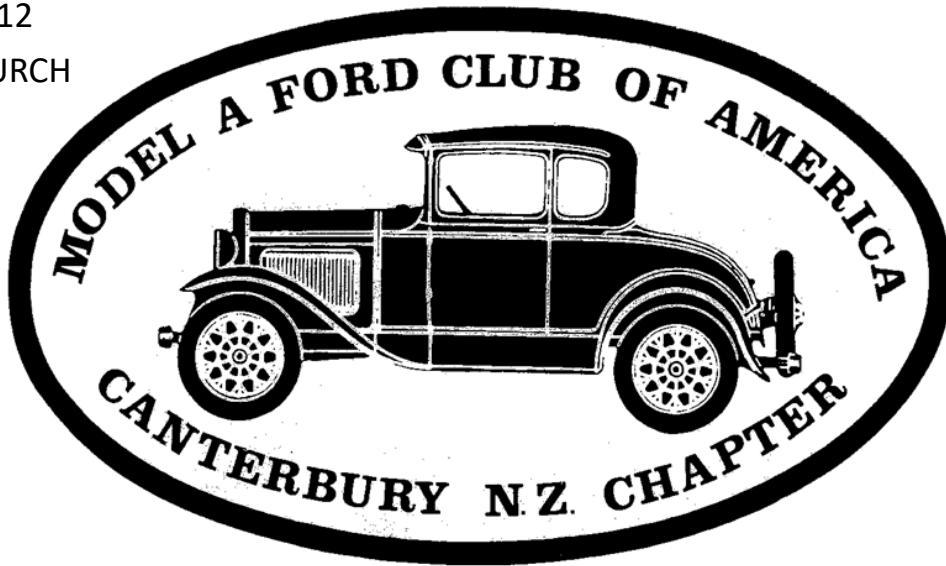


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WEBSITE

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. Model "A" line up at Speights Ale House ready to start Sept Run

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Another busy month for the committee dominated by the Special General Meeting held to decide the future of our Club Car.

While it was pleasing to get a definitive result from the ballot, the real bonus for me was the level of participation (both in the nearly 100% of voter participation and also the fact that around forty members made the time and effort to attend the meeting itself).

This demonstrates that there is a widespread and genuine concern about your Club and its welfare.

Remember each copy of the Script has the committee members contact information so please get in touch with any of us if you have any ideas or suggestions on how we can tailor our events to make our Club of more value to you and hopefully encourage more of you to join us on our outings.

My thanks again to the committee for organising the ballot process and meeting facility as well as to Kevin for raising the question and providing the basis for the debate and ultimate decision. Kevin's original point remains valid in that the car needs to be better utilized so please consider it if you have an occasion that would benefit from its use or if your own vehicle is temporarily unwell.

During this last month some of our members have participated in events away from Christchurch, including the International Model A Ford Day Rally (held in Blenheim and details of which occur later in this Script), as well as a national rally in Australia where both loan Model A's and accommodation were facilitated by Wes Hartley and Beverly Biggs (who are members of our club resident in Western Australia). My thanks to Wes and Beverly for facilitating this and it demonstrates the value of having our membership not restricted to the local area.

While October was a time for overseas travel for some it was also a time when some of our members found themselves spending time in hospital. To those who were in this position the committee and I wish you a speedy recovery and likewise if we can provide any assistance to make things easier for you please don't hesitate to contact one of us.

Looking ahead we have our Christmas dinner on Saturday November 24th (details elsewhere in this edition of the Script). This will be a chance (for those who so wish) to dress up in their era finery and compete for two of the Club trophies (best era dressed man and woman). These two categories will be judged by 'popular choice' at the event and will be awarded at our AGM, with the remaining 'era dress' trophies being competed for at our 'era' picnic held early in the New Year.

Happy and safe motoring.

Graeme Scott

Club Captain

Calendar Canterbury Chapter Ford Model A Club 2018 – 2019

2018

October

Sunday 28th Breakfast at Flax Bar & Eatery 41 Raranga St, Prestons 9:30am with run to follow, then Quiz and Nibbles, bring something for lunch

November

Saturday 24th Christmas Dinner Richmond Working Men's Club (Era Dress Men's & Ladies Fashion Trophy) *Booking essential, please see details in Coming Events*

December

Wednesday 5th Children's Christmas Picnic, VCC Grounds Cuttler Park, 5pm start *please see details in Coming Events*

2019

January

Sunday 27th Concours, Era Fashion and Picnic

February

Sunday 17th High Country Run/City Run

March

Sunday 17th Rex Chenery Memorial Trial and Gymkhana

April

Week 15th – 19th National Meet Te Anau

May

Saturday 18th Avon City Ford (Night) Trial

June

Saturday 22nd Mid- winter Dinner/Dance (Era Dress)

July

Sunday 14th AGM

August

Sunday 18th Winter Run

PAST EVENTS

Model "A" Ford Club Run to Dan Smith's Car Collection. 16th September 2018

Organised by David & Pam Dacombe

What a beautiful day for a run in the country. Thirteen Model A's and one modern assembled at Speights Ale House; Tower Junction, for the start. Rod Thrower came in his "A" to see us depart. The atmosphere was perfect for a social beforehand, and then away for a well organised run courtesy of Pam and David, with a little spice added; by way of shingle roads.

