



# Western Model A News

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**Model A Restorers Club of Western Australia, Inc.**





## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ray Mahony



### PRESIDENT'S REPORT – JANUARY

As we move into yet another year I hope everyone has had a pleasant, happy and safe festive season. I know Ian Paisley already has a number of events on the books of the coming year. Also we will be looking forward to what develops with the proposed trip to the Cape York Peninsular.

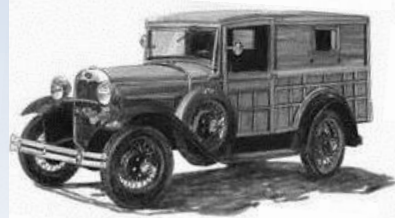
During my visit to friends in Melbourne, after the National Meet, I was given a copy of an *April 1916 Ford Times* magazine. This magazine was issued by Ford Canada to the owner of any Ford car distributed from Canada. Although it was obviously for Model T owners, there are articles I would like to share with you. The style in which the magazine is written is, in my opinion, almost poetic and gives some great philosophy. The paragraph below is part of the editorial and I think is most appropriate for this time of the year.

***The Present is Now – Today. What we did yesterday goes into the Past – Yesterday is the boundary of the Past. Today is the priceless gift of man. Today we have a chance to act, to do something to strain our mental and physical powers towards Accomplishment. Today is a synonym for Opportunity. Things can be done today.***

***To the unsuccessful, Today means the chance to retrieve Yesterday and the day before – the Past. But greatest of all – Today is the time for preparing for the Future.***

***To ambitious men all things are possible – further success and failure are within the grasp of every man. You may choose, if you will. Today is the time of choice – Today you must decide if you will attain success or number yourself among the failures.***

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### Front Cover:

Model A cab on a Chev chassis in Utah. As seen on the road-side by Ron Andrews

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***But everyone who seeks success must prepare himself, must equip himself to work out that success. Success does not come unasked – it must be wrought out by ambition, plus preparation, plus work.***

***The great boon of Today is the opportunity for preparation.***

***Are you wasting Today, or are you making every minute count towards efficient preparation?***

I think these are great word to ponder while making or confirming your New Year's resolution.

One last thought, also from the "***Ford Times***":

The man who thinks he knows it all hasn't even begun to learn for the more a man knows the more he knows that he doesn't know.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR



Ray Mahony

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# SECRETARY COMMENTS

Kathleen Kuenzel

As we move into 2019 our new Rules of Association have had an impact by changing our membership footprint. At the end of last year our members numbered 98 with each membership comprising either a single member or a nominated member together with a spouse (or partner). Now with each person being required to become a member in his or her own right, at the time of writing with around three quarters of previous renewals received, membership numbers have already reached 158.



Members who have not yet renewed their membership are now regarded as being unfinancial.

If a renewal is not finalised by the end of January the membership will be regarded as having ceased. After that time if the former member chooses to pay the membership fee and lodge the appropriate form “the committee may, at its discretion, accept that payment and the person’s membership will be reinstated from the date the payment is accepted.” (see page 9 Rules of Association, Division 2 – 14 Membership Fees, subrule (5).)

I can see eyes rolling throughout WA when that last paragraph is read but as a member of the committee which spent many hours last year changing our former Constitution to the Rules of Association under which we now operate I accept that we must make an effort to adopt the requirements of being an Incorporated Association.

As has occurred in past years this will be the last Western Model A News that will be sent to unfinancial members until that status is rectified.

Once renewals are completed membership numbers, or club numbers as they were designated in the last Members’ Directory, will be circulated.

I hope you all travel well in 2019.

Kathleen



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# EVENTS COORDINATOR

Ian Paisley



The main stay of Club Events centre around regular Monthly “Run/Meetings” to various locations or events of interest around Perth and near Country areas. Longer country runs over 5/7 days usually happen once or twice a year. The Run/meets provide an opportunity to give our Model A’s a run, show them off and enjoy the company of fellow members while visiting places of interest and sharing the organisation and management of our club at a general meeting.

Traditionally volunteers from the membership nominate to organise a monthly run /meet.

The organisation of a run/meet involves:- Nominating a date, time and place of interest for the run.

- Negotiating access to the event or place of interest.
- Where needed provide a “run instruction sheet”
- Provide 2/3 raffle prizes.
- Provide a short story after/about the event for inclusion in the Newsletter.

While it may seem to be a daunting task to organise a run/meet it can also be a rewarding experience. Organising a meet provides members with the opportunity to make a contribution to assist with managing club activities. Members please consider organising a club run/meet sometime during the remainder of 2019. I am happy to resolve any concerns you may have about organising a meet and assist you with organising it if you wish.

