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Fine Fields aplenty

Vindication

Well yes it all worked out ok & the Aussies were beaten at Lords for the first time in 75 years – so well done Andrew Strauss. Let's hope this will be repeated at Edgbaston.

Halt & Lamé

The Le Grand Marché car park at St. Peter is pretty empty but gradually the Hash starts to fill up one small corner. As the weather slowly improves so does the numbers of the pack. We even have a visit from Ragsby who is not slow to display his ankle which was damaged months ago on the ski trip. We are graced with the presence of Camisutra from the Aberdeen Hash who we had the pleasure of running with us some months ago. Jersey must have some attraction for those from the frozen north. Rentabed is back with having recovered from a punting (yes that is the correct spelling) accident. We are used to Shiggy & family turning up late but there is no sign of them this week.



Attractive or what?

White is not the colour

Molehills & Steptoe call us into a circle & we are told to ignore the white arrows although if we do follow them they will bring us back but only after 10 1/2 miles – Steptoe vouches for this as he had followed them the previous morning. The Hash trail was laid in coloured chalk & sawdust (lemon scented) & if we entered fields with horses we would be off trail. Molehills might also have used a Bicester Hash tradition & laid Back Checks – so beware.

However, as we do start on the run none other than Jacko drives up having been waiting in the wrong car park – he should invest in a JEP on a Friday & check on the venue.



Guess who?

The pack seeks out the trail & Molehills decides he should put in additional arrows in case Shiggy arrives even later than usual. "On-on" is eventually called & we set off through the Community Centre car park.

Check the falsies

It is not too long before we find an early check on the Rue de l'Eglise. The pack sets off towards the Airport but the hares stay put & in due course the pack returns only to find yet more false trails. This all takes some time but eventually we find our way through La Ville de l'Eglise & find yet another check. The hares have been very busy laying false trails & we are held up for a while but we are soon running through a half cleared turf field & sticking to the edge.

Grounded

On through the hedge & into another field & the FRB's carry straight on without taking notice of the sawdust taking them into a different field. One field of cut grass proves Top Gun's downfall as he spectacularly hits the ground. The pack gathers round while the fallen recovers his breath & decides to continue to the next check. Molehills is obviously concerned & persuaded Top Gun to

accompany him on a short cut whilst he recovers. What a nice man!



Top Gun downed

Wrong again

The pack once more takes every false trail – one would have thought they would have learnt by now. The way proves to be past the organic farm shop & onto Le Mont du Jubilé but the pack still insists that the trail leads towards the airport & are surprised when it leads up the footpath away from the airport. Even at the top of the slope it proved very difficult to call the FRB's back to cross another set of fields. The well trained pack takes the long way round when the trail for once leads straight across to an obvious exit from the field. The false trail leads many astray but it is around yet more fields.

Lesson

Onto a short bit of road & onto the fields above St. Ouen's Bay & near the reservoir. Smuggler takes the bait & the path down towards Bethesda while the track here the erroneous cry of "on-on". The assumption that the sight of sawdust must mean that the trail is found seems to have gathered some credence when the call should be "On one", & then "On two" & only when the third marker is found then we may sound "On-on". Lesson for the day over.

Safe passage

A farm track a short run down to another check. The false trails do their business once more until Steptoe is forced to indicate the correct trail. This leads us down through the valley where our hares have done a good job in clearing a path through the bracken, nettles & brambles so that we reach the path along the reservoir without mishap.



Valley good

We head east & come upon a motley crew – yes, it's our walking group.



Mingling

A few pleasantries are exchanged before a climb through & out of another valley. The valley side is very steep & Hooker has great difficulty in making progress at the top of the slope – but plucky Harriette that she is, she refuses any help & makes it to the summit.

Back check

We keep to the edge of yet more fields (Where do they find them all?) but the pack make it difficult for themselves by following none existent trails. Nonetheless the check is finally found but memories prove short & the back check warning is forgotten. Steptoe once more gives assistance & we run through the grounds of a farmhouse & give the owners a cheerful greeting & thanks.

Savage attack

We avoid the field with horses & Is-it-Buggery confesses to not knowing where he is. He does when we reach La

Rue de la Presse. It would have been an easy trip back to the pub but our hares have other ideas & we divert into yet more fields. We could have been torn apart by a pack of savage dogs defending their territory but Princess, Lola & Tyson turn out to be friendly Shitzu puppies who only want to join in with the Hash. The young owners have difficulty in keeping them under control while we exit more turf fields.



