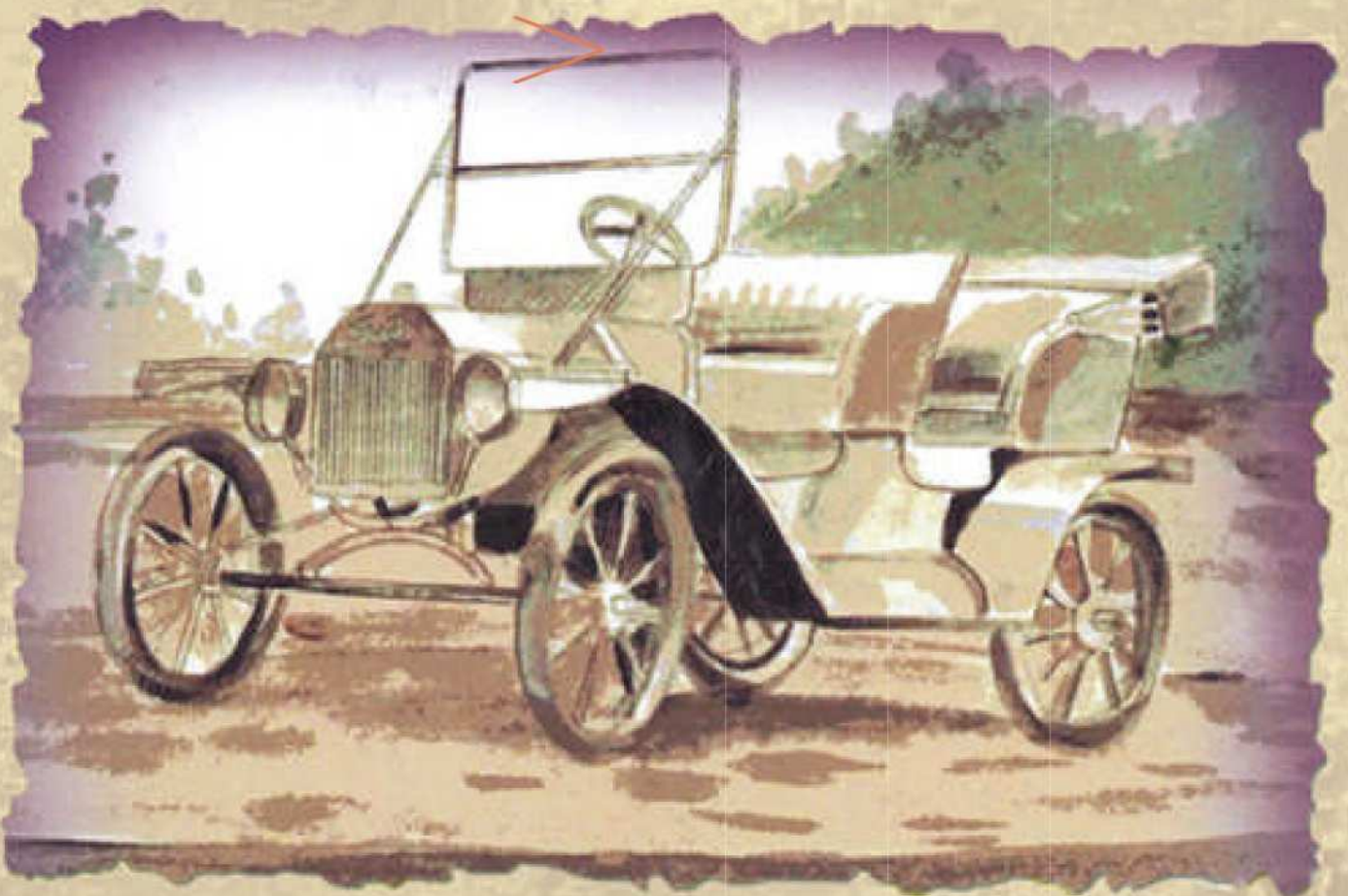


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Letter from the President

Members, I am honoured to serve a second term as President of your Club.

2016 for us all was another great year. Good events, fair weather and joyful company made for the success of all our events.

I was truly delighted to preside over the 27th Annual Rally that took place in Northern Ireland and to welcome many members from the North East part of Ireland. It is the all Ireland aspect of The Irish Model T Ford Club that I find so pleasing.

I was sorry to learn of the death last August of TP Brady, a member who devoted his lifetime to everything vintage and with a passion for Model Ts. He will be missed by his wide circle of friends.

I am grateful to our drivers and crews for the courtesy you have shown to other road users and for completing all our events safely. I thank all owners for turning out their 100 year old vehicles in splendid condition, both mechanically and aesthetically.

Rita and I wish you all happiness and peace for 2017.

