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**Official Newsletter of
THE MODEL "A" FORD CLUB OF AMERICA**

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Did you know our club has its own Website, type 'Model A Ford club Canterbury' into google. There are a number of pages of interest including all the Scripts from 2014 (able to be downloaded and/or printed), notes on future events as well as market place where free adds for members can be posted.

COVER: Steve Allan Customs garage

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Many thanks to those who attended the AGM and the lunch following that. One of the important things which will benefit all members was the decision to reduce the subscriptions from \$38 to \$35 for the basic fee. The additional \$2 for joint membership and a further \$1 for a family remains the same. You will be receiving the invoice for 2022 – 2023 shortly.

We will also be sending the carbon emission donations, that some have included with their subscriptions, to Trees for Canterbury. We have been hoping to assist with their tree planting for a while but other events have meant that we have not been able to find a suitable date yet. I shall advise when we can do this with the hope that many will turn up to assist.

Our first midweek run was held on a drizzly cold day, with a brief run followed by a visit to Steve Allan Customs in Rangiora. He builds and repairs classic cars and there were many cars being restored. The staff were very accommodating, answering all of our different questions as we strolled around the building individually. We were also very lucky to be able to have our lunch there inside the very interesting office. A very nice short day with excellent company.

The next event is the breakfast run on Sunday 14 August, beginning at the Governors Bay Café at 9.30am. I look forward to seeing you there.

International Model A day will be celebrated in Westport on 3 September. The Saturday visit has been arranged to Denniston with an evening meal to follow. You will need to organise your own accommodation. An information sheet will be sent to all members.

Congratulations to those who have been in the club for 50 continuous years. We have had badges made for the six who have attained this honour. Garth Moore was presented with his at the AGM. The following will be presented at appropriate times to Dave Bell, Les Pearson, Martin Rooney, Alan Wells and Ian Smith.

We are progressing well with the organisation for the 2023 National Rally in Methven. If you are able to assist in any way we would appreciate this. Please email me if this is possible.

Kind regards.

Lyn

NATIONAL RALLY 2023



I would like to record an “Earlybird” registration for the Ford Model A Rally in Methven on 4 – 10 March 2023.

Name	
Address	
Email	
Cellphone	
Model A	

Please bank \$20 into the account number 06 0805 0018320 23 (ANZ).

The email address for this Rally is 2023modelarally@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing you.

Lyn Miles

Secretary 027 228 6292

COMING EVENTS

August 14th **Breakfast Run**

Starting Location: Governors Bay café at 9:30am
This will be followed by a short run, visiting several interesting places

Bring: Picnic Lunch

Attendance: Please advise Lyn mileslyn6@gmail.com or 027 228 6292

If anyone would like to add any interesting ideas that they would like to see us offer to our members for this year, please contact Lyn or Brent.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 3rd **International Model A Day In Westport**

Details: For more Information and registration form please see next pages

Accommodation: Probably 2 Nights need to be booked soon.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

International Model A Day 2022 Registration Form

2-4 September to be held in Westport

Weekend Plan

- Friday 2 September Registration at Denniston Dog Restaurant & Bar, 18 Wakefield St
Between 6-8pm or pick up from NBS car park at 10am Saturday morning.
You may wish to dine here.
- Saturday 3 September Rally event will be centred around the Denniston Plateau and Incline.
We will be departing from the NBS car park between 10-11am (turn right off
Palmerston St, at i-site).
Provide own lunch for the day.
Toilets available on the incline.
Rally dinner to be held at Denniston Dog - 6.30pm for drinks with dinner at
7pm. Cost \$37 per person.
- Sunday 4 September Breakfast and farewells at Denniston Dog 10am.

There is an opportunity to visit the Westport i-site, 123 Palmerston St, to view a video about Denniston on Friday or Saturday, at a small cost per person. This is well worth viewing.

The i-site is opened Friday 9am-4.30pm or Saturday 10am-4pm. Seating available for at least 30 people at one time.

Please arrange your own accommodation. Suggestions as follows:

ASURE Chelsea Gateway Motor Lodge, 330 Palmerston St. Phone 0800 66 00 33

Bella Vista Motel, 314 Palmerston St. Phone 03 789 7800

Buller Court on Palmerston, 235 Palmerston St. Phone 03 789 7979

Westport Kiwi Holiday Park and Motels, 37 Domett St. Phone 03 789 7043

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Entry Details

Driver _____

Address _____

Email _____ Cellphone _____

Passengers Names _____

Vehicle Body Type _____ Year _____

Registration No _____

Emergency contact details _____

There is no entry fee to attend the rally, but could we please have numbers wishing to attend the dinner on Saturday night. No. attending _____

Please send completed form to Irene Devlin, 87 Reid St, Blaketown, Greymouth 7805 OR

Email to ri.devlin@xtra.co.nz

Final Close off date for your entry is Friday 26 August 2022

Looking forward to catching up with you all again.

