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Welcome All

The big news to come is of course the Canberra Rally. At last a chance to meet all those people who up until now have been a name only. It should be orgasmic, to hear the sound of all those RE's on the boil together.

News

The Canberra Rally and AGM

This is a rough guide for what is happening at the AGM. If you have any ideas or requests let me know ASAP!

Its very hard to keep track of who is coming, if you are going to come, call the Crest motor Inn (# at the bottom of this article) and book your room. Also e-mail me you name, what nights you are staying, phone # and where you're riding from. Call me if you have any questions!

Friday 20 - People arrive at different times to the Crest Motor Inn, please try to arrive by **6pm**.

18:30 - Walk to dinner at the Central Cafe (Queanbeyan), in my opinion the best and cheapest place to eat anywhere and after a nice dinner walk to pub (across the road from hotel) for some lemonade.

As my apartment is near the hotel, we can lock the bikes up in my garage.

Saturday 21 - Hotel supplies light breakfast - 08:30 - 09:30 optional maintenance, mechanical check over bikes in my garage and fuel up.

09:30 - Depart for cruise around Canberra, past all major landmarks and different photo opportunities. Examples are Mt Ainslie lookout, War Memorial, Canberra City, New Parliament House, Old Parliament House, the lake and more!

13:00 - Lunch at BackBenchers restaurant at Old Parliament House.

14:30 - Afternoon cruise (*not locked in*). A possible cruise to look at the effects of the Canberra fires (nice ride) or a ride to the Bungendore pub.

19:00 - BBQ at my mums house (because its bigger there). Cost \$8 to eat yourself to death. Will have some Royal Enfield homebrew. My homebrew does not taste like the usual swill! This will be a good opportunity to get to know each other and relax after a hard day riding.

Sunday 22 - 09:15 - BIG COOKED BREAKFAST! At the **Central Cafe**. This will ensure a good start for your journey home. Other activities will be organised depending on how many people are departing on Monday.

Someone from the club left a message on my message bank but for some reason half of the message got cut off. Please call again.

I am still chasing up the stubby holders. They will cost around \$10-\$12.

Will post artwork before they get done.

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If you intend to come to the AGM please advise me at tizz@elvis.com and if you need to ask any questions my mobile on 0500 590001 or 02 62971190. Even if you have let me know that you are coming I would like to have the following info. If you don't have e-mail, please post ASAP to my PO Box.

Name: **Address or location:** **Phone number:** **Mobile:**

email address: **Riding or driving?:** **Type of bike:**

Bringing partner Y or N

Have you booked the into the hotel yet?: **Days planning to stay:**

Blues from Jeff Cole with Electronic Ignition.

Installed Boyer ignition a couple of weeks ago. Besides taking four times longer than that suggested, the wiring instructions were not for my model. It took a couple of days for me to pluck up the courage, to reconnect one of the original wires to the coil, and, Hey Presto, everything worked.

However the bike ran like s*** and was a cow to start with lots of kickbacks. I tried tweaking the timing but I could never get it to run as well as before. Last weekend I went for a ride with Ashley, who is still running his bike in and travels slowly. Ashley was travelling faster than I was, despite stopping numerous times to adjust the timing the bike was constantly pinging was. Even in low gears and at low speed she pinged. Ashley took this opportunity to hear what ping sounds like by riding alongside me.

When I got home I removed the Boyer stator and rotor and re-fitted them carefully following the instructions, examining them carefully to see if I had missed some crucial piece of information. I had, or rather, I had misinterpreted one instruction. I had also misinterpreted an instruction when I first fitted the thing.

After wiping my hands on a greasy rag I kicked the bike and it fired first time.

The next day I rode to work and the bike ran fine, but I tweaked the timing a little. Over the next few days I tweaked the timing again along with the idle jet. Now it is running as good as it ever did with the points and mechanical advance. Strange that - I spent \$179 and a couple of weeks of anguish to get my bike to run as well as it was beforehand. Still I won't have to worry about the timing again - well maybe just a final tweak.

So now Maude is not singing the Electronic Ignition Blues, but the Boyer Rhapsody. She is running really great.

Article from [Charlie Tizzard](#)

What a weekend! On Saturday morn my wife and I rode out the old farts vintage club for a chance to photograph whatever we could. Heaps of cool bikes but the funny thing was, we had a constant groups of admirers around my bike!?! Heaps of questions! We then rode home as it was starting to rain (because I'd washed my bike) and the rain stopped when we got home! When I got home I noticed that the break light didn't work and the blinks were being funny again so I had a closer look. The loom of wires had been hitting the tyre and it all needed re-wiring. Lucky for me I had the new tail light and blinkers sitting on the shelf. For me to drill the holes and re-wire everything it took me 6 hours, 3 beers and multiple expletives.

The next morning we rode back out to where the Vintage MC had their rally, my wife had lost a diamond earring there. No luck finding the earring so we headed out of town to the (Canberra rod and Custom Club) meet at White bus off the Federal HWY. All the rods had just left for the Bungendore show so we rocket out after them. After finding the dirt road for the Bungendore showground we snuck through a long line of cars to enter and park my bike among the hot rods and customs. One thing I know for sure is that hot rodders (such as myself) LOVE Royal Enfield's! I had a bigger crowd around my bike than the '56 Chevs, etc. Again, heaps of questions about the bike.

I have taken some awesome pictures (some are posted). 2 pics show my new tail light set-up. I love photography and have tried to get a series of decent B&W pics for Graham or the club to use for whatever, was thinking of even making a club desktop wallpaper!

Article From the Hindustan Times, Jayanth Jacob (received from Indra on 25th Jan 2004

City Riders Speed into Goa Meet

INDRAJEET SEN, moderator, Eastern Bulls and his brother Hero Sen swear by the sheer power of Enfield mobikes. Especially so, after attending Rider Mania 2004, the Royal Enfield Biker's meet held in Goa on January 10 and 11. And riding their beasts (Hero on his Standard 500 model and Indrajeet on his A350 Machismo) from Chennai to Goa and back to Chennai was an experience that has become one of their fondest memories. Indrajeet was given a memento by the Royal Enfield CEO Siddhartha Lal for being the founder member of the Calcutta Bullet Club (also known as Eastern Bulls) at the meet, attended by 130 riders from across the country. He speaks of the "very narrow roads and beautiful turns at Udupi." The road there was also bumpy enough to lose the nut, which holds the silencer to the bend pipe in on his fellow rider's motorbike. "The road along the coast was unfortunately only two kms long and I enjoyed every bit of it." He says. Once in Goa it was time for getting into a lazy groove. "In Goa we stopped every 10 km for some tea or soup," he says.

On January 11, the participants along with the Royal Enfield CEO, riding an A500 model went for an hour long ride. "Imagine 130 bullets thumping at 40kmph together. You have to see it to understand the high it gives. This is the stuff of memories," Says Indrajeet

I wish everyone a safe trip to the rally. May the wind be behind you and the exhaust continue to echo in your ear.

I have no doubt that next month, we will have a great many stories to go to print with, all of them good.

Until new month

Keep on thumping. Brian