

# *A Ford Script*



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

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**WEBSITE** 'Model A Ford Club Canterbury'

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. Any questions or suggestions please contact Graeme Scott (webmaster) at '[scotts.belfast.nz@gmail.com](mailto:scotts.belfast.nz@gmail.com)'

COVER. Cars at the start of first post Covid 19 Rally, 5th July 2020

## CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

Our Annual General meeting has been held, with a good number of members attending.

I have been elected as Club Captain and Peter Bayler as Vice Club Captain, positions we have both held in the past. The committee welcomes four members who have been elected to join us.

I also thank the committee members that did not seek re-election for all their input over recent years.

Our next event is the Breakfast run on 9<sup>th</sup> August.

Our event for September will be the International Model A Day organised by the Top of the South Club, and will be based in Murchison. If you are intending to go, you will need to book your accommodation as soon as possible and send your entries in.

See details in the Script regarding these two events.

It's time to get the 'A' wheels on the road.

Hoping to see you all soon.

Happy Motoring

David Dacombe

## **2020**

**August 9th Sunday Breakfast Meet at Noel Leeming car park 166 Moorhouse Ave at 8:30 for a prompt departure at 9:00am. Bring picnic lunch, if wet we will meet for lunch at a café. "If your late we can't wait."**

**September 11-12th International Henry Ford Day, Hosted by Top of the South based around Murchison (Details & Entry Form Attached)**

<b>CLUB CAR REPORT</b>
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No activity during the month.

If you have your car unserviceable for a run, you can book the car by calling

Graham on 3515919 or 0273207948



## Past Events— July 2020 Run

8 Model A's and a couple of moderns gathered at Northlands for our first post Covid 19 run. Peter Bayler organised a short run which allowed us to do some catching up over lunch.



List of Rally Instructions & the 22 questions draws some puzzled looks!



Picnic Lunch at Ashley Picnic Grounds





Peter made the most of the lockdown to complete the furnishing of this lovely Dolls House



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### **Model 'A' Parts Wanted.**

- \* **1928/29 'Open' car cowl** in reasonable condition.
- \* **Emergency brake handle bracket** that mounts to the frame. This is for an 'early' car with e brake on right side of the body.

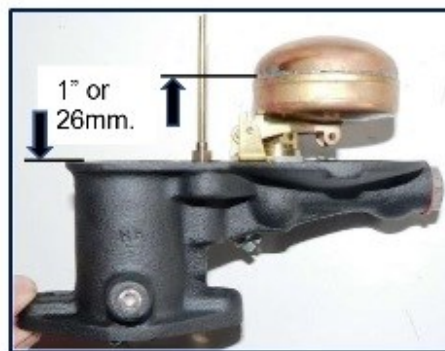
Consisting of the bracket,  
a linkage arm and spring.  
As pictured.



## TECH PAGE.

### Carburettor Flooding.

Apart from over choking, make sure all the machined surfaces are smooth and flat with regard to the float. Also, make sure the float isn't too close to the



bowl sides. If the needle valve is new, and works properly then look elsewhere for the problem. The float level when turned upside down should be parallel to the machined surface of the carb, or 1" to the centre seam of the float, as pictured. The float must not be bent where it touches the needle. The modern ball valve can at times work better, but if using the needle valve works fine, leave it alone.

**If it ain't broke, don't fix it.**

### Manifold Exhaust Clamp. Right hand drive.

Some of the reproduction manifold to muffler clamps need to be worked over with a dremel tool. They should look like they are a matched set and have to make close to a perfect circle when the halves are placed together. The inner v groove often needs to be deepened especially at the ends. I like to do a dry fit first on the manifold to see if the clamps are actually able to fit tightly together then I do the same on the muffler pipe. Then I start the process of using a bottle jack to support the joining of the pipes. It seems to be a whole lot easier if the floor boards are out of the vehicle as you can then see the actual alignment.

**Two vital points that have to be correct to obtain a good seal.**

1. The clamp must be installed up the right way with the large side of the 'V' to the top.
2. The flange on the muffler must be  $\frac{1}{2}''$  or  $1 \frac{5}{16}''$  from the pipe centre, or leakage will occur.



RHD clamp with the fastening bolts welded to one half of the clamp. Use 'long' brass nuts and a thin layer of liquid sealant inside the 'V' of the clamp before tightening. A smear on both flanges is beneficial. The secret to a good seal is in the flanges. Tighten both nuts evenly. Clamps, being a casting can break.



For RHD the clamp bolts have to point in the direction indicated to miss the depressed pedal. Have a dummy run first. The clamp will expand when hot. Allow for this. A good sealant is 'Maniseal'. This is like thick toothpaste and stays in place when installing. Do not use too much and remove excess. Watch the head of one bolt does not touch the oil return pipe if using the 'lowered' return pipe. For the manifold, if all surfaces are flat, no sealer is required, just gaskets and exhaust rings.