Yours sincerely

MICHAEL LOUGHRAN

President

29th December 2016



Letters to the Editor

Sir

My name is Eoghan Ó Céirín and I am attending UL doing a course on Family History and Genealogical Methods. As part of my studies I have to research a photograph (please find attached) which is of a vehicle that my great grandfather owned. I believe that this vehicle was first registered in Galway, the reg. appears to be IM 10(1)7. I have contacted Galway Co. Councils' motor tax office to see if they might have any information on this vehicle in their archives, unfortunately they do not. I have been told the vehicle is a Model T. I would be most grateful if you were able to provide me with any information on this vehicle. My great grandfather was a Mr. James Kerin who lived in Lisdoonvarna. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you need further information.

I can also be contacted on 087 675 8401

Kind Regards

Eoghan

2-Jan-2017



Sir

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a journalist for the Irish Examiner and Evening Echo and currently planning a series of articles on the centenary of Ford coming to Cork in 1917.

I am interested in doing an article on the Model T as part of this and am wondering if there is a suitable person in your club who could tell us about their passion for the model. Perhaps you have a female member who could be a good candidate, or there is somebody with an interesting story to tell about their love for the Model T, or maybe you have a member who used to work at the Ford plant in the Marina?

I would be very interested in hearing any ideas you may have in this regard.

Regards,

John Dolan

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22-Dec-2016

Sir

Your notification about TP Brady came in while I was off work for a few days, so am only catching up with things now. I was very sorry to hear of his sudden passing, having met him on several occasions at events around the country. If there is going to be an obituary circulated for him you might keep me posted, as I'd be more than happy to publish same.

Kindest regards,

Andrew Pollock

Irish Vintage Scene Magazine

23-Aug-2016

Ford's legacy a lesson for world

The year 1917 was marked by a number of seismic events. It was the year when Albert Einstein published his first paper on cosmology, the year of the Bolshevik revolution in Russia, the year when the United States entered the Great War on the side of Britain and its allies and the year when a global flu epidemic began, killing 50 million people between 1917 and 1919. It was also the year when Henry Ford established the Ford factory on the Marina in Cork city, a testament not just to his Irish roots but to the global pull of a revolution he had begun less than a decade before in the city of Dearborn, Michigan, in the US where he was born. Henry, whose father William left Co Cork for America during the Great Famine, rose from being a farm boy to become the world's richest man by bringing motoring to the masses, While the Industrial Revolution had begun in Britain, it was perfected in the US and the man who came to embody that perfection was Henry Ford, the pioneer of the automobile industry who developed a horseless carriage into a billion-dollar empire.

As we salute a great industrialist, we should also pay tribute to a gracious man.

Despite his vast wealth, Ford lived modestly and showed a rare affinity with his workers by setting a \$5-a-day minimum wage and an eight-hour, five day week.

That is his most lasting legacy.

Editorial Irish Examiner | Acknowledged with thanks,

2nd January 2017



Spring Run – East Cork/West Waterford

This year's West Waterford run took place on Sunday 17th May 2016 and our hosts were, as usual, Tim Crowley and Elizabeth Kee. We foregathered for the pre run tea and coffee ritual before setting off in fine weather for our trip in the surrounding countryside of West Waterford.



For the past number of years we have been visiting and inspecting Tim's restoration project near Youghal aka "Tim's eternal Project". This year, great progress is evident and with windows in place it really looks like it is taking

shape. Well done, Tim. You may well have the kettle on to boil in the kitchen next year. We resumed our journey through some lovely countryside by Caliso Bay on our way to Ardmore. The roads, though

picturesque, were somewhat challenging in places but we all reached Ardmore safely and parked up beside the famous round tower of St Declan. Legend tells us that St Declan came to this spot sometime between 350 AD and 420 AD bringing Christianity before St. Patrick. He built a monastery in a high place overlooking the bay.

So Ardmore gets its name from the Irish Aird Mhoir, meaning high place. The round tower in Ardmore is said to be the finest example of such a structure in Ireland.

We returned to our cars and set off, passing Fr. O'Donnell's Well and through the village of Ardmore, where members of the Ballincollig Vintage Club were having a picnic. It was a popular day to be out and about apparently, as we had met several splendid looking Rolls Royce cars earlier bowling along on the first



day of a touring holiday in Ireland. No contest though, we are Model T fans through and through. We drove on until we reached our lunch destination, the very popular Seanachai Bar and Restaurant. A delightful lunch was enjoyed by all. We commenced our homeward journey on the main Dungarvan /Youghal road



and at that stage the weather had become cold and windy with heavy clouds threatening rain. The weather does not dampen the spirits of intrepid T travellers and we sallied forth back to Youghal to load up.

Thank you to Tim and Elizabeth for a truly great day of driving. We had a turnout of 22 cars which is testament to the enthusiasm of our members.

