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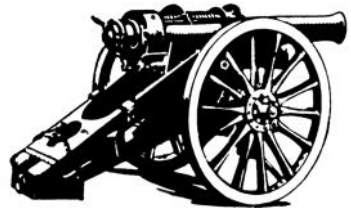
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EDITOR'S NOTES

Hello All,

Just a reminder that this is YOUR Newsletter and like "The Gun", we need content to put in it otherwise it will be discontinued. It was never meant as an "early copy" of The Gun, but a separate entity for any material that "missed the deadline" of The Gun, especially as The Gun is bi-monthly.



As we already have a Club Website, we are beginning to question the validity of having a Newsletter. If you have any comments and/or opinions about this, please let us know via e-mail :- theguneditor@royalenfield.org.uk

Editors Paula and Doug.

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The Kiwi Bulletin Snippets
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Shawn Gordon
took this picture of
his Super Meteor
at Foxton Beach

Richard Miller riding his New Himi
round the South Island



Phil Playford bought the
Classic 650 from Royale in July
2025 He was suckered in by all
the flashy chrome, but it has
not stopped him ordering a
Bear 650 in boardwalk white
and hopes it will be delivered
any day now.



Obituary



We are extremely sorry to hear that Jack's partner of many years, Margaret, passed away just before Christmas. She had not been very well for some time. The picture shows Jack and Margaret at a South Lancashire Christmas meal some years ago... Happy with prize mug and prize chocolates.

Chris Robinson (MNS)

Royal Enfield Owners Club Structure—Jan 2026

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When applying for an REOC 'Machine Dating Certificate' please follow the process below in full;

Please e-mail clear, colour, side-on digital photos of the completed, MOT ready, motorcycle.

Please e-mail clear digital photos of the engine and frame numbers along with photos of where they sit on the engine and frame.

Please supply your current REOC membership number, full name (no abbreviations please) and full postal address.

Please ensure that you provide all of this in a single email to; machinedating@royalenfield.org.uk

A £25 fee for the supply of an MDC to Members with a £60 fee for non-members. That decision brings the REOC fee structure in line with the least costly of the services provided by other single make organisations and significantly lower than the VMCC.

Machine Dating Update

We have two machine dating officers in the Club. Please note one dates Redditch machines and the other Indian machines

John Dove - machinedating@royalenfield.org.uk

Henry Price - enfieldindiamdc@royalenfield.org.uk

Do you want to share information, seek technical advice or make contact with other Club members? **Royal Enfield Owners Club Est. 1977** is our own growing and successful “closed” Facebook group for Club members only, policed by Club Committee Members.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Branch Scribes please remember to inform the Branch coordinator Alasdair McIntosh if you change your Branch meeting venue or your meeting times.

Send your new information to

Email :- branchcoordinator@royalenfield.org.uk



Dear REOC,

As long historical friends, neighbours and great motorcycle enthusiasts, we are very happy to invite you to our upcoming **annual rally**. **Our 2026 rally will take place from 14 May 2026 to 17 May 2026 in Arzal, more precisely at “Camping de Kernéjeune” (Kernéjeune Campsite, Kernéjeune, Arzal 56190, France).**

Last year, in August 2025, we were kindly invited to your REOC International Rally. This year it is our turn to invite you. We, at the Royal Association, would like to develop a closer relationship between our two communities.

This 2026 rally will be a great opportunity to share riding experiences, ride together in Brittany’s beautiful countryside and ocean coast, meet Royal Enfield enthusiasts and strengthen the relationship between our communities.

For three members of the REOC, the registration fees and Friday evening meal (after the Royal Association’s General Assembly) are covered by the Royal Association.

Feel free to contact us if you have any questions. Can you confirm your availability? Please contact us to book accommodation. We’re looking forward to seeing you and riding with you!