Roger and Irene Devlin

Ph 03 768 5382 or Cell 021331402

OTHER UPCOMING VCC EVENTS

August 21st Daffodil Run for Cancer

Details: The run starts at 10.00am in four different locations – Rangiora, New Brighton, Cashmere and Rolleston. The start points are detailed on the notice. There are short and long run options for each start point. All runs finish at the VCC grounds at McLeans Island Road before 12.00pm, where the Avonhead Rotary Club will have BBQ food and drinks for sale.

There will be prizes for best American, British, European and Japanese vehicles, best motorcycle, best couple dressed in the era of their vehicle, and a special trophy for a vehicle matching the theme of the day chosen by a representative from the Cancer Society.

Please note the event will be run regardless of the weather on the day – we will have indoor facilities open at the finish. Please also note that this event has had to be postponed the last 2 years due to COVID lockdowns, so given that both COVID and the flu are still present in the community, everyone is encouraged to bring a facemask with them and/or maintain good social distance in public areas.

Sept. 10th Winchester Swapmeet

Sept. 17th Hororata Swapmeet

Oct. 7th - 9th Canterbury Swapmeet Cutler Park

Nov. 4 - 6th Taieri Tour 50 Year Celebration, Dunedin

OTHER UPCOMING VCC EVENTS

Proudly supporting the
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*Come and
join the fun*

All ages and
vehicle types
are welcome!



Daffodil Rally for Cancer

 **SUNDAY 21 AUGUST 2022** 

JOIN IN AT ONE OF THESE FOUR STARTING POINTS

Rangiora - Southbrook Park Car Park,
South Belt

Cashmere Club,
Colombo Street, Beckenham

New Brighton Club,
Cnr Marine Parade and Hawke St

Rolleston, Selwyn District Council Car Park
Norman Kirk Drive

A series of short & long runs starting at 4 locations,
all finishing at the VCC grounds at McLeans Island.

Runs leave each location between 10.00 and 10.30am

Afternoon Public display at VCC Grounds, McLeans Island from 12.00pm.

Coffee available at start points, BBQ lunch can be purchased at VCC grounds.

Enquiries to Colin Hey - email: heywolseley699@gmail.com

\$10

vehicle entry
fee - all fees
donated to the
Cancer Society

To find out more about your local
Daffodil Rally for Cancer, visit www.vcc.org.nz

PAST EVENTS - Mid Week Run

7 Model A's and 1 classic car gathered at Bunnings, Airport Branch car park for our 1st Mid-week run. The weather was cool without the dampness earlier in the week. Pam & David's grandson Jackson handed out the run sheets. We headed out passing through Harewood, on to Brooklands, Spencerville, Kainga and through Kaiapoi then on to the Motorway at Pineacres. Through Woodend and at the Pegasus roundabout turned left through



the new subdivision Ravenswood and headed towards Rangiora. We travelled along Lineside Road, turning left at Power Road then the next driveway on the right arriving at Steve Allan Customs garage. They specialise in American Classic and Custom restoration work. Without counting I would estimate that he has about 20 cars in various stages of restoration. Steve made us very welcome, indicating that we were welcome to liaise with any of his team. On wandering around it was apparent that all his team are very dedicated to their work. Steve made us very welcome and opened up his lunch room for our picnic food. After an enjoyable day we made our way back to Rangiora to visit friends.



A very relaxed and enjoyable day thanks to David and Pam Dacombe for organising the run.

Graham Evans

AUTHENTICALLY SPEAKING

The Braking System. Part one.

29/30/31 system.

Who needs brakes, they only slow you down!

With a completely overhauled braking system you will be able to lock up all four wheels on a sealed road. Fully reconditioning your braking system is not an easy process and it will entail work and some expense. Your friendly supplier will be of immense value. It is no use just taking off your brake drums and replacing a few parts, you must start at the beginning of the line, ie the brake pedal. Every component of the braking system will most likely need repair, especially if your system has not had a complete overhaul in the recent past, or most likely never at all in its approximate 93 year old lifetime. On removal of the

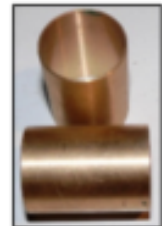


pedal(s) **the first port of call** is the brake pedal linkage attachment at the base of the pedal, arrowed in red.