Summer Run - West Cork

This year our run took place on Sunday 12th June. We foregathered at the home of John & Mary on Sunday 12th June 2016 for our first summer run of the year to be greeted by our hosts, family and grandchildren for morning coffee and fresh buttered scones. A chance to say hello to the members as they arrived in dribs and drabs; all in good time. Anne turned up from Co. Kildare to present Matt and Eileen with a standard rose and congratulations on their recently celebrated golden wedding anniversary. Very thoughtful indeed.

John chaired the drivers' briefing setting out for us our route which was to take us to The Old Head of Kinsale via Ballinspittle. Maps and route layout were distributed and by 11:15 we were off and greeted by the villagers in Ballinadee. We had to stop at the seaside if only to admire the full tide, the sandy beach and the beautiful coast line that the Wild Atlantic Way offers to all and sundry.

We arrived at The Old Head Signal Tower, built in 1804. It was the first one to be restored and officially opened to the public as a visitor heritage centre. The west, south and east coasts of Ireland are dotted with 81 such towers with line of sight visibility from one to the next. They represent the iPhones of their age, being the very first communications system that allowed the quick transmission of valuable information. Signal Towers were designed to serve as lookout platforms and to act as intermediate signal stations between the neighbouring towers and also with ships at sea. This was achieved through a Flag and Ball signalling system which has now been recreated to the south of the signal tower. The signal and its history is explained in the ground floor of the signal tower. The first floor of the tower contains Lusitania exhibits in recognition of the centenary commemorations of its sinking on 7th May 1915.

We were invited to enjoy the spectacular scenery from the roof walk of the Tower. On looking out to sea in the immediate foreground are the De Courcey Castle



and Curtain Wall built in the early 1400s and occupied until the late 17th century. In line of sight beyond this stands the lighthouse at The Old Head. The final resting place of RMS Lusitania is on the horizon, just a little to the right of the Lighthouse. For the past 101 years she has lain on her side on the sea floor in just 90 meters of water. The parapet

here is a fitting place to pause and remember all those people who lost their lives at exactly 2:10 pm on the 7th May 1915 when the U-boat U-20 fired a single torpedo which struck the wonder ship of the age somewhere under the bridge. She sank in eighteen minutes with the tragic loss of 1201 lives.

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Lusitania. This tragic event had wide reaching consequences as it took place in wartime, but of course the tragic loss of life is the biggest consequence of all. Innocent souls were drowned off the coast of County Cork on that dreadful day and it was from Courtmacsherry the lifeboat was launched in an attempt to reach survivors. We had a most informative talk given by local historian Michael O'Brien before lunch was served and we extend our thanks to him for relating hitherto unknown facts and figures on that fatal event. In the coming year there are plans to create a Lusitania Memorial Garden at this spot and hopefully the O'Neill family will include this in the next planned Model T trip in West Cork.

Time to go and say thank you to our guide and the chairman of the local committee who made all this happen.

Next stop Kinsale. A renowned coastal village noted for sailing activities and good food dining. Having parked up and raised the Ford Flag, we were off to the quayside to be welcomed by the skipper of "Spirit of Kinsale" where we were taken on a trip of Kinsale Harbour.

Here we enjoyed spectacular views of Charles Fort, Fort James and other historic sites. Seals, herons and other wildlife are to be seen but alas for us, we were huddled up inside the vessel, and



these wonderful experiences were not for us. It was nonetheless a relaxing experience with an onboard informative commentary which made the trip interesting and where some members enjoyed the facilities of the complementary on board coffee dock.

By now it was well into the afternoon and the troops were feeling hungry. John & Mary directed us to Jim Edwards bar and restaurant where we all enjoyed Irish cuisine at its best. Sunday lunch from a varied menu was well appreciated. Afterwards John said a few words of welcome to members and especially welcomed Mrs. Pauline Deasy on her first rally. The Secretary presented John & Mary with an Irish hand turned wooden bowl created in the style of that of the Vikings where an original 1,000 year old walnut bowl was recently discovered in an excavation site in Dublin. Afterwards a group picture was taken for the record.

We made our way back to base via Brinny and Dunderrow, and Inishannon. Please remember that that the final leg of our journey is well worth repeating. The fresh leaves and foliage on native trees along the bank of the River Bandon and late afternoon sunshine percolating through made for a memorable drive, eminently suitable for a Model T. Grateful thanks to Bill Chambers and his Land Rover for acting as tail end Charlie; his services were not utilised but provided a source of great comfort nonetheless. Last word for the O'Neills, grateful thanks and appreciation for another splendid day out. We surely will return.

27th Annual Rally

The 27th Annual Run this year took place for the first time with our friends in Northern Ireland over the weekend 25/26 June 2016. This much anticipated event was organised by Raymond and Olene Megaw and our base was the Marine Hotel in Ballycastle, Co Antrim.

