

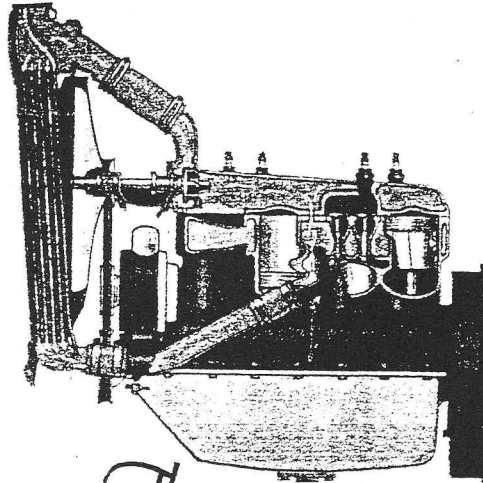


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Meet: Byford Memorial Car Park, Opposite Byford Shopping center On South West Highway at 9.45am

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SUNDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER, 2002

Barrie & Gwen Guest organizing

Meet at Byford Memorial Car Park, opposite Byford Shopping Centre
On South West Highway at 9.45am you will be met by Gwen.
She will bring you out to our home for a Devonshire Tea fully provided
By Gwen & Barrie. You can bring grandkids, as we then head for
"TUMBLEGUM" Farm about 10 Kms down the South West Highway.



SUNDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 2002

Peter & Elaine Gilberthorpe organizing

SUNDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 2002

SHANNONS " BAY TO WHITEMAN" RUN 2002

NOVEMBER, 2002

Mahony's organizing date to be set, probably 24th.

SUNDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 2002

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Place: Perth & Tattersalls Bowling Club, Plain St, Perth

Cost: \$25.00 per person Buy your own drinks

Organised by Dora Annear

16TH FEBRUARY, 2003

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Minutes of General Meeting
Held at RPH Rehabilitation Hospital, Shenton Park
On Sunday 25 August, 2002.

Meeting opened at 2.10pm.

Attendance: as per book.

Apologies: Letch, Lawrie, Berkshire, Smith, Ward, Wood, Lorraine Sartori, Colin Davidson.

Minutes from last meeting – moved Max Annear, seconded Steve Read that minutes be accepted as printed in magazine. Carried.

No business arising from minutes.

Financial Report:

Payments in July -	Rent of hall & pits area for AGM	\$55.00
	AGM Sausage Sizzle costs	119.00
	Engraving-Bad/Good Luck Trophy	55.00
	Membership Book 2002 costs	12.45
	Examination/Pits area costs	198.00
	Postage	<u>44.13</u>
	Total Expenditure – July	\$483.58
Income in July -Deposit for Christmas Dinner		50.00
	Sales of leftover items, AGM	<u>64.20</u>
	Total Income – July	\$114.20
Bank Balances at end of July		
	ANZ Term Deposit	\$9822.05
	BankWest	2407.64
	Cash Held	<u>189.00</u>
	Total	<u>\$12418.69</u>

2004 Meet Report

David gave a report on his and Pat's visit to the Riverside Meet in California, where he was able to address prospective participants in our 2004 Meet. Planning is underway, with still 50 cars and around 100 people interested in making the trip. Ray mentioned that we have some 120 expressions of interest from the eastern states and a couple from New Zealand at this stage as well. There is a Hubley ute available for anyone interested in these cars, see Darren Jeffree. Early Bird registration forms to go to our WA members as well. The committee have a meeting on Tuesday night at Alan Jeffree's home.

Correspondence: IN -Magazine – MAFC of Qld; Police Dept. looking for vehicle involved in crash; Stirling Business Machines catalogue and change of name to Office National; City of Armadale, advertising the 2003 Minnawarra Festival; Batty Library – Infolink form; BankWest Statement; Marloo Theatre newsletter and membership forms; Ron Jansen of Greenbushes – letter requesting membership; MAFC of SA – new office bearers for 2002-3; Carol Jones, Arizona, MAFCA running for MAFCA director; Hemmings USA advertising 2003 calendar featuring Model A's. OUT - Mr & Mrs S. Wigmore, Mahogany Creek and Steve Jansen with membership forms and letter.

General Business: Dora reminded members of the Christmas Lunch on 8th December, 2002. She is taking payments now, \$25.00 per head.

Jeffrees reminded members that the Easter trip to Kirup is on next year, around the 18th April.

