

# Western Model A News

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Model A Restorers Club of Western Australia, Inc.





## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ray Mahony

A new club year has begun and Colin has handed on the reins. We acknowledge Colin's contribution in guiding the club over the past two years. Bob Piercy has also stepped down after five years as Treasurer. During those years Bob has done a great job in keeping our financial records up to date and accurate. Bob will be assisting our new Treasurer, Anne Steer, for a short time to ensure she is au fait with our existing system. I welcome Anne to the position and am sure she will be equal to the task. Other officer and appointed positions remain unchanged.

By the time you read this the committee will have met to consider and plan for the next year. Immediate issues include the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations for next year, and redrafting the constitution as instructed by The Department of Commerce. As Colin indicated in his annual report; the club seems to have lost some of its polish recently, so the committee will be considering what might be done to get some of that shine back. If you have any thoughts on the matter we would like to hear from you. I don't imagine any earth shattering activity, especially for the next month or so as a number of members including Toni and I will be participating in the VCC National Rally in Geraldton. After that it will be getting close to the "silly season". However thinking caps will be on for a fresh start next year.

There is one strong thought I have; this club belongs to the members. It is not the President's or Committee's club; we are only here to help you to have THE BEST club possible. I believe there is, among our members, a wealth of knowledge, experience and ideas that can make this club, not just good, but great.

Well I guess that's enough from me for the time being, see you at the next meeting and let's work together.

Ray Mahony



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**Front Cover.** Utes, trucks, pick-ups call them what you want. A selection of these beauties owned by MARC members.



# EDITOR COMMENTS

Fred Manwaring

AGM come and gone, committee and appointed persons in place for another successful year ahead. Thank you as always to those contributors who take the time to send in material, always appreciated. The newsletter proceeds on in its usual format, though I welcome ideas for change. Scary thought, Christmas approaching, Edith is busy arranging the MARC lunch refer to the update here.



## Xmas Lunch Sunday 3rd December 2017

Time is ticking over. It is that time of the year to think about our Christmas Lunch which will be held at the V.C.C Club rooms.

Our Caterers will be the usual Classic Spit Roast with a Menu I will try and vary for you. Cost is \$25.00 per head .

I am taking names. Payment to be sent to our treasurer Anne Steer or given at our next couple of meetings.

Many Thanks  
Edith



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# SECRETARY COMMENTS

Kathleen Kuenzel

## Office Bearers

**President:** Ray Mahony  
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**Committee Members:** Ian Paisley, Ron Andrews

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Kathleen Kuenzel (Secretary), John Moorehead (CMC Delegate)



## September Birthdays

Barry	Bristow-Stagg
Ashley	Calhoun
Phillip	Craft
Gail	Duns
Barry	Fowler
Benjamin	Fowler
Andrew	Gower
Georgina	Hart
Wesley	Hartley

Germaine	Jeffree
Kym	Knight
Beth	Martin
Lyn	Mathwin
Alan	Porter
Jenni	Roberts
Peter	Sartori
Kendra	Shepherd
Margaret	Strahan
Peter	Trethowan
Chris	Wringe



# EVENTS COORDINATOR

Ian Paisley

**SEPTEMBER.** Sunday 24th. A run through the Swan Valley. Note: Please bring a pen as there will be a puzzle to solve. Meet at the Guildford Tourist Information Centre Carpark Cnr Meadow St & Swan St Guildford 8:30 for 9:00 departure. Carpark behind white picket fence. The run will be a loop and finish in the same place. Organiser Daniel Pinnington. 040 0132 445

RALLYWEST 2017 Sep 10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

**OCTOBER.** Club Run. Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>  
Start at Terry Tyzack Aquatic Centre car park on the corner of Alexander Drive and Homer Street, Inglewood.  
Meeting at 9.00 o'clock for a 9.30 start.  
Organisers: Ray and Toni.

**NOVEMBER.** Ben Fowler (date to be advised)

**DECEMBER.** Christmas Party, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>. VCC Club Rooms.  
Organiser: Edith Jeffree.

As 2018 looms closer it's time to think about an events program for the Year.

2018 is the 90th Anniversary of the Model A Ford. It is anticipated that there will be a number of events to celebrate this occasion. The first of which will be the Classic Car show to be held on Sunday 18th March.

