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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Hello fellow Model T ford members.

Hasn't the weather certainly improved. I am writing this report after getting home from participating in the 2024 Bay to Birdwood. It was a very enjoyable day but a very early start. I was out of bed at 4.30am and on the road with my passengers by 6.40am. Poor old Dolly the Dodge found it a little exhausting going up the hill from Tea Tree Gully to Houghton and



came to a complete stop. We had to climb the rest of the hill in 1st gear at around 3MPH (Sorry to all that were behind me). Once over the hill she went like a dream. I managed to catch up with David, Christine and Sam Kimber at the National Motor Museum and had a lovely chat for a couple of hours, what a wonderful way to spend a lazy Sunday.

By the time you receive your Buzzer Box in the mail or via email a small group of club members will have returned from a weekend away in Loxton. Trevor & Maxine Martin, Rod & Doretta Hills, Rod & Cheryl Crawford and I have entered the Riverland historic Rally, we are camping yes you heard right the only available accommodation when we booked some months ago was tents, we will let you know how these old bodies stood up to a few nights in a tent. The weekend looks to be full of extremely interesting things for us to see and do. I believe there are a few other members of the club also attending Stuart and Lynda Bowshall and Paul VanRuth to name a few. I personally can't wait to get there. I will speak about it at the November Meeting.

I recently went to Brisbane for some training on Walker mowers, which was organised by my work. As the training was set for a Friday, I took advantage of that, and Gary and I went over on the Thursday and returned on the Monday morning. What an absolutely beautiful city. I have always said if I didn't live in Adelaide I would be living in Melbourne. I've now changed my mind and would move to Brisbane in a heartbeat. Our motel was on the river in South Bank and the views were stunning. No need for a TV that's for sure.

Don't forget that the opening ceremony of our new clubrooms will be held on Saturday the 9th of November from 10am. Hiring clubs have been invited to attend, along with several dignitaries

Our carpark will be quite the spectacular, with an amazing car show with cars displayed not only from our club, but all 10 hiring clubs. If you wish to be involved and come to the opening of our beautiful new building we would love to see you there, but please for catering purposes we would appreciate you letting the secretary know your intentions to attend. Everyone is welcome.

Our next monthly run is the November run to the Strawberry Fete in Macclesfield on Sunday 24th. Jenny is again supplying her famous morning tea so if you haven't as yet let Kingsley know your intentions to attend, please let him know ASAP.

Christmas will be celebrated in true Model T style, with dinner at the Bartley Tavern in West Lakes. If it is anything like our Birthday Dinner in February, the food will be to die for. If you haven't let Maxine know that you would like to attend, please let her know ASAP and make payment to the treasurer set mem \$45.90 per head, numbers will need to be confirmed late November.

To finish off our 60th year Father Christmas will be visiting the clubrooms on Saturday 14th December, please refer to the advert in the center of this magazine. Bookings are essential, you will find a booking form in your inbox soon.

I find myself bringing this up almost every month now, but I will keep haping on.

We are looking for members to organise a run for 2025, at this stage the calendar is looking very thin, I will put my hand up to organise a run for February and this will be a breakfast run, something we haven't done in many years. If you have an idea or would like to organise a run, please reach out to me. It would be disappointing if we find that we don't have any runs for the future and have to go without.

Anyway, enough yabbering from me but before I go, I just want to leave you with a small joke.

There are two elderly ladies sitting on a park bench.

First lady says "My Memory is so bad these days"

Second lady says, "How Bad is it?"

First lady says, "How Bad is what?"



Happy birthday to all the members celebrating a birthday in November.

I look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday the 6th of November at 7pm for the general meeting.

Keep smiling it cost nothing

Adam Jones



On the Cover

1911 MODEL T FORD - Pieces of the Puzzle

(As published July 2018)

I believe one of the most interesting things about our old car hobby is knowing some of the early history of the car, such as who bought it new, and when, because these cars for many were the first motor vehicle for the family that previously would have relied on horses and buggies for transport.

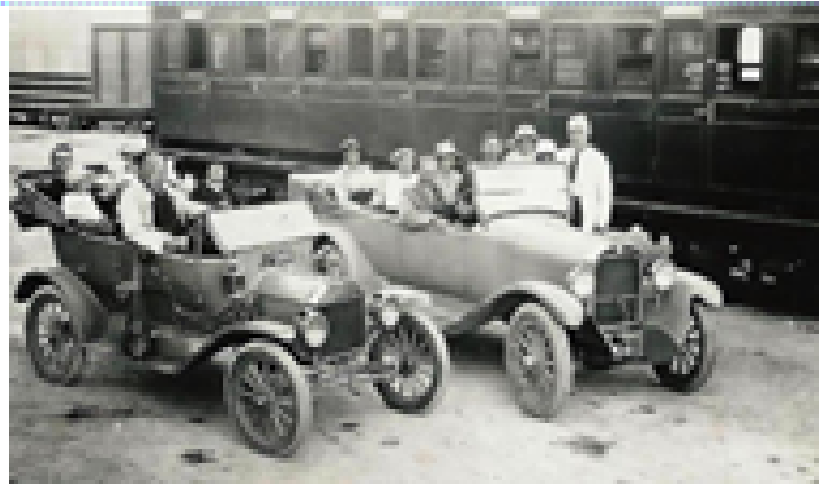
The car opened up new frontiers of adventure, enabling neighbouring towns for family to visit on a regular basis, as well as promoting prosperity in industries as the industrial age was born. Most of us would have old photos of their cars over the last 40 years, but going back to original owner with names and places can be a tough jig saw to solve.