SATURDAY 25th JUNE 2016

We had 33 cars, from the four corners of Ireland, all in pristine condition when we assembled on Saturday morning for our early start at 8.45. A fun feature of our Annual Run is dressing up in the fashion of the day and our members make the most of the occasion and a great variety of outfits were in evidence. We had elegant ladies to suave and dapper gents complete with moustaches. We even

had a recently returned group who had been on safari, with a David Attenborough lookalike and a little passenger who looked remarkably like our youngest member, Colt Kelly.

After a driver briefing, we set off from our hotel for the short run to Bushmills, home of the world's oldest licensed Distillery, making Irish whiskey since 1608. Our group went on the tour of the facility followed by a tasting of the finished product!!!! All agreed it was a very good start to the day.

After a short few miles, we stopped at the Dark Hedges which has become world famous because of "Game of Thrones" It is an extraordinary sight with the avenue of beech trees in a most unusual formation. A large part of the filming of Game of Thrones" took place at various locations in Northern Ireland, and of course this

has contributed in no small way to the local tourist industry.

Back on the road again to our next stop Scullion Hurls, where we were treated to a demonstration of Hurley making by Michael Scullion before our welcome lunch stop at Loughgiel Millennium Centre. Suitably refreshed, we set off again and this time our stop was at Paddy McKe-

own's collection of pony traps and gigs of all sizes, shapes and makes. It was easy to spot the evolution of the Model T from some of the later carriages. The back of the T is almost identical to the back of the carriage.

We climbed aboard our own trusty carriages and set off once again though the countryside for a "comfort stop" to partake of afternoon tea in the Broughshane Community Centre.

Back in the road again towards Carnlough in brilliant sunshine for yet another break, this time delicious ice cream at McKillops shop. There was no risk of being hungry on this run.

We were now on the homeward stretch to Ballycastle and the clouds had come back. However, the threat of rain didn't stop us admiring





the beautiful Antrim coastline as we drove along the final few miles of our trip in this magnificent part of Ireland.

Our traditional Saturday evening dinner was scheduled for 8.30 and over 90 happy T enthusiasts enjoyed a lovely meal together. We had the usual speeches and presentation of trophies. Our secretary announced that there are

present at dinner four sets of brothers, Cuddy, Duffy, Fulton and Crowley. He heard it said that George Fulton is now an ex member of the Austin Club. He noted that Ray of Flanders fame swapped his Range Rover for a 1914 Model T. Elizabeth and guests really appreciated your generous offer of Ray. Paul Murphy promised Sandra he would get a set of tyres for his car; such forgetfulness will not happen again. He welcomed new members to their first event -

Pat & Anna Morgan, George & Leslie Fulton, John & Mary Hayes and Graham Ferguson & Kyle and Lucy. He paid a compliment to John Vahey for his engine repair completed in 21 days. He thanked John Hayes, our tail end Charlie for his services which we all appreciate. He thanked our stewards for their courtesy and our flag-man John O'Neill for keeping up stand-



ards. He mentioned the trophies and the donors, The Model T Ford Register of Great Britain and The Rosslare Hotel Resort. Finally he wished Austen Bromley best wishes and hopes that his recovery from a bout of ill health is well behind him now. This year the elusive Silver Salver was awarded to John and Jill Vahey and the Rosslare Trophy awarded to a delighted Graham Ferguson who was accompanied by his children Kyle and Lucy. Our President, Michael Loughran

made a short speech thanking everyone for coming and he also said how happy he was to be involved in such an active club in which the members enjoyed their cars to the full, taking part in such great numbers at the many events which take place throughout the country. He announced to the gathering that Hugh & Maura



Clarke were celebrating their Golden wedding anniversary - 50 glorious years of togetherness - and our members greeted the news with acclaim.

Raymond Megaw, chief organiser of the event spoke thus:

I want to thank you all for coming to our 27th Rally, based for the first time in North Antrim and I hope you enjoy your stay here. There are a few people I want to give a special word of thanks. Without their help both practically and financially things would have been much more difficult.