The 25th Australian National Model A Ford Meet will be held at Murray Bridge, South Australia from Saturday 29th September to Friday 5th October. It is anticipated there will be 8 or 9 club runs during the year. Can members please consider organising a club run or at least make a contribution to organising a club event.

Please share your ideas with me so that we can establish an events program for 2018.

Thank you.

*Ian Paisley*  
Events Coordinator

# CMC DELEGATE'S REPORT

John Moorehead

## DELEGATE'S REPORT COUNCIL OR MOTORING CLUBS OF WA (INC) GENERAL MEETING MONDAY 21ST.AUGUST 2017

This meeting also covered the CMC Annual General Meeting with all management positions filled. Some 34 Clubs were represented at the meeting. The following agenda items are highlighted.

### **1. Motor Museum – Whiteman Park.**

The 2000 square metre extension to the museum is now open to the public. This now enables the Museum to increase the number of exhibits on display with some 200 vehicles including 71 motorcycles. The museum now has approximately 2,500 car models including the significant Biant Collection of Models and prototypes.

The extension includes a Library with over 13,000 motoring books and publications. A conference room and workshop facility is included in the complex.

### **2. Classic Car Show.**

The date for the 2018 show is confirmed as the 18th March 2018 at Ascot Racecourse. The organiser is planning several changes to improve the event with the benefit of the comments received following the 2017 event. If Clubs have any special events planned for 2018 then the organiser would be pleased to incorporate in the overall planning. Contact can be made via the Secretary of the CMC.

### **3. Concessional Licence Code 404**

The Department of Transport advised the CMC that a vehicle from Victoria was placed on WA Concessional licence when the vehicle had been significantly modified. The CMC 1 form had been signed off as unmodified by someone who never sighted the vehicle. The DoT is considering what action will be taken

This could result in legal action and the Club could have their concessional licensing authority revoked.

All Clubs were reminded that they should only sign off the CMC1 form if the vehicle has been inspected and found to be unmodified. The requirements for vehicles on Concessional Licence Code 404 are well documented and the owner onus cannot be stressed too strongly. By renewing an existing licence or by completing a DoT Form E81, which is a Statutory Declaration, for initial Code 404 licence the owner takes sole responsibility for maintaining all conditions of the Code.

John Moorehead Member 68  
CMC Delegate for Model A Restorers Club of WA (Inc)  
29th. August 2017



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# A BOOK RECOMMENDATION

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Ian Steer

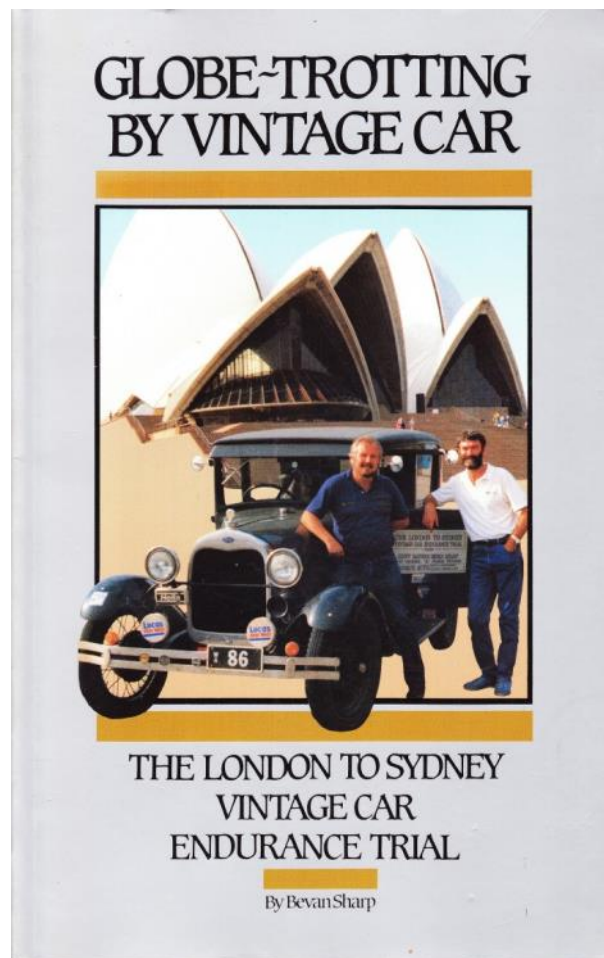
## Globe Trotting By Vintage Car

I've just finished reading this book and it was a great read for a Model A owner. Many members may have already read the book, and some will have helped the author either preparing for the trip, and when he called through Perth – including the “famous” Reg Blewitt who is mentioned a few times in the book.