I recently had the opportunity to piece a large part of the history of our 1911 T Ford by visiting a clearing sale in April at Frankton near Truro. The piece of the puzzle I already had is a photo album obtained from the late Geoff Johnson, who we bought the car from in 1988.

Most of the album depicted the run-down state it was in when purchased by Reg Tilley in 1969 and showed progressive photos of its return to glory. The photo of most interest to me showed an elderly couple with stem looks sitting in the front with a lap rug with a "We have a motor car" satisfaction air about it. It was indeed a big deal to have a car in these early years, and purchasers had to be game in a way because there were no mechanics around and petrol stations didn't exist, with petrol sold in 4-gallon tins in a wooden crate at the local store. Along with this, they had to learn how to drive this contraption and learn the workings of an internal combustion engine,



by comparison maintaining a horse where hay goes in one end and pollutants the other (no catalytic converters here) must have been rather daunting, unless you were rich enough to employ a chauffeur.



Anyway, back to the old photo,

I knew it was the Dieners in the T Model, probably when the car was new, so I looked forward to a visit to a clearing sale at the Diener farm in Frankton as two T Model Fords were in the sale, and hopefully more information and early photos of our car. The old T remained on the farm and several generations played cars on it resting in the shed, complete with brass lights and speedo, but no rear tub.

A few people in the Sporting Car Club tried to buy it, but Gerald Diener finally agreed to the swap of a new 1911 Roadster T for the old tourer, and this roadster was on offer at the sale. This car had seen better days, and was the same colour as our car, and sadly some of the bits apart from engine were from various year T's like the coil box, tailshaft etc. and seats were in vinyl rather than leather, but it bid to \$30,000.00 amazingly to a member of the Diener family, I am told. The other Model T on offer was a really nice Duncan body ute, 1924, with the most shredded tyres I have ever seen!

When our T left the farm in 1969 minus rear tub, Reg Tilley found a matching rear tub with doors on a property dump near Ceduna and sitting nearby was a 1911 engine, just 80 numbers later than our car, so these T's would have been built on the same day. This engine was used in the roadster for the swap. The clearing sale represented five generations of the same family on the farm, and no one threw anything away, I was told by the great granddaughter whom I managed to track down on the day. I showed her the photos I had and we agreed to exchange photos she had by email and importantly put names to the people in the T. The people were William and Jane Deiner, William was a local farmer and secured a contract to build the school using local stone plentiful in the area. When complete, a teacher named Jane was sent to teach from early years up to Grade 7 pupils and subsequently met and married William next door.

At some stage in 1910 William placed an order for a Model T Ford, and his great granddaughter showed me a handwritten note of the occasion. During 1911 local people thought William was acting strangely, as he was building a new stone shed but wouldn't let on what was going in it, then one day along comes a motor car with Bert Cheney from Duncan & Fraser in Adelaide. As was the custom, the driver stayed with the family for several days to show them how to drive and maintain this strange machine before catching a train back to Adelaide.



These sales guys sure earned their commission. The Ford proved to be reliable and served as the family car for many years, before the back seat was removed to cart many loads of farm produce until it was used as a stationary engine driving a chaffcutter and corn crusher. One of the photos sent shows our T at the Morgan Station in 1923 next to a new Dodge, the T had been upgraded with front doors and later round guards on the rear. We also have another photo of it with these changes in Eudunda in the book "Hills, Valleys and Plains", a history of the area.

This is one car that the scrappies didn't get.

Ian Oates.



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Official Opening 11.00am

Light Refreshments 11.30am

RSVP -secretary@modeltfordclubaustralia.org.au

I have been working on some of my old memorabilia during the past month or so. I bought these many years ago and have had them sitting in the shed just waiting for me to find some time and begin the restoration. As you all know we can't rush these things, there is always something more important to do.

In the 1960's my father ran a grocery shop on Main North Road, I bought the shell pump 20 + years ago from that very shop. I was about 14 years old when I would go to the grocery shop to help my father, one of the things I would do is pump kerosene for customers (from that very pump) back in those days most homes had kerosine heaters in their lounge room.

I knew the pump was still in the rear of the shop which was now a computer repair shop and asked the owner if I could buy the pump. I told him my story and I think it helped him to say yes. The big problem on cost was he had just had a beehive removed from it and the amount I was offering was less than the removal of the bees, I convinced the feller that the likelihood was that the bees would come back, that worried him, so the deal was done, and I bought it for \$25.

I was wandering around the Bendigo swap meet about 5 years ago when I spied the Shell decals, they were perfect for my restoration project. John Fox made the globe for me about 45 years ago.

I have cleaned the Hi boy Golden Fleece which is original paint and the Castrol original oil bottle holder.

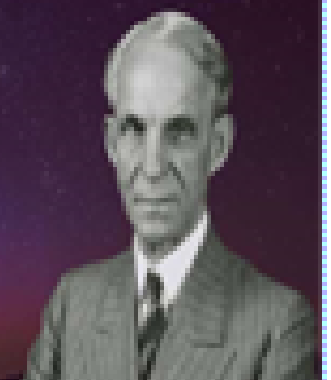
These projects have been a long time in the making but I am really happy with how they have turned out.



