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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@xtra.co.nz

COVER. Vaughan, Lucy and Ben Morrison concentrating at the Gymkhana

CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT

With the continuing warm weather and longer days there really is no excuse not to get our 'treasures' out on the road and remind ourselves (and possibly our nearest and dearest) why we bought them in the first place.

Since my last report we have held our Gymkhana and rally for the Rex Chennery Memorial Trophy which, due to a variety of reasons, was not as well supported as had been the case in previous years. Comments from those who did attend indicated they had an enjoyable day out and it was also pleasing to see the Straw Family Cup being competed for by some of the junior Club members.

Our next event, the weekend away at Geraldine, is being very well supported which is gratifying to see as a considerable amount of time and effort by Russell and Wendy Genet has gone into the organising of this event, and promises to be one of the highlights of our Club events for this year.

At our first committee meeting for the year it was highlighted that the continuing rising costs associated with both the production and mailing of the Script magazine is starting to become a significant factor in our budget costs. Although our subs are very reasonable when compared with similar organisations, the committee would prefer to reduce any cost where we can rather than propose an increase for future subscriptions, so I would ask for those who currently receive their copies of the Script by post consider having it emailed to them if possible.

Also we are still trying to find those earlier editions of the Script as was mentioned last year. Particularly for our longer term members it would be very much appreciated if you could have a look in your neatly catalogued files for these missing parts of the Club's history (for us to borrow).

While on the subject of requests, some of you may have noticed that George Spriggs has started to set up his Model A display at his 'Early Ford Parts' premises and has asked if anyone has some (no longer needed) era dress for the mannequins that form part of that display. George has (and continues) to support our Club both financially and in other ways so I believe it would be appropriate we return that favour if we can.

As you are all aware our AGM, held in July, is the time to review the past year's activities as well as to look forward to activities and personnel to promote and manage the Club in the year ahead. This brings with it the opportunity for new faces and ideas to carry us forward, rather than leaving it to the same few. Some of our current committee have indicated it is time for a role change and I would ask you all to consider getting involved in the running of our Club. Brent Miles has generously agreed to perform the joint role of secretary/treasurer until the AGM, however the position of treasurer will need to be filled from that date.

Both the roles of the Script Editor and my position as Club Captain are also in need of new volunteers. While I am happy (if elected) to remain on the committee, after two years (involving some major changes and issues) it is now time for another person with new ideas to lead the Club forward.

Safe and happy motoring.

Graeme Scott

Model A Club Run & Gymkhana 16th February 2020

7 Model A's plus 2 moderns joined the group on a balmy Sunday morning at Bishopdale Mall. Graeme Scott who set the course, briefed the group for the morning rally. We set off individually on a 2 hour run, leaving Bishopdale, through Harewood, on to the Motorway then veering into Tram Road, then through Tuahiwi, Kaiapoi, Spencerville, Marshlands, arriving at Ouruhia Domain for lunch. Forgot to mention the 21 questions listed for documenting on the way. We were met on arrival by Graeme for a sequence of questions. We were joined at the domain by Kevin and Judy Straw, Warren and Pauline Newel and family, Ian & Averill Smith.



Cars lined up prior to start



Picnic lunch



The Gymkhana had some unique challenges. First after reversing the cars into a line , some distance apart, we were asked to remove the left rear tyre, roll it around the car and then refit.

The next few activities requiring accuracy in placing the cars onto or up to specific objects. The last task with the passenger holding 4 wine glasses containing water then placed on a tray with arms out the passenger window while balancing then being driven around an obstacle course. Looked much easier without the strong wind which blew up just before we finished.

Thanks to Graeme Scott for organising this event.