But for those who haven't read it, I thoroughly recommend it. It was about a bloke and a mate who hadn't owned a vintage car before, who drove a Model A from London to Sydney for the Bicentennial Vintage Car Endurance Trial that left London in 1987.

Regards

Ian Steer



# TIP OF THE MONTH

John Moorehead

## OVERHEATING OF TERMINALS/CABLES IN THE TERMINAL BOX

The original terminal box in the Model A had the terminal screws moulded within the plastic (Bakelite type material) box and could not move to come in contact the metal body. (Refer attached photograph) Also for securing the box to the body, brass inserts with internal threads were incorporated in the plastic box.

The replacement terminal box from suppliers has the terminal screws held in place with captive nut within the box moulding. If these nuts are not positioned correctly at the time of installation or become loose the head of the screw may move to contact the metal body causing arcing and overheating. The amount of movement is as little as 0.030 inch (0.75mm)

To ensure that no electrical contact between the head of the screws and the metal body, rubber plugs or similar can be cut and fitted in the recess over the head of the screws. These insulating barriers can be held in place using an adhesive.

Another point to watch is the firmness of the four screws holding the terminal box to the body. As the screws tighten onto the plastic and not brass inserts as in the original box, they can become loose.

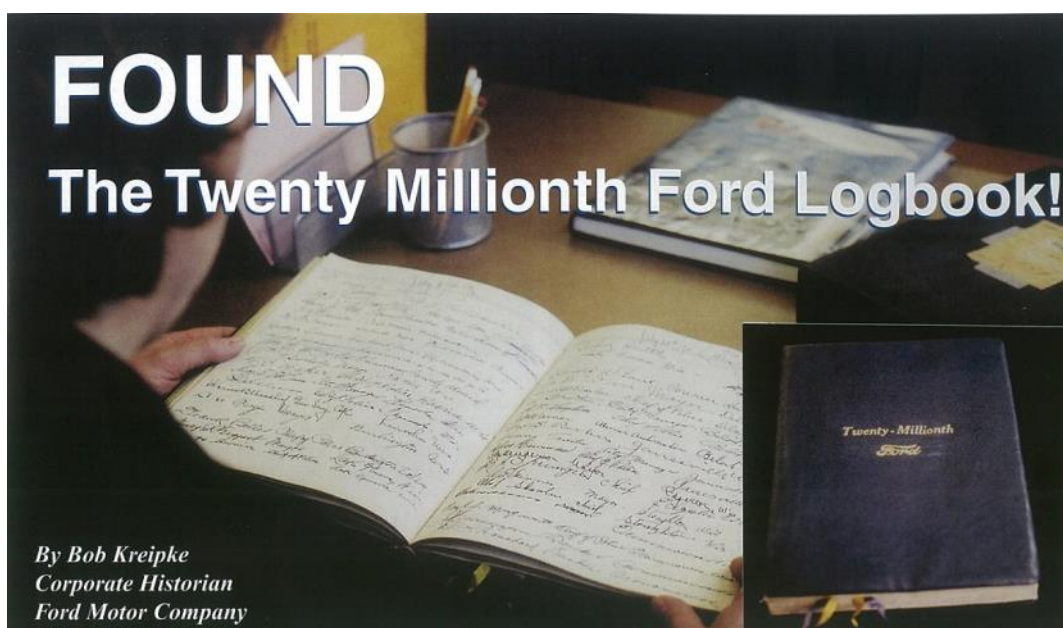
An additional precaution is to install an in-line fuse to protect the electrical system. Originally the Model A electrical wiring did not have any short circuit protection. The fuse mount is available from parts suppliers.

John Moorehead Member No. 68  
7th.August 2017






## THE 20 MILLIONTH FORD LOGBOOK



Last month's newsletter carried the item about the 20 Millionth Ford. Contact information in that article to source the DVD is no longer valid. After email enquiries and a search on the internet I could not find updated information. Does anyone know where the DVD may be sourced?