David Carver.

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250 gm dark chocolate

100 gm small baking marshmallows

100 spearmint leaves (chopped in half)

100gm glace cherries or lolly raspberries

1/2 cup roasted peanuts



Method

Melt chocolate and stir in other ingredients.

Turn into lined pan (about 1/2 size lamington tin) or cake tin.

Cut into small pieces when cold. Keep in fridge.

Cold Xmas pudding

3 dsp gelatine

3 tbsp cocoa (Cadbury Baking Cocoa is best)

3 cups milk

1 cup raisins

1/2 cup glace cherries

1 cup sugar (I cut this at least in half)

1/2 cup chopped nuts

1/2 cup currants

1/2 cup dates or figs

1/2 teaspoon vanilla

Method

Place milk, cocoa and gelatine in saucepan and stir until dissolved, but do not boil.

Add sugar, stir to dissolve and remove to a cool place.

When mixture starts to thicken, add essence, fruit and nuts.

Turn into a mould rinsed in cold water and allow to set or set in individual glasses.

Serve with cream or icecream.

Note : I use more glace fruit as an alternative, but is not everyone's taste. Use any combination of dried fruit that is liked.

I usually thicken the jelly in the freezer if in a hurry, but watch it as you don't want it solid, just thick at this stage.

My Other Car

I have never been interested in being the first car to reach each stop light. Winding through the hills, or cruising on the plains in a car that I can feel comfortable and sure footed is an enjoyable experience.

The MK II Jaguar made a great impression on the motoring public in the early '60s, and I wanted one as well. It was a few years before I could afford to consider owning one. The six cylinder 3.4 or 3.8 commanded a good price when I was looking, but the Daimler V8 was far more reasonable in price. Jaguar bought out Daimler about 1960 and decided to drop the 2.5 litre Daimler V8 from the SP250 sports car into the MKII body. They realised that it was not as sporty as the six cylinder cars, so they put in leather seats, an automatic gearbox and power steering, making it a top of the line ladies shopping car. It is also a nice touring car. My car was blue when I bought it, needing a little body work. I was lucky enough to have a mate who was a panel beater, interested in improving the look of my Daimler. He did a wonderful job, painting it Old English White. The upholstery was looking dowdy, so I replaced the seats with some out of an Alfa, which lifted the appearance on the inside as well. Jaguars have been a favourite as wedding cars, and I have helped out a few times when an extra car was needed for a wedding. My car has a factory fitted Wabasco sunroof, which has been put to good use in wedding photos. Not many brides have been able to be photographed with their husband standing through the roof of their wedding car! I have attended a few All-British Days, and some Bay to Birdwood runs in the car, as well as our Club Runs. It sits with my Alfa Romeo, but I still do not have enough toy money to buy a Studebaker Avanti, which would complete my stable.





BAY to BIRDWOOD
SUNDAY, 20TH | OCTOBER 2024



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Upcoming Events

DATE	ORGANISER	EVENT	LOCATION	START TIME
Wednesday 2nd November	MTFCA	General Meeting	Model T Ford Clubrooms Port Road	7.00pm
Sunday 24th November	Kingsley & Jenny Taylor	Macclesfield Strawberry Fete	Macclesfield Recreation Ground Davidson Road	10.00am for Morning Tea (supplied)
Wednesday 27th November	MTFCA	Buzzerbox Committee Meeting	Model T Ford Clubrooms Port Road	5.00pm 6.15pm
Wednesday 4th December	MTFCA	General Meeting		7.00pm
Saturday 7th December	MTFCA	Christmas Dinner	Bartley Hotel West Lakes Bookings Essential	7.00pm
Saturday 14th December	Ian & Kelly Russell	Kids Christmas Party	Model T Ford Clubrooms Port Road	2.00pm
Wednesday 29th January	MTFCA	Buzzerbox Committee Meeting	Model T Ford Clubrooms Port Road	5.00pm 6.15pm
Wednesday 4th February	MTFCA	General Meeting	Model T Ford Clubrooms Port Road	7.00pm

BAY to BIRDWOOD

Event organisers couldn't have asked for a better day to host this year's Bay to Birdwood, an iconic event celebrating automotive history.

This year unlike last, Cheree and I chose to depart from the alternative start at Civic Park, Modbury and the choice of car was a 1960 Morris Minor 1000. This was guaranteed to be a stress-free ride cruising up the hill without having to keep a constant eye on the moto meter. Anyone considering the alternative start, I would highly recommend it especially if you live in the area. There were about 120 vehicles on display awaiting departure at 8:30am. Vehicles of all types and models were there but more importantly, coffee was available, a brass band on location and everyone was keen to have a chat.



We departed from Civil Park just before the main convoy arrived and all the roadside spectators were thrilled to see us track up through Chain of Ponds, Gumeracha and then finally Birdwood. The Morris didn't miss a beat. The diff started to wind but nothing, a bit of oil won't fix next time it's on the hoist.

It was interesting watching all the cars arrive in the main arena but there was a different feeling about the place this year. The presence of Elon Musk's Cyber Truck had generated a lot of interest from the younger generations, and they all seem very excited to see it in the flesh.

