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PRESIDENTS REPORT

I decided that it probably was not in my best interest to tell Maxine that I had nothing to report on this month.

Boy have we been busy... I say we but I have only played a very small part in the building works that have been happening at the rear of the clubrooms.

We all must thank David, David and Neill with some help from myself and Peter for the professionalism in enclosing the back veranda to make a new storage area to house our surplus chairs.

Mik and Jim our painting gurus have also been hard at work painting the exterior.

This has been a long term project we first explored the idea and received planning approval before the dreaded covid hit, but as you can see it has now all but been completed.

Hope to see you all at either the next meeting or come along and enjoy a sausage at registration day.

Trevor Martin
President



This story is true .

As a young apprentice motor mechanic with a major Adelaide Company , I spent approx. six months at a time in the various sections .

This story starts when I was in the Tractor – Agricultural section .

A Lanz Bulldog tractor was undergoing repairs . This type of tractor was a diesel , single cylinder , and a hot spot to be heated with a special blow lamp. Also the steering wheel was quick removable since it was needed to crank the engine via the belt pulley dog .

I think that this is where the Genie got out of the bottle for this story .

One day with the engine running the foreman asked an older apprentice to check the fuel level ,he went straight over the side . The belt pulley which is constantly running tore his overalls off . Fortunately, apart from some bruising he was very lucky .

Weeks later it was to be delivered to Port Lincoln and was put on a truck which had a tipper body fitted, but due to the length of the tractor the tailgate could not be fitted , so, as I remember, heavy fencing wire was used across the back .

This truck was driven by an older mechanic , with myself driving a new 7 tonne traytop . I must have been about 18 at the time.

Every thing was fine until we were climbing just before Lochiel , with the road winding slightly and I was in the rear , i noticed the tractor was going up a steeper hill than the truck ! The tipper lever had become engaged . With my not having any load on board. I was able to get on the left hand verge and flag him down before his front wheels came off the road . We then tied the lever up.

By the time we got to Whyalla my Generator had failed so I was running on parking lights to ensure the engine could still run as it was a petrol engine .

After the generator was fixed , we then headed off onto the dirt section and arrived safely in Port Lincoln .

My cohort was sent home by plane , with myself to take an aging diesel traytop and a 38-39 Buick back to Adelaide .

Not having been a Boy Scout my rope skills were poor , so after putting the Buick on board I let the tyres down , tied it down with my poor skills then pumped the tyres up.

Away I went , but the Genie had not gone . Two injector lines on the Perkins broken by the time I reached Cowell .

A two day wait until Birdsey's delivered the new ones , but the time was spent with a chap from my childhood days at Henley Beach .

His family had moved to a farm just outside town. I also remember the publican had the same name as the Governor at the time Sir Robert George .

On the road again sings Willie Nelson ,but not for long . The Exhauster blew up just before Port Augusta , So I hitch hiked into the town to the Company's agent , advised them of the situation and again hitch hiked home .

Graham Warner

2021 Annual Run Port Willunga 30th April - 1st May

Wow! Another great Annual Run completed!

Maxine and Trevor certainly must have prayed to the weather gods as we had beautiful weather for the entire weekend.

We gathered together for the start at the Tea Tree Gully Hotel, all excited and ready to roll. We followed Albert Jones into the hotel car park with a smell and smoke coming from under the bonnet. Unfortunately he had wiring issues and had to get the RAA to tow him home. He then joined Rosina in the modern for the run.



The first part of our journey took us to Mt Torrens to have morning tea at the oval. Peter and I hadn't driven that part of the route so it was good to see some new scenery. It was here a few more members joined us and we enjoyed a chat and a cuppa.

From here we travelled to Macclesfield Square where we were joined by more participants. We were treated to some cold meats and salads, plus some of Jenny Taylor's yummy delights. We relaxed over lunch sharing stories of our trip so far

and after being replenished and rested, it was time to head to our destination - Port Willunga Tourist Park.

Peter and I were treated to some more roads we hadn't travelled on and we enjoyed the lovely autumn colours and scenery along the way.

When we reached the Caravan Park, the managers had put up the boom gates for us to enter and after they took a photo of each of the cars we headed to our cabins to settle in. Great caravan park, a new one to us!

It wasn't long before we had a mini happy hour on Sally and Ken's deck as we were in 4 cabins across the other side of the park to everyone else. We then all headed over to the main happy hour/meals location to join the others. Here we shared nibbles and our favourite beverages. We then had a great meal of Maxine and Rod's soups, lasagne and salad. An enjoyable evening ensued until it was time to put head to pillow ready for the next day.

Anthony, Maggie, Frankie and Emaline Bennett joined the run later in the evening.



2021 Annual Run (cont)

Saturday we woke to beautiful weather and after the usual breakfast of cereal, bacon and eggs and beverages we took off to head into Willunga to stroll the markets. There was a slight hiccup with directions and a few of us just followed our tour organisers whilst others found their own way there. Won't say who but there were a couple of cars with steamed up windows from the hot air from the drivers and their partners debating directions!



Bob and Elaine Sellar, long time members and friends of the club had arranged to meet us there to securely lock our cars away whilst at the markets. We met back at 12 noon and drove to Bob and Elaine's home for lunch. We checked out Bob's cars, gardens and ate lunch.