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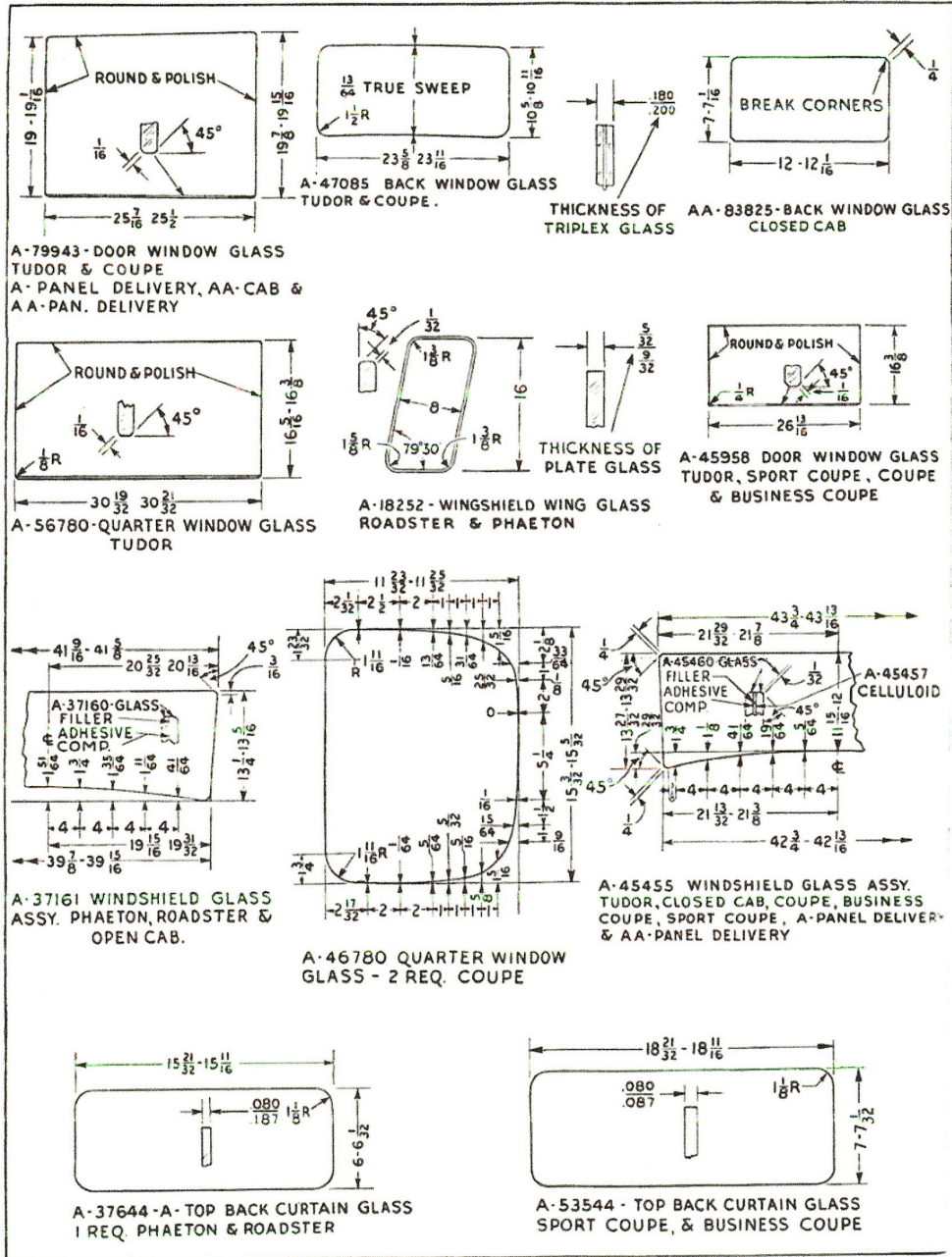


Fig. 511—Model A and AA Glass Chart.

The above chart is for dealers' information in identifying the various sizes of glass used in Model A cars and trucks. All of this glass is ground and cut to exact Model A requirements and can be obtained promptly from Ford branches. Dealers should carry sufficient quantity of each size to render prompt service, and advise owners to this effect.

Under no circumstances should windshield glass other than Ford Triplex non-shatterable glass be installed in Model A cars or trucks.

Note: The above specifications relate specifically to the U.S. Model A's and may not be correct for our Canadian cars and should be used as a guide only.

2020

COMING EVENTS

March 13-14-15th

Weekend in Geraldine

April 19th 5:30pm

Night Trial Meet at Northwood Supercentre outside Smiths City Market.

May 24th

Breakfast Run

June 20th

Mid-Winter Dance

July 26th

AGM

CLUB CAR REPORT

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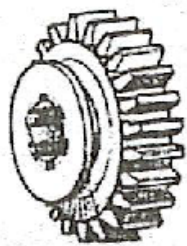
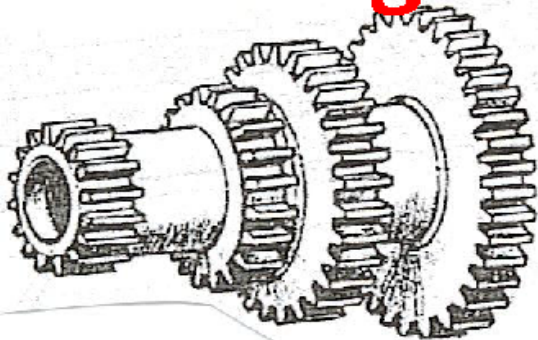
1930 Model A a straight chassis

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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 March 2020. 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.

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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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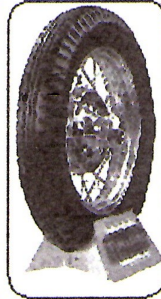
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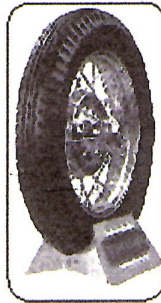
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