For me, it looked like a giant stainless-steel toaster with wheels and others, it was a glimpse into what the future may become. I certainly couldn't see what the fuss was about, but the Tesla Cyber Truck was definitely a draw card for the event and if it sparked the interest of the next Nicola Tesla, then it was well worth it.



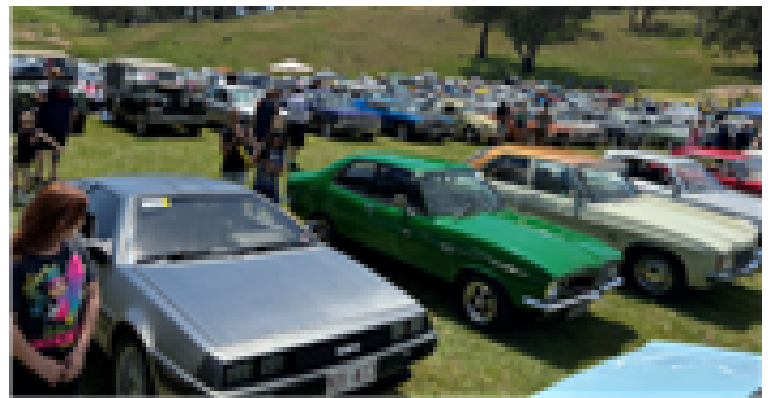
The remainder of the day was spent touring the museum and traversing the rows of cars looking for the next project. The highlight for me was seeing a DeLorean just like from the movie Back to the Future whilst Cheree took particular interest in an original VW Jurgens Camper built in South Africa – it even came with its own dinner set straight from the factory.

Regardless of the makes and model, each car was presently so elegantly it didn't matter. I must be a car whisperer or something because each one was speaking to me ("buy me Jake, buy me").

Whilst there were many highlights to speak of, it was just great seeing everyone support this magical event, even the rowdy bunch of locals on Rod's Hill.

I do wonder though what the future of this event will be with so many people now turning to electric cars and smaller properties with limited storage. I guess we will just have to wait and see but I feel a shed extension coming on!

Jake & Cheree Bonnici



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MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD

4th SEPTEMBER 2024

1. WELCOME:

- 1.1. Meeting commenced at 7.02pm.
- 1.2. The President welcomed everyone present to this meeting, with a special mention of Member Lindsay Nash and his friend and Visitor Francis Tully from Kadina, reminded members to sign the Attendance Record Book and advised that this meeting will be audio recorded for minute taking purposes and the recording will be deleted once the minutes have been accepted.
- 1.3. The President advised that during the meeting and after her arrival, he will be welcoming a guest speaker.

2. APOLOGIES:

- 2.1. Albert Jones, Paul Van Ruth, Nancy Bennett and Anthony Russell.

3. MYSTERY OBJECT:

- 3.1. Nil.

4. FUNDRAISING:

- 4.1. A raffle was initiated using four prizes.

5. MINUTES OF LAST GENERAL MEETING, 4TH SEPTEMBER 2024:

- 5.1. As distributed in the October 2024 edition of Buzzer Box.
- 5.2. One member mentioned that he had not yet received this edition of the Buzzer Box so as to comment; In response, it was said that a number of other members (including one regional) received theirs much earlier than expected.

Moved: Tony Russell, that the minutes be accepted; Seconded: Mik Bojko; Carried.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST GENERAL MEETING:

- 6.1. Nil.

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- 7.1. The President advised that unfortunately, Paul Van Ruth has decided that he is unable to continue in the capacity of a Committee Member and accordingly, the Committee's Minute Secretary; Please think about your role in our Club and if you are able to fill this position, please speak to one of your Committee Members.

Moved: Dale La Vars, that the President's Report be accepted; Seconded: Doretta Hills.

Carried.

8. SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- 8.1. The Secretary reported Correspondence In: The usual club magazines were received and forwarded/provided to the Librarian for inclusion in the library; Invitation to attend *All Ford Day* on Sunday 27 October 2024; Invitation to attend the *London to Brighton Run* on Sunday 27 October 2024.
- 8.2. The Secretary reported an event flyer received for: *London to Brighton Run* on Sunday 27 October 2024; This flyer has been placed on the Notice Board in the Foyer.

Moved: Dale Va Vars, that the Secretary's Report be accepted; Seconded: Merawyn Perry;

Carried.

9. MEMBERSHIP:

- 9.1. The Secretary reported: As of 1 October 2024, 11 of our 144 member units had not yet renewed their memberships.
- 9.2. Allan Bennett received clarification that the Club is obliged to report unfinancial members with a historically registered vehicle/s to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles.

10. BUZZER BOX REPORT:

- 10.1. The Secretary reported: Thanks to all contributors of the October 2024 edition; Stories are required for ongoing front covers so if your Model T Ford has not yet been featured, please seriously consider writing your story; Ian Russell continues to look out for articles called 'My other Car'; Otherwise, more articles are sought.

Two guest speakers from See Differently arrived and were assisted by Bob Yates to get set up with the audio-visual equipment whilst the next items were being delivered.

11. CLUBROOMS MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR REPORT:

- 11.1. In Albert Jones's absence, the Secretary delivered Albert's report: The kitchen cupboard locks are on order, the hand sanitiser dispenser needs to be re-fixed to the wall (fell off), the Kitchen door stopper needs to be re-visited, the Falcon Car Club's pie warmer needs felt pads on the Kitchen benchtop; two Club owned fire extinguishers surplus to statutory requirements at Fawk Reserve Hall have been relocated to Croydon and the Exit Plan for Fawk Reserve Hall has been prepared and the Club will enact once the Council has advised a termination date.