We were joined there by Craig Bennett and his carers to spend some time with us which was lovely.

Bob had arranged to take those who wanted to see his neighbour and another friend's cars while the rest of us just relaxed and chatted. After a lovely visit we thanked Bob and Elaine and headed back to the caravan park.

Peter and I drove along the Aldinga Beach Esplanade enjoying the sea views and sunshine before returning to the park. Some went to wineries, some napped or just relaxed until it was time to head to happy hour.



For dinner we enjoyed superbly cooked steak by Sally Nichols along with veggies and mushroom gravy, followed by hot apple pie. Once we had eaten we had a very pleasant evening where many a story and joke was told. Lots of laughs and fun especially from some unexpected sources such as Sue Oates, who had some excellent blonde jokes. I could probably tell you much more, but what happens on the run, stays on the run! All I know is we have more fun with this relaxed style of eating and get together than going to a hotel, where you are all on different tables.

2021 Annual Run (cont)

Sunday morning after another scrumptious breakfast, it was time to leave the park. We drove through McLaren Vale, Blewitt Springs to Clarendon Oval for another morning tea supplied by Jenny. Some of our members left us here to head home while the rest of us took off to Cherry Gardens where we stopped at the oval for a sausage sizzle lunch. It was a bit cooler today driving through the Adelaide Hills, but no rain.

Here we said our goodbyes and thanks to all involved in making this run so special. We had an enjoyable three days and would like to thank Maxine and Trevor for their hard work in organising the run. Thanks to Doretta for being a big help to Maxine where needed. Thanks to Jenny for our yummy morning teas and thankyou to anyone else who helped with cooking and cleaning up during the duration of the run. A special thankyou to Bob and Elaine Sellar for their help and hospitality.

If you want to enjoy great comrade and friendship, join us on the 2022 Annual Run.

Attendees were.....

Stuart & Linda Bowshall

Rod & Doretta Hills

Rod & Cheryl Crawford

Allan & Nancy Bennett

John & Lyn Scorgie

David & Gayle Carver

Ian & Sue Oates

John & Di Eastick

Peter & Merry Perry

Ian & Kelly Russell

Matthew Edwards

Albert & Rosina Jones

Adam Jones & Gary Warren

Ken Durward & Sally Nichols

Malcolm & Elizabeth Curtis

Anthony, Maggie, Frankie and

Emaline Bennett

Kingsley & Jenny Taylor

Jim & Glenyss Trenorden

Trevor & Maxine Martin

Tony & Kaye Russell



Merry Perry



**Notice is hereby given of the
Annual General Meeting
Model 'T' Ford Club of Australia Inc
Wednesday 7th July 2021**

to commence at the conclusion of the General Meeting

Agenda:

- Vale
- Special Announcements
- Acceptance of Previous Minutes
- Treasurers Report
- Patron's Address
- President's Report



All Positions declared vacant:

Election of the following positions:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Committee Members
- Other Office Bearers

The Model T Ford Club of Australia needs members to become office bearers or to join our Committee of Management for the year 2021/22.

Members can nominate themselves or another member (with their permission)

Please refer to page 1 of the Buzzerbox for a list of Office Bearers



ANNAUL RUN PORT WILLUNGA

It all started with a phone call Thursday night from my son Ian and Kelly who were taking the 1922 T ford, Dad one of the tyres does not look very good can you bring along an extra one, SURE, out into the shed bounced it on the floor but did not check it with a pressure gauge, Friday morning loaded the Prefect which Kay and I were taking and headed for our Daughter's at Banksia Park to drop of our Dog that was staying there for the weekend. Then back to the start at the Tree Gully Hotel car park, not everyone was meeting here.

Albert Jones was the first casualty as he pulled into the car park smoke was coming out from under the bonnet. On checking the Fire Wall the Wiring Loom was on fire and after putting it out the damage was too bad to repair so a tow truck was organised. Albert and Rosina met up with group at the lunch spot in their modern.

It was soon time to leave. We made our way up through the Chain of Ponds, Inglewood and Gumeracha to Mount Torrens Oval for morning tea the first of Jenny's delicious slices and biscuits which will be eaten many times over the weekend. We then headed through Charleston, Harrogate, Dawesley, Nairne and Meadows. A short distance out of Macclesfield our first puncture happened in the "T" got the spare out of the Prefect jacked up the "T" and changed it over, on letting it down there wasn't as much air in it as I thought but thought there was enough to get into town WRONG by the time Ian got to the service station (about 7ks away) the valve had pulled out and went into the tyre. Kay and I had gone to the Lunch spot and as I had the Jack in the Prefect Rod and Kingsley said they would take it down and help Ian do the second change over. The rest of the day went with no more mishaps.



Saturday a great day sunny day, a hearty breakfast and then off to the



Willunga Street Market where Bob and Elaine Sellar had arranged of street parking for all the cars. There was a lot to see at the Market. Back at the cars around Noon and then of to Bob and Elaine Sellar's for a hearty lunch and to have a look at Bob's new project and collection it was great to see Craig with his carers who made the day trip from Gawler for the day. Mick and Paul also came up for the day to be part of the weekend. The day did not stop there as Bob had arranged for us to look at some more old cars. All too soon it was time to head back to the caravan park and get ready for the evening meal and entertainment. Once again the Steak was cooked to perfection thank you Sally. Great food and Great Jokes what more could you ask for.

