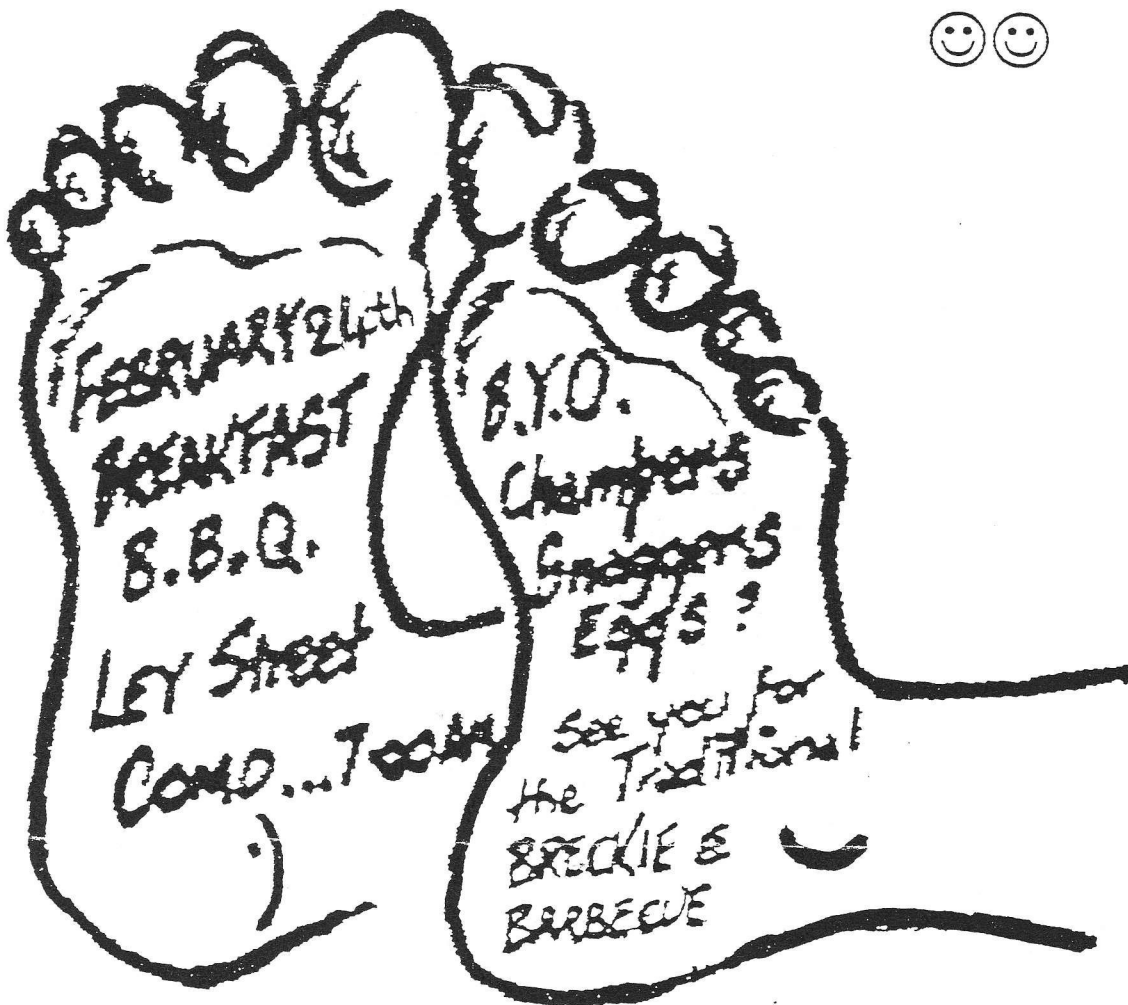
Western Model A News

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MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA, Inc

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FEBRUARY, 2002

SEE YOU THERE!!!!!!!



Next Run/Meeting: Sunday 24th February, 2002
Place: McDougall Pk, Ley St, Como Time: 7.00am

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SUNDAY, 24 FEBRUARY, 2002

BREAKFAST BBQ

Join us for our one and only breakfast meeting of the year

Don't forget the sausages, eggs & bacon

Time: 7.00am Place: McDougall Pk, Ley St, Como

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?