Contact the editor if you can help.


Fred Manwaring  
maofwainc@gmail.com



### The Milestone Model A DOCUMENTARY

On April 14, 1931, Ford Motor Company produced its 20 millionth vehicle... a Model A. This special milestone vehicle participated in a fantastic coast-to-coast tour, where millions of people viewed the car in parades and festive events while traveling across the country.

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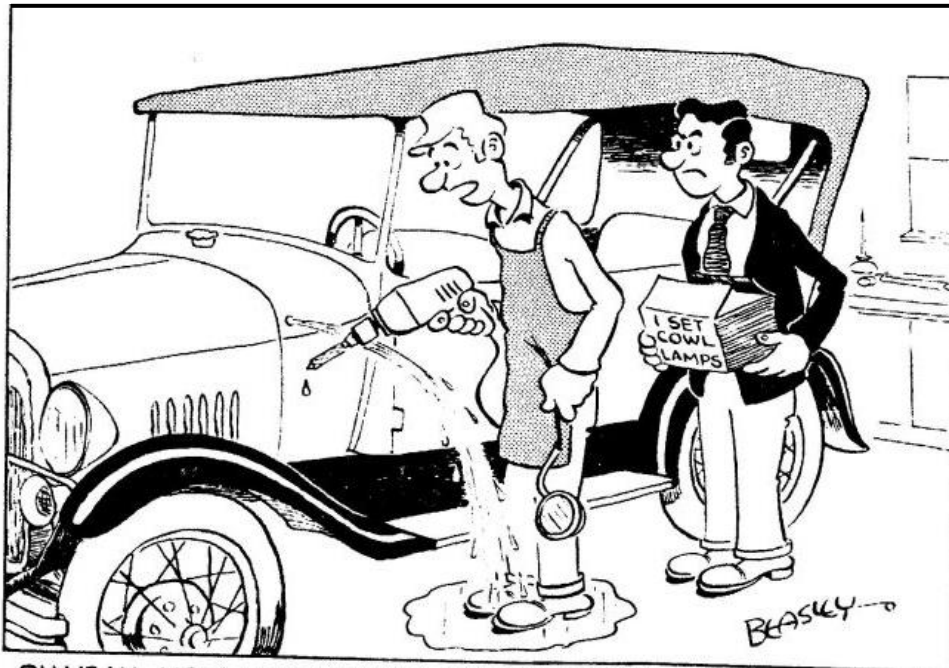
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## A LAUGH OR TWO



OH YEAH, NOW I REMEMBER - THE HOLE GOES BELOW THE SEAM!