All too soon Sunday was here and after another great breakfast it was time to head home. Clarendon Oval was our first stop for morning tea, then on to Cherry Gardens Recreation Ground for a sausage sizzle lunch. Lots of talking on how good a weekend it has been with a few thank you and lots of goodbyes, Ian and I along with Maxine and Trevor were the last to leave Ian didn't even get to the gate when Kay said I think Ian has a flat front tyre !!!!! tooting the horn to make him stop and after a couple of phone calls and we located Stuart only 10 min away so Trevor unhitched the trailer and went to get Stuarts spare. We fitted Stewart's spare tyre and were on our way. Kelly got onto Mrs Google for our way home but we soon discovered this was for a modern car not a T Ford as she took us up a steep hill and we ran out of petrol also it was a very narrow road. Ian did a 3point turn once he was pushed to face down the hill we went back down. As Trevor had the trailer on he wasn't able to do a 3point turn so we said you head home if we have any more trouble we will get Ian's son Anthony to come with the trailer. Lucky for us the rest of the trip home was good.

MANY, MANY thanks to all those who helped us out over the week end.

A big thank you to Linda and Stewart for the use of their tyre.

A very BIG THANK YOU to Trevor and Maxine for a GREAT WEEKEND and all their help.

Kay, Tony, Kelly and Ian.



TEAMWORK
coming together is a *Beginning*
keeping together is *Progress*
working together is *Success*
-Henry Ford

From Our Founder

Dear Maxine

What a great website for the club.

I don't deserve it but am so proud that the club is still going and so strong thanks to the enthusiasm of the members and especially the various committees over the many years.

From my initial vision at the beginning the club it was not only about preserving these unique cars that others clubs failed to see as important but the very recognition of the early pioneering years that the Ford T played in Australia motoring history. Probably more than any other marque,

It was also about the grouping together the enthusiasm for the mark shown by friends at the time. Ian Todhunter, John Scorgie, Nigel Merit, Chris, Alan Tolfs and dear Geoff Potter.

From us young ones at the time and at our first meeting at Lees Garage the interest shown towards the marque by older folk such as Peter and John Lee and their Dad, Alec Dealtry and others was totally unexpected.

This was something I simply didnt expect and from there is simply grew what a wonderful club it is today.

Many many thanks to you all,
I remain very grateful.

Allen White



If you were planning on going
to Sedan Swap Meet

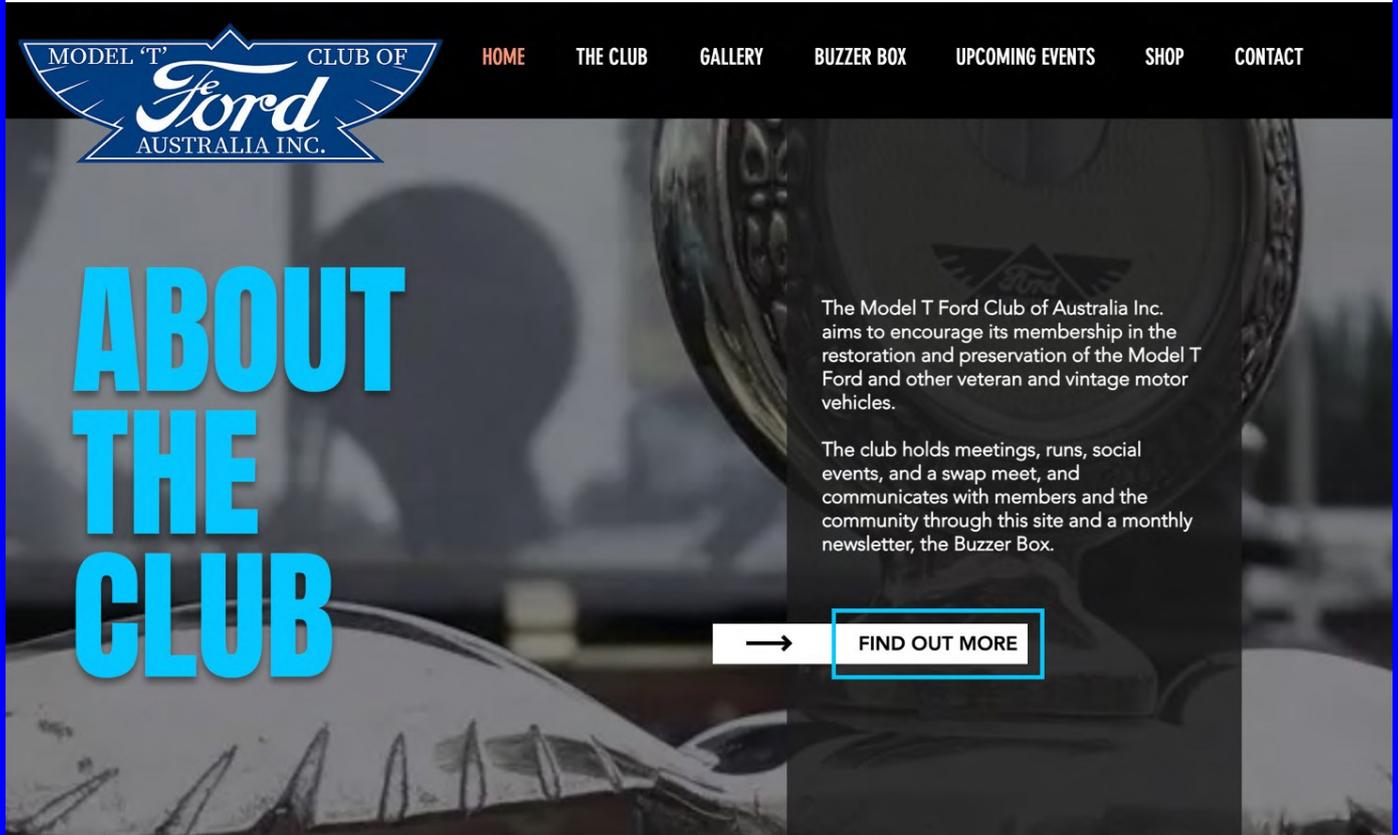
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Unfortunately this event has
been

