

Run No. 75 - Up and Over (x2) on the Jubilee Jaunt

Hares ; Geoffrey and Hash Almanack

A dimly recollected 15 noble men and strong was the tally of main runners for the much publicised, long awaited 75th hash.

The On-On was close to Digana but the terrain was unfamiliar which was surprising as it proved to be first class. The ever dwindling number of Victorians were swelled by no less than nine outsiders — four exKotmale and five ex88 Katunayaka. Amongst the latter it was pleasing to welcome back Ambassador and clan.

The sun was high and brilliant at the start and even higher at the finish, but as much of the going was pleasantly shaded, only those foolish enough to run did much sweating. However, with a promise of rewards for 'collecting' the most false trails, there was an untypical eagerness for running in the wrong direction. With a blast from Lancelot's iridescent post horn, the pack were off at a gallop.

The trail led away from the new Hulu Ganga bridge following the left bank of the river through rough ground and long grass. An early check rewarded Lancelot with the first false trail sign (complete with raspberry-flavoured caption) and reversed the pack. This in turn put Wise Owl in the lead and rewarded him with the second sign. (By these signs you shall know!)

It was then on up; and up, past an obstructive cow (sexually misidentified for the more aggressive gender by a timid Peanuts from Katunayake) and up and up.

The visitors and novices discovered the real flavour of hashing at Victoria — salty!

A contouring path at length provided a respite and gave an opportunity for second thought. Depleted by one, the pack paused briefly for big breaths before setting off at speed along the path. A minor digression drew most of the pack off on an unnecessary climb and allowed Marathon Man to pick up his first of many, flavoured captions (from small beginnings?). Late Starter was not so diverted and, following the correct trail along the hillside, ran on with such momentum over the inevitable bar that it was concluded he would never be late again.

Some route hinting by the hare, Geoffrey, then gave Pilgrim Minor and Excelling the chance to lead the pack ON UP, but at the next check circle, while most of the pack were finding the false trails, Marathon Man quietly found the right trail and headed off silently on his own : it was to be his undoing.

1000 feet later the remainder of the now gasping pack reached the path along the crest of the ridge — and a check circle. The check back to a steeply descending trail was tempting and Ambassador and Lancelot were about to lead the pack headlong downwards when the agony-racked face of Marathon Man appeared on the way up. The deception of the hares had worked perfectly and Marathon Man's plan to side-step the rest of the pack had failed dismally. Nevertheless he was awarded the consolation prize for the most and best false trails (x2).

The hard work over, the pack sped down. Several digressions along the way did little to delay the return to the On-In at the end of an excellent run well worthy of the occasion.

A fine rendition of the hair lip song by the hares and sundry other discordant hash moustache and Down-Downs for novices, leavers, Uncle T C & A completed the energetic part of the proceedings.

Lemonade Run

Here beginneth the first chapter of the Gospel according to St. Bumble (shouldn't that be St. Jude, the patron saint of lost causes? - Ed.).

And it came to pass on the sabbath day that there was gathered together in the land of Serendipity a crowd of exiles from the four corners of the world (obviously the Scribe hasn't heard of Copernicus - Ed.), yea even from the underworld called Australia.

And there was among these seething hordes one rabble rouser by the name of Hash Almanack who did exhort the women and children and the feeble to follow him away from the path of righteousness into the unknown whither no man, woman or child shall go and yet return unscathed.

And so it was that with anguished cries of ON-ON one woman by the name of Bumble, being unencumbered by the burden of children, did lead the others down to a stream, but being unable to make the waters part (as they did at the Red Sea) or even walk on it (as was achieved on the Sea of Galilee) she was forced to lead the unfortunate tribe through it. And the others did say unto her: whither thou goest, we will go, even unto the ends of the earth.

Over on the other side of this Serendipatian Jordan, the path led tortuously ON-UP and to a circle of paper, a magic symbol from whence the way was unclear. And so the tribe was forced to go forth (and multiply? - Ed.) and search for the way of the Almanack, mothers even sending their children such as Nessel, Miss Huntley and Mini Mars into the dark depths of the jungle for this purpose. And there was much wailing and gnashing of teeth until the way became clear.

And there was one, Truly Scrumptious, being sounder of limb than most, who did lead the tribe ever ON-UP, closely followed by John the Baptist, Electrozoom and family and the Candyman and family, and yet further behind were Leprechaun and Kangus, the Gringo family, the Pilgrim family and sundry others.

Yea verily did they march, along paddy bunds, through jungle and past tribes of Sinhala-ites and Tamil-ites who did gaze in awe at this spectacle and did try to imitate their desperate cries of ON-ON, CHECKING and (alas, all too frequently) ON-BACK.

And it came to pass that in a dense jungle with vegetation even thicker than the Colombo Rebels the tribe became lost and with no-one to show them the way the exiles were sore afraid and in their fear did curse and blaspheme.

Yet even as they wandered; lost and afraid (lonely as a cloud?-Ed.), they heard a voice from heaven calling: Have you found the sweetie tree yet? And being thus lost and afraid they did put their trust in this voice and did follow it, even as the Three Wise Men followed the star unto Bethlehem.

