

Iron Indian Riders Association



Powering Out of the Past - Cruising into the Future

Smouldering Embers



Knoops across America

Club member Chris Knoop and partner Christina are battling their way across the USA as part of the Cannonball Run and have been mentioned in a report by the Antique Motorcycle Club.

It says: The Knoops came all the way from Melbourne, Australia, for the 2012 Cannonball after Chris served as a member of the support crew for several riders in the 2010 version. They're riding a 1925 Australian machine powered by a British JAP V-twin engine that was sold under the Invincible brand name. Unfortunately, the bike hasn't quite lived up to that name so far, in part because of the added strain of carrying a gorgeous modern replica of a wicker sidecar that adds to the burden for a bike that has reached its 87th birthday.

The particular weak spot for the Invincible seems to be the clutch and transmission, which Chris notes was better suited for a machine with half the engine and half the overall weight. The drive system has required several late-night repairs and, alas, several trips on the trailer. But when it runs, the sight of the Knoops rolling down American back roads at a stately 40 mph, enjoying the scenery of such exotic locales as Wisconsin and Iowa, is just plain fun to behold. ([See the full story here.](#))

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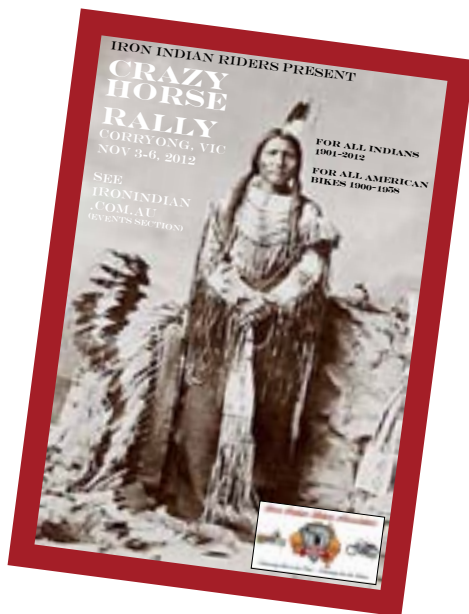
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Booked for the Crazy Horse?

Have you booked for the Crazy Horse Rally yet? Held over the Melbourne Cup weekend at the start of November, it's the club's biggest get-together for the year.

Entry details are [available online](#). Do it soon as the deadline is rapidly approaching!



Big adventure

Several members are now on their way to the ride of a lifetime, the Gypsy Tour, from WA back across the country for the Bay to Birdwood run. That's Phillip White and Chris Horner in the photo, just as they were packing up their bikes for transport across to WA. Good luck folks.



New Melb meeting spot

After some months of hunting around, the Melbourne end of the club has come up with a new spot for the monthly meetings: The Pascoe Vale Hotel at 12 Railway Pde, Pascoe Vale. While Highway 31 served us well, we need somewhere with more room.

The new place serves good meals and has rolled out the welcome mat. See you there...



Next Melb meeting: September 25

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