

Summary of the Model A Adventure driving from Kalgoorlie to Alice Springs via the Great Central Road and home via the Nullarbor.

A convoy of Five Model As and four Moderns left For Kalgoorlie on the 23rd September and arrived home on the 13th October. The group consisted of the follow – Peter and Kaye Eardley (1929 Phaeton and camper trailer), Brett Pollock accompanied by Paul Kelly (1930 Phaeton), Bob Piercy accompanied by yours truly (1929 Phaeton and camper), Neil and Loretta Faneco (friends of Bret’s in “Merv” the 1928 ute) and Des Addison in his 1930 Ute. The moderns were Ross Letch in a VS Commodore ute, Ian Paisley accompanied by Gary -----, (Prado with camper), Bob Horgan accompanied by friend Cam ----- in new Nissan ute (with camper), Steve and Lorna Wigmore in Mitsubishi ute (with tent).

For members to share some of our experiences I am publishing five days at a time over four Newsletter issues. There is a more comprehensive daily report entered on our web pages and I have placed a daily report on the Australian Model A Ford, Facebook pages. I have given Dianne, our librarian, a copy of the complete set of over 600 photos on a DVD as well as a Data copy in case someone wants to print off any of them! AJ

DAY ONE. All Model As running okay. Travelled 430 kms to camp at Karalee Rocks which is 40 kms east of Southern Cross. Toilet and running water. This was developed in the steam train era and is similar to Wave Rock but more spectacular in design.



DAY TWO. Karalee to Laverton, all bitumen, 470 kms. “Merv”, the ute had a flat tyre about 40 Kms from breakfast. We met up with Kaye and Peter Eardley from Esperance in Coolgardie then Des Addison from Leschenault , in Kalgoorlie to complete our group. Spent the night in the caravan Park. Our first problem a grinding noise in “Glad’s water pump. Repro body problem!