SATURDAY, 23 MARCH, 2002

BROOKTON OLD TIME MOTOR SHOW

Those club members not attending

Toowoomba are invited to join in

the fun of the Brookton Show

Meet at the junction of Brookton H'way & Canning Rd,

Karragullen. Gull Service Centre

Departure time will be 8.15am

John Laurie organising

EASTER 2002, MARCH 29 - APRIL 2

17TH NATIONAL MODEL A MEET

TOOWOOMBA, QLD

Registration form & information available from

Rally Secretary, MAFC of Qld,

Carina Qld 4152



APRIL, 2002

David & Pat Bussard organising

MAY, 2002

Bob & Val Newton organising

JUNE, 2002

Alan & June Smith organising

SUNDAY, 3 NOVEMBER, 2002

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MODEL A RESTORER'S CLUB OF WA INC.
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT
MANNERS HILL PARK, MOSMAN PARK
SUNDAY 27TH JANUARY, 2002

Meeting opened 1.00pm.

President welcomed a big attendance of 47 members and visitors Frank, Jenny and Susan Cocks, who are also Model A owners of many years standing.

Attendance: as per attendance book.

Apologies : John & Helen Moorehead (had to leave early), John & Pat Laurie, Darren & Germaine Jeffree.

Minutes of last meeting printed in December issue. Proposed Bob Newton, seconded Barrie Guest that minutes be accepted as printed. No business arising from the minutes.

<i>Financial Report:</i>	Income until 1/1/2002	\$838.23
	Payments	\$1610.80
	Balances as at 1/1/2002	
	ANZ Term Deposit	\$9670.39
	Bankwest	666.94
	Cash in Hand	340.15
	TOTAL	<u>\$10,677.48</u>

Correspondence: IN

Toowoomba Meet – request for \$100 for trophy donation. Put to members and approval for payment granted. Big Al's Poker Run – entry form for early entry to run. CCC – Marlows Classic Car Show 17/03/02, entry form. Motor Museum Whiteman Park newsletter. Special General Meeting proposal to change the name of CCC to Council of Motoring Clubs of WA (Inc.). Minutes of meeting held 10/12/01. Brookton Old Time Motor Show- 23/3/02 entry forms. Avon Valley V.V.A – Swap Meet at Northam 17/2/02. Narrogin Restoration Group – vintage & collectables swapmeet, Narrogin, 3/3/02. Club Magazines from Qld, Vic and ACT. Motorsport 2002 Special edition. Advertising from Spectrum Rubber, Holley Products, Superblend Zero Lead fuel additives, Flashlube valve saver fluid. Marloo Theatre with calendar of events for most of the year. Brookside Budget Accom – Gingin.

Blinkbonny Cottage Colonial Teashop – Toodyay

OUT: Card to Germaine and Darren on birth of Teneille Germaine on 11 January, 2002.

Business Arising from Correspondence : - Max Annear on behalf of John Laurie suggested that the run to Brookton should be undertaken this year. While some members will be away at Toowoomba, Max and John will organise for those left to go to Brookton for the March run. Please let Max or John know if you will be attending.

Club Runs for 2002 – organisers – March – Max Annear/John Laurie – to Brookton. April – David & Pat Bussard. May – Bob & Val Newton. June - Alan & June Smith. July – AGM. August – Moorehead/Read. September – Barrie & Gwen Guest. October – Jack & Mavis Berkshire. November – Peter & Elaine Gilberthorpe.

General Business: Val Newton is selling T shirts and children clothes for fundraising effort for another organisation.

Toowoomba – WA flag. Frank Farrelly has this under control.

2004 Meet: Steve Read is calling for volunteers to be judges at our Meet, male or female. Please contact Steve if you would like help in this way. Volunteers so far – Edith, Toni, Val – come on guys!! Ray gave a brief report on the 2004 activities – a video has been made to be shown at Toowoomba promoting our Meet. Rally jackets – Pat showed an example of what \$65 will buy. A spray jacket costs around \$24. May offer a choice. The committee is open to discussion and suggestions on what is available in the clothing range – please contact Ray or any committee member with information, contacts, whatever. Also suggestions for places which are available for runs and why they are good,

either half day or full day during the meet. Put it in writing and give to a committee member – Dave, Pat, Merv, Peter, Barrie, Steve, Ray, Toni, Alan J., Germaine.