CANCELLED

Have you seen the clubs new website

Sarah has been working hard to create a new and exciting website for us all to enjoy
Why not take a look



MODEL 'T' CLUB OF
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ABOUT THE CLUB

The Model T Ford Club of Australia Inc. aims to encourage its membership in the restoration and preservation of the Model T Ford and other veteran and vintage motor vehicles.

The club holds meetings, runs, social events, and a swap meet, and communicates with members and the community through this site and a monthly newsletter, the Buzzer Box.

→ **FIND OUT MORE**

www.modeltfordclubaustralia.org.au

If you have any thoughts about what else you would like to see incorporated on the site please email

secretary@modeltfordclubaustralia.org.au

On behalf of the committee and members I would like to thank Sarah for all her efforts.



Dontopedalogy is the science of opening your mouth and putting your foot in it, which I've practised for many years.

-- *Prince Philip*

MODEL 'T' FORD

2020 EVENTS

MONTH 2021	DATE	MEETING TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
February	Wed 3rd	8.00pm	Birthday General Meeting	Clubrooms
	Sun 21st	7.30am	Model A Breakfast	CCC Clubroom
	Wed 24th	5.30pm	Buzzerbox/Committee	Clubrooms
March	Wed 3rd	8.00pm	General Meeting	Clubrooms
	Sat 13th	7.00pm	Birthday Dinner	West Croydon
	Sun 28th		Birdwood Mill	Birdwood
	Wed 31st	5.30pm	Buzzerbox/Committee	Clubrooms
April	Wed 7th		General Meeting	Clubrooms
	Sun 18th		McLaren Vale Vintage & Classic	McLaren Vale
	Sat 24th		Classic on the Park	Vigara Wines,
	Wed 28th	5.30pm	Buzzerbox/Committee	Clubrooms
	Fri30th-2nd		Annual Run	Pt Willunga
May	Wed 5th	8.00pm	General Meeting	Clubrooms
	Wed 26th	5.30pm	Buzzerbox/Committee	Clubrooms
June	Wed 2nd	8.00pm	General Meeting	Clubrooms
	Sun20th	10.30am	Registration Day—BBQ	Clubrooms
	Wed 30th		Buzzerbox/committee	Clubrooms
July	Wed 7th	8.00pm	General Meeting/AGM	Clubrooms
	Wed 28th	5.30pm	Buzzerbox/Committee	Clubrooms
August	Sun 1st		Ford 8&10 Combined Run	
	Wed 4th	8.00pm	General Meeting	Clubrooms
	Wed 25th	5.30pm	Buzzerbox/Committee	Clubrooms

CLUB OF AUSTRALIA

CALENDAR

<i>LOCATION</i>	<i>NOTES</i>	<i>ORGANISER</i>
s Glandore	Bookings essential Committee after Buzzerrbox	Committee Model A Car Club Committee
RSL	Bookings Essential Meet Summertown Committee after Buzzerbox	Committee Committee Kingsley Taylor committee
Angle Vale	Bookings 0402 905 978 Committee after Buzzerbox	Committee www.vintageandclassic.com.au Gawler Veteran, Vintage & Classic Club Committee Committee
		Committee Committee
	BBQ Lunch	Committee Committee Committee
	Committee after Buzzerbox	Committee Committee
	A drive through the hills Committee after Buzzerbox	8 & 10 Car Club Committee Committee

Lunch with Friends Angaston

We have been lucky with the weather on the run days this year & again we fluked a perfect day.

Meeting up at Carisbrooke Park participants numbered 22, not bad for a lunch run.

We enjoyed the day with:

David & Sarah Model T

Allan Bennett Model T

Rod & Doretta Sunbeam

Lyn & myself Mini

Trevor & Maxine modern

John & Di Volkswagen

Stuart & Lynda Model T

Adam Jones Chevrolet

Jim & Glenyss Wolsley

Mik & Marg modern

Rod & Cheryl modern Mini

Pete & Merywin modern

After the issue of the run sheet we all took off onto Black Top Rd & into all places beyond. Williamstown wasn't listed so we tossed a coin & turned right. Some turned left. First stuff up!

Re-grouping, we eventually got to Angaston, following Allan in his T. He was winding out of Angaston heading to goodness knows where, when Lyn mentioned that we passed the correct turnoff a while back, but the sign said NO THRU RD. Bloody sign post was on the wrong side of the road!!