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Suggests that we have pamphlets ready to go in the Marlows Car Show bag next March, advertising the CMC Quiz Night, which we are running and our 2004 Meet.

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A banner advertising McNerney Ford was given to Peter some time ago, which we can probably use for displays in the future.

Quiz Night quiz master is organised, looking for donations of prizes.

Bits and Pieces:

Full set of side curtains for a Phaeton – see Alan Jeffrey.

Sets of Vintage concessional plates available from Steve Read – essential if your vehicle is on concessional registration.

Thanks to the Read family and John Moorehouse for the fun gymkhana day being more active than usual in our Model A's. Overall winners were the Mahony's.

General Meeting closed 2.30pm.

SPECIAL MEETING **For the purpose of appointing a Secretary/Treasurer** **And Editor/Sales Person** **25 August, 2002**

Meeting opened: 2.30pm

President outlined the challenge of finding new office bearers for these positions and thanked the Bussards, Halls and John Timmings for their offers of assistance for the positions. All were prepared to take on the work if the positions weren't filled, although they were generally committed elsewhere.

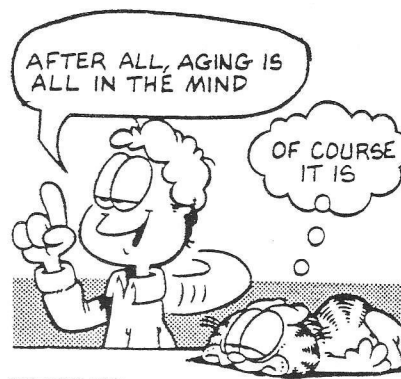
An offer was received from Gayle Easterbrook as Secretary/Treasurer and John Easterbrook as Editor/Sales Person, which was accepted.

Expressions of appreciation were made to the Easterbrooks for their commitment from the outgoing office bearers.

Visitors: Glenis & Stan Compton (Alan Jeffrey's sister and brother in law) from Caloundra Qld. Dorothy & Bernard Ellinson, from Collie (friends of John & Gayle Easterbrook). Michael (Melissa Read's friend).

Meeting Closed 2.35pm.

Garfield



PERTH to

TOOWOOMBA

to PERTH

As experienced by Ray and Toni Mahony in their 1929 Model A Ford

16th March to 17th April 2002

Sunday, 14th April. The day started with a visit to the service station adjacent to the caravan park for fuel at 95.9 c/litre, then we headed west. With blue skies over head and a stiff south-south-east breeze blowing it was pleasant driving. As we travelled through Penong to Nundroo it became overcast, but stayed dry. We fuel up again at Nullarbor. Would you believe that in just four weeks fuel here had increased from 119 cent to 124.1 c/litre.

8.3km west of Nullarbor there is a two wheel track that heads north. If you take this track you will find, just off the road, a blow hole, then if you follow the track out half a mile you come to two caves. The first, on the right has quite a small opening, which goes straight down into a fairly large cavern. The floor of the cavern appears to be about 20-30 feet down. The second cave is on the left and has quite a large opening and provides easy access the cavern. It is not a spectacular cave but is interesting and worth the short drive.

Between Nullarbor and the border we stopped at a number of spots to view the cliffs. If you want to see the cliffs to best advantage then I suggest you forget the designated lookouts and take some of the small tracks to the coast. The best spot we found was 120.5km east of the border. The track is slightly rough but nothing to worry even the most cautious, especially when you see the view. The cliffs from here are nothing short of magnificent. We arrived at Eucla at 5.30 Central Western Time, refueled and booked into a park cabin. Cabins are very basic and cost \$38. Fuel here had increased by 4 cents to 116 c/litre. We had dinner in the garden restaurant. There are probably not too many people that realise there is a lovely garden and guest's swimming pool behind the restaurant.

While talking to some caravaners I was told for the second time that I was getting along at nearly 80 km/hr. As far as I was concerned I have been doing 40mph, which calculates to 64 km/hr. I made some calculations using roadside distance markers and time taken and discovered that I have been cruising along at a steady 75 km/hr. When I get to 45 mph, which I can easily do, I am doing over 80km/hr and doing it very nicely thank you. Elizabeth had a slight bout of indigestion today, but nothing serious.