- *Firstly our thanks to the Marine Hotel for the lovely meal tonight, for their hospitality and especially to Jade and her team for their patience with us.*
- *Thanks to Brendan and Stella and to Denis and Marilyn for their sponsorship and for making the preparations for our stop at Broughshane.*
- *And Denis for his help in sorting out our route and coming with me to and from the North Coast numerous times over these past few months. My car can nearly come here itself now.*
- *To Malcolm and Anne McCully from Secret Garden Restaurant and Nursery, Dundonald.*
- *Cairns and Anne Fulton for giving us ideas and contacts. Their local knowledge was invaluable. And Cairns for his help with parking etc.*
- *Godfrey Crawford for his computer genius in preparing the Route Book. Thanks to all members who offered assistance.*
- *To William Cuddy, our secretary for all his help, emails, advice and all his correspondence between members.*
- *To John Hayes, our ever-dependable Tail End Charlie. Mind you it is still a mystery how he managed to get the Honeymoon Suite in the hotel.*

For a long time, I was the only Club member from Northern Ireland. Not so now, first Cairns bought a Model T. I think he got the "bug" last year when he and Anne came with us to the Rally. Then George, his brother, who is known locally as MR. AUSTIN bought not just ONE but TWO. And then Pat from Omeath, not to be outdone by the George boy, bought a little dandy of a T from Australia. Anna doesn't usually like the open cars but she has been won over by this little red machine; it was the 2 seats that swayed it.

Seriously I really want to welcome all our new members from all parts of Ireland and, for those taking part in their first annual rally, I hope you have enjoyed yourselves well enough to do the same next year.



Michael Loughran, President of the Club, then presented Raymond and Olene with a beautiful hand crafted beech bowl which was specially made for the occasion. It is a nine inch bowl modelled on a recently discovered 1,000 year old Viking bowl in Dublin.

No Annual Dinner would be complete without John O'Neill's rendition of "The Ballad of Henry

Ford" and once again he did not disappoint, with a word perfect performance. Well done John.

SUNDAY 26th JUNE 2016

Sunday morning dawned and we were on the road bright and early for our run to the famous Giant's Causeway. Unfortunately the weather was not in our favour and we were not able to enjoy the views of the spectacular coastline. When we reached our destination we got to see the famous attraction of the 40.000 interlocking basalt columns, the result of an ancient volcanic eruption. However, legend has it that the Irish giant Finn McCool built the causeway so he could walk to Scotland to fight his Scottish counterpart Benandonner.



We then had the most delicious lunch in the nearby Causeway Hotel. All agreed it was the best Carvery meal ever.

After lunch, a merry sing song got under way in the comfortable bar and a certain match was being played in Euro 2016, not everyone took in the last few miles to visit Portrush and Portstewart. Some of us did take to the road however, and enjoyed the run along the coast before heading back to base in Ballycastle.

It was an outstanding weekend. Raymond and Olene, you did a magnificent job and gave us all a weekend to remember for a very long time.

We must also thank your willing helpers and back up team, including Cairns and Anne Fulton. A special word of thanks to Denis Robinson for his help and support in planning the route and all others who helped in any way to make this event such an unqualified success. Thank you, one and all.

Stradbally Static event

John Hendy and Paul Murphy mounted the best display stand at the annual steam fair held at Stradbally over the August week end where a large display upwards of 30 vehicles were positioned for members of the public to view and admire. The weather was kind, blue skies, sunshine and warmth and this made for a convivial atmosphere for members of our Club to meet and greet. Our hospitality tent was in full swing from 10:30 till late serving hot refreshments, fresh sandwiches and a variety of home baked cakes and delights. The Model T arena was groomed with the grass freshly cut and the catering kitchen and hospitality tent in position. Members and their friends were treated to as much as they desired and to a person were praiseworthy of our offerings managed by Sandra Murphy and Eleanor Hendy together with their band of cheerful helpers.



At 4:00 pm our group were called to do a lap of honour around the arena and our secretary was asked to take to the stage and give an account of our Model Ts, our Club and the actual vehicles themselves. Our audience learned a short history of the manufacture, the years of production and the various body styles on offer. To be fair to the organisers of Stradbally Steam Fair,

they put on a great show. It included stalls, displays of classic cars and tractors, stationery engines, music organ, steam train rides, children's play area, food village and of course steam engines in abundance.

We managed to organise a group photograph of as many people as we could round up at 3:50 pm, just ten minutes prior to the show ring parade. Our President Michael Loughran addressed our members and said how pleased he was to see this event very well supported with cars turned out in great shape. He thanked Eleanor and Sandra plus her friends for their catering work. In paying tribute to John and Paul for their hard work in making our patch



in such good order, he presented each of them with an Irish hand crafted 8 inch wooden bowl made from native beech.

By about 5:00 pm the crowds in attendance were as large as ever with many taking time out with grandparents and grandchildren to enjoy the summer's evening in beautiful and historic Stradbally. Some of the long distance travellers took their wishing they could stay longer and not give up the pleasures and enjoyment that the fair had on offer. With grateful thanks to the organisers and those who made our day so magical, we offer our sincere thanks. We will return next year.

Sam's Cross | Clonakilty

Sam's Cross was the birth place of Michael Collins. He was born on 16th October 1890: he died on 22nd August 1922 at Beal na Blaith. Today, 21st August 2016, the President of Ireland becomes the first head of State to deliver an historic Michael Collins oration.