But there were among them two, one by the name of Plod and one the aforementioned Bumble, who, being of vile and suspecting natures, did continue to seek in other directions, yea even into the innermost blackness and beyond, until they too were lured back to the True Way and followed the voice; down a mud bank did they go and ON-LEFT/

And lo! there appeared a light beside their path and a vision of white and silver and of such dazzling beauty that the weary exiles could not but stop and gaze in awe and prostrate themselves before it. And that which they beheld said unto them : Welcome to the Promised Land of Mars Bars and Milky Ways, and did pluck for them from a magic tree such manna as would sustain them on the rest of their journey.

Tell it not in Gath, tell it not in Ashkelon lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, but beware! here unfoldeth a Tricky story of deception and deceit, for that which did dazzle and shine in wondrous beauty was non other than the Fairy Queen of Victoria from that den of iniquity, Digana.

And when they had eaten their fill the exiles were smitten with terrible thirsts but there was no sustenance to be had; and the manna had made them even more thirsty, and the raging sun did beat down on them and mad dogs did bark.

Ever onwards did their leaders take them and often did they stop and pray : Oh God ! how much further?

And they did climb up a steep hill, mothers and fathers carrying their offspring, resigned to wandering around perhaps for ever, until they came to the top of the hill, And behold! down below in the distance they beheld a glorious sight: a mechanical camel! And they did speed ON-DOWN to it as if carried on wings of eagles, and lo! they found it full of wondrous liquid to quench their thirsts.

And there was much drinking and singing and giving thanks unto the Hares.

HASH BEER/HASH CASH - An explanation

A word of explanation for the perplexed, the puzzled and the parsimonious. Beer drinkers pay 60 Rs. a head ; lemonade drinkers pay 10 Rs. a head. This entitles you to drink as much as you can consume without assistance. Under five year olds are free of charge. The price you pay depends upon what you drink, not how poor/young/beautiful/energetic/politically influential you are.

To assist Hash Cash, please try and present the right amount (in notes).

Run No 75
November 7, 1985

Main Run

Sam Burckhill (hare)
Andy Peck
Angus Speirs
Stuart Cowie
Terry Smith
Mike Excell
Adrian Excell
David Palmer
Brian Wallace
Pete Marshall

Philip Taylor

Sharon

The 2

Rowson

13+

Lemonade Run

Brian Whittaker (hare)

Sandy Galvin
Noel "
Russell "
Neville "
Graham Parkinson
Hannah "
Steve Kemper
Ann "
Jordan "
Shannon "
Jessica "
Moiria Cowie
Alexander "
Andrew "
Philip Gorringe
Louise "
Trevor "
Richard "
Richard Burge
Karen "
Francis "
Wayne Jorgansen
Jan "
Rowson

Trudy Excell

Bee Patterson

Harley Lehman

Miles "

Piers "

Alastair Chalmers

Tom Kettle

Ann Kettle

Alec Cumming

Bill Palmer

Maureen "

Emma "

Andrew "

Lindsay Kitchener

Sheila Nuttall

David MacCallum

Karen Wajinaman

Noham "

Nina "

Heather Taylor

Pat Speirs

Emma "

Angus " (jnr)

John French

Jean "

Jonathan Cowell

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ATTENTION! "EUROHASHERS"

Par les regulations nouvelles à nous posté par le Commission Euromarché a Bruxelles (ordonance EUR/H/SL/271185/T/547773/V/362436 para 4 sectione(e)) il faut necessaire de renommé les hashers habituélles avec les noms pôlite, profond, et absolument incomprehensible.

Le Mésmenagement annonce, donc, le petit compétition pour vous, les hashers ordinaire, grands salle. Vous nous donnez une liste de douze noms de charactieres VH³ actuelle (voir le roll d'honneur attaché) qui fait le plus résèmbance de les nouvelles Euronoms d'Hash qui on ecrit au-dessous. En addition, entre le nom (la nommé?) de votre hasher favourite dans le boîte treizième, avec un nouveau nom d'Hash pour lui. Ecrivez, dans onze mots ou moins, pourquoi vous desirez votre favourite de buvez un pint (= demi - litre) de coqtail de fruit passionelle. Entrez - le dans une enveloppe plein brun, et donné a un membre de Mésmenagement depuis Septieme Decembre. On annonce le gagner à hash apres.

↖ Detachez - la, et stuffez dans un enveloppe anonyme

	1) The passion fruit	1)	.....
	2) The first aider	2)	.....
	3) The brass neck	3)	.....
	4) The prodigal son	4)	.....
Nouvelle nom d'EuroHasher	5) The pony express	5)	.....	Nom ordinaire existente
	6) The friend in need	6)	.....
	7) The hot flush	7)	.....
	8) The fat controller	8)	.....
	9) The sugar - plum fairy	9)	.....
	10) The powder puff	10)	.....
	11) The jock strap	11)	.....
	12) The heavy breather	12)	.....
Votre suggestion	13) -----	13)	-----	Votre hasher favourite

Completez dans onze mots ou moins:

"Je desirez mon hasher favourite de buvez une demi de coqtail fruit de passione parce que"

(en Anglais, s'il fait simpler)