(313 miles)

Monday, 15th April. When we got up there was a heavy fog and everything was quite wet. We packed the car and were about to leave when a fellow came over to see the car and have a chat. To his and Toni's surprise, he worked in Transport with Toni. In fact Toni looked after him and got him to hospital last year when he had a heart attack at work. We got away at 7.45am and headed down the Eucla Pass. The days drive was generally uneventful, there was practically no wild life. We saw only about half a dozen eagles, three emus and a couple of bob-tailed lizards.

We purchased fuel at Madura, 127.8 c/litre, and Ciaguna 123 c/litre. About ten km west of Ciaguna we pulled off the road to see the blow holes then drove further from the road to see if we could find some kangaroos. We were lucky and found five, four small ones together and a big boomer by himself. The rest of the day was so-so and fairly warm. We pulled in to Balladonia at 5.00 pm Western Standard Time. The room here was \$86.

(329 miles)

Tuesday, 16th April. The sky was fully overcast when we got up, although dry and decidedly cool. We fueled up at 122.9 c/litre and got away at 7.45am. I thought the drive from Balladonia to Southern Cross would be just that, a drive from Balladonia to Southern Cross. However driving about 50km it started to rain. The rain, which was steady and widespread, continued practically non-stop until we were about 100km from Southern Cross. We stopped in Norseman where we topped up with petrol, 112.3 c/litre and went for a drive through the town centre and out to the cemetery where we located some of my rellie's graves, which Toni photographed for her family tree records.

About 10km before getting to Norseman Elizabeth had a bad bout of indigestion, so bad in fact that I couldn't even drive down hill without her rattling and back firing. I thought I had better try to do something to ease her pain. We stopped and I checked the points, which were ok. I then checked numbers 3 and 4 spark plugs. No 4 plug was totally clogged with carbon. The plugs were cleaned and a little loose carbon was knocked free inside the cylinder. Elizabeth continued to back fire while under load until about 10km past Norseman.

The rest of the drive to Southern Cross was pretty straight forward; we bought petrol in Coolgardie for 102.9 c/litre and arrived in Southern Cross at 5.35. After checking into the caravan park we went down to the Club Hotel and had a nice meal for \$6.00. Rain continued into the night and there has been some lightning.

(353 miles)

Wednesday, 17th April. On this the last day of our journey we awoke to clear blue skies. We packed and got on the road by 8.15. As the morning progressed the sky became overcast and it started to rain about 60km out towards Merredin. The rain which continued almost to Northam was quite heavy and the day was cold. We decided to stop in Merredin and put the front side curtains up.

Along the way we purchased fuel at Bodallin (94.9 c/litre), Northam(92.9 c/litre) and we topped up when we got home (89.9 c/litre).

In Northam we bought a couple of pies for lunch and ate them by the river while watching ducks and swans.

We arrived home at 3.25.

(233 miles)

We used 1532.71 litres of fuel, traveled a total of 6570 miles, which calculates to 10573 kilometers. Fuel consumption calculates to be 14.5 litres/100, or in the old language, 19.44 miles per gallon. Not good, however considering the fact that I was towing a trailer and having problems with missing and back firing a fair bit I suppose it is understandable. I also used 29 litres of oil, and no oil change in that. I burnt some and leaked a lot.

Would I do it again? Probably yes, although I don't think I would take a trailer again. If you have the space you take things you probably don't have to. I would think twice about going through the Great Dividing Range again, although most of the problems I had were only an indirect result of the hills.

Just the reaction, of other road users and people you meet along the way, to a vintage car travelling all that distance makes the trip worth while.

Overall we both enjoyed the trip and would recommend it to anyone. Most people see the drive across the country as a long boring drive through dry desolate nothingness. If you take your time and look at what you are driving through, take in the wild life and drive a little way up some of the tracks you will be surprised at what there is to see.

Conclusion

Ferrets & Fancy Dress

25th August 2002

Despite the threat of terrible weather the morning arrived with a little bit of cool weather but no rain. John & Helen arrived at the Read household to collect their two passengers. The swift journey to Tomato Lake to meet up with the rest of the group included a drive past many other visitors to the area – some of whom were partaking in a ferret fete – to eat morning tea. Apparently there was quite a variety of ferrets on show, some being taken for walks with leads, others in cages, and John said he even saw one up someone's trouser leg! This has yet to be confirmed.

People ate and observed the ducks on the lake – they were not part of the ferret fete – and eventually Max blew his whistle and sent the cars off one at a time on their meandering journey to Shenton Park. John gave explicit instructions on the quiz questions which were to be only considered, not answered, whilst driving.