Best regards,

The Royal Association (Pierre-François Raymond, Président RA)

Email:- pfraymond@pm.me

<https://www.royalenfieldlesite.fr/forum/viewtopic.php?f=114&t=28954>

Club Calendar 2026 Official Rallies for May

May 2026

Cornish Rally 8th, 9th & 10th May At Trethiggy Holiday Park, Quintrell Downs, Newquay TR8 4QR. Campsite is 01673 877672

Email:- Enquiries@trethiggy.co.uk

Marshal/Contact Email:- bob.reed946@btinternet.com

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May 2026

RALLY ZERO - REOC ITALIA May 16 and 17, 2026: Camping Village Punta Navaccia, Tuoro sul Trasimeno, (PG), ITALY

Registration fee/deposit: €50 per person, to be paid by bank transfer to the REOC Italia account or PayPal, specifying your preferred accommodation type: Tent 1 person, Tent 2 persons or mobile home.

DEADLINE: April 24 2026 (the date of the bank transfer or PayPal receipt will be taken into account). The deposit will cover the costs of the aperitif and social dinner on Saturday (additional drinks not included), live music, and the evening's activities. In case of cancellation received via email by May 1st we will be able to refund 60% of the fee/deposit.

Balance: The remaining amount will be calculated based on the type of accommodation chosen and must be paid by bank transfer or PayPal by April 30.

If you cancel your reservation by email by May 5th, you will receive a 50% refund.

Accommodation type and cost:

Mobile Home (unit with 1 bedroom with queen bed, 1 bedroom with bunk beds, dinette with sofa bed, kitchen, TV, terrace/veranda, AC, toilet, and bathroom with shower) - (maximum occupancy of 5, cost to be divided based on the number of occupants per mobile home) €90

Tent for 2 people + car or motorcycle €27

Tent for 1 person + car or motorcycle €24

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Additional costs will be applied upon check in in case of requesting bed linen and towels for mobile homes (€10 per person).

Such deposit fee and balance do not include any other item not clearly specified above (as an example: extra costs for drinks, breakfasts, lunches, other meals not specified above, all travel costs, fuel etc.

Deposit and balance payment details will be communicated by the first week of March

Provisional programme

DAY 1, SATURDAY MAY 16, 2026

7:45 AM Meet in Latina, Piazza del Popolo.

Route Talk and departure for Camping Village Punta Navaccia.

1:30 PM Arrival at the campsite, check-in.

2:00 PM Lunch (ON YOUR OWN, mobile home kitchens, campsite bar, lakeside bar, sandwiches, etc.)

3:00 PM Walk in the nature reserve and swim in the lake.

5:45 PM Motorcycle ride to Tuoro sul Trasimeno and aperitif in Piazza del Municipio.

8:30 PM Return to the campsite and catered dinner in the Auditorium.

Live music and fun activities (karaoke, singing, music, stand-up comedy)

DAY 2, SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026

8:00 AM Wake up and breakfast (on your own)

9:00 AM Route Talk and departure to Castel Rigone: walking tour of the historic village.

12:00 PM Return to the campsite and check-out.

1:30 PM Stop for lunch in Castiglione del Lago, including a tour of the historic center.

3:00 PM Rally conclusion, family photo, and farewells.

For all our international friends we will be happy to help with any further logistic details and information needed for your motorcycle adventure in Italy.

We look forward to hearing from you via email at

Mauro “Jack Black” Social Secretary

Email:- royalenfieldownersclubpontinoinfo@reoc.it

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2026 REOC Greek National Rally Friday, May 22nd-Monday, May 25th , 2026,

We are very pleased to announce yet another rally in Greece. Specifically, the 2026 REOC Greek National Rally will take place from Friday, May 22nd to Monday, May 25th in Gytheio, Mani. Next year will mark the fourth season, following three successful events with over 120 participants each.

All of you are very important to us, and this gathering of nations is truly something unique. This year, the rally will be held at Camping Gytheio Bay a high-standard campsite located by the sea, which also features a swimming pool (*see photo below*), restaurant, bar, coffee shop, mini market and many other facilities. For more information check here: <https://gythiocamping.gr/>

Next to the campsite, there are rented rooms at very competitive prices for those who prefer not to stay in tents. These are already reserved for rally participants.

Once again, the four-day event will be filled with activities, travel presentations, group meals, visits to archaeological sites, live music, show & shine, and much more. Registrations are already open for the rally.

For those of you who prefer not to travel by road, there is also a fly-ride option, with Royal Enfield Super Meteors 650 available for rent in Athens by the GStraveler rental company. More info here: <https://gstraveler.com/>

The wider Mani region is truly unique, and we highly recommend staying a few extra days if you wish to explore more of the Peloponnese.