We again re-grouped, turned around & headed to the lunch stop.

If you have never been to the Company Store Angaston for a meal, do yourself a favour & try it. The meals were huge, plenty of choice & good service. Do not go unannounced. On this winters day the staff were turning diners away because they were full. Gives you some idea of the popularity of the place

Two hours of food drinks & good company & it was time to depart. Rod Adam & I left in convoy as I had no brake lights so Adam rode shotgun behind us.

We lost Adam at Tanunda & we were on our own. Every clown on the road wanted to sit on the Mini's tail so it was a bit harrowing when we had to brake.

The last stretch, coming down Black Top Rd I had a cowboy in a 4WD right up my clacker & he would not back off.



Lunch with Friends Angaston (cont)

I done what most thoughtful drivers do & made him sit there while I wound the poor little 850cc Mini up.

No speedo, but sitting with you bum a half inch off the bitumen it seemed bloody fast. Right at this stage we hit a depression in the road & the Mini was airborne, if only for a second or two. I just had time to ask Lyn to hold on & down it came. Fortunately the suspension has all been renewed & we come down straight.

That fixed the cowboy behind, he backed off. A car coming toward us flashed it's lights & gave us the thumbs up.

Uneventful trip home but it has made me realise you can't leave a car in the shed without driving it. No brake lights, Broken speedo drive, all thru lack of attention.

The Mini was last driven in 2007 apart from the odd trip around the block.

When my back straightens out, my knees start to work again, I should give the little girl another run.

John Scorgie





THE BIRTHDAY BOY'S DAY OUT

Diane and I set off from home in 'Suzie the Superbug' at 8.45am so as to arrive at the start / morning tea location at Salisbury's Carisbrooke Park by 10am.

We have no reasons to travel across the city too much these days, so we noticed so many changes along the way like the extensive demolition work at the intersection of Portrush Road and Magill Road and the various works underway on Brien's Road. We were travelling OK for time so Diane wanted to drive past her family home on Pratt Avenue at Pooraka. She observed many changes in her old stamping grounds.

We arrived at about 9.50am to a roaring chorus of 'Happy Birthday....to John.....', followed by three cheers. Yes, it was my birthday (don't ask how old) and it was a great gesture of the club to arrange such a lovely day out to mark the occasion with friends ! Well, I would like to think so but coincidence really.

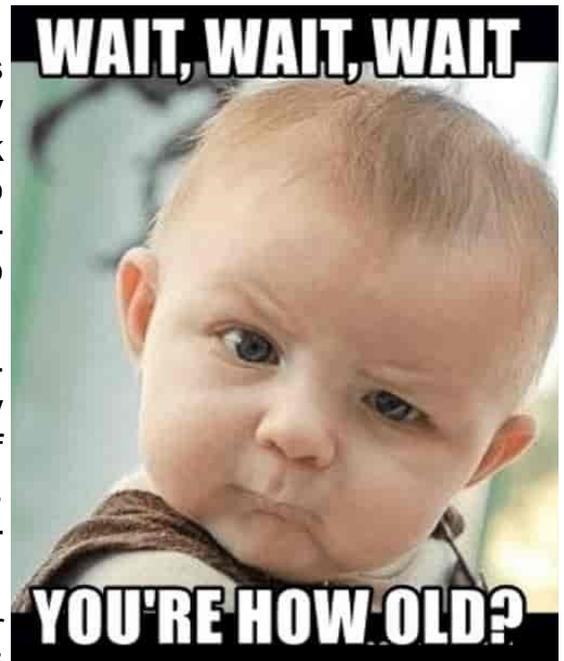
It was a good turn-out of members with their vehicles on what proved to be a very pleasant day indeed. I counted 22 members with a variety of vehicles, notably three Model T Fords in the field. There were five vehicles that I hadn't seen before.

We all set off at about 10.45am and headed for Angaston, with Allan Bennett leaving about 15 minutes earlier in Henrietta so as to get a head start, I suspect because he knew the hills to be encountered on the route.

Unfortunately, I made a poor judgement at the exit from Carisbrooke Park. I misjudged the close proximity of the right turn off to Blacktop Road and the barrage of fast-moving vehicles bearing down on Main North Road so I had the only safe choice to go north wards on that road for at least a kilometre before I could turn back to Blacktop Road. This put us behind the entire field travelling towards One Tree Hill.

The run sheet took us to One Tree Hill, Kersbrook, Williamstown, Lyndoch, Rowland Flat, Bethany and into the back of Angaston to our lunch spot. There were some challenging hills along the way, the notable one being the long 'grind' up and over the hill to Kersbrook. Everyone arrived safe and sound for lunch with no incident (that I know of).

The choice of lunch venue was second to none. The South Australian Company Store at Angaston put on a great lunch for our large group, together with others. After lunch, we realised there were several birthdays being celebrated and this was a cue for my friends to deliver two more happy birthday chorus's coincident with the others. It was all good fun.



THE BIRTHDAY BOY'S DAY OUT (cont)

We all wandered off home mid-afternoon, travelling variously from Angaston. Diane and I travelled across the hills via Eden Valley, Springton, Mt Pleasant, Birdwood, etc to home at Echunga. Along the way, we passed various locations where we have had morning teas and lunches on runs and National Rallies over the years.