12. TREASURER'S REPORT:

- 12.1. The Treasurer reported that he was in a state of transition to the role and unable to provide a report at this meeting; The documentation for the bank will be lodged next week; He will present a report at the next General Meeting.
- 12.2. David Carver reported that the 2023/24 Financials had been audited and going forward, the Club needs to be mindful of what it is able to do within the scope of the tax laws.

Moved: Moved: Ian Russell, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted; Seconded: Dale La Vars; Carried.

13. PROJECT MANAGER'S REPORT:

- 13.1. John Eastick updated members on progress since the last General Meeting: This is the fourth month of meetings here at Croydon; Defects still being discovered, and various ones are being attended too. With the air conditioners, the matter has been escalated to arrange a meeting between the Council, the building design team and the Builder and Subcontractor to rectify the problem; Builder's Clean not yet done; Referencing the queries and/or actions at the last General Meeting: 1. HWS tariff: This building has 'time of use' metering and investigation has identified that the HWS has an onboard timer. The HWS has now been programmed to start up and finish during the day using solar power; 2. Electricity bill: The AGL bill has been interrogated and is in order; 3. Venetians: Committee considering other options, and the Council will not allow fixings to black anodized frames; 4. Urn left on: Coincidentally, the urn cacked itself and has been replaced. Clubs have been advised and signage has been installed. All kitchen circuits turn off when building armed; Circuits: When building armed, all GPOs, lights, oven, stove top, rangehood and AV are isolated except fridge GPOs, Storeroom GPOs and GPOs under TV and along eastern wall. When building unarmed, lights do not turn back on but all GPOs, oven, stove top, rangehood and AV are restored, including in a turned-on mode if that is how they were left, albeit inadvertently. Air conditioners are on their own timers; Lease: 2nd version received and commented upon and back with Council; Fit-out: Committee working through items and receiving pricing and proceeding with purchases. Of the various window and door treatment options, the Committee has decided to apply film to the windows and doors to the Meeting Room and samples are attached to the eastern window for members to comment tonight; Small numbers of members have been here more recently for defined tasks on seven occasions, being 5, 10, 12, 19, 25 and 30 September and 1 October; Propose Monday 14 October and Monday 4 November for next Working Bees; Fawk Reserve Hall: Awaiting feedback from Council about the outcomes of the Eol process and the Committee has a position about how to respond. This feedback will dictate what is required of the Club to be removed and stay and when.
- 13.2. Discussion ensued about the functionality of the stainless-steel urinal trough after concerns were raised by Rod Hills and Bob Yates on behalf of Rosa the Cleaner. It was suggested that stainless steel skirts be installed each side of the trough to protect the walls.
- 13.3. A question was asked by Allan Bennett: Will the fridge be levelled to prevent the door swinging open if not closed properly? A: John responded to say yes, it is recorded as a task at the next opportunity.

14. GUEST SPEAKER PRESENTATION:

- 14.1. The President introduced Wendy Lucas, Volunteer Marcia and puppy pupil Kimmie representing *See Differently*.
- 14.2. Wendy provided a presentation about the activities of the organisation and the process and costs of training dogs. The presentation was most interesting and gave an excellent insight into how it all works; Operation K9 (OPK9) is a program within *See Differently* that assists Veterans with

PTSD. Notable statistics were that there were currently 70 dogs in work with Veterans and more in training, the cost to train a dog was typically \$50k.

- 14.3. The President made a comment that one of the current challenges is dogs hearing electric vehicles and making correct decisions for crossing the street.
- 14.4. Wendy provided an update on puppy 'Dusty' (in training) named in honour of our former Member Paul 'Dusty' Miller (dec 2022).
- 14.5. The Treasurer, assisted by the President, presented Wendy with a cheque for \$1,000 from the Club to See *Differently* as its Charity of Choice for 2023/24.
- 14.6. Wendy presented the President with a 2025 *See Differently* Calendar to place in the Clubrooms.
- 14.7. The President invited Wendy and Marcia to stay for the rest of the meeting and supper to have conversations with members.

15. PROPERTY OFFICER'S REPORT:

- 15.1. Kingsley Taylor had nothing to report.

16. CLUBROOMS BOOKING COORDINATOR REPORT:

- 16.1. Bob Yates reported several new hiring opportunities at Croydon: Enquiries have included the Ice Hockey Association of SA for its Committee Meetings and Tribunal Hearings on evenings, another car club for an evening, a quilting group during a day and other groups that want to leave their possessions out between bookings and which will not be acceptable and a commercial catering enterprise which will not be acceptable; Our Club currently has a regular booking on the second Tuesday of every month for 2027 National Rally Meetings and this may need to be reviewed if other hire interest arises; At this stage, there are no hires on any Friday evening; At Fawk Reserve Hall, Odyssey Aerobics is staging an Induction Day at the end of October and has plans to increase its bookings there.

