

**THE WASTED TIMES**



**THE FUNKIEST OF FUNKY NEW YEARS STARTS WITH THE WT!**

**H**ey, it's past January 2nd, so we don't have to be f\*\*cked up anymore! Guess it's time to look forward to a new year full of new Eagle surprises. Over the holiday, we got ambitious and decided to check out some actual books on newsletter publishing. Well, surprise, surprise, according to these manuals, we're doing everything **WRONG** with the WT from a stylistic point of view. Our font choice, layout design and general attitude all are incorrect according to experts.

Needless to say, this sort of depressed us. After some massive soul-searching, we decided, that for the most part, we liked the WT the way it was. We have a great time putting it together, and we are hoping that you, our readers would rather read some news about the Eagles than appreciate the white space we've left to ensure design integrity. So....**EXPERTS SCHMEXPERTS**, we'll keep doing it basically the same way. In case you noticed, though, we did invest in the upgrade to MS-Publisher, so expect a few, funky changes.



*Each Eagle has his own individual sense of style. Who do you think has the Funkiest wardrobe? Our vote goes to Glenn's T-shirt.*

**WHAT THE EAGLES REALLY WANTED FOR CHRISTMAS BUT DIDN'T GET** BY PAM TREVETHIN (PICCOLO318@AOL.COM)

**G**lenn REALLY wanted a steel lined golf cap, a ton of roughage for his colon and **SOME DECENT SHIRTS !!!**

Don Henley REALLY wanted an Oprah makeover, a membership in the Hair Club for Men and for his woods to finally be paid for (see fundraiser information inside)

Timmy REALLY wanted some lava lamps and some velvet paintings to go with his tasteful velour look!

Joe REALLY wanted a seeing eye dog, some more funny hats and the huddled masses of American chanting "Walsh for

President!"

Don Felder REALLY wanted a solo of his own and a centerfold in Modern Maturity Magazine so old geezers can see what a good looking middle aged man looks like.

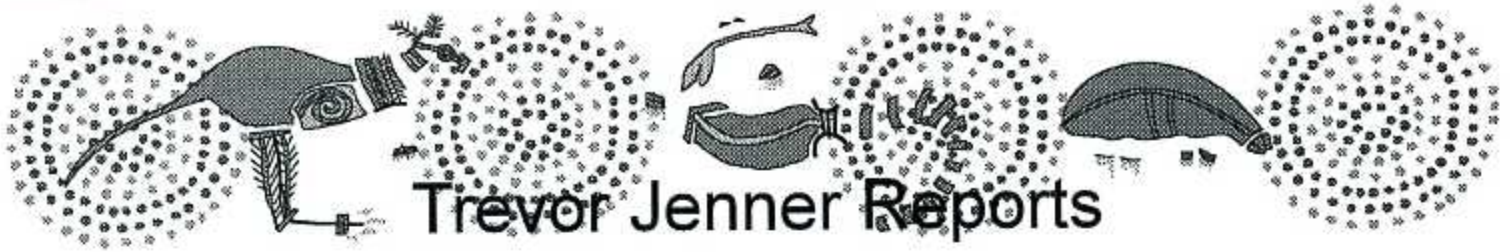
Here's hoping they all got enough plaid flannel shirts to take them on another American Tour!



*What? No Italian sunglasses this year?*

inside...

Don Henley....not a box.  
Teens give us insights into how they feel about the Eagles.  
Eaglemania takes over Japan and Australia in a big way.  
The usual trivia, puzzles, recipes, craft ideas and grainy photos.



## Trevor Jenner Reports

Well, the Eagles have arrived "downunder".....at last!!!

When I first heard about the Eagles concert, I was living in North Queensland but have since moved to Canberra (the nation's capital). A group of four of us purchased tickets to the Brisbane concert more than 12 months ago and when the tour was postponed as a result of Glenn's illness, we vowed to meet in Brisbane for the concert of a lifetime.