# The 2020 international model a ford day. Murchison.

**Hosted by : The Top of the South Model A Club. Nelson NZ**

**11 /12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

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The following link will provide a quick link to various facilities in Murchison detailing :

Accommodation

Restaurants

Cafes

Shops

Activities

<http://www.visitmurchison.nz/>

The following accommodation sites may offer a discount – mention Model A Club rally :

Mataki Motels

Kiwi Park Motels & Holiday Park

Murchison Motels

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The event this year will be based in the township of Murchison.

Starting on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September from 5 pm with registration, noggin 'n natter.

The intention is that the weekend is to be as low key as possible with plenty of time to relax and enjoy each others company.

Saturday morning will provide time to wander around and view some of the sites of Murchison prior to commencing a Rally at 11 am. The assembly point will be at the Beechwoods Café carpark, 32 Waller Street.

This will take us to a suitable picnic site within the district.

The primary route is great Model A country, off the main highway system. We will be driving this route prior to the rally in order to confirm it's suitability.

In the event of poor conditions a suitable secondary route has been selected.

Dinner in the evening will be a buffet meal at the Beechwoods Café.

Sunday morning breakfast will be available as a pay as you go event at a local café with farewells for those of you who are driving home on the Sunday.

There are a number of interesting sites and attractions in the Murchison township and surrounding area so this will be an opportunity to explore , participate or view them.

We look forward to hosting you for the weekend.

Further detailed information will be provided prior to the event.

## TOP OF THE SOUTH MODEL CLUB INC.

INTERNATIONAL MODEL A DAY 2020	
RALLY REGISTRATION FORM	LIMITED TO FIRST 50 CARS

**EVENT DATES :** Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September : Registration and noggin n' natter.

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September : Rally event and dinner

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September : Breakfast, local attractions & farewell

Note : Final close off date for your entry is Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020

<b>DRIVER :</b>		
Phone :	Email:	Mobile :
Address :		
Suburb :	City :	Post Code :
<b>PASSENGER INFORMATION.</b>		
Navigators name :		
Passenger name(s).		
<b>VEHICLE INFORMATION</b>		
Vehicle Body Type :		Year :
Registration Number :		
Membership of which Model A Club (if applicable) :		

### ENTRY FEES.

Vehicle and Driver	Includes vehicle entry (\$10) & drivers rally dinner	\$ 45	
Navigator	Rally dinner	\$ 35	
Passengers / Supporters	Rally dinner per each	\$ 35	

Your total entry costs are \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Please note that no meal refunds will be available if cancelled after 4<sup>th</sup> September

Sunday breakfast -venue to be confirmed.	Indicative numbers only, for catering =
Note : this event is pay as you go.	

### METHOD OF PAYMENT

Internet banking number : 03 0751 0018885 000	Reference is your Name and Phone Number.
Cheque : Send to : The Treasurer. 1/7 Ajax Avenue, Nelson. (Top of The South Model A Club Inc.)	
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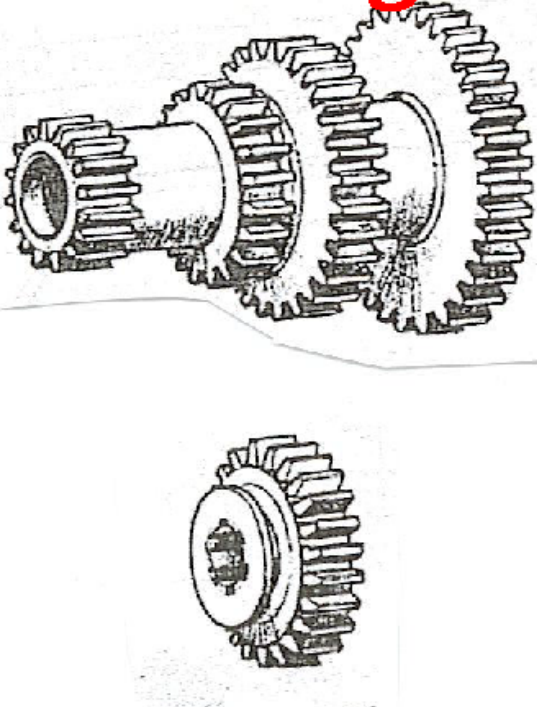
1930 Model A a straight chassis

Phone Vaughan Morrison Ph 021660762

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 20 August 2020. Please send to the Editor, Graham Evans [afordscript@gmail.com](mailto: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.

**CANCELLATIONS :** In the event of unsuitable or doubtful weather, cancellations or postponements will be emailed to you. We will be printing the run organiser in the coming events, please feel free to contact them or any of the Club committee members.

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