17. FEDERATION REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:

- 17.1. Rod Crawford reported: The next Federation meeting is scheduled for Saturday 5 October 2024.
- 17.2. Following up a discussion at the September 2024 General Meeting about when Jim and Glenyss Trenorden had a breakdown with their Wolseley, John Eastick suggested that the issue of how the RAA deals with older vehicles could perhaps be raised as an issue at Federation level.
- 17.3. Leading on from Item 17.2 above, it was suggested that maybe the RAA could be invited to attend a future General Meeting as a Guest Speaker.

18. EVENTS AND RUNS COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

- 18.1. Adam Jones is seeking more Organisers for the 2025 Calendar.
- 18.2. Attendance lists for imminent runs are on the Kitchen servery bench – please add your names if intending to attend.

19. PAST EVENTS:

- 19.1. September Monthly Run to *Old Tailern Town Pioneer Village* on Sunday, 15 September 2024; Organiser: Paul Van Ruth Run; Ian Russell said it was a good day and it was cold at the morning tea at Mt Barker, there was a lot of stuff at Old Tailern Town and the Club was made very welcome; Both Ian and John Eastick spoke of the future of the place; Adam Jones spoke of the near 3-hour Ghost Tour that he, Gary Warren, Trevor and Maxine Martin attended there the night before. Thanks were extended to Paul (absent) for organising the run.

20. FUTURE EVENTS – CLUB ORGANISED:

- 20.1. Monthly Run on 27 October 2024: Organiser Ian Russell; Cancelled and will be re-scheduled to March 2025.
- 20.2. Monthly Run on Sunday, 24 November 2024; Organiser: Kingsley Taylor; *Macclesfield Strawberry Fete*; Meet at the town oval with a Club morning tea provided from 10am, BYO picnic lunch. There will be food stalls, strawberries & icecream and Christmas Gift stalls. Maxine Martin will have her own stall; It is a great event to bring children.
- 20.3. *Kids Christmas Party* in 2024; Work in progress.
- 20.4. *Annual Christmas Dinner* on Saturday, 7 December 2024 at the Bartley Hotel; Organiser: Maxine Martin; Booking has been checked and awaiting menu and pricing.
- 20.5. *Cherry Run* in January 2025: Organiser: Mik Bojko.
- 20.6. Monthly Run in March 2025: Organiser Ian Russell.

- 20.7. *2025 Annual Run* on Thursday, 3 April to Saturday, 5 April 2025; Organiser Kingsley & Jenny Taylor; members need to book their accommodation.
- 20.8. *President's Run* in August 2025; Organiser: Adam Jones.

21. FUTURE EVENTS - INVITATION:

- 21.1. *Loxton Historical Run* on Saturday 26, Sunday 27 and Monday 28 October 2024: Organiser: The Riverland Vintage and Classic Car Club; A small number of Club members are attending this Run in support of Loxton Member David Kimber who is involved in its organisation.

22. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 22.1. *Clubrooms Official Opening Ceremony*: This item was lead by the Secretary; This event will be held on Saturday 9 November 2024 at the Clubrooms and is work in progress between the Council and the Club; The formalities will commence from 11am: An invitation email will be forwarded to members this week, requesting advice back about numbers for catering purposes; All of the resident hiring groups will be invited to attend with the car clubs invited to have a display of two vehicles each and our own club with up to five vehicles; Members who are interested to display their vehicle from 10am are requested to please contact the Secretary to facilitate a coordinated display with a diversity of T Fords; Unfortunately no moderns will be permitted in the carpark for lack of sufficient space (dignitaries excepted); Tea, coffee and nibblyies will be served at the conclusion of the formalities; Anyone with any idea about catering assistance between 10am and 1pm is welcome to advise the Secretary as it is a better outcome if our own members are not undertaking the catering task; John Eastick spoke about the importance of the event and how it celebrates a great achievement of all involved on the journey, including funding partners, resident clubs that have stood by our Club and our own Club members – please participate in the event.
- 22.2. *2027 National Rally*: The next planning meeting of volunteers will be held at 7pm on Tuesday 8 October 2024 at the Clubrooms; A number of ideas are being investigated.
- 22.3. *2025 Victorian Rally*: David Carver spoke of this rally in one year's time and anyone not yet entered needs to do so to get the benefit of the entry incentive; Two weeks ago, there were 60 entries; The Rally is based at the Ballarat Greyhound Racing Club facilities; The Secretary had received comments about a perceived lack of communication and had followed this up with the Rally Organisers.
- 22.4. *SA Car Club Program (SACCP) Round 3 Funding*: Peter Perry mentioned that this was now open for submissions; The President advised that he had received official advice recently.
- 22.5. *Soft drinks*: David Carver spoke of re-stocking the fridge.
- 22.6. *Committee business*: David Carver spoke of how the Committee deals with Club business and advises members of happenings when appropriate. Members are free to ask about anything at any time.
- 22.7. *Ford T Register (now defunct)*: Ian Russell spoke of the photo album that his father Tony had held for many years, and it is now in the library for members' perusal.
- 22.8. *Historic Vehicle Registration*: Peter Perry spoke of the issues associated with having a historically registered vehicle only in the name of one member of the family and the process with the Registrar of Motor Vehicles of changing that to include one or more other names; Peter encouraged members to consider their own situation. Adam Jones clarified that in such circumstances, a new Logbook is not required.

23. RAFFLE DRAW:

- 23.1. The raffle draw with four prizes was conducted. The President congratulated all that won a prize.

