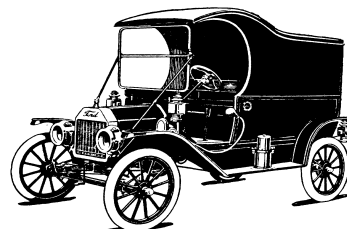




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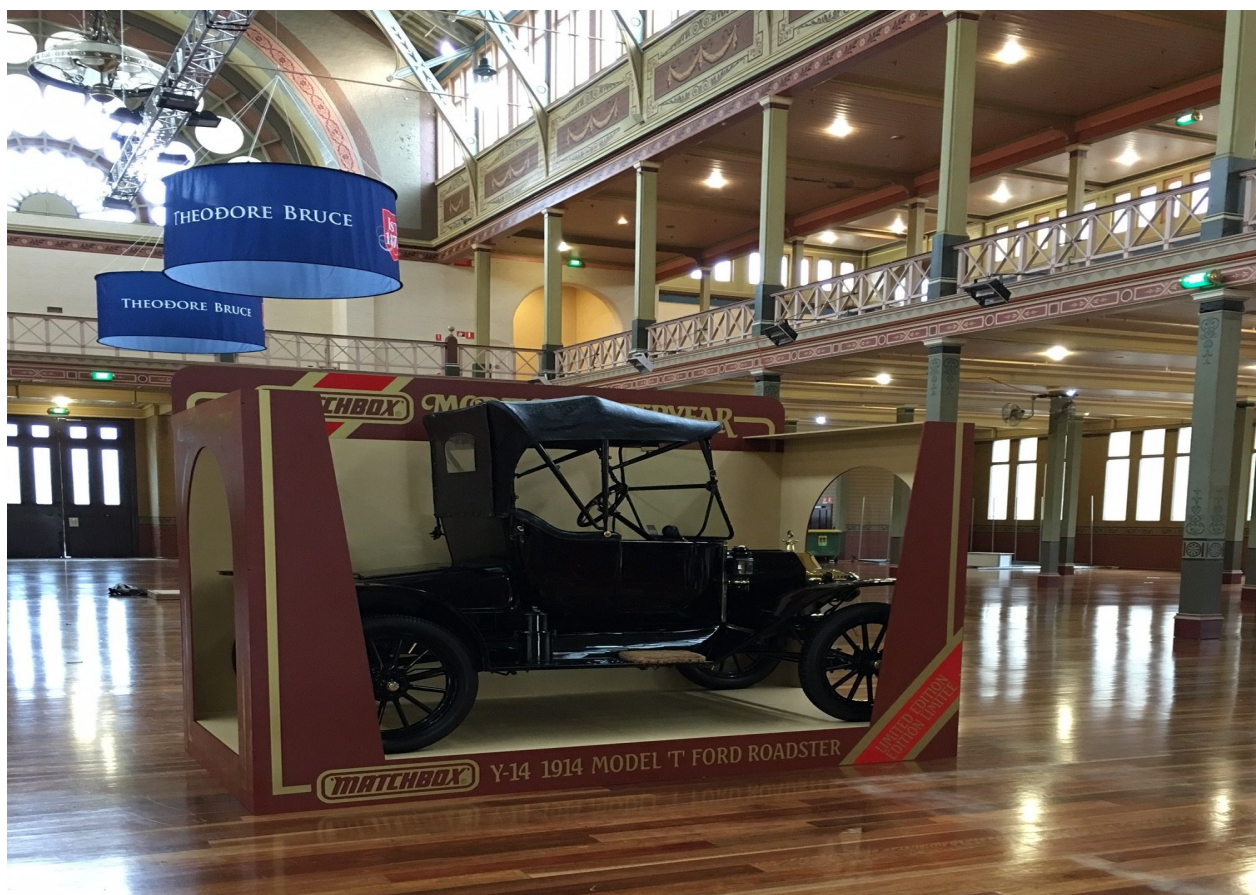
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Please remember that submissions to TTorque must be received by the Editor 2 weeks prior to the next meeting

**NEXT MEETING FRIDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2016
@ Ashburton Library, High Street Ashburton
8pm start.**

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi All,

It was great to see so many articles about the national rally in the last magazine and such a positive response from members at the last meeting. Please keep sending any articles about Model T related events and people to the editor as this makes it a lot easier to put the magazine together each month.

