

# A Ford Script





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

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#### WEBSITE

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@xtra.co.nz'

COVER. 11 Model A's assembled in Fairlie for start of High Country Run

#### **CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT**

It was wonderful to meet up with all our Model A friends in Fairlie. The wet weather did not deter us as we explored the district and inspected the contents of barns and sheds along the way. At the evening meals we had time to chat and renew our friendships. A big thanks to Graham and Anne for planning the trip and a very special thanks to Colin and Donald White and Peter Cook and Jan for allowing us to admire their collections. We also welcome Des and Nicky Cunningham of Pleasant Point as new members to our club. This month is the night trial always fun and not to be missed . Make your day by motoring in your A.

Peter Bayler

Club Captain

#### **New Members**

Welcome to our newest members:

Colin and Sandra Ashby (Burwood). 1930 Town Sedan

**Desmond Cunningham** (Pleasant Point) 1929 Roadster Pickup, 1930 Sport Coupe

John Wilson (Tai Tapu) 1929 Roadster

Welcome to you all. We trust you will enjoy your association with our Club and hope to see you out in your 'A'S participating in events during the year.

#### AGM July 29th

Please keep this date free to attend our AGM.

The AGM will **start at 11.00** and then lunch follows at 1200.

**Location: Two Fat Possums Restaurant West Melton** 

Come and have your input heard into the way our club is run and what changes and direction you would like the committee to move the club in the future.

#### High Country Ride 27, 28, 29 April

<u>Friday 27<sup>th</sup></u> We left Christchurch for Fairlie, arriving at 2pm after stopping at Mayfield and Geraldine.

All that had arrived met at the Glastone Hotel at 6pm for drinks and evening meal.

Saturday morning dawned wet with steady rain falling overnight. 11 Model A's plus 1 modern gathered for a 9:30 departure. Included in the 11 cars were the Richard & Jan Muir; Mosgiel, Rolly & Sonia Bell; Dunedin, Rod & Anne Corbett; Wanaka, and new members Des & Nicky Cunningham; Pleasant Point. We headed out of Fairlie for Lake Opuha, used for water storage for farming irrigation with a generation plant providing 7.7mW of electricity to the NZ grid. You may remember during construction on Watangi Day of 1997, the dam failed due to heavy rain sending debry over the valley, the dam completed in 1998. We met for lunch at Peter Cook's workshop & purpose built storage barn, followed by Peter showing us his collection of vintage cars, trucks & tractors. An interesting restoration Peter has underway was a 1953 Lincoln Continental.







Following on from Peter's we motored on the Aulbury to visit Colin & Donald Wrights collection of 17 Model A's a Buick and a Model T. WOW what a great collection of Fords. Donald was keen to show us his latest restoration a Model A Racer.



Some managed to visit the Fairlie Heritage Museum, containing an extensive collection of historical memorabilia. Well worth a visit.

Saturday evening 22 gathered for dinner at the Fairlie Hotel where many memories of model a gatherings and National Meeting were discussed.

Sunday saw the usual packing, and departing for home, after another a very enjoyable weekend.







Not so memorable experience for our Fordor which ended its motoring at Lauriston!!!!!!

AA plus certainly was worth it's wait in gold on this occasion, as it was wet and cold.

#### **CLUB CAR**

Another month with no motoring for the club car

#### **EDITORS NOTE**

I would like to remind members that this is your magazine, and articles, photos and members profiles are most welcome.

Send info to email afordscript@gmail.com

Please consider providing the script with your input, any suggestions on anything relating to Model A's.

**Regards Graham** 

#### **PAST EVENTS**

#### 28 & 29 April - High Country Run to Fairlie

Report earlier in this edition of the Script

Saturday May 19th - Night Trial

Report in July Script

#### **Next Committee Meeting**

19th June at Peter Baylers.

If you have any matters you would like discussed at this meeting please contact a committee member prior to the 19th.

Saturday June 30th - Mid Winter Dance, VCC Barn \$25 per person

Band "Smooth Talk" from 7:00pm—11pm

#### Mid Winter Dance



#### "The Barn" VCC Cutler Park



#### Saturday 30th June from 7pm

Dance away the winter blues in front of a roaring open fire, enjoy mood lighting, and celebrate 90 years' of Model A.

Era dress encouraged, bring some friends, make up a party.

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#### **Fashion Tips**





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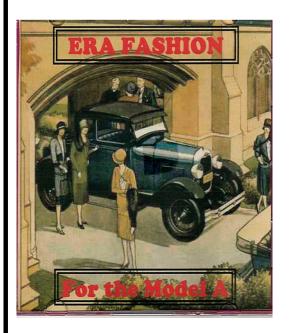
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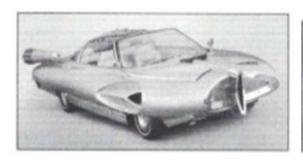
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#### Cars that never made it into Production

#### 1948 Ford X-2000

(Designers Alex Tremulis and Bill Balla)





This amazing creation – a styling fantasy – is what the Ford design department thought we might just possibly be driving in the year 2000.

The oval grille shape certainly predicted the Edsel's horse collar grille.

This was originally just a scale model but English enthusiast Andy Saunders saw it in the 'Dream Cars' book of 1981, pursued the impossible dream, and built one, between 1994 and 1996. For the rebuild he used a 1962 Mercury Monterey which donated the frame, suspension and running gear.

#### WHERE FORDS GO

Let me move from the bustling highway, a lonely by-road will do.

Through a land of swamp and quicksand, where only the Ford gets through.

In a cottage there in the maples, contented I'll be evermore

For I feel the world's getting better, where the Fords go by the door.

While other cars passing my cottage are ditched or something goes wrong. They seldom grow weary of waiting for Fords to tow them along. It seems that there's always one coming, like the one rattling past them before. And that's why I never get lonesome – where the Fords go by the door.

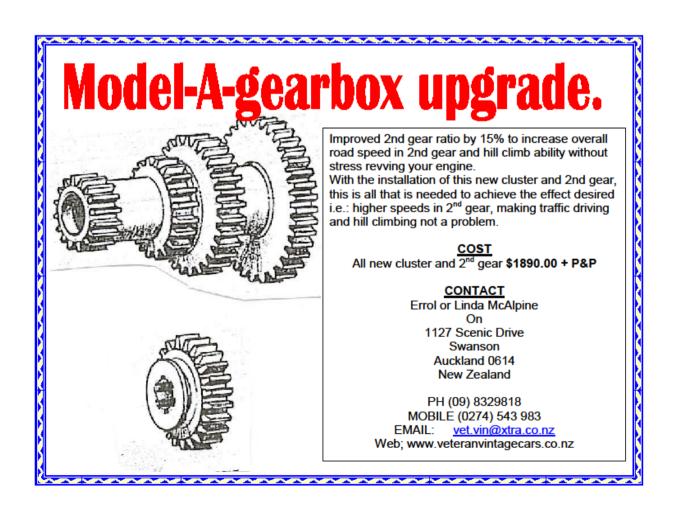
The faint little purr of the motor, and the tuneful honk, honk as she goes,
Seems to lure my respect, and it follows like the cloud of grey dust that it throws.
So that is why I never get weary, away from the great city's roar,
For I feel the world's getting better, where the Fords go by the door.

Fred Keller Dix

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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 June 2018. Please send to the Editor, Graham Evans 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.



#### **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 post-ponements 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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