Arriving at the Shenton Park Rehabilitation Centre Oval the cars were instructed to line up facing the main part of the oval. After a lot of piss-farting about and waiting for people to get out of their cars, get themselves organised, go to the toilet and generally mess about, Steve called them together to attempt to explain the rules of the car-games set out before them. Many were distracted by the thought of wearing clothes from the other gender, mind you Peter Gilberthorpe was most enthusiastic and became more eager to be involved.

John & Helen were the first to show the way, going through the simple layout obstacles and set tasks. Timing was also important. After a reluctant start by a couple of cars, others joined in, those without Model A-s were lent the Read's Tudor. Points off for Peter Sartori & John Timmings for starting their run whilst the previous people were still going and the stopwatch not started. Double points off for Pat & David for stalling and flooding the Tudor. It must have been pretty cold – and too early, for some, perhaps – as the enthusiasm for the games was at a low ebb and after David and Pat managed to get stuck at the washing line we ended the games.

The meeting and lunch eating was held undercover. Whilst lunch was being consumed we had a heavy downpour of rain; the only one of the morning. All in all, well-timed to get the games out the way before lunch.

John collected and marked the quiz questions based on knowing your Model A. There were a lot of interesting responses as the answers were posed, and the questions had to be provided, but the prize went to Darren, Germaine & Teneille Jeffree. The booby prize went to Bob Hembrough, a little something to improve his knowledge for next time. Ray & Toni were awarded the overall winners' prize for their participation in the car games and quiz answers.

Thanks to Barrie, Melissa & Michael and John & Helen for their help and enthusiasm in organising, distributing and recording the antics. Anybody who has the slightest interest in the day can view the video – don't get killed in the rush!

Just one little tip – if you ever have to blow up balloons and decide to fill them with water for a little weight, don't breathe in as you go to blow them up. For a demonstration, see Steve.

Steve & Louise

Notebook

BIRTHDAYS for SEPTEMBER: Birthstone:Sapphire ; Flower:Aster
 Jill Axford, Barry Bristow-Stagg, Gail Duns, Barry Fowler, Georgina Hart,
 Germaine Jeffree, Beth Martin, Graham McDonald, Peter Sartori,
 Margaret Strahan, Don Sutherland, John Teale, Malcolm Wood, Chris Wringe &
 Valerie Yates.

Many Happy Returns!

NEW MEMBERS:

Welcome to new members William Richard & Valerie Yates, [REDACTED]
 Lesmurdie 6076 have a 1930 unrestored Model A, which was bought in and
 transported from Argentina. Phone: [REDACTED]

BADGES:

The cost of name badges for those who ordered them will be \$9.07ea
 This is the last chance to order if you need one.
 Contact Louise on [REDACTED]

WANTED:

Right hand door for 1928 Tudor
 Contact Ivan Eatt on [REDACTED]

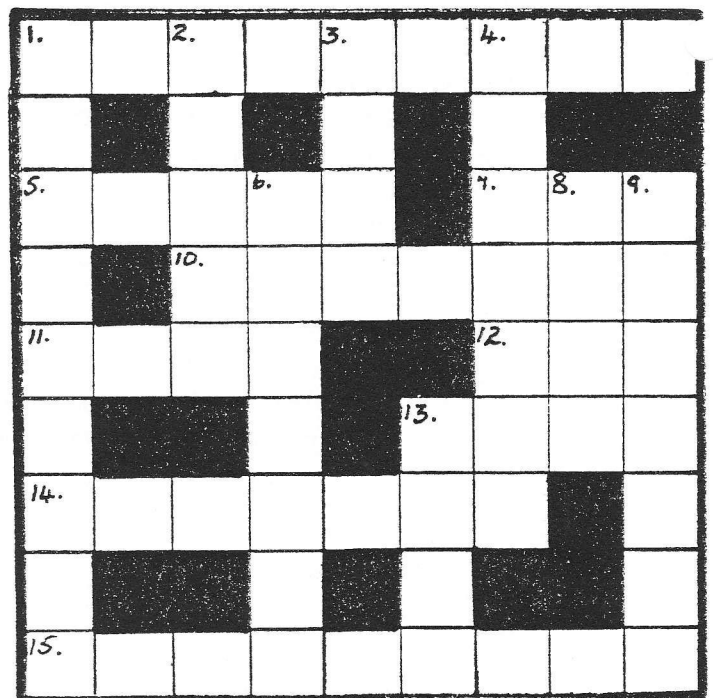
CROSSWORD CLUES

ACROSS

- 1. Instinctive
- 5. Puritan
- 7. Naphthalene
- 10. Surfeit
- 11. Ingests
- 12. Acknowledgement
- 13. Citrus Fruit
- 14. Capricious
- 15. Fantasies