Who's attacking whom?

This time it is an easy way through La Grande Pièce, down the lane & back to the car park & the pub for a well earned pint after what was considered a very good run.

Pub Grub

The walkers are waiting on the terrace sitting happily with their drinks before them. The pub has Forty-Niner on tap so thirst can be slaked with a decent brew. We are served with sausage, chips & bread which does not survive too long in the face of the hungry hashers.

Turn ups

Shiggy, Taxi & Desperado join us (No, they didn't follow Molehills' extra arrows) & bring with them baby Oscar. Plenty of "Ah" factor for the Harriettes. We are pleased that Please Insert & Easy Rider have brought Canine Jack with them for their first outing to us after their recent difficult time.

Down downs

For his attempt to flatten a field Top Gun is summoned as is Vertigo for displaying ignorance when confronted with "FT". As Vertigo is otherwise committed she nominates Rampant Rabbit as substitute



First victims

Now that Smuggler & Rent-a-Bed are both with us for the first time in some weeks we are able to mark their birthdays in the traditional manner.



Birthday boys

Finally our hares are punished for providing us with such a fine run which probably included some virgin territory.



The Culprits

Bike Bash

You're too late – all 40 places have now been taken up. However, for those lucky enough to be going on the trip the time of reckoning is nigh. Please make your final payment of £140.00 for members & £180.00 for non-members to Illegal Immigrant as soon as possible. I'm sure a great time will be had by all especially as the theme is “& so to bed”.

Ski Trip

Twin Peaks has informed me that there are 2 places left on the trip to Meribel. If you are interested & would like further details contact her on 864579.

New Year in Alderney

Surprisingly 2 places have become available. So if you are not already booked on the trip get your £50 deposit to Illegal Immigrant & join in the fun.

Hash Announcements

Weekly dues:-

When you attend a run you must pay your subs (£3.50 Members, £4.50 Non – Members or guests, £2 tadpoles).

If you arrive late, or pay after the run/walk, then a 50p late fine is added to the subs! No pay – no run and no food! If you aren't running/walking & therefore arrive after the run then see Illegal Immigrant to pay for your food, no late fine for those who did not run or walk.

Please inform Illegal Immigrant if you do not intend to stay for food as this will save the club money by not paying for your food.

Hares – Important Reminder

Hashers who are booked to lay a trail and cannot make it for some reason **must** find a replacement and not just rely on the Hare Razor to do the work for them.

Hash Ha Ha's

Prices



Holiday accommodation

This desirable residence was spotted on a recent hash. Much discussion ensued as to how much Rent-a-Bed could get for it as holiday accommodation. So what's the going rate, Rent-a-Bed?

Swine Flu update

I heard that the first symptom is that you come out in rashers.

Another is that you get the trots.

But, I woke up with pig tails this morning ... Should I worried?

The doctor asked me how long I'd had the symptoms of Swine Flu. I said it must have been about a Weeeeeeeeeeeeeek!

Apparently my mate's got Swine Flu; I think he's just telling porkies, though.....

The only known cure for Swine Flu in humans has been found to be the liberal application of oinkment.

I hear there's now sine flu as well. Someone on the news was going off on a tangent about it.

*This little piggy went to market,
This little piggy stayed at home,
This little piggy had roast beef,
This little piggy had none.
And this little piggy had influenza - A virus subtype hemagglutinin protein 1 neuraminidase protein 1*

Swine flu, however, is not a problem for the pigs because they're all going to be cured anyway.

News Flash.... this just in. The world's religious leaders have issued a joint declaration that the Swine Flu pandemic is the start of the aporkalypse.

Swine flu has now mixed with bird flu. Scientists say they will find a cure when can pigs fly.

I just heard on the news that, "Swine Flu could potentially be a threat to every single person in the world". Well it's a good thing I'm married then, isn't it?

This is not a time for panic. It is no pig deal. It is a mild hamdemic, don't believe all the spam you're getting.

Receding Hareline

1046	9 August	Les Fontaines	Cooperman & Ragsby
1047	16 August	T.B.C.	Jacko & Spartacus
1048	23 August	Landmark	Cooperman
1049	30 August	Les Quennevais Sports Centre	ET

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