Our last event for October was the Swap meet at Dillon's Motors which went well. It was good to see people selling their wares and I'm sure there were some bargains to be had.

Our next main event is the Bendigo Swap meet on the 12th and 13th of November. We will have a club stand at the event and members are encouraged to drop in and say hi. Chris, Geoff and I will be organising the stand on Saturday. Please give some thought to helping man the stand so that we can also get about and have a look.

Christmas is fast approaching and we are once again having a combined Christmas party with the Model A club on the first Sunday in December. T model numbers were down last year and the A's outnumbered the T's. Let's see if we can do better this year. So bring along your cars as this is our last main event for the year and it would be great to see you all there.

Fiona

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2016

NOVEMBER: Friday 4th General Meeting
Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th Bendigo Swap

DECEMBER: Sunday 4th Christmas Party with Model A Club
Friday 9th General Meeting Christmas Party Breakup.

2017

JANUARY: No Meeting

FEBRUARY: Friday 10th General Meeting
Sunday 19th The RACV Classic Showcase

Rotary Festival of Wheels

For those of you wishing to enter your 'T' in the upcoming Festival of Wheels this month,
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Preety Agarwal (Secretary)
General Meeting Minutes

Minutes: Meeting Opened at 8:00 PM October the 14th by President Fiona Dillon at the Ashburton library, Ashburton.

New Members: None

Visitors: Nil

Present: 36

Apologies: Paul Daley, Geoff Brooke, Scott Staples, Geof Baulch, Lyle & Marg Detez, Jennifer, Ruth, Grace Csorba, Kevyn Brown and Peter Trewin

Sick List: Rod Kiesecker

Confirmation of minutes:

Moved: Barry Hancock

Seconded: Thelma Huitt

Business arising from minutes: Nil

Club Permits: Fiona advised the members to renew their membership if they haven't done already, as the committee will be informing the non-financial members to VicRoads. The non-financial members do not meet with the Club Plate owner requirements.

Tonight's Meeting: National Rally Reports from members

Correspondence In: NAB Term Deposit Letter, NAB Community Fee Saver Bank statement, Australia Post Statement

Publications: Brass Notes – October 2016, The Buzzer Box – October 2016, The Side Valve Times Sept/Oct 2016, Federation News Edition 94 Sept/Oct 2016

Flyers: Shannon's 2016 Winter Classic Auction Flyer, Blue Lotus – Water Gardens, Tiger Moth World, Adventure Park Geelong, Myrtleford Rotary Club Show and Shine. Saturday October 2016

Correspondence Out: Get well to Rod Kiesecker, Thank you letter to David Dare

Treasurer's Report: The treasures report was presented to the members by Rhonda Huitt

Moved: Rhonda Huitt

Seconded: Bruce Csorba

Swap Meetings/Workshop report: Chris Dillon advised that members who attended the technical workshop found it quite beneficial in advance of the national rally. He also advised that the swap at Lardner Park during the rally.

Committee Report: Chris Dillon presented the committee meeting report. He advised the members that committee worked on 2017 Calendar of events, non-financial members and booking of meeting room for next year. He also advised that committee discussed exploring an online membership tool for managing the club membership.

Delegate's Reports:

AOMC: Bernie Mckeegan advised he attended the Annual Dinner to represent Fiona. He advised that the dinner was interesting and the guest speaker spoke about the challenges faced by many car clubs. He advised that many don't have access to good mechanics. He said how that MTFCV is in a very fortunate position to have four excellent mechanics in the club. He also advised that the Chief guest also spoke Car Clubs are serious business and this presents a number of obligations to the club particularly in relation to the non financial membership.

