

## Yesterday's Power Rally 2022 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Making a 4-day weekend of the Yesterday's Power Rally event, Shirley and I with Simon, Jacqui and boys hired a holiday cottage at Clayton Bay.

We took the 1933 V-8 Roadster, Simon and the boys took a trailer load of Stationary engines and Jacqui took her 105E Anglia.

Unpacking our weekend supplies at the cottage the wind blew the front door shut with all of us outside and the keys inside. After checking all other doors and windows to no avail we rang the owner who lives in Glenelg and he suggested we find the lady who cleans holiday lets and the Caravan Park.

Jacqui took off in the Anglia and after about 20 miles around Clayton Bay several times she found Fay and returned with keys.

Saturday at Milang was busier than in past years. We parked our cars on the Oval and the boys set up their engines in the Gawler Machinery Club compound.

Much was on offer. A tractor pull with elimination trials on Saturday, flyovers of vintage planes and trips on the lake on the Oscar W.

A dinner was held in the evening at the Bowling Club which we attended with members of other clubs.

Sunday dawned and we drove back to Milang, the day was much bigger than Saturday. There were many more cars on the Oval, cars from Veteran to fairly late models and more flyovers of vintage aircraft.

As we had attempted to enjoy a lake trip on the Oscar W on the Saturday but found it was booked out we were lucky enough to do so on Sunday as Ian and Carol who were staying in the Milang Caravan Park booked on our behalf. A great one hour trip on a magnificent old paddle wheeler. I spent some time watching the reciprocations of the steam engine.

Many Ford V-8 members turned up over the weekend, they were Alan and Colleen in the Jailbar Pickup, Frank and Val in the 1957 Customline, Wayne and Rene in the '53 Customline, Trevor in his 37 Sedan, Mark with his magnificent V-6 Capri, Peter Saint with his Jailbar truck, stationary engine and pump. Simon and the boys with a load of engines, Jacqui with her 105E Anglia, Gary Hallett with his Falcon Ute, Shirley and I with Roadster and Ian and Carol minus the 35 Phaeton.

At the end of the show on Sunday Awards for everything were given out.

Ford products seemed to be popular as the Veteran Award was awarded to David Carver (Model T Club) with a 1912 Model T, the Classic 1930 to 1950 Award was our 1933 Roadster, the Light Commercial Award was Alan and Colleen's Pickup and the Classic 50 to 70 Award was given to Phil Johns (Ian and Carol's brother-in-law) for his lovely 1966 Mustang Fastback. Also a very nice MkI Cortina received a mention but what for I don't remember.

A great Yesterday's Power Rally had come to an end and we drove back to Clayton Bay for a BBQ Tea.

Next morning we enjoyed a lovely drive through Strathalbyn, Mount Barker, Lobethal and Inglewood in the Roadster and home.



### Model A Breakfast Run & All American Day Report

The Annual Model A Ford Breakfast Run was the usual top class morning's entertainment. A fleet of Model A Fords and English Prefects with a lone Model T Ford.

Our contingent consisted of Trevor and the '37, Frank & Val with the '57 Customline, Alan & Colleen with the Jailbar pickup, Shirley & myself in the '39 Mercury and Ian minus Carol in a modern.

A scout around the local area answering various questions with some taking the wrong turn. Then 6 pages of what car is this? What dashboard is this? And what mascot is this? All us experts didn't know much at all.

After a hearty breakfast finished off with pancakes winners were announced and it wasn't any of us. All prizes including the door prize were won by the Ford 8 & 10 Club and well deserved too. A top morning activities as usual, then for us it was off to the All American Day.

The All American Day had a change of venue this year so from Glandore it was off to Gleneagles Reserve at Seaton. I think we just got there in time as the attendant told us to go to the back "there is twelve spaces left". We had a good spot but what did annoy me was the amount of current model Mustangs on show. To my way of thinking they do not constitute the historic American vehicle or the culture of the day. However grumbles aside a grand array of American vehicles were on display.

It was good to see Colin and Lee Dear with their lovely Mercury and also the beautiful '48 Mercury of Scott Clisby.

Many desirable cars were on show as usual at the All American Day most on display were of the 50s, 60s and 70s with sprinklings of 30s and 40s, The colours of cars during those days was just striking so what has happened with today's fleet?

We have the selection of Black, White or Silver and if a Yellow or Red one does past we stand in awe with mouths open.

However Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup> February was a good day for the historic motoring and all those involved.

Thank you to the Model A Ford Club and The American GM Drivers' Club for excellent events.