24. CLASSIFIEDS:

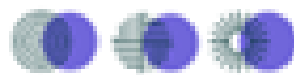
- 24.1. All classifieds to be emailed to Bob Yates who will coordinate future classified advertisements and to be included in Buzzer Box.

25. NEXT MEETINGS:

- 25.1. *Buzzer Box Night*: Wednesday, 30 October 2024 from 5.00pm at the Croydon Clubrooms.
- 25.2. *Committee Meeting*: Wednesday 30 October 2024 at 6.15pm at the Croydon Clubrooms.
- 25.3. *General Meeting*: Wednesday, 6 November 2024 at 7.00pm at the Croydon Clubrooms.

26. MEETING CLOSURE:

- 26.1. The President invited all those present to stay for supper and a chat, including with Wendy and Marcia and to meet Kimmie.
- 26.2. Meeting closed at 8.56pm with an applause.



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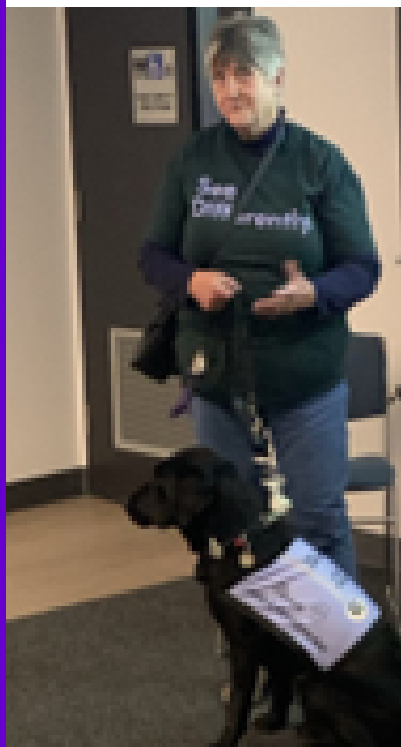
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PINNING THE REAR AXLE KEY

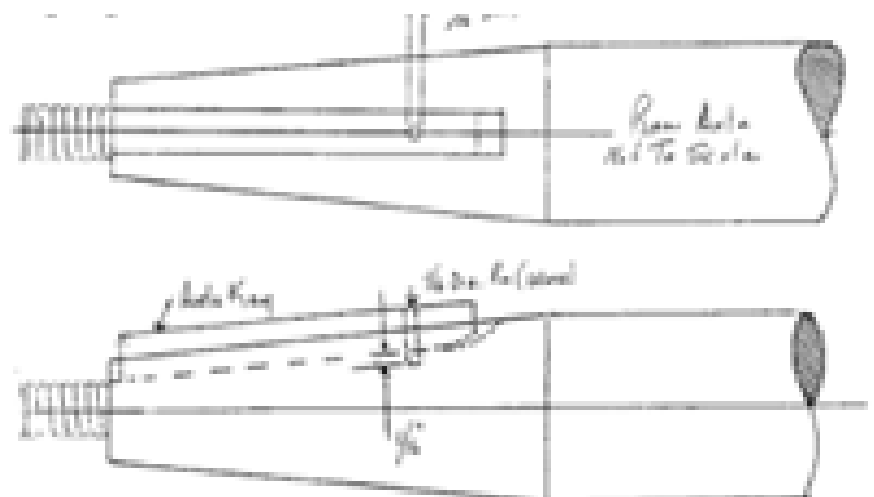
Keeping the rear axle key in its proper place when installing the rear wheel can sometimes be a chore if you are using the other than new components. Ideally the key should be a "Brass Hammer fit" in the slot on the rear axle taper. However, with new parts at a premium these days, some looseness seems to be the acceptable thing.

This looseness can, on occasions, cause one to lose his cool. Some T Ford Owners have come up with a good answer that seems to satisfy the installer. With the key properly located and secured in the axle slot, "Keyway" a 1/16" inch hole through the key and 1/16" of an inch into the bottom of the keyway. Inserting a piece of wire or small welding rod into the aligned holes keeps the key in its proper place. It is then no problem to place the hub and wheel onto the axle shaft correctly.

Several things one must remember. If your key is not in near perfect condition, don't replace with key stock available at most hardware stores. Most of their stuff is designed for use on lawn mower flywheels etc and is quite brittle and designed to shear when you hit a stone or other hard objects. This will hardly do for a rear axle key. A good test is to try to file or hacksaw the key, and if neither will touch it, do not use it.

As the taper of an old axle and hub will hardly ever mate perfectly when replacing the hub, it is advisable to use a good quality anti seize compound on the taper as well as the thread on the axle. This will prevent galling and make the removal a lot easier should it be required later. It is easy to exceed the stretch limits when a thread lubricant, so be extremely careful when tightening the axle nut. Do not

overdo it! If using a torque wrench, 45 to 50 Foot Pounds is sufficient, "61Nm to 68Nm", also making sure the hole in the axle lines up with the slots in the nut so the split pin can be installed.



POWER(LESS) STEERING FOR, A MODEL T FORD

At a gathering of Model T Ford owners, they were discussing a front axle that was being overhauled by a member. Before heading their own ways, they realised they just might have discovered a trick to make a Model T Ford steering much easier to operate.

The front axle that was being refurbished had seen a lot of service and before the fitting of new kingpins could be installed, the holes of the axle yoke had to be line bored and bushed back to the original size. The flats at the top were badly worn and the top one was cupped. It was at this point that the group set about to seek a way to lessen the load on the spindle bushings and ease up the steering.