Upcoming Events:

Fiona spoke about the upcoming events as follows:

Maffra Picnic (October 16th)

Gangsters and Flappers Ball 22nd October, 2016 - St Brigids Hall in Fitzroy

Swap Meet at Dillions on Sunday 16th October 2016

Como Garden Run – 30th October 2016

Bendigo Swap Meet -

Technical Tips/Queries: Nil

Restoration Progress: Nil

New or unusual products: Bruce Csorba discussed Aluminium coated headlights.

Parts Wanted: Nil

Parts for Sale: Nil

General Business: Fiona discussed the Bendigo Swap and Club stand at the meet. She also advised the member that since no rally director has been identified till date the March 2017 Rally is at the risk of getting cancelled. She put out a sincere request for some one to volunteer.

She also advised that members that the National Rally was a big success and invited the members to share the stories and their experiences. A number of members including Alan Flude, Chris Dillon, Thelma Huitt, Robbie Dalton, Bruce Csorba, David Baud and Alan Weatherhead spoke about their fond memories. In essence every one provided very positive feedback and thanked the committee members for putting on such an excellent event. Many members said that it was the best rally they have attended. Fiona advised that the formal report of the rally will be presented in the next month's meeting.

Fiona presented hampers to the committee members of 2016 Rally in appreciation of their efforts.

Next Meeting/Activity: November 4th 2016

Raffle Draw:

Drawn by: Andrew Nolte

Won by: Chris Dillon

Prize selected: Digital Tyre Gauge

Meeting Closed: 9:30 pm

Swap Meet @ Dillon's Motors
Sunday the 16th of October



The Bunning's Spring Promotion

Saturday the 8th of October

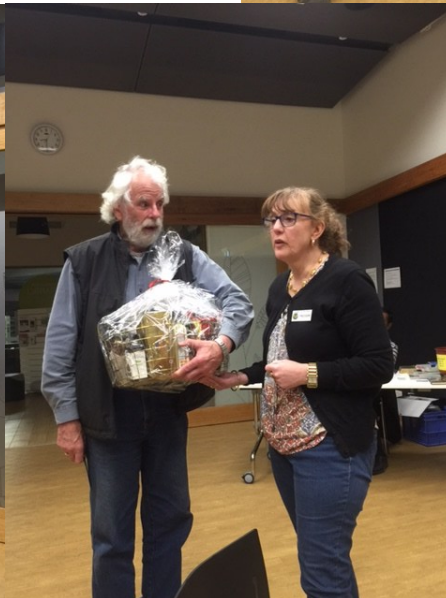
For me this was my first time to the annual day out, Rob Dalton had done his (subtle?) whip around for interested members. I took the truck and noticed as I was turning in Lyle Detez was at the head of the queue. Gosh that roadster must be quick, for when I entered the car park there wasn't a Model T to be seen. After doing a full lap looking for a sign or a Model T a very out of breath Col Weideman waived me over and offered directions in return for a ride. The weather was pleasant and quite a few people took interest in the vehicles. Chris Dillon in company with his daughter in his splendid Minerva, Rob and Christine Dalton with their tourer, Lyle and Marg and their roadster, Russel Medhurst in an MG tf, John Huitt with his tourer and my TT apple truck, Col and Pam Weideman, in all a varied display. After talking to a number of people and consuming the obligatory sausage sandwich, it was time to go, hardly had time to go into the store to buy something I probably didn't need!

Brian Smith



SEA, MOUNTAINS & VALLEYS TOUR T 2016

Fiona our club president acknowledging some of the hard working committee on a successful hub rally hosted in Gippsland



SEA, MOUNTAINS & VALLEYS TOUR T 2016

Travelling in a modern car as we do most days you really have no idea what you are missing as you zoom so fast on the freeway towards your destination. What this tour showed me is a week of slowing down, driving in a vintage car, with the wind in your hair and really taking in the scenery can do wonders for your spirit. That, along with seeing the huge smiles of other kindred spirits driving roads in their vintage cars. Quite a few of the roads that we travelled on felt like the mainstream had forgotten them which made the travelling experience avoiding the freeways all the better.