It will be our great pleasure and honour to welcome you once again and to have you participate in this celebration of Royal Enfield owners from all around the world!

If you have any questions please email to reocgreece@gmail.com

Best Regards

Andreas Papadakis (MNS)



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Friday, May 22nd-Monday, May 25th , 2026, Gythio-Mani,23200
Greece Gythio Bay Camping
(<https://gythiocamping.gr/>).

Tents or rooms very reasonably priced next to the campsite by the sea! For information and bookings Event Contact: Andreas Papadakis Tel:--+30 6974805700 Email:- reocgreece@gmail.com



May 2026



Scottish REOC Camping Weekend rally
22nd to 24th May 2026

Venue:- Ewes Water Caravan and Camping Park,
Langholm Rugby Club, Langholm, Dumfries and Galloway, Scotland, DG13 0HG Contact
Alan @ Marion Email:-
constellationthirsk@gmail.com

New Branch coming soon—North Cambs. Branch

I will hopefully be starting a **North Cambs. branch around Easter time**. I will post details nearer the time on the clubs FB page. Initial meeting will be at the dealership (because there are bacon butties on a Saturday morning) until a venue is agreed.

10 % off clothing, accessories and labour and you can add helmets to that as well, as I just bought an RE helmet. (**Sycamore RE Peterborough**) not forgetting to show your REOC membership card. Regards,

Alasdair R McIntosh MA (Branch Coordinator) (MNS)
Email:- branchcoordinator@royalenfield.org.uk

September 2026



**Thursday September 10th – Sunday September
13th 2026**

**Royal Enfield Owners Club AGM and Camping
Weekend**



We are moving! This year's AGM will be held at The South Wingfield Social Club, 43 High Rd, South Wingfield, Alfreton DE55 7LX.

The club has a function room and several other bar areas, with reasonably priced beer etc. There is a camping field for tents and an area for camper vans. Camping is £5 per night per person, it is the same price for camper vans. For anyone who doesn't want to camp but wants to stay nearby, there are a lot of air BnBs, BnBs, etc. in the area including a Travelodge about 5 miles away. South Wingfield is on the edge of the Peak District and has fantastic roads and attractions nearby. Because of this we are inviting members to come up on the Thursday night or Friday morning. We will have a ride for Fish and Chips on Thursday evening to Matlock Bath and a longer ride out to a local place of interest on the Friday. The AGM will take place on Saturday from 10:30 followed by a lunch provided by the club for those who attend the AGM.

The social club does not normally serve food but will be putting breakfasts, a BBQ one evening, a pie and chip supper on the other evening and the post AGM meal. These will need to be booked in advance. If these are not to your taste, there are two pubs a short walk away which do food or numerous takeaways which deliver to the site.

The event will be organised by the Peak District Branch and in order to help us out we ask that you let us know in advance that you are intending to come and how many nights camping you require. There will be a form on the website, the Newsletter and in future issues of the Gun. Jak Lemon (MNS)

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New Promotional Leaflet

The club has had some quality promotional leaflets printed. The idea is that they will be sent to branches who can then distribute them at shows, to motorcycle friendly cafes, local dealers or to Enfield riders they meet.

There is a space for a sticker with local branch details. Please could local branch contacts email me with: How many copies you would like, what you would like printed on the sticker, what address you would like them sent to?

Thank you.

Jak Lemon reoc.pro@gmail.com



Club Assets

As a committee member I have been tasked with trying to locate all the clubs assets that are not accounted for in order that they can be stored in a central location. I have been asked to contact you as a former Committee member or Club Officer and asking members to contact me or any other committee member if they have any or know of any Club assets, I can be contacted by Email:- barry.carson@lyndexrecycling.com or by WhatsApp on my mobile:- 07739 473752

REOC needs your involvement! Club Merchandise/ Sales Officer.

Our comprehensive and efficient club 'shop' needs a new keeper to manage sales of clothing directly to the manufacturer and to post small items to members.

If you'd like to know more about the above vacancies, contact the above titles, or the Chairman via 'contact us' on the website – www.royalenfield.org.uk.





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