We were intercepted when almost there by Peter Bayler and Colleen, 1928 Business Coupe, with another "treat" for us: two special veterans, a 1912 Empire (Kevin Finckley) and a 1920 Oakland (John Lynn). The arrival at Daniel Smith's complex in Rangiora was certainly a surprise, not having been there before. We were now down to twelve Model "A"s as Lindsay and Annette Painter decided to give their Roadster a rest, as they arrived for lunch in their modern.

Daniel and Annette Smith were most hospitable. We could have spent hours listening to his many stories, with great interest. They had everything laid on for us, water, coffee, tea etc. – enough to accommodate twice the number. We were treated to an outline of their plans for the future, not just a large car museum, but motels, and a retail business associated with the Museum. The development will take place over the next five years.

We enjoyed viewing a comprehensive selection of motor vehicles, all tastefully arranged on a sloped lawn, with not a weed in sight!! About fifty vehicles, some housed in a brand new building. The ones outside would all be returned to their shelters. They were all drivable. What an enviable task for willing workers, who would enjoy the variety.

We saw three Rolls Royce's, one a beautiful convertible which was Dan's "daily driver" for trips etc. David Dacombe found his perfect vehicle, a 1960 Ford Thunderbird, with swing away steering wheel for easy access. Nearby was a 1915 Ford Model "T" 4 door, all original, with a high degree of patina. What we saw was less than half his collection, but a very good cross section of motoring history. Also a very well stocked library is available.

Graham Evans was very pleased that Russell Genet thought enough to come in the club car, which is running beautifully. A good day out was had by all. Many thanks to the organisers.

Report by Jack Porter with Navigator George Nimmo.



2018 International Model A Day 22– 23rd September

Eleven vehicles from Canterbury and the West Coast, representing the Canterbury Branch, travelled to Blenheim for the International Model A Day. One of our members, Bernard Miller who lives in the sounds also attended, so it was great catching up with everyone.

Registration was held at the VCC clubrooms at Brayshaw Park on Friday evening. They provided plenty of beautiful food that was much appreciated.

Saturday morning we all assembled at Brayshaw Park for photos and the start of the rally, which took us on some interesting roads (even through a ford). We crossed SH63 and travelled to SH6, which we were only on to cross the Wairau River Bridge. Then we followed the Wairau River towards Tuamarina and crossed SH1 and proceeded to Rarangi.

We headed up the hill towards Port Underwood, and drove through beautiful bush on a good road with great scenery. We stopped at Whites Bay for morning tea and then went onto Tom Canes Bay for lunch. The weather was fine, with a cool breeze, but we found a sheltered area to eat. From there we continued on to Waikawa and Picton and then headed to Blenheim. There was also an option of going via Queen Charlotte Drive via Havelock back to Blenheim.

Saturday evening we enjoyed a beautiful meal at the VCC clubrooms, with great company and entertainment.

Sunday morning we went to the farewell breakfast at Saveurs Café in Blenheim.

A great weekend, enjoyed by everyone. Thanks to the organisers.

Report by David & Pam Dacombe

CLUB CAR REPORT

Bookings for the club car:

1. Breakfast Run 28th Oct
2. Wedding (members family) on Nov 24th
3. Wedding (members family) on January 4th

COMING EVENTS

November

Friday 2nd—Sunday 4th Hurunui Garden Festival admission \$10 to visit each garden.
www.hurunui-garden-festival.com (not a club activity)

Saturday 24th Christmas Dinner at Richmond Working Men's Club.

Smorgasbord Board Christmas Menu \$35 per head. Everyone to bring a present to value of \$10
(Men to bring a present marked men Women to bring a present marked women)

Era Dress Men's & Ladies Fashion Trophy. Meet at 6pm to eat at 7pm

Annette Painter 342 5247 or 0276447892 (leave a message) by 15th November

December

Sunday 2nd Christmas Parade Club Car Graham Evans plus Sandra & John Olliver's car

Wednesday 5th Children's Christmas Picnic VCC Grounds Cutler Park McLeans Island

If you have children/grandchildren 10 years and under, the club will provide a present.