Complaint that receipts are not being issued to intending Toowoomba travellers, not sure if their money has been received. Make sure we don't make the same mistake.

Christmas Dinner: Dora has kindly offered/overwhelmingly been nominated to organise our Christmas function again this year. She would like suggestions for venues, maybe further south this year.

January run often ends up on the long weekend. Suggested we have it the weekend before the long weekend in future. Agreed by those attending.

Jack Berkshire offered thanks to Ray and Steve for their cooperation with vehicle and driving for a wedding recently. \$50 was offered to the club as a donation and decided by those present it go into general revenue.

A Presentation was made to Louise Read by the President for her ongoing outstanding contribution to the Club by organising the Club magazine over many years. Louise will be handing over the reins later this year and members showed their appreciation of her good works.

Peter Gilberthorpe has received thanks for the club's visit to the Civilian Maimed & Limbless Hostel in Bayswater, during the October run. We are invited to return again, which we shall do. We are also honorary members of the Marloo Theatre.

CCC Marlows Classic Car Show 17/3/2002 – Peter Gilberthorpe wanting names of those who are able to attend. Will be booking a space for six vehicles at this time. Jeanette Hembrough volunteered her services as a marshal on the day.

Meeting closed at 1.50pm.

Frank Cocks addressed the members after the meeting, giving a brief rundown on his father's Model A Ford, now in his possession. This was bought in 1929 and has remained as a treasured possession of the family ever since. A very original car, with some contradictions on what is 'correct' for this model.

PICNIC IN THE PARK

The annual picnic at Manners Hill Park in Peppermint Grove was well attended as in past years. There were country members in attendance, along with guests and in particular a former club member and his family, plus the usual members who we only see occasionally.

As we were arriving, John & Helen Moorehead were leaving. Was it something we said?

The gathering was in full swing although the meeting hadn't started. Apparently Ray & Toni had just arrived and were in a quandary as to whether to eat their lunch or start the meeting first. I think the tummy rumbles won out as I had time to go and buy lunch at the shop and be back in time for the meeting.

As per usual there was lots to discuss due to no meeting in December and lots of incoming mail. Then there was the quest to find volunteers for the runs for the year. This proves most amusing every year with the same people offering their services for the nine outings that are needed. If all active members offered to do one run, it would only necessitate them having to do this once every three years. Sharing the work and the fun would be fair. I'm thinking we should make it part of our constitution.

After the meeting was over, Frank Cocks enlightened us on his very authentic Model A, pointing out original aspects that were sometimes mistaken as incorrect.

Hopefully Frank will rejoin the club and enjoy our gatherings.

The Toowoomba Travellers had a get-together of their own to discuss plans for the trip and accommodation arrangements. Toni provided a schedule of the Meet which is available from her if you are attending and were not at Manners Hill Park. Ray & Toni have offered their home as a final meeting place prior to leaving Perth. Barbecue tea and final details, phone Toni for date and time.

We finally left for home about 2.30 pm.

Many thanks for the beautiful present, I believe it has been waiting for me for some time.

Louise

The following is an abbreviated version of the Minutes of the Delegates Meeting held on the 17th November, 2001 at Bendigo. Any points of interest or agenda items to be raised at the Delegates Meeting to be held at Toowoomba on the 29th March are to be forwarded to Toni Mahony by the Breakfast Meeting on the 23rd February.

Business Arising from Minutes:

National Meet Flag – State badges will be sewn onto outline of each state and then sewn onto flag. This would make identification of badge with state easier.

National Register – All states received copies. Victoria holds no copyright and clubs could distribute to members as they see fit. Date of printing to be put on front cover. Register to be updated every two years, clubs to supply up-to-date information in the August before a National Meet so that new registers can be distributed at the November Delegates Meeting.