If it has not been replaced in it's lifetime, wear on the pedal shaft fixed to the bellhousing will most like need replacing and it is riveted in place. You will have to make your own shaft out of 1" bar, as they are not commercially produced, but see the green box below! Copy the removed shaft exactly, especially the two holes on the shaft. (As at right.)



Round Pedals are bushed with a thin 1/32" walled bronze bush. Remove the old bushings with a



bush remover if possible or carefully knock out. There are two bushes per pedal originally, with a space between which holds grease. One long bush is a good idea, but drill through for the grease nipple. Re-bush both brake and clutch pedals.

Some earlier pedals were not greaseable and a grease nipple fitted to each pedal is a good idea. Make sure you drill right through the bush.

Bushing: 1 1/6" OD, 1" ID. Ream and hone to 1.002". Use 1" diameter mild steel bar.

De-rivet the original bar from the bellhousing and carefully copy the length. The mounting hole, and the collar pin hole position must be in line. The rivet holes are a tight 1/4", especially the bellhousing rivet hole. Drill in line and in the centre of the bar. It is important the 2 holes copy the original. Holes are 5 1/2" centre to centre. 5/16" from the collar end, and 15/16" the other. Bar is 6 3/4" long. Rivet the new bar to the bellhousing. It must be really secure.

Elongated earlier pedals were not bushed and the shafts were a smaller diameter of 7/8" A bush in the pedals would be advantageous to eliminate any wear.

There is a shorter brake rod A-2456-B from the pedal base to the equalizer bar. All the clevis pin holes will need drilling to fit the oversize clevis pin of 1 1/32" (.34375") Never weld and re-drill as they are a braking component. This includes the pin hole in the rod and in the clevis which winds onto the rod. If this rod thread looks suspicious, replace. New brake rod sets are available where you will require standard pins. I strongly advise to purchase a complete set of 6 rods.

Some local parts suppliers are having difficulty in obtaining all the parts they require from the USA in these troubled times. I have spoken to Antique Ford in Nelson 03 544 7826 and he has good stocks of all braking parts and will make up pedal shafts as required. This will save you a lot of time and trouble.



The standard Fish Eye clevis A-2466 which screws to the end of the service brake rods for adjustment.

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One half of the 2 piece split bush.



The 29-30-31 equalizer bar.



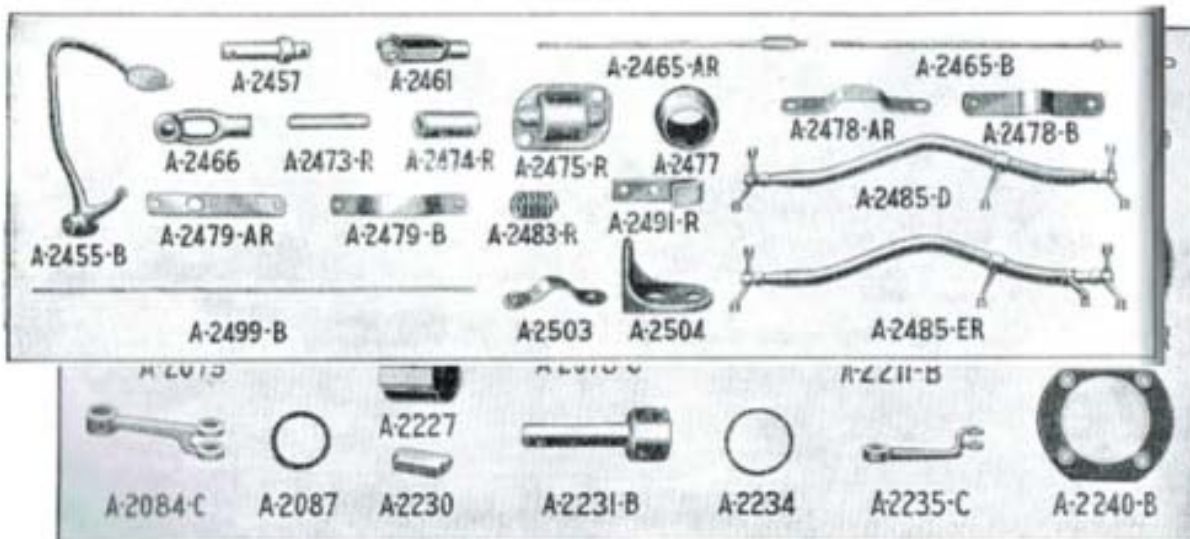
This takes you to the brake and emergency equalizer bar approximately in the centre of the chassis. There are 5 clevis pin holes to enlarge if required. Pins must be a firm fit in the hole. *(The emergency braking system can wait for another day.)*