Names, Age and Sex to **Anne Evans Ph 3515919 or cell 0274423758 or email gaevans@xtra.co.nz by November 15th**

Saturday 8th 11am Cup Cake Demonstration (3hour demonstration) 6 cup cakes to keep

Names to **Annette Painter 342 5247 or 0276447892 (leave a message) by 24th November**

Australian 25th National Meet Murray Bridge

The South Australian Model A Ford Club put on a relaxed and enjoyable meet at Murray Bridge.

Approx. 180 cars attended and in excess of 400 people. A number of the members took the opportunity prior to the meet to participate in the "Bay to Birdwood " vintage car run from Glenelg to Birdwood Motor Museum.

This was a great day, and the crowds of spectators lined the roads to Birdwood was amazing.

24 New Zealanders attended this event, with one car a Model A Roadster owned by Barry and Vivienne Hoffmann; being shipped to Australia for both the above events prior to travelling around Tasmania before returning home to Taupo.

The event programme started with Registration on the Tuesday, with a Mandatory run on Thursday of 140kms from Murray Bridge to Mannum.

Other activities included Concourse, Hubley, Technical Talks, Trading Tables, Display Day and Presentation Dinner, finishing up with a farewell Breakfast.

A very well run event which Graham and Anne Evans, John and Sandra Olliver were lucky enough to be offered loan vehicles from our Australian hosts. A special thanks to Wes Hartley for arranging this very enjoyable Australian National.



Graham & Anne Evans in 1929 Tudor



John Olliver in 1930 Roadster

(More to follow in December Script)



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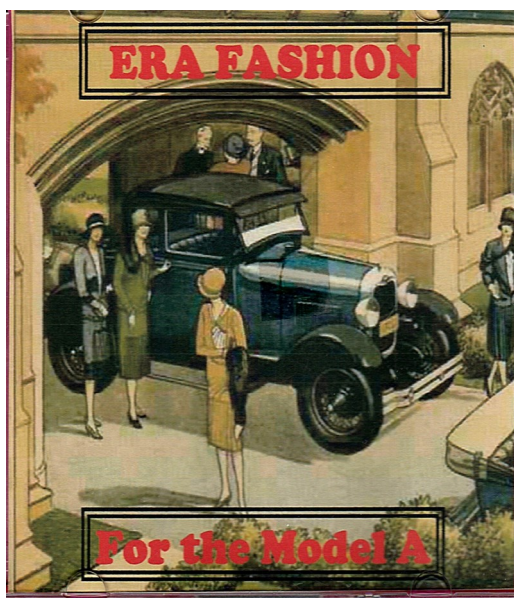


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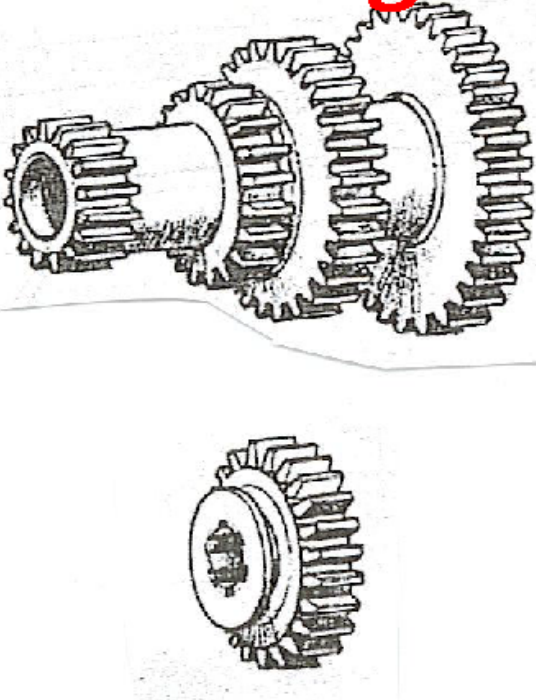
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Remember that the Club Phaeton is available for members to use. If your Model A is not mobile, give some thought to borrowing the Club car to join in one of our runs. Guidelines for its use are printed inside the back of the membership list.

Glen Birnie (ph. 03 347 4849) 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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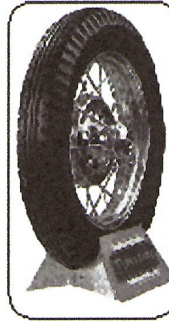
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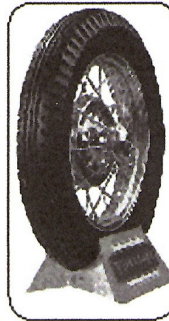
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