Ford Centenary 2003 (SA) – Ford Australia has plans for celebrations during 2003 but no details known at this stage.

Report on liaison between Ford Motor Co & Ford Car Clubs (ACT) – report available from secretary.

How to Get your Club on the Net – no cost – Contact Peter Tangey at Shannons for details, e-mail peter_tangey@shannons.com.au

Seat Belts in Model A (Qld) – awaiting info from WA. Steve Read advised information not available.

General Business:

National Meet 2002 Report (Qld) – No sponsor for Toowoomba. Donation from other clubs to be increased from \$65 to \$100.

National Meet 2004 Report – WA would like to run a judging school, encourage ladies from all clubs to become judges. Clubs to organise skits for an entertainment night. Reports from rally director, events organiser, sec/treasurer & overseas contact available from secretary.

National Meet 2006 (SA) – nil

National Meet 2008 (NSW) - discussion under way for location.

**** During discussion about up-coming National Meets the question was asked if it was possible to avoid two long-distance National Meets following each other, eg. Qld followed by WA, the reason being that the distance for two consecutive Meets was prohibiting some people from going. It was agreed that nothing could be done before 2010, but Delegates would take the question back to their Clubs for discussion and report at Toowoomba.**

***Chapter Registration (VIC)* – Victoria reported that they were disappointed with MAFCA (re-the 5 member rule) and were wondering what the feeling was with other clubs. Vic suggested that a letter from the CCC of Aust may have more persuasive power than letters from individual clubs. It was agreed that a letter to MAFCA would be written by Victoria on behalf of all the clubs.**

***Judging Standards (VIC)* – Robert Turner reported that Victoria was in the middle of reproducing the Judging Standards and asked that the Clubs think about changes, other than those already known, that need to be made before final editing. Copies will be supplied to Delegates at Toowoomba.**

Delegates – requested that the Bendigo Meeting be held on the Friday night in future years. This was agreed to and will commence from Bendigo 2002.