At 4:30am the Tuesday before the show, the boys from North Queensland hired a car and travelled the 1000 miles from Townsville to Brisbane. At 5pm on Monday I caught a Greyhound bus from Canberra (800 miles) and, 22 hours later, we met in the capital of Queensland.

Wednesday morning we drove down to the Brisbane Entertainment Centre, hoping to catch a glimpse of the band. We had thought of trying to pass ourselves off as four of the roadies but didn't think we'd be able to pull it off! Anyway, we got a feel for the place and were satisfied that we weren't going to get ourselves lost that night!

We spent the remainder of the day in Brisbane City, I lost count on the number of record shops we went to. I even managed to pick up a couple of Don's albums (I Can't Stand Still & Building the Perfect Beast) for 95 cents at a secondhand record shop. I'd been looking for the *Hell Freezes Over* video and came across it in one of the bigger record shops (the MTV concert was shown on Australian TV for the first time three weekends ago but the boys in North Queensland missed it). Whilst in this particular shop we found out that we'd missed their supporting act, Melissa Etheridge, by 30 minutes!

We headed off to the Entertainment Centre at 5:15pm and decided to put the radio on...wouldn't you know it, the first song just happened to be "Best of my Love". The concert was due to start at 7:00pm and we thought it would be good to get there early enough to have a couple of beers and beat any car parking problems. Unfortunately, everyone else appeared to have the same idea.

None of us had ever been to the Entertainment Centre before and therefore had no idea of the size of the venue. When they opened up the doors to let us in we were "blown away" by the enormity of the place and after finding our seats (almost side-on to the stage) just sat there in amazement. We suddenly realised that this was it, the moment we'd all waited for, for more than 12 months!

Melissa Etheridge got the crowd warmed up with "Bring me Some Water" and her performance was itself nothing short of brilliant. She's touring in April and, on the performance she gave that night, I'll be going to her concert in Sydney. It left me wondering whether she might do a song with the guys later in the night but that turned out not to be the case. I could just imagine her doing "Heartache Tonight".

Glenn started us off by saying, "Yes, we're those darned Eagles" and then it was straight into "Hotel California" (we'd taken bets on what the first song would be and although I had gone for "Take it Easy" I had had a look in the *Wasted Times* and the odds defiantly appeared to be against me). It lived up to everyone's expectation but didn't go on as long as the version on the 1980 *Eagles Live* album. They decided to do the concert in two parts, 8pm to 9pm and then 9:30pm to 10:30pm. "One of These Nights" got our vote as the best song in part one.



*The show in Brisbane had an Australian feel to it. Imagine the hair gel used to keep every lock in place*

Part two started with the boys all on stools with their guitars and songs such as "Tequila Sunrise" and "Forgiveness"[sic-ed.] set the scene. Things started to heat up a bit with Joe doing his "Life's Been Good". I really felt like yelling out "Are you still running for President Joe?". Joe also did his "Ordinary Average Guy" wearing a hat of sausage shaped balloons, he looked anything but ordinary! I can't remember whether it was the first or second half by there was a bracket where Don did "The Boys of Summer" and Glenn did "You Belong to the City". The sax of the latter really got us going! The music just seemed to go on and on...it was one of those nights (??) when you wished it would go on forever! With songs like "Heartache Tonight", "Life in the Fast Lane", and "Already Gone", the crowd was really rocking and this bracket got some of us on our feet.

The night ended with two encores, the second bringing out "Desperado" and "Take it Easy". At 11:05pm it was all over, we'd seen the concert, bought the T-shirt (and the programme) and celebrated with another beer. More than 12 months of the waiting and we were "over the moon". The concert was a sellout, as was the next (and last) of the Brisbane concerts.

With only four hours of sleep we got up on the Thursday morning and headed our separate ways, I caught the bus back to Canberra and the other guys headed back to Townsville. IT was one of those times in your life you will never forget and it was with great pride that I wore the T-shirt on the bus home.



# EAGLES DOWN UNDER