Thank you for your great company and being a part of me celebrating my birthday that day and to Trevor and Maxine for arranging the run and morning tea. I acknowledge both Maxine and Adam Jones on the run who were both celebrating their birthdays within days of my own – happy birthday to each of them. Three cheers!

John Eastick



Membership/Registration Day

Sunday 20th June 2020 from 10:30am - 2:30 pm

Featuring a Free BBQ at the Clubrooms with a cast of Volunteer Chefs

Soft Drink cans may be purchased within the rooms

Tea & Coffee available all day

Membership Renewals Kingsley Taylor as Treasurer

Jenny Taylor as the Treasurers staff

Registrars for Vehicle Registrations & Log Books: Mik Bojko , Michael Gordon & Greg Morphett, Bob Yates

Membership Renewal Fees will remain at

Individual: \$45 Family \$50 Country \$40 Senior \$40 Associate \$50.00

Joining Fee \$25

Life Membership requiring Historic Vehicle Registration is as above.

Membership renewal is on us yet again, and all members that have vehicles under the Historic Registration Scheme need to renew their membership prior to the 1st of July or their vehicles will no longer be registered. Your membership must be paid prior to your logbook being signed.

THE JAGUAR WE CALLED THE TAYLOR TEN

This is the start of the swinging 60's. William Lyons is working on the replacement for the MK9 Jaguar and I have started my first real paying employment with one of Australia's leading advertising agencies.

George Patterson Advertising had established a branch in Adelaide headed by Bryce Kinnear.

The Art Director was Jim Jarvis and the Radio and TV Department had a staff of one, namely Gerald Crease, Kevin's brother. I brought the staff number to two and was put in charge of the library of clients 16mm film commercials, which were spliced into the 16mm film programs at the TV stations.

Arnotts biscuits were a George Patterson client and sponsored the Mickey Mouse Club. In one telecast of the show a song 'we don't like biscuits' went to air with the next commercial for Arnotts. Well in those days this was a big deal and the edict came from George Patterson Sydney, that all programs had to be previewed for content relative to the sponsor commercial.

So began my task of visiting the two TV stations and sitting through such programs as The Untouchables, Peter Gun and worst of all, The Mickey Mouse Club. I drove my family nuts by delivering the dialogue early, as the program was telecast that night. Bank Street became my Madison Avenue. I never tired of working in this medium and made myself indispensable.

Whenever a client preview of a film was required, Bryce Kinnear would go into meltdown if I was not standing by in the Theatrette at least 30 minutes before. This probably had something to do with the 16mm projector we used. As the film went through the gate the loops top and bottom had to be just the right length. Too large and the sound synch was wrong. Too small and the sprockets would tear. Bryce nearly always tore the sprockets.

Until now my experience with things Jaguar had been limited to brief encounters with customers cars at the family service station. I watched as a MK2 did its best to resist the fitting of an Arbarth exhaust system. Occasionally I would lift the car cover from one corner of an XK150 fixed head owned by a pilot who found our premises conveniently close to the Airport. Such encounters had made me interested in the Jaguar mystique, however this evaporated when I was sent to deliver a relatives MK5. This was a slow ponderous old man's car with a gearshift throw to match. Of course it didn't help that my benchmark vehicle had been Plymouth Fury Avis renters, which we serviced and I had ferried back to the Airport.

One of the office boys in the press production department bought a MK5 and couldn't understand my lack of enthusiasm, however when a script writer arrived with a MKIV drophead, that caught my attention!

By 1963 Gellert Advertising, with a staff of two, Mr Gellert and Darryl Trott, occupied an office next to the Radio TV Dept. Darryl, under the tuition of Ruth Tuck, was to become a world renown artist, famous for his floral art and patronage by the US Presidents wife Lady Bird Johnson.

Around this time the agency Media Manager resigned and I was offered the position. I think the sweetener was a one pound a week increase in wages and my own office.

I soon introduced new systems for tear sheet collection which eliminated the services of one office boy. Should have asked for another quid! Anyway Darryl started to plan a working holiday to the UK and four of us ended up booking a December 1963 departure. What could go wrong for a bunch of 20 year olds! Suddenly we were embroiled in a drama befitting the best soapie.

Bryce Kinnear, Jim Jarvis and Alan Martin spun off a new ad agency and George Patterson Sydney wanted to know if we were involved. It was a distraction that we did not need and then Kennedy gets shot. What was that, oh things come in threes, but you're only going on a 12 thousand mile six week trip on the high seas. What could go wrong?. Well that's another story.



THE JAGUAR WE CALLED THE TAYLOR TEN

Fast forward to 1965 and as I step off the ship in Melbourne, Bryce Kinnear offers a position in the Radio TV Dept of his new enterprise. Bill Stevens is my new boss with Chris Boland and Kay Withers the petticoat bosses.

By 1967 I am quite happy to escape by way of a promotion to Account Executive. One of the accounts I manage is the Leyland dealer J. W. Taylor and Sons. This is right up my alley as Taylors add Lotus, Aston Martin and Jensen to the dealership. Every dealership has a used car lot and Taylors are no exception. Sometimes a trade in just hangs around and so it was with a white 3.8 MK10 Jaguar. The MK10 was introduced to the world in 1961 and by 1967, the early examples, it could be said, were not sought after.