The Collins' (no relation) pub called the Four Alls was the last place he stopped for a beverage and meeting with family and friends on that fateful day.

This is the background of our Model T trip to Sam's Cross on Sunday 21st August 2016.

The locals had organised the visit of three very important vehicles with historical links to the past. First the Moon Car, a yellow Rolls Royce Silver Ghost; Second a 1915 Model T Ford belonging to Kitty Kiernan's Brother; and, last and not least the only Armoured Car manufactured by Rolls Royce on a Silver Ghost Chassis.



We were invited to display our Model Ts in the courtyard of the Four Alls so that the gathering visitors could be entertained while we awaited the visit of Sliamh na mBan. The weather was misty and warm but pleasant nonetheless.

Before all of this we foregathered at the premises of Bandon Motors, Main Ford



Dealers where we were greeted by proprietors and members Robert and Catherine Clarke. Their showroom had just undergone a makeover and we were delighted to be the first group of visitors to enjoy the setting, fresh sandwiches and morning tea and coffee and admire the extensive range of new Ford cars and commercials. We renewed acquaintances and chatted awhile

until a little after two o'clock we set off in convoy to our destination. We ambled slowly through Clonakilly where we were thrown by the splendid and welcoming townspeople and visitors. Clonakilly too has got a makeover and is well worth a visit. Just wondering is it the Capital of West Cork.

At the appointed hour we arrived at Sam's Cross, parked up and dealt with questions and answers from the many interested visitors, holidaymakers and Collins fans. We enjoyed fresh tea and apple tart provided by our hosts.

The next group of visitors were our equine friends with highly groomed ponies and polished carts who had spent the afternoon enjoying the West Cork countryside, low density of traffic and road conditions most suitable for horses or Model Ts. Thinking about it all, given it was a day of nostalgia, to see a parade of horses and a parade of Model Ts, one replacing the other, and both standing side by side in harmony and tranquillity.



At five o'clock along came the RR Armoured Car, purring like a kitten and driven expertly by members of The Irish Army, who had recently restored this historical vehicle to perfection. One could be forgiven for commenting that we witnessed another makeover: surely a record for our Club: three in one day!



There were so many people milling around the celebratory vehicles that it was difficult to marshal all our group together for a group photograph.

However, the photograph tells the tale: probably got most of them; please see our web page.

We agree that we return to base by 5:30 to allow everyone to get home in daylight. To-

day was an exception as we did not depart until six thirty: we motored back to base in great style having been seen off by the masses. More sandwiches and refreshments at Bandon Motors and duly refreshed for our homeward journey. Given that the notice was short and the gathering modest by our standards, nonetheless the Club appreciates the turn out and support for our guests. As always Robert and Catherine are super and generous hosts to whom we are most appreciative. Their reward will come...we will make a presentation of an Irish Beech hand turned bowl to our hosts in September at the Autumn Run scheduled to take place on 18th September next.

Autumn Run – Portlaoise

Sean McEvoy was our host for the Autumn Run of 2016. Our base was the Maldron Hotel. Weather was good. High level of expectation all round to see what new places of interest Sean had planned. We were not disappointed as this story will unfold. After a meet and greet, coffee and scones, we assembled for Sean's drivers' briefing orated by Sean. Maps and itinerary sheets circulated to all navigators. For the record and the benefit of our viewers who like to admire Model T Ford cars in action, a pictorial account of these beautiful vehicles is



published on our website. Following the briefing, members went about cranking up and chatting, as always. The social dimension for us is all important. We headed off at 11:30 with our first stop after 20 miles or so to the Gandon Inn where a delicious carvery Sunday lunch was laid on. More op-

opportunities to chat all about Ts and exchange news and information. Our post lunch drive of another 20 miles took us as far as Crawford House, Vicarstown, Stradbally, Co. Laois where we were received by Philip Green and family and invited to inspect one of the largest collection of David Brown tractors, machinery and implements in these isles. A real surprise for us all. As



can be seen from our inspection all items are presented in showroom condition. Our hosts invited us for afternoon tea which was served up by the Lady of the house with assistance from Greene family and friends. Thank you very much. As a token of our appreciation our President Michael Loughran presented Sean McEvoy and our afternoon host with an Irish beech turned bowl as a memento of the occasion. After this David Brown exhibition we bid farewell to the Greens, it was off again for another 20 miles back to base, enjoying the rolling hillside and autumnal landscape colours of County Laois. Happily, we got home safe and sound. By 5:30 pm most of us had loaded up ready for the home-ward leg of our run. Expressions of thanks were conveyed to Sean for organising yet another terrific and enjoyable occasion for us all for which we are most thankful. Yes, we will return again next year. Yes, we hope you enjoyed your visit to our website to view this story. And yes, you will agree it was a wonderful day.