Club run/meet Organisers are needed for the remaining months of 2019 May through to November except August which is for the AGM.

Please call me if you have an idea for a club run/meet and or you would like to organise a club run/meet. I have indicated in red in the following calendar the Months where organisers are needed.

Thank you.  
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**MARCWA EVENTS FOR 2019 SEE THE FOLLOWING PAGES.**

# EVENTS COORDINATOR

Ian Paisley



## MARCWA EVENTS 2019

### JANUARY

**Event:** *Show and Shine for MARC of WA.*

**Date:** Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January.

**Time:** 09-00am to 12-30pm

**Location:** Ultra Lube Mechanical Workshop. 3/350 Great Eastern Hwy, Midland.

**Details:** See details later in this Newsletter.

**Organiser:** Dean Roberts, 0408 913 335



### FEBRUARY

**Event:** *Breakfast Club/run meet.*

**Date:** Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

**Time:** Gate opens 7-30am.

**Location:** Sandy Beach Reserve, Southern end of West Road Bassendean. Watch for entry sign.

**Details:** BYO, BBQ breakfast with Meeting to follow. Model A's park in line on the lawn adjacent to the picnic area. Moderns in the public parking area.

**Organiser:** Anthony and Deborah Gilberthorpe. 0417 811 602.

### Non club event.

Northam Vintage Swap Meet. Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February.

Jubilee Oval, Northam. 7am to 1pm.

### MARCH

**Event:** *Club/run meet. Restoration Run*

**Date:** Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March.

**Time:** 10-30am.

**Location:** Start at 95 Boulton Street. Dianella.

**Details:** Starting at Alan and Edith's for morning tea and inspection of Alan's Ute restoration project. Then to Hans and Glenda's for lunch, meeting and inspection of Hans's restoration project.

**Event:** Hubley racing.

**Date:** Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

**Organisers:** Alan and Edith Jeffree. 9275 4106.

**Details to come.**

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# EVENTS COORDINATOR

Ian Paisley



## MARCWA EVENTS 2019

### MARCH (cont'd)

**Event:** *Classic Car Show.*

**Date:** Sunday 24th March.

**Time:** TBA.

**Location:** Ascot Race Course.

**Details:** To be advised in February newsletter.

**Organiser:** Ian Paisley and ?? 9456 1184.

( I have requested that we be allocated the same space as we had for 2018. I would not expect to have as many A's as we had last year but the space would enable us to make a better organised display. I expect that arrangements for getting to the Car Show will be similar to last year. Please consider displaying your Model A at the 2019 Classic Car Show. )

### APRIL

**Event:** *Club/run meet.*

**Date:** Sunday 14th April.

**Details:** To be advised.

**Organiser:** Stephanie Will .

**Event:** *5 plus day Country Bin Run.*

**Date:** Starting Tuesday 23rd April.

**Details:** To be advised.

**Organisers:** Alan and Edith Jeffree. 9275 4106

### Non club event.

**Event:** *Curtin Radio Classic Car Spectacular.*

**Date:** Sunday April 14th 2019.

See flyer this newsletter

### MAY

**Event:** *Club/run meet.* (Organiser needed)

**Event:** *Vehicle inspections.*

**Date:** Sunday 5th May.

**Time:** T B Advised

**Location:** VCC club rooms.

**Organiser:** Ray Mahony.



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# EVENTS COORDINATOR

Ian Paisley



## MARCWA EVENTS 2019

### JUNE

Event: *Club run/meet.* (Organiser needed)

### JULY

Event: *Club run/meet.* (Organiser needed)

### AUGUST

Event: Annual General Meeting.

Date: Sunday 11th August.

Location: VCC Clubrooms.

### SEPTEMBER

Event: *Club run /meet.* (Organiser needed)

### OCTOBER

Event: *Club run/meet.* (Organiser needed)

### NOVEMBER

Event: *Club run /meet.* (Organiser needed)

### DECEMBER

Event: *Christmas Party*

Date: " MONDAY" 2nd December.

Details: To be advised.

Organisers: Alan and Edith Jeffree. 9275 4106





# SHOW AND SHINE— MARC OF WA

Dean Roberts



## MARCWA EVENTS 2019

As previously advised, with Repco Midland and Ultra Lube Mechanical Shop Midland, there is to be a **Show and Shine** for **MARC of WA**. The date set for **Saturday the 19th January starting at 9.00am for around 3 hours**.