The equalizer bar has 2 bushes supported by a bracket top and bottom of the bush pictured above. This holds the equalizer to the chassis. The bushes are fixed and the shaft rotates in the bushes. Remove the old original bushings by cutting each bush carefully in half. Do not remove the levers from each end of the equalizer, unless your equalizer bar is in very bad condition, where a better bar could be found. New split bronze bushes are available and are easily clamped into position. If the bearing surface is worn it will need resurfacing in a large lathe. (Do not remove the end levers). When the new bronze split bushes are fitted to a resurfaced shaft, there may be too much clearance and a small amount must be removed from the flat mating surfaces of each bush. Allow for 0.002" clearance for grease between bush and shaft. If there are no grease nipples, grease all surfaces thoroughly. It is the only chance you have to grease these bushes.

From now on, all new parts are required. Don't use old parts (unless you really have to) with your braking system, no matter how good they appear, especially A-2050 the operating wedge. **The front end.** Remove the brake drums and shoes. Remove all shoe return springs (A-2035 and A-2036) and throw them in the bin. De-riquet the linings, or your supplier will most likely carry new shoes with bonded linings suitable for steel or cast iron drums. Cast iron drums is the way to go, or use your steel original drums if there is enough material left in the drum. Cast iron drums are great and really improve braking. Discard all old parts.

The original thickness of the steel drum braking surface is 0.140". Wear to 0.110" is a difference of 0.030" on a radius, or 0.060" diameter. 11.060" is the largest you should go on the steel drums.

You will need the following new parts: See right of pictures below. We are dealing with only front end parts here. *The rear end is covered in section two next month.* Some parts you will require more than one part. Replacing brake shoe roller pins is essential and they differ at each end of the shoe. A-23870-S7 and A-23873-S7.



- A-2032-A. (Vital)
- A-2035.
- A-2036.
- A-2041.
- A-2042.
- A-2050.
- A-2051.
- A-2076-B (if worn.)
- A-2075 (Vital)
- A-2082.
- A-2231-B
- A-2234. +

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A-2466
~~A-2461.~~
A-2457.
A-2465-B.
A-2477 (Split bronze bush)
A-2499-B.
A-2503-A2.

Brake rod anti rattlers, or brake rod springs .A-2503-A2. There were 2 types. Flat spring and wire spring. It is important when assembling these to the new brake rods that they are assembled to pull the rods off.



The 2 types of rod anti rattlers.



This shows the rear flat spring brake rod anti rattlers pushing the brakes off.

Cast Iron Drums.

These can be purchased as a drum only to fit your own hub or can be purchased with a new hub fitted. I suggest purchasing a complete drum, as installing the wheel studs to hold the hub securely as they were originally fitted is not for the faint hearted. They are swaged into place and it takes quite a few ton of pressure to install properly to lock the hub in place on the drum.



Assembly of parts and the rear brakes and brake adjustment is covered next month.

Headnut.

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Seat spring assembly base and back. Used. The base needs repair as some springs have collapsed. Suits open cab roadster (out of my pick up) \$50



Wheel rim liners / heavy duty tyre flap (2). New. cost \$46 each.
You can have the pair for \$35



Air cleaner. Used. \$20



Modern telescopic shocks. Used. I had them on my pick up, but they are too stiff for this light vehicle. Would be better on a heavier car. Cost \$280. Selling the set of four \$80. (No attach brackets) open to offers.

contact Dean Yeoman 0274599134



FOR SALE

I have owned this truck for over 50 years during which it has been completely restored. The



original restoration was completed in 1999 and it has done approximately 16424 miles since then. It has many original parts including a matching set of stainless steel fuel tank and radiator caps which are unobtainable to day. It has a high ratio crown wheel and pinion and will cruise at 50- 55 mph easily.