Congratulations

This edition would not be complete without reference to 2016 news from members:

Bryan Keane competed in the Triathlon at the Olympic Games in Brazil 2016.

Hugh & Mura Clarke on celebrating 50 golden years of Matrimonial bliss.

John O'Neill who represented De Courcey Ploughing at the all Ireland Ploughing Championships held at Rathanisky in September 2016.



Michael Rigney on being awarded the best turned out Ford Car at the National Steam Rally.

Lorraine and Vincent Kelly we extend our heartiest congratulations on the birth of their second son Duke, a brother for Colt.

Michael Loughran on completing a second term of office as President of our Club.

Mr. Ciaran McMahon Chairman and Managing Director **Henry Ford & Son Ltd**, on the centenary of the establishment of the renowned motor manufacturing plant at Marina in Cork.

Obituary – TP Brady ob 15th August 2016

It is with deep sadness that we record the death of TP Brady on 15th August 2016. TP as he was affectingly known, was an avid collector of everything vintage. Amongst his prized collections was a variety of Ts, including a Delivery Van, One Ton Truck and a WWI Ambulance. Many a member passing through Arklow took the opportunity to visit him at work whereupon in jig time they were escorted to his yard, if nothing else, to satisfy a hungry curiosity of a lifetime of everything vintage in all sorts of varieties and condition. TP was well known at home and abroad for his in-depth knowledge and warm personality, always eager to share, learn and be in the company of fellow enthusiasts. We extend our condolences to his widow Eileen, sons Thomas, Diarmuid and daughter Rose –Marie. *Requiescat in pace. Ar dheis De go raibh a h-anam dilis.*

New Members

We welcome the following new members to our Club:



John & Gillian Drew, 4 Le Calvaire, Belle Isle en Terre, 22810, FRANCE 1926 Coupe

Leonard & Enda Bone, 54 Upper Clanbrassil Street, Portobello, Dublin 8 1914 Speedster

Paul Noctor, 4 Brookdale Road, Rivervalley, Swords, Co. Dublin 1915 Touring Car

Chris Bluer, Engadin, 38 Bower Road, Hale, Cheshire WA15 9DR, England 1914 Runabout

John Eagers, Main Street, Rathcoole, Co. Dublin 1914 Touring Car

Paul Keenan, Ratharney, Abbeyshurle, Co. Longford 1925 Touring Car

Mark Richardson, Undercliff Cottage, Strathmore Road, Killiney, Co. Dublin 1919 Touring Car

John & Mary Hayes, Dungourney, Co. Cork

Pat & Anna Morgan, Bavan, Omeath, Co. Louth 1915 Roadster

Indicative Future Events – 2015

Annual General Meeting - Sunday 25th March 2017: The AGM takes place at the Maldron Hotel on Sunday at Noon. Details and notices will be mailed to all members in early March 2017.

First spring run – Sunday 16th April 2017 takes place at Adare Machinery, Croom. We meet for morning coffee at 10:30 am. *Contact David & Marian Cuddy 087/253 1852*

West Waterford - Sunday 21th May 2017. We meet at the home of Tim & Elizabeth situated on the banks of the river Blackwater overlooking Youghal Bridge for morning coffee. Our journey takes us around the picturesque lanes on the bank of the river Blackwater. *Contact Tim Crowley 087/256 5040.*

West Cork – Sunday 18th June 2017: We assemble at Bandon Motors on Sunday for fresh coffee and scones. Our journey takes us into the heart of West Cork. *Contact Robert & Catherine Clarke 087/238 8783.*

28th Annual Club Rally – Westport 15th /16th July 2017. We will take on a two day journey along the shores of the Wild Atlantic Way. Our rally base will be at Hotel Westport. Tel 098- 25122. *Contact Thomas Connor 087/127 6389.*



Stradbally - Sunday 6th August 2017 - August Bank Holiday John Hendy and Paul Murphy in collaboration with our friends in Stradbally will organise a one day presentation of Model T Fords on the Sunday of the bank holiday week end. *Contact John Hendy 087 256 3428*

August day run – VACANT- Member to volunteer to arrange a run anywhere.