At the time channel 10, now channel 7, had a Saturday afternoon pop music live telecast show and I put together a proposal to run a competition with the MK10 as the prize.

The deal was to paint the MK10 in patterns on air and invite entries to name the colours. An advertising budget was agreed with SAS10 and sign writers from Ellis Display under guidance from Bill Ellis took to the MK10 one Saturday afternoon. The MK10 was decked out with surfboards from John Arnolds Surf Shop and guess who got to drive it.

Over the following weeks the MK10 impressed with its smooth effortless handling and notoriety. This was a car full of surprises. Even with the windows down there seemed to be no wind noise or buffeting. Years later I discovered the sophisticated weighting mechanism of those window winder cranks. Another marvel was the automatic transmission hold when the brakes were applied at a stop and then release when the accelerator was prodded.

The eventual winner was a chap named David Roney. David arranged with Taylors paint shop to strip the Ellis artwork and respray the old English white. The MK10 scored a 420G stainless waist trim and was sold. Much later David bought the freehold of a small service station on Pt Wakefield Rd. Just before the turn off to Angle Vale Rd. Fuel was supplied by BP, the significance of this will soon become apparent. David was struggling with this business and one day decided to run a small "for sale" classified in the Advertiser.

Now, David did not have any great expectations and went about his business, only to be greeted that morning, by two executives from the Shell Company. Pleasantries were exchanged and a contract for sale was produced by the men from Shell, with the offer already filled out. To give David his due, he kept his composure but admitted when telling this story, that his hand was shaking so much he barely managed a legible signature.

It transpired that the freehold, Shell supplied, service station further back on Pt. Wakefield Rd had done a deal with BP and Shell were not best pleased. A classic tit for tat. In those days there was a loose agreement between the oil companies, not to poach each others' outlets, but when Amoco arrived the arrangement began to unravel. Later when the trading hours restrictions were abandoned by the Government and the Gepps X mad mile disintegrated, Shell disposed of its tit for tat purchase.

Like they say every dog has it's day and David and that MK10 certainly did.

Then I joined the model T Ford club...

Who am I?



MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 5TH MAY 2021

WELCOME:

Meeting commenced at 8.00pm.

The President welcomed everyone present.

The President advised that in case of emergency, both the front and back doors are open.

The Secretary outlined the club's responsibilities at the clubrooms under the current COVID-19 environment:

Attendees must sign in or use the QR app as they enter the clubrooms (legal requirement for contact tracing purposes);

Attendees must socially distance – one per 4m²; and

Non-compliance could constitute a breach and the club could be fined \$5,000 by the police. Maxine is the designated COVID Marshal.

APOLOGIES:

Brian Teakle, Peter & Merawyn Perry, Paul van Ruth, Sarah Bowshall and Mark White, Michael Gordon

MYSTERY OBJECTS:

Four objects.

MINUTES OF LAST GENERAL MEETING, 7TH APRIL 2021:

As presented in the May 2021 Buzzer Box.

Moved: Neil Hofmeyer, that the minutes be accepted; Seconded: Doretta Hills; Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST GENERAL MEETING:

The President advised that the Committee continues to investigate solar panels. A scheme costed at around \$20,000 has been proposed and assistance from the Council is being pursued. A submission will be prepared by the end of this week for a grant of \$5,000 towards the purchase of the materials and will be followed next year by a submission for a grant of \$5,000 towards the labour content. Patron Tony Williams has been collaborating with Council officers about the grant processes. David Dunn spoke about power being sent to the grid during the daytime when the clubrooms are generally dormant whilst there is no direct benefit at night when the clubrooms are being utilised. Kingsley Taylor spoke of the need to get everything together so as a decision can be made.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The Secretary tabled reciprocating club magazines for members to read after the meeting and referred to correspondence about the solar project mentioned at item 5.1 above.

Moved: Maxine Martin, that the Secretary's Report be accepted;

Seconded: Tony Russell; Carried.

NEW MEMBERSHIP:

Nil.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer read out a reconciliation of accounts for the month of April 2021.

Moved: Kingsley Taylor, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted;

Seconded: Stuart Bowshall; Carried.

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 5TH MAY 2021 (cont)

CLUBROOM BOOKING COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

In Bob Yates's absence, the President advised that that there was nothing to report.

CLUBROOM MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

In Paul van Ruth's absence, the President advised that there was no report

BUZZER BOX REPORT:

Maxine apologised for the late delivery of the digital copies due to the Annual Run.

Maxine advised that she was intending to stand down from the Editor's job at the forthcoming AGM.

Patron Tony distributed packets of Tim Tams to the writers of articles, as follows: both John & Lyn Scorgie, David Dunn, Mik Bojko, Ian Oates, Colin Drennan and Nancy Bennett.

FEDERATION REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:

Colin Drennan advised there is nothing to report until after the next meeting on Saturday 8 May.

PAST EVENTS:

Gawler to Barossa Veteran & Vintage Run on Sunday 11 April 2021: Rod Hills reported it was a well organised run in good weather. Entry was \$10 per person.

McLaren Vale Vintage & Classic on Sunday 18 April 2021: Rod Crawford reported it was another great event this year.