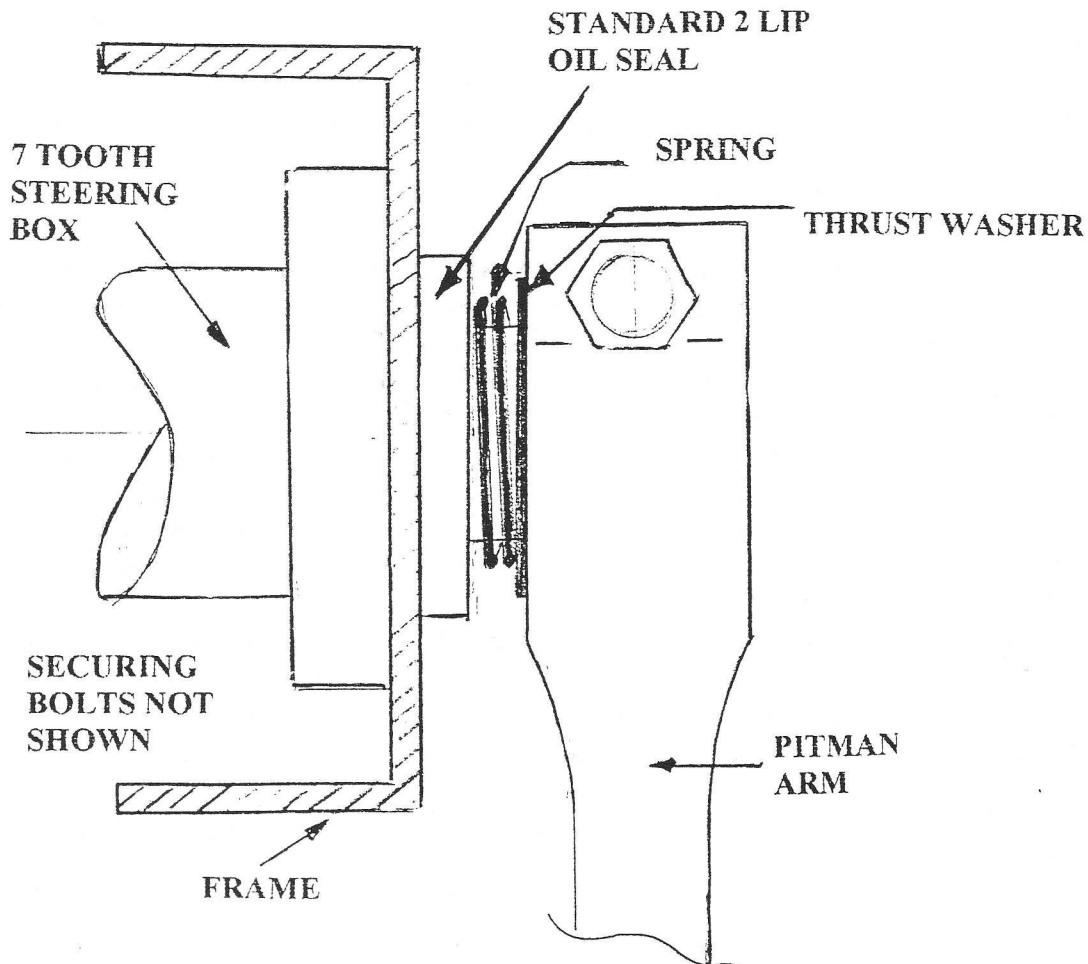
KEEPING LUBRICANT IN A MODEL A STEERING BOX

BY: JOHN MOOREHEAD

Like many Model A's our phaeton suffered from lubricant leaking from the steering box even though the bushes are in good condition. Whilst the amount of lubricant over a period of weeks only amounted to a few drops- it was annoying. A fellow club member, John Forbes advised that he had solved the problem with new bushes and a spring loaded felt washer positioned adjacent to the frame. I tried the felt washer with limited success.

Whilst lying on my back studying this problem it was noted that approx. 1/8" of round shaft protruded from the steering box through the frame before the square section. I removed the two securing bolts holding the steering box to the frame and applied gasket sealant between the steering box and frame. A standard two lip oil seal was placed over the shaft and against the outer side of the frame. Again some gasket cement was placed between the outer part of the seal and frame. A spring and thrust washer was positioned between the seal and pitman arm (see sketch).

After some months and several runs the steering box remains free of leaks!!!! Whilst this technique is not as sound as removing the steering box and machining the box to take a special seal, for just a few dollars my problem was solved?!!



SOME PROMINENT GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF EACH MODEL A FORD STYLES BY YEARS

	1928	1929	1930	1931
HEAD LAMPS	Nickel, 'acorn'	Nickel 'acorn', 'Twolite'.	Stainless, parabolic, 'Twolite'.	Same
HEAD LENSES	Vertical flutes.	Vertical flutes with prisims.	Same.	Same.
TAIL LAMP(S)	Nickel cylindrical 'Duolight', forged bracket.	Nickel, cupped. 'Duolight', pressed steel bracket.	Stainless, cupped 'Duolight' pressed steel bracket.	Same.
RADIATOR SHELL	Nickel, low & rounded 13/16" wire holes, tear-drop tab on crank hole cover, blue enamel emblem.	Nickel, low & rounded, 15/16" wire holes, dumb-bell tab on crank hole cover, blue enamel emblem.	Stainless, high painted panel insert at bottom only. Blue enamel emblem.	Stainless, high painted panel at bottom and top. Pressed stainless emblem.
BUMPERS	Nickel, reverse curved ends, round head on centre bolt*.	Nickel, reverse curved ends oval head on centre bolt*.	Chromium, slight bow, all bolts capped with pressed stainless*.	Same.
COWL	Reverse curved with coupe pillar exposed fuel tank.	Same (except for Briggs & Murray bodies.)	High, tapered smoothly into hood, concealed fuel tank.	Same
STEERING WHEEL	Red plastic, dished.	Black plastic, dished.	Black plastic, flat, large hub.	Same.
DASH PANEL	Nickel, heart shaped. Oval speedometer.	Same.	Same. (Mid-year change to 1931 style.	Stainless, oval. ribbed centre. round speedo.
WHEELS & TYRES	21 x 4.50.	Same	19 x 4.75.	Same.
RUNNING BOARDS	Separate, ribbed rubber, zinc trim.	Same.	Integral with splash apron, pyramid rubber, stainless trim.	Separate, pyramid rubber stainless trim.
SPLASH APRONS	One piece.	Same.	Two piece.	One piece.