915km travelled on 7 tours of absolutely breathtaking scenery at every turn. The tour took us throughout Victoria and exactly as the tour is titled, Sea Mountains and Valleys we saw plenty of each. I believe over 133 cars participated in what can only be described as 'spectacular.' It really hit me when I saw the giant shed at Lardner Park, Warragul full of the most wonderful and different examples of the "T" Model.

The tour was really well organised, safety being at the front of everyone's mind and having a really capable team of back up trouble truck/recovery vehicles ready for action certainly made us feel looked after. Driving tours every day except for Wednesday which was the Lardner Park open day where we had a lot of enthusiastic visitors to the park viewing the cars. Ironically it was the only day that the sun shone beautifully all day. Overall for the week, the weather wasn't too bad however it was cold and windy when you are out in the elements, but that certainly didn't dampen anyone's enthusiasm for a brilliant tour.

The tour for us was not without its dramas, on the 3rd day we ran out of petrol just out the gate (yes we were the laughing stock for the day) despite having a full can of petrol, just in the other car back in the shed. Some other minor issues with the brakes and gears were fixed along the way, giving the guys plenty of black oil hands and shirts.

My favourite tour was tour #4 which was 115KM from Lardner Park at Warragul to Mirboo North. The scenery was amazing, picture postcard perfect and the roads were a good mix of winding and straight. There was some fun going fast downhill on a few of the roads on the way back! I have to admit one of the hills felt like I was in a roller coaster we were going so fast. We had a beautiful lunch at the Grand Ridge brewery. It was quite a drizzly day and very cold but seriously a great day.

What a way to spend a week! I can't wait for the next one.

Caree Staples

SEA, MOUNTAINS & VALLEYS TOUR T 2016

Some international feedback on our successful tour:

This was our first T tour, a test of both our car and our marriage.

May I congratulate the T Club of Victoria and all those on the organising committee that did such a great job!

Our car, and our marriage survived, a testament to my wonderfully understanding wife and a policy of oiling everything on the car at every opportunity.

Thanks go to David Baud for organising always interesting International guests as passengers, we really enjoyed their company.

Thank you also for those who organised our lunch packs and especially those who located those red T direction signs, a great comfort when you thought all was lost.

A T rally is, we discovered, unique, we all share the same engine and despite some who had engine improvements, we all travel happily at about the same speed.

Surely, this is unique in a car rally, no racer boys who just have to be first!

Thank you all.

Brendan Hoban

Very well said Brendan, I agree with all your comments. You are certainly correct about oil, one of the T's most important ingredients, which I learned on my first tour after burning out the babbitt on number 1 rod.

This is the first time we have been on a tour of this size without a car, as passengers.

We thoroughly enjoyed meeting all the people we rode with and other tour participants.

We have been on many national tours back home and this tour is the equal of any one of them.

Those that are members of the Model T Club of America watch for my article in the Vintage Ford.

Several of you will featured one way or another!

Chris Brancaccio

SEA, MOUNTAINS & VALLEYS TOUR T 2016

Brendon, Kim and I really enjoyed touring with you and all the others that carted us around. The scenery was fantastic and our hosts were great, answering all the questions we could fire at them. You will probably see us again in 2019.

We are just now arriving back in the USA, having spent the last couple of weeks since the tour was over seeing the Great Ocean Road, penguins and many other things on our way to Sydney. Thank goodness I didn't have to drive in Sydney! It is probably the most beautiful city I have ever visited. The old buildings are incredible. Again thanks for a great time in Warragul.

Jerry and Kim Kramer



Spot the obvious? (or is it?)

We are all *experts* of the Model T, the following section will attempt to put your knowledge to the test. So sit down, get the magnifying glass out and comb over the below picture as there is something 'not quite right' about it. Send in your answers to the editor:

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Also if you have a picture of a faulty/worn part or an oversight of your own repair, please forward them on to the above email address for inclusion in future editions. I look forward to your feedback.



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