You need to find an engineering company to machine the two surfaces parallel to each other with a 0.140" clearance between the axle yoke surface and the spindle bushings, see drawing. Why the 0.140" clearance, you ask? At a local bearing supplier, a roller thrust bearing and two thrust washers that were 0.140" thick. One bearing and two thrust washers are used between the top of the spindle and the axle on each side, having the following part numbers, Torrington bearings, #2 – NTA – 815, 0.0781 thick, \$9.08 each plus GST. Torrington Thrust Washers, #4 – TRA – 815, 0.030 thick, \$3.52 each plus GST.

The above items are available from, Gardner Bearings Pty Ltd, 2/134 Pt Wakefield Road, Cavan, South Australia, 08 8260 7555.

If the gap exceeds the listed 0.140, thicker Thrust Washers are available, TRB – 815, 0.063 thick, \$6.85 each plus GST and TRC – 815, 0.095 thick, \$7.28 each plus GST.

Prices quoted are from the above listed business, prices could vary from other organisations

The complete set of two bearings and four thrust washers will cost approximately \$ 40.00

Once installed, they look like a steel washer, just slightly smaller than the spindle bushing Flange, hardly noticeable to the untrained eye. Once the front axle is repainted it will not be noticed at all.

Place oil in the oil cup on the kingpin, so that it puts oil into the bearing before running down the bushing.





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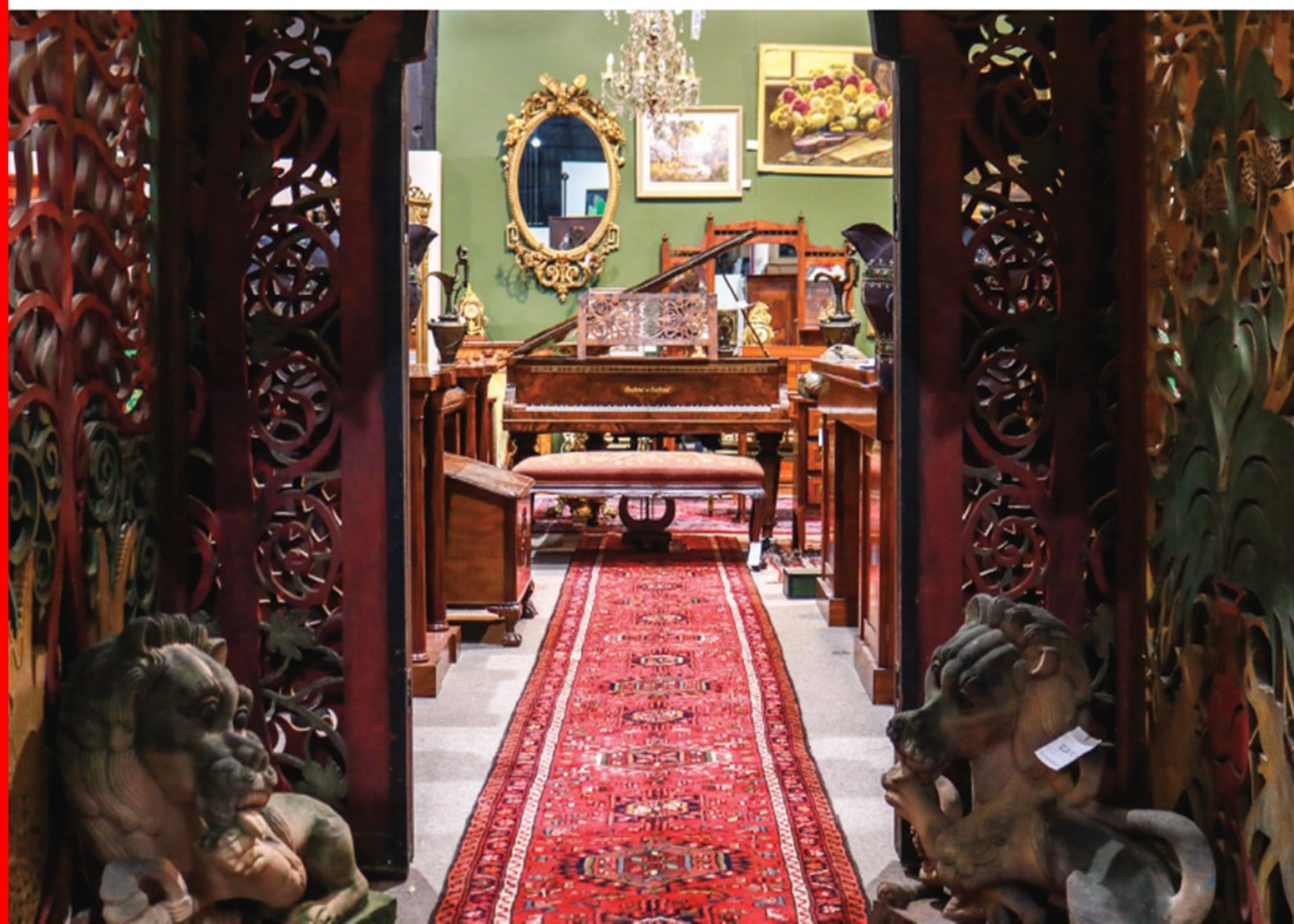
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