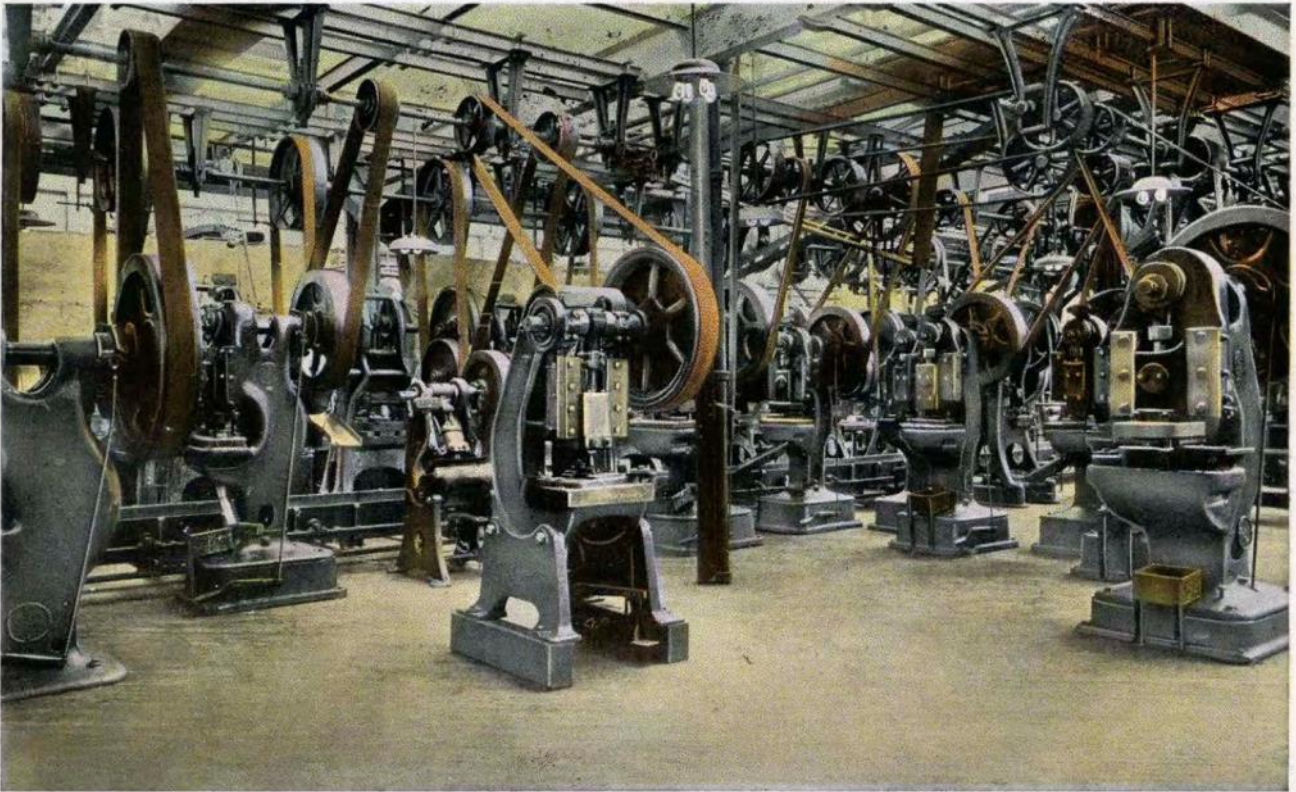


*I went to Dan Murphy's liquor store Friday afternoon on my bicycle, bought a bottle of Scotch and put it in the bicycle basket. As I was about to leave, I thought to myself that if I fell off the bicycle the bottle would break, so I drank all the Scotch before I cycled home. It turned out to be a very good decision, because I fell off my bicycle seven times on the way home.*

