

Parkes Rally Report 2011

This year the Parkes rally had an Indian theme as it is the 110th year since Indian began. The IHVC had 4 entries, being Bill & Matthew Frogley, Garth Popple and myself. In addition there were 6 other Indians in attendance. There was also 7 Harleys at the rally and Don Liddle's magnificently restored U Model Harley took the bike of the rally award. I was on my shaft drive and it won the Entrants choice for best Indian award. In total the rally had 70 entries, which is well up on the last few years.

Saturday was miserable, being cold and wet, but a fine spread was put on for afternoon tea by either Lions or Rotary, I can't remember which. By Sunday the weather cleared up and it was a lovely day riding, on some roads I had not been on before. After an enjoyable morning, we ended up at The Fat Lamb Hotel In Eugowra for lunch and the judging. I don't know what was happening but at the formal dinner Sunday night, my name was drawn out for the raffle three times, naturally I declined the second and third times. This is always a stress free weekend of easy riding and as there are no hills, is well suited to smaller bikes.

Next year there will be a Veteran theme, and it should be quite memorable, so put the 2012 October long weekend in your diary now.

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