* Note that all bumper bolt heads had the depressed portions painted the same shade of blue as the porcelain enamel radiator emblem regardless of body colour.



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ISO METRIC (Coarse)		METRIC (Fine)		UNC Unified National Coarse	
Tap Size	Pitch	Tap Size	Pitch	Tap Size	T.P.I.
M2	0.4	M8	1.0	3(.099)	48
M2.5	0.45	M10	1.25	4(.112)	40
M3	0.5	M12	1.25	5(.125)	40
M3.5	0.6	M12	1.5	6(.138)	32
M4	0.7	M14	1.5	8(.164)	32
M4.5	0.75	M16*	1.5	10(.190)	24
M5	0.8	M18	1.5	12(.216)	24
M6	1.0	M20*	1.5	1/4	20
M7	1.0	M22	1.5	5/16	18
M8	1.25	M24	2.0	3/8	16
M9	1.25			7/16	14
M10	1.5			1/2	13
M11	1.5			9/16	12
M12	1.75			5/8	11
M14	2.0			3/4	10
M16	2.0			7/8	9
M18	2.5			1"	8
M20	2.5			1-1/8	7
M22	2.5			1-1/4	7
M24	3.0			1-1/2	6
M27	3.0				
M30	3.5				
M33	3.5				
M36	4.0				
M39	4.0				
M42	4.5				
M45	4.5				
M48	5.0				
M52	5.0				

*METRIC CONDUIT

SPARK PLUG

M10	1.0	9.0
M12	1.25	10.8
M14	1.25	12.8
M18	1.5	16.5

Tap pipe threads of improved quality are obtained when taper is pre-formed.

NPTF (Taper) DRYSEAL	
1/8	27
1/4	18
3/8	18
1/2	14
3/4	14
1"	11-1/2
1-1/4	11-1/2

Always wear eye protection when using cutting tools.

"The tapping drill sizes indicated are recommended only and should give approximately 75% of thread depth".

UNF Unified National Fine		BSW British Standard Whitworth		BSF British Standard Fine	
Tap Size	T.P.I.	Tap Size	T.P.I.	Tap Size	T.P.I.
3(.099)	56	*3/32	48	3/16	32
4(.112)	48	1/8	40	1/4	26
5(.125)	44	*5/32	32	5/16	22
6(.138)	40	3/16	24	3/8	20
8(.164)	36	*7/32	24	7/16	18
10(.190)	32	1/4	20	1/2	16
12(.216)	28	5/16	18	9/16	16
*3/16	32	3/8	16	5/8	14
1/4	28	7/16	14	3/4	12
5/16	24	1/2	12	7/8	11
3/8	24	9/16	12	1"	10
7/16	20	5/8	11	1-1/8	9
1/2	20	3/4	10	1-1/4	9
9/16	18	7/8	9	1-1/2	8
5/8	18	1"	8	1-3/4	7
3/4	16	1-1/8	7	2"	7
7/8	14	1-1/4	7		
1"	12	1-1/2	6		
*1"	14	1-3/4	5		
1-1/8	12	2"	4-1/2		
1-1/4	12				
1-1/2	12				

*WHIT. FORM

*UNS

Rc SERIES (BSPT) ISO Rc Taper Series		G SERIES (BSPF) ISO G Parallel Series	
Rc	T.P.I.	Tap Size	T.P.I.
Rc1/8	28	G1/8	28
Rc1/4	19	G1/4	19
Rc3/8	19	G3/8	19
Rc1/2	14	G1/2	14
Rc3/4	14	G5/8	14
Rc1"	11	G3/4	14
Rc1-1/4	11	G7/8	14
Rc1-1/2	11	G1"	11
Rc2"	11	G1-1/4	11
		G1-1/2	11
		G1-3/4	11
		G2"	11

NPSF (Straight) DRYSEAL	
1/8	27
1/4	18
3/8	18
1/2	14
3/4	14
1"	11-1/2
1-1/4	11-1/2

Notebook

BIRTHDAYS for FEBRUARY: Birthstone: Amethyst; Flower: Violet

Jack Berkshire, Lindsay Blacklock, Sylvia Bristow-Stagg, John Brown, Val Cowlin, Alan Duns, Tom Eastough, Peter Gilberthorpe, Linda Kirkwood, Pat Laurie, Ian Paisley, Alan Smith, John Timmings & Betty White. Hope you all have a good day!