DOWN

- 1. Detain
- 2. Reliance
- 3. Converge
- 4. Colossal
- 6. Poltroon
- 8. Nucleus
- 9. Compensates
- 13. Insects



Answers to Crossword on back page.
 Crossword compiled by: Gayle Easterbrook

Letter from the Editor

Hi folks, well here is my first try at editing the Western Model A News. Let me take this opportunity to say a "GREAT BIG THANK YOU" to Louise Read, who has been the Editor for the last 10 years. She will definitely be a hard act to follow, but I will do my best.

What a fantastic day we had at the August run, even the drizzly rain didn't dampen the fun. A big vote of thanks to John Moorehead & Steve Read for their inventive ideas. A big thank you to all the members who participated in the organization, which made the day such a success. Of course thanks also must go to the members who participated in the games.

Gayle and I had a great time.

Unfortunately Gayle and I have some very sad news "Clarabelle" our Model A has been laid up, as she needs some major repairs. She will be off the road for some time pending a complete restoration. John Easterbrook - Editor

Just a quick note from the Secretary/Treasurer

It's always good to see new faces come forward to take up the Office Bearers positions. But it is also hard to take over from someone who has been doing such a fantastic job! Thank you to Toni Mahony for her years of service, I hope I can do the job equally as well.

Gayle Easterbrook Secretary/Treasurer



Christmas Lunch

A Friendly Reminder

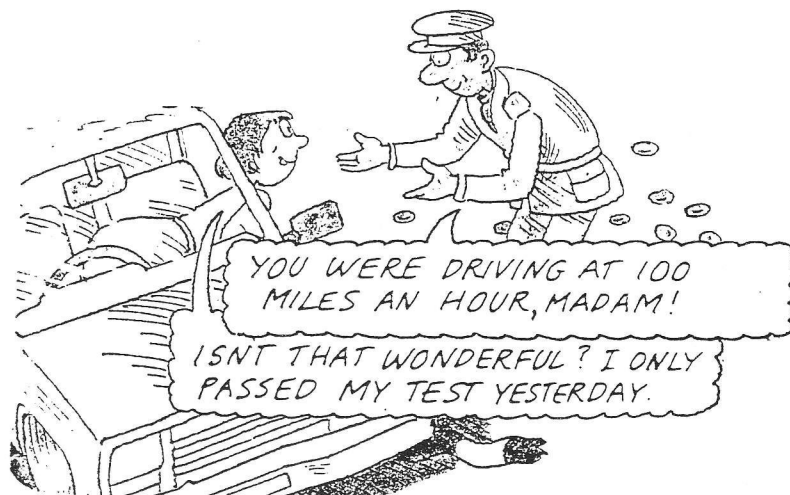


I was unable to contact Dora to see what she wanted to say!

Remember the 8th of December is not that far away!

You don't want to miss out - so don't delay!

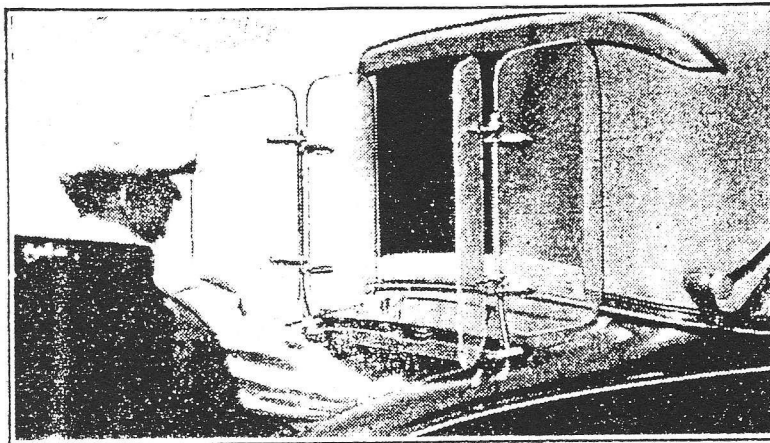
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