*All Model A'ers displaying their car will receive a gift for attending.*

There will also be a First, Second and Third prize for best car on the day, as selected by the Manager of Repco Midland. Prizes donated by Repco Midland.

Repco Midland is also supplying the sausages and buns for a Sausage sizzle. Nathan and I will man the BBQ with any help we can get. Coffee and tea will also be available.

*There is a special discount at Repco Midland for anything you purchase through Dean's Ultra lube account at this store on the day.*



**Note: The discount only applies on purchases through the Ultra Lube account, you must see Dean whilst at the show to secure the discount.**

This will be a great opportunity to show case the Model A to the community in general. Also anyone who has a Model A for sale could use this opportunity to try and sell. I encourage everyone to attend. Please RSVP me at [dean@visionsafe.com.au](mailto:dean@visionsafe.com.au) or on 0408913355. Look forward to seeing you there.

Regards Dean

## Show and Shine for MARC of WA

Date: Saturday 19th January  
Time: 09:00am  
Where: Ultra Lube Mechanical Shop Midland  
Address: 3/350 Great Eastern Hwy, Midland.



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# CMC DELEGATE'S REPORT

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John Moorehead

COUNCIL OF MOTORING CLUBS (CMC)

JANUARY 2019

Following the introduction of the insurance premium in July 2016 (No Fault Personal Insurance Scheme) there has been a significant increase in the transfer of vehicles from normal (Class A) licence to Concessional Code 404 licence. In fact the number of vehicles on Concessional Code 404 licence has more than doubled and as at November 2018 some 8500 vehicles are now licensed on Code 404. This number is continuing to increase at an unprecedented rate. The reduction in revenue received by the DoT whilst in the past may have been considered insignificant; the current trend is no doubt attracting attention.

The Department of Transport (DoT) have reiterated that it is the sole responsibility of the registered owner of a vehicle on Code 404 Licence to comply with all requirements. Authorised motoring Clubs can have their approved status cancelled if their members do not follow the rules. In particular the CMC/DoT has noted two rules that have not been followed requiring corrective actions.

Condition Code 089. Vehicle used only in conjunction with Club events or otherwise approved. Veteran, Vintage, PostVintage, Invitation or Historic identification to be affixed in the form of a sticker or number plate to the rear motorcycle plate and to the front and rear plates of a car. The lettering on these stickers or plates must be a minimum of 25mm for vehicles other than motorcycles which must be 15mm.

Condition Code 369. To be in receipt of this licence concession the owner must be a current financial member of an approved motoring Club and the vehicle be in original/unmodified condition.

John Moorehead

Club Delegate  
January 2019

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## WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

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Please welcome new members:	Darrell and Cerena Stratford.	(Details to come)
	Email: Darrell	dstraty1@gmail.com
	Cerena	cerenastratford@gmail.com

# JANUARY RUN - MANNING PARK

Pat and David Bussard

Our usual gathering for January was held on Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> at the grounds of Azelia Ley Museum in Manning Park, Spearwood. Members and their cars arrived during the morning, parking in groups according to some guidelines, but without any direction. We had 11 Model A's and a couple of other classic vehicles,

and the usual number of moderns for various reasons. Lots of happy chattering and sharing of news ensued. It was a lovely day,



but without the usual number of magpies looking for eats.

Some regular faces were missing but it was a good crowd. Members had their morning tea on arrival (unless they forgot), and the meeting was held about 11 am.

The meeting was almost closed too early – the raffle prizes still had to be sorted out. One prize (a mango) caused some confusion but all was settled happily.

Then we had lunch and continued with the chatting. The Museum staff opened their doors about 1.00pm and a few had a look. It was much the same as last year, but there was at least one new cup. Everyone sat around and left at their leisure.

Pat and David Bussard



# MODEL A'S IN WA

Alan Jeffree

## **1928 MODEL A FORD - Sports Coupé (Model 50A)**

### **SPECIAL 90<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY YEAR - 1928-2018**

#### **WA Registered - WHH 1 (Full Licence)**

#### **Owned by Wes Hartley & Beverley Biggs - Busselton WA**

Wes Hartley and Beverley Biggs purchased their 1928 Sports Coupé (Model 50A) from Rainsfords, Adelaide in February 2010.

Ironically the car had come from Busselton nearly 30 years earlier as part of the late Bill Spencer's collection, with three of Bill's complete Model As still being listed amongst MARC of WA owner vehicles, including this Model 50A, which was then known among Club members as "Daisy Duck".