Autumn Run - Sunday 17th September 2017 based at Maldron Hotel, near Portlaoise starting @ 11:00 am. *Contact Sean McEvoy 087 289 8718.*

Small Adverts

Parts & Service: Club member John Malone has now built up a good supply of new and second hand parts for Model T Fords for all years from 1909 to 1927. Service, repair work and restorations carried out at moderate cost. Enquiries to John Malone 087 978 2343. www.buggsymalonevintageautos.eircom.net

Tuckett Bros. Model T Ford Specialists, have on offer for sale an extensive range of complete cars and restoration projects. Full stock of new and old parts all available. Advice is free! Tel 0044 1296 670500; www.modeltford.co.uk

Rigney Bros. We restore antique and classic cars for clients. Our restoration services include true coach building, ash framing, panel beating, mechanical repairs, engine rebuilding, parts fabrication, paint, upholstery and trim fabrication. Vehicle appraisals undertaken. All work guaranteed Contact Michael Rigney 087 221 9881 or rigney_bros@eircom.net

Dundalk Radiator Services -Specialist in radiator repairs and re-cores. Brass and Black. Reliable and prompt service. Michael Loughran, Linenhall Street, Dundalk, Co. Louth, Tel 9334835 Mobile: 086-254 0353

Club Clothing: Top quality Sweatshirts and Jackets sporting the Irish Model T Ford Logo in gold thread are now available. These garments will add to your wardrobe and keep you looking smart and warm! *Contact Lorraine Dunne at Tel 087 9281 796*

For Sale: 1923 Model T Touring Car, Irish car, recent engine rebuild, new radiator, new upholstery and hood fitted, good paintwork, rallied regularly, reliable car. Will need new tyres and axles checked over. Details from Club Secretary 086 832 5769. Inspection in Cork and trial by prior appointment only. Price €19,500.



Club Members

We are very pleased to list here under the names of our members. Special welcome from members in Northern Ireland, England, Scotland, Wales, France and USA

Alan Deasy
Andrew & Sarah O'Sullivan
Anthony Molloy
Anthony Norris
Bartley Horan
Benny O'Gorman
Bernard & Ann Duffy
Bill Kelly
Cairns & Anne Fulton
Cathal & Adrienne Johnston
Chris Bluer
Christopher Doyle
Clive & June Evans
Colm Kenny & Lisa Dunne
Colt Kelly

Connie Coughlan
Conor & Joan Twohill
Cyril Hollingworth
Damien Rigney
Dan Gallahue
Dan Riordan
David & Eileen Hore
David & Marian Cuddy
David Fennell
David White
David Wraight
Declan McCann
Denis Brennan
Dominic Murphy
Don Hubbard

Don Stevenson	John & Frances Brady
Donal Comerford	John & Gill Vahey
Donal Frynn	John & Gillian Drew
Eamon & Sile Dunne	John & Maria Bucke
Eamon Creamer	John & Mary Hayes
Eric Butler	John & Mary O'Neill
Errol Delaney	John & Sarah Daly
Finbarr O'Donovan	John and Joan Malone
Fintan Foley	John and Tina Harffey
Francis Scanlon	John Eagers
Frank & Pauline Gowing	John Malone jnr.
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Gearoid O'Mahony	John O'Shaughnessy
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George Lazar	Keith Brien
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Graham and Gloria Clarke	Kieran and Eithne Garahy
Harry Hendy	Leonard & Enda Bone
Hugh & Maura Clarke	Leslie Byrne
Humphrey Spencer	Liam Coughlan
Jackie Cummins	Liam Hiney
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James Gannon	Marcus Molloy
James McGovern	Marian Nolan
James Stinson	Mark Richardson
Jeremiah Cronin	Martin & Margaret Fleming
Jerry & Una Crowley	Martin Nyhan
Jerry Bourke	Matthew & Eileen Byrne
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Jim Cuddihy	Michael & Maire Jones
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Joe Mescall	Michael and Rita Loughran
Joe O'Sullivan	Michael Callaghan
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Pete Reinthaler	William Chambers
Peter & Sarah Duffy	William Patterson
Peter and Susan Dunne	

Honorary Members

John Boland	<i>Founder Member</i>
Isaac Gunnell	<i>Senior Member</i>
David Blackburn	<i>Original Ford homestead owner</i>
Austen Bromley	<i>Chairman Model T Ford Register of Great Britain</i>



Message from Irish Veteran and Vintage Car Club

TO each Afiliated Club

The IVVCC represents over 5000 historic car enthusiasts in Ireland and our affiliation to FIVA, the international governing body for the historic car movement means strength in numbers.

The IVVCC has worked hard over the years to secure reasonable insurance rates and options for old cars, and successfully organized a special arrangement with AXA insurance on public liability cover for all clubs affiliated to the IVVCC. Over the years, the IVVCC has successfully negotiated favorable old car arrangements with State departments resulting in reduced road tax, exemption from VRT for cars over thirty years old, and exemption from the NCT for pre-1980 cars.

We are well advanced in the planning process for a very special Festival of Historic Transport being held on Sunday 14th May in Punchestown Racecourse which will be open to all our affiliate clubs and members and promises to be a very special event in the 2017 calendar. We will be in touch with all our affiliate clubs very soon with full information about this special event and will be delighted if your club and members can take part in the event.

The IVVCC website is currently being newly designed and we hope to have it fully operational in the coming weeks.

4th January 2017