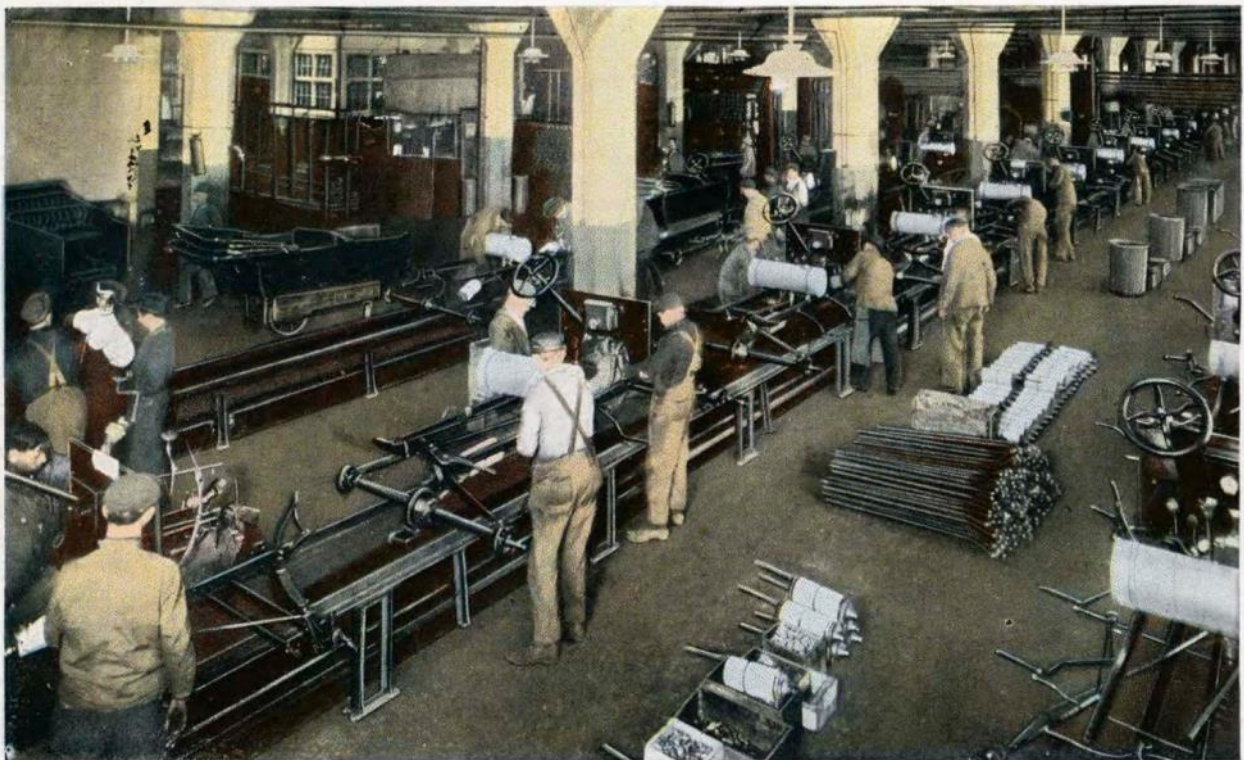


# FORD PLANT POSTCARDS

The next instalments in the series of old postcards from the old Ford plant.



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## OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

### From the: York Veteran Car Club

Dear Motor Enthusiast

After the success of the Avon Valley Classic Rally in 2013, 2014 and 2015, we decided to make this a bi-annual event. We are now planning the 2017 event for Sunday 8th October.

This year as in the past we are holding three rallies in one with the first vehicles leaving Avon Park at 9 am. Veteran, vintage, modern classics and tractors will again travel various distances. The difference is that while all these classes will start and finish at the same time, the tractors will deviate onto their own route, including gravel roads, bush tracks and hopefully a water crossing, re-joining the veteran and vintage vehicles for a fun event before lunch. Vintage, veteran, modern classics and the tractors will each be competing in their own categories and separate trophies will be presented. The modern classic vehicles and sports cars will cover approximately 100 klms on new and scenic roads taking in even more of the picturesque Avon Valley answering a questionnaire along the way before rejoining for the fun event, luncheon and trophy presentations.

We will be providing a complementary morning tea at the start in Avon Park (Lowe Street, York) for all participants. At the finish, a luncheon will be provided.

Entry fee: \$15 per vehicle and \$ 25 per person to cover costs for luncheon. Registration of details will be essential for catering and organisational purposes please fill in the attached registration form by Sunday 24th September 2017 to [yorkveterancarclub@gmail.com](mailto:yorkveterancarclub@gmail.com)

Send to: Regina, Secretary,

Email: [yorkveterancarclub@gmail.com](mailto:yorkveterancarclub@gmail.com)

or PO Box 382, York WA 6302

The York Veteran Car Club Branch is looking forward seeing you all at this year's Avon Valley Classic Rally

Event Coordinator: Gary Byfield and team

Email: [yorkveterancarclub@gmail.com](mailto:yorkveterancarclub@gmail.com)

Phone: [0414 885 338](tel:0414885338)

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### Retroautos

The September 2017 edition of **Retroautos** is now online at this [LINK](#). We have never before published photos of the 1972 ZF Ford Fairlane prototypes. Phil Green chats to us about his 1966 Buick Riviera, plus we have a Design to Driveway feature about the development of the '66 Riviera. Regional Australian cities are full of great classic cars. We go to Mount Isa to hear about Glen Graham's EJ Holden wagon and Ford Mustang, Rob Burns shows us around his 1933 Aussie-built Dodge to remind us what motoring was like 80 years ago.

## OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST



# ALL FORD DAY

**2017 Show n Shine**  
Last Sunday in October - New Attractions



**Sunday October 29th**  
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Bassendean



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This course is not accredited.

### Fees

\$390 in 2017

### How to apply

- To apply for a **short course** please register your interest by using the web-form provided on the right-hand side of this page. Alternatively you can talk to us on 1800 001 001.

Please note: All enrolling students will require a [Unique Student Identifier number](#).

### Where

Carlisle

### Duration

2.5 hours per week over 6 weeks

### When

#### 2017 Dates:

- ~~2 August – 6 September 2017,  
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### Qualification

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