For ten years prior to Wes and Beverley's ownership it was based in Esperance, the pride and joy of former MARC of WA member Craig Freebairn. During Craig's ownership the body was completely repainted, retaining the distinctive Arabian Sand colour, but mechanically little had been attempted since Bill's original 1980s restoration from a complete wreck.

When the car first arrived back in Busselton with its new owners, Beverley's father was completely taken aback, as he had bid unsuccessfully for it at auction following Bill's death. It was as if the car had come home.

A range of mechanical issues led to a complete rebuild between 2012-2013 of engine gearbox, differential, brakes and replacement cooling system, with great assistance from MARC of WA member Hans Hurij. The car retains the original 1928 mechanical specification, apart from conversion to 12 volt and filters for air and oil, along with the fitment of a luggage rack and colour-matching trunk.

In Wes and Beverley's time of ownership, they have enjoyed full participation in four National Model A Meets: Ipswich (2012); Busselton (2014); Katherine-Darwin (2016), where their car won the "People's Choice"; and Murray Bridge (2018). Additionally, they have been actively involved in the Busselton Motorfest, winning "People's Choice" (2013) and "Best Vintage (2014); Bay to Birdwood (2018) in the Concourse Category; and Special Mention in Touring Class at Murray Bridge (2018). A highlight in September 2017 was a 1200 mile journey from Busselton to Geraldton, in order to participate in the Veteran Car Club of WA Rally.

Wes and Beverley are also members of Canterbury (Christchurch) NZ Chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America, participating in the 13<sup>th</sup> Model A Rally (2017), based on Napier, North Island; and will be participants in the 14<sup>th</sup> National Model A Rally at Te Anau, South Island in April 2019.

They both love the Model A Ford experience, including always being on the lookout for period clothing and memorabilia. It is a great life with a 90-year old mistress of great beauty and temperament.

(December 2018)

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# MODEL A'S IN WA

Alan Jeffree



Wes Hartley and Beverley Biggs' 1928 Sports Coupé (Model 50A) in 2018



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# MODEL A'S IN WA

Alan Jeffree



(Above)\_The late Bill Spencer's three Model A Coupés, circa 1990.  
Wes and Beverley's 1928 Sports Coupé (Model 50A) is on the left.



Wes Hartley and Beverley Biggs' 1928 Sports Coupé (Model 50A) as it was circa 1975  
*"I was once and ugly duckling, but then things changed so much for the better..."*

# FOR SALE / WANTED

## FOR SALE

Model A Tudor \$20,000

The photo tells the story! Vehicle is garaged in Bindoon.

The Tudor was restored by past member Don Sullivan and has been owned by Rob and Joan Bathgate for several years. Being sold due to health problems.

Phone Dave Lucas in Bindoon on 95671331 for viewing.



## FOR SALE

1928 model A Phaeton (photo not supplied)

Asking \$22 000

Located in Bindoon

Contact Phil Martin

Ph: 9576 0818



# ODDS AND ENDS

- *You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.*
- *You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong.*
- *You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift.*
- *You cannot lift the wage earner up by pulling the wage payer down.*
- *You cannot further the brotherhood of man by inciting class hatred.*
- *You cannot build character and courage by taking away people's initiative and independence.*
- *You cannot help people permanently by doing for them, what they could and should do for themselves."*  
*Abraham Lincoln*
- *"Any man who thinks he can be happy and prosperous by letting the government take care of him had better take a much closer look at the American Indian."*  
*Henry Ford*



*Q: Who opened the first drive-in gas station?*

*A: Gulf opened up the first station in Pittsburgh in 1913.*



*Q: Where was the first drive-in restaurant?*

*A: Royce Hailey's Pig Stand opened in Dallas in 1921.*



# ODDS AND ENDS

## **Perks of reaching 60 or being over 70 and heading towards 80!**

1. Kidnappers are not very interested in you.
2. In a hostage situation you are likely to be released first.
3. No one expects you to run--anywhere.
4. People call at 8 PM and ask: "Did I wake you?"
5. People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.
6. There is nothing left to learn the hard way.
7. Things you buy now won't wear out.
8. You can eat supper at 5 PM .
9. You can live without sex but not your glasses.
10. Your supply of brain cells is finally down to manageable size.
11. You can't remember who sent you this list.
12. And you notice these are all in Big Print for your convenience.

**Forward this to everyone you can remember right now! And remember, Never, under any circumstances, take a sleeping pill and a laxative on the same night!**

## OTHER ITEMS

2019 Shannon's - Advanced notice only, please await details from the MARC Events Coordinator.

**2019 CLASSIC CAR SHOW**

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