It will also stop well with 4 cast iron brake drums ! Research I have done shows the body and engine numbers are close enough to be "matching numbers" and I know that in the last 50 plus years of my ownership, it has had the same engine block and body. Body # is 9F509 and engine is CAE6482



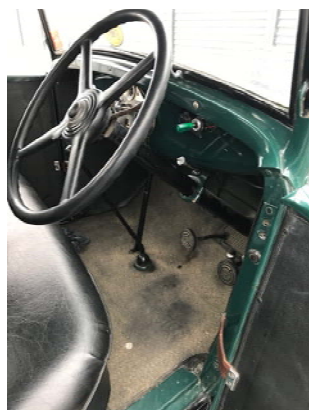
(Ford Canada). The pick up body is the lightest of all Model A bodies which gives them great



performance and hill climbing ability. The pick up tray is lined with Southland Beech timber which makes it very attractive, and this truck also has a Tonneau cover which stops all dust and water ingress. The engine will tick over at a very slow idle without any mechanical noise ,and uses very little oil on a trip. I run a special long life inhibitor /coolant used by the central heating industry ,which is very tolerant



of all metals(cast iron, copper, solder, steel,) and I have found the engine uses very little of it and it stays clear. Much of the body and guards were restored by Alan Wills a well known craftsman , and the truck was painted by another local specialist. All Model A pickups were



Painted by the factories in Rock Moss green and black ,but we chose the lighter and more attractive Vagabond Green .This truck has the original hood bows which do not fold, but you can unbutton and lift the top off quite easily . I have quite a lot of used parts which are included in the sale and also a comprehensive illustrated mechanics repair manual. A special little truck which needs a younger owner



who will enjoy it as much as I have, and an investment longer term. It needs you to view and drive it which I can arrange. See photo file attached. Price is \$45,000 or nearest offer.

I will be overseas from Aug. 22nd until Sept 23rd but will be available by email mvincent587@gmail.com. Viewing the truck will not be possible while we are away so contact me before I go on 0212028147. (Martin Vincent)

WANTED

1930 Headlight Bar

Phone or Text David Coakley 027 354 0307

Crankshaft

Wanted, Model A Crankshaft late model one,

Please phone Kevin Straw 03 338 3686 or 0295 245 048

Looking for a 16" wire wheel to suit a 1935 V8

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1928 Crank handle

Please call John Olliver 03 3596 360 or 021 025 32 177

One 19 inch stainless steel spare wheel cover.

Phone or text Barry. 0274435479 or barryhoff@xtra.co.nz

CLUB CAR REPORT

The car is booked for

- Weddings on 3rd and 30th September
- VCC Canterbury Swapmeet 3 days from 7th– 9th October
- National Rally Feb. 2023

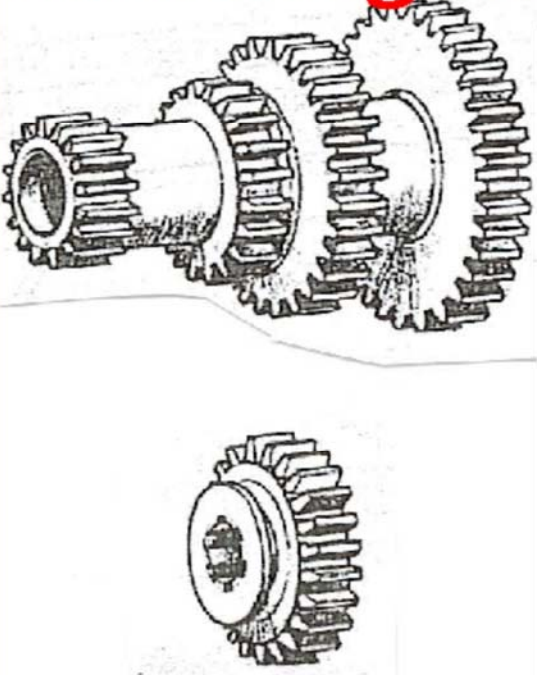
SCRIPT CLOSING DATE

Help us make The Script a success. We would be grateful for any material you feel could be appropriate to include in our Club's newsletter.

CLOSING DATE for copy for the next Script is **20th August 2022**. Please send to the Editor, Andre Kraenzlin afordscript@gmail.com.

The views expressed in this magazine are personal opinions of those who contribute and do not necessarily represent the views or methodology of the Canterbury Chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America. Thanks goes to MAFC member magazines and web sites as well as other sources who supply material to our club which we reprint in the magazine.

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CLUB CAR:

Remember that the Club Phaeton is available for members to use. If your Model A is not mobile, give some thought to borrowing the Club car to join in one of our runs.

Guidelines for its use are printed inside the back of the membership list.

Graham Evans (ph. 03 351 5919) is the custodian of the car and looks forward to your call requesting the use of the car.

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