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Please alter in your register -

Hans & Glenda Hurij, [REDACTED] The Vines. Ph [REDACTED]
Bill & Val Cowlin, [REDACTED] Baldivis Ph [REDACTED]

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

If you have not paid your subscription, please fill in your form and send with the appropriate money to Toni Mahony.

MARLOO THEATRE:

Toowoomba Travellers -

Decided we should use a theatre visit to the Marloo Theatre's production of Fawltly Towers as a fundraiser. Bob Newton organising. Please let him know if you can attend and how many extras you may be able to bring along.

WANTED:

URGENT Tail Shaft for AA Truck with the big diff and a duel high gearbox
Matthew White Phone: [REDACTED]

BROOKTON OLD TIME SHOW:

The following people are attending - Max & Dora Annear, Ross & Alma Letch, Alan Smith, John & Pat Laurie. Any others who wish to go please contact John Laurie on [REDACTED]

HERE IS JOHN LAURIE'S JOKE CONTRIBUTION:

An Amish boy and his father visited a major centre. They were amazed by almost everything they saw, but especially by two shiny silver doors that could move apart and back together again. The boy asked, "What is this father?"

Father never having seen anything like it replied, "I don't know son."

While the boy and his father were watching, an elderly lady walked up to the moving walls and pressed a button. The walls opened and the lady shuffled between them into a small room. The walls closed and they watched the small circles of lights with numbers above the door light up. The walls opened again and a beautiful twenty year old woman stepped out. The father gasped and said "Son get your mother."

VALENTINE'S DAY:

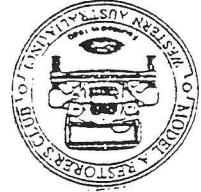
Hope it was all you expected and more.

CONGRATULATIONS: go out to Ray & Toni's daughter Andrae on her 21st Birthday.



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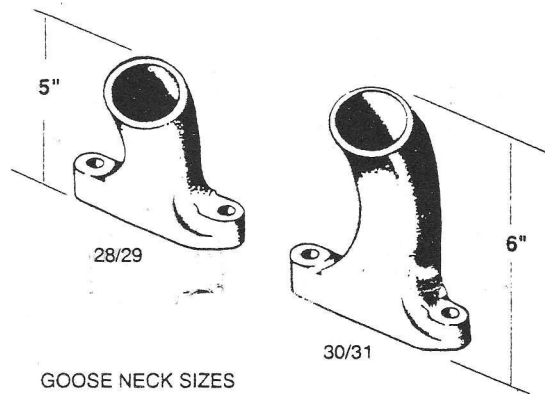
**WESTERN
MODEL A NEWS**

LONG OR SHORT NECK - WHAT'S YOURS?

Over the 35 years I have been involved with Model A-s I have probably seen most of the Model A Fords in Australia, be it at swap meetings, National Meets or shows, and also a huge range of Model A-s overseas. I am still amazed at how many cars have the incorrect neck on the cylinder head considering there were only two lengths made. One for 28/29, one for 30/31. Often I am asked by the owner if the wrong radiator is fitted as the top hose won't line up and in most cases it is the wrong neck that is fitted. The top radiator pipe, hose and top housing should all be in a straight line. So have a look, maybe you have a longer or shorter neck than you need.

If you have to change your neck, the reproduction units are amazingly not too bad, BUT!! to avoid snapping the lugs off when fitting, ensure that a cardboard or paper match spacer is used between the housing and cylinder head on the outer side of the stud holes. This will prevent damage. This really works.

Steve Read



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