Classic on the Park on Saturday 24 April 2021: no-one who was present at the meeting attended.

Annual Run to Port Willunga on Friday 30 April to Sunday 2 May 2021: several members spoke highly of the Run: Rod Crawford suggested it was top class in all respects and Saturday night was terrific entertainment; Tony Russell spoke of son Ian's experiences on his first long trip with the Model T Ford 'Jaffer', in particular on the Friday with tyre issues and then the trip home from Coromandel Valley with fuel starvation up one steep hill. Otherwise, reported it was a well organised trip away with good weather and good company; the joke of the weekend was told by Sue Oates;

Nancy Bennett congratulated the organisers and referred to making son Craeg so warmly welcome on the Saturday's activities;

Mik Bojko reported the Saturday afternoon visitations were excellent, to which the President spoke of the efforts to arrange them with Bob Sellars. Tony Russell asked for a round of applause for Trevor and Maxine as the organisers.

FUTURE EVENTS:

Lunch with Friends on Sunday 16 May 2021: the notice is in the Buzzer Box and members are asked to register their intent to attend.

Registration Day on Sunday 20 June 2021: will be staged at the clubrooms with a BBQ lunch and more details to follow.

Bay to Birdwood on Sunday 26 September 2021: John Eastick mentioned that classic vehicle entries have already closed. Total entries will be capped at 1400 so as to enable the Finish Event to be staged.

Kangaroo Island Adventure between 25 and 31 October 2021: Adam Jones had nothing further to report.

The Secretary advised future runs will be confirmed by email

GENERAL BUSINESS:

The President reminded every one of the forthcoming AGM in July and asked that members think about nominating for committee. As mentioned earlier, the Editor's position will be vacated by Maxine.

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 5TH MAY 2021 (cont)

GENERAL BUSINESS:

On behalf of the Committee, the President made a presentation about the verandah enclosure project whereby the building was being closed in on the city side. He outlined the history of the project over the last 18 or so months – how a development approval application was prepared and submitted, with a subsequent approval from the City of Charles Sturt (Council) to enable the project to proceed and using club resources (labour and materials). Progress was then delayed by COVID19 restrictions followed by awaiting the availability of designated resources. With a proposed start date of post Easter 2021, it was necessary to seek a reapproval from Council for a revised start date. This was subsequently obtained. With a small team of club members lead by David Dunn, work did commence and the project has now reached lock-up. Given the scale and nature of the project, a small team was deemed the most appropriate and efficient way of proceeding. Materials incorporated so far have all been sourced at discounted prices (where possible) and the labour content is all volunteer. The Committee anticipates the project will cost in the order of \$5,000, with approximately \$3,000 spent to-date.

MOTION: The members here present at this meeting ratify the Committee's decision to proceed with the current verandah enclosure project and agree to the club expending up to \$5,500 (including 10% contingency).

Proposed: John Eastick; Seconded: Janet Thiem; Carried.

The President said that he would report at future meetings on progress and anticipated expenditure against this approved amount.

Trevor acknowledged the efforts of everyone involved in the project so far, including Patron Tony for his liaison with Council personnel at critical stages and Council staff themselves.

When it becomes time for painting, both Mik Bojko and Jim Trenorden will become involved.

Patron Tony stated that the work improves the aesthetics of the building on the city side and makes it consistent with the carpark side, adds to the useable floor space and improves the value to members of the facility. Tony asked that progressive photos of the works be included in future editions of Buzzer Box.

Club website: David Dunn spoke of the recent efforts by Sarah Bowshall for building a new website platform. Sarah has dedicated many hours to the task and the result is outstanding. The site is about to go live.

RSL Croydon: Patron Tony spoke about this facility being excellent for any future opportunities and this included the Christmas Party.

Anzac Day March on Sunday 25 April: John Clarke reported on his experiences with entering his 1917 Ford Light Horse Patrol Car in the city parade. He received a lot of interest and positive comments. The car was the last vehicle in the parade. He experienced a flat battery, faulty alternator and overheating. Generally, the car went well and a few improvements need to be made. John sincerely thanked David Dunn and Allan Bennett and others in the club for their invaluable assistance getting the car ready for the day.

Tony Russell spoke of he having two Model T wheels on display and any queries to be directed to Allan Bennett.

David Carver spoke of a source for T Ford transmission bands.

Patron Tony wished all mothers a happy Mother's Day and may the best team win at the Showdown.



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MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 5TH MAY 2021 (cont)

MYSTERY OBJECTS:

Multi pliers; leaf spring greaser; hand saw tooth setting tool; and T Ford wheel speed brace.

RAFFLE DRAW:

Six prize pool.

BUY, SWAP, SELL OR GIVEAWAY:

Provide any details to the Editor for publication.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Buzzer Box Folding: 26 May 2021 at 5.30pm.

Committee Meeting: 26 May 2021 at 6.00pm.

General Meeting: 2 June 2021 at 8.00pm.

MEETING CLOSED:

The President thanked everyone for their attendance and invited them for a coffee and a chat.

The meeting was closed at 9.15pm.

Those present were reminded to sign the attendance book.

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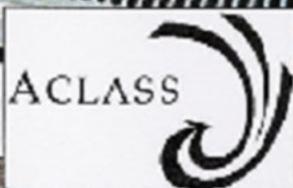
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