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## On & On

# Back to our Origins

It had been quite a while since we last had a run when the Crapaud Hash and the Jersey Hash managed to co-ordinate themselves sufficiently to have a joint trail. In fact (if memory is correct) is probably almost exactly a whole year since such an event last occurred.

It was therefore appropriate that the joint pack assembled for the first trail of 2020 at the original 'home' of Hashing in Jersey, the Smugglers Inn at Ouaisne on a typically overcast January morning. Although it was overcast it was not cold and (more importantly) not raining, so the new Crapaud Hash Christmas gift, dark blue, apparel was much in evidence, as was the JH3 red. Of the total of 43 Hashers, 26 were from CH3 and 17 from JH3



### The Joint Pack

After much milling about, a briefing from our joint Hares (Bear and Pervey) and a commemorative photo or two, the pack set off in numerous directions. At length, the consensus was to head down the slip onto the beach (well the Hares were wandering in that direction). There didn't seem to be much appetite for a climb up the cliffs through the quarries, so the pack set off westward across the beach towards St Brelade. As the Pack approached the point, another large group of people accompanied by dogs approached from the opposite direction.

Was this more Jersey Hashers who had been hiding to lull the Crapauds into a false sense of security? No, it was the Cockerpool Club, out for their Sunday morning stroll. Chaos ensued as the two mobs mingled and some of the Hash walkers were never seen again!



### Walkers

On arrival at the point, uncertainty overtook the running section of the Pack, not least due to a total lack of trail markings. Assisted by the Hares, the Pack turned and headed up the beach to the sea wall where, having climbed the steps, they headed back towards the Smugglers!



### Heading for home?

The walkers (or what was left of them), totally ignored this abrupt change in direction (assuming any of them had noticed) and continued onward around the point and on into St Brelade's Bay.



**Where did everyone go?**

The walkers continued across the bay to the church end before splitting again, with one section returning across the beach to get back around the point before the tide rose too high. The other section proceeded back along the prom, to allow certain Harriettes a shopping opportunity amongst the bargains in the soon to close Wayside surf shop. Shopping completed, the walkers continued along the prom and then over the top of the point to head back to the Smugglers car park.

Rumour has it that the runners didn't short cut back to the On Inn but turned inland across Ouaisne common. After a pause for a false trail up into Les Ruisseaux, the trail continued up the track on the west side of the common and then on uphill, next to the fence line, through a gate and up a lane, to arrive at the Noirmont Road



**Returning from the false trail (© Steptoe)**

After crossing the main road, the trail looped around many of the fields before finding its way back to the road. and re-crossing the man road.



**Flasher and Discharge compare their sacks**



**Up the hill above Ouaisne Common (© Steptoe)**



**Through the gate (© Pervey)**



**Down into the road (© Pervey)**





**Do Hashers ever pay attention to signs? (© Steptoe)**



**Down through the woods (© Pervey)**

The trail lead down, through a wooded valley, to finally emerge near the 'mobile home' site just uphill of the On Inn.



**The Pack arrives back at the Smugglers**

The combined Hash proceeded to take over the Smugglers – just like the old days! Large quantities of tasty sausages, chips and onion rings were served up to satisfy their hunger and, to Steptoe's delight, there was several real ales to choose from.



**The Hash takes over the Smugs.**



**Is Steptoe doing Dry January?**



**Snouts in the trough**

The Down Downs were conducted outside in the road, jointly by RAs Rodger Rabbit and Molehills.

First up were Charity (for a magnificent pratfall) and Mrs Bear (sorry - Hash name not known) for her catering skills, mainly the provision of tasty cakes.





**JH3 Down Downs.**

Next up was Flasher for flooding his house and not fixing it for ages (even though he is a builder), along with Squirt and Jo for (unsuccessfully) trying to tell tales on themselves.



**Flasher, Squirt and Joe.**

A celebratory Down Down was awarded to Jenny for completing her 100<sup>th</sup> Park Run and for going on TV, radio and the EP but failing to sing the praises of the Hash.



**The Centurian Park Runner**

Our GM, Steptoe, was next on the honours list to celebrate yet another birthday. As usual he tried to claim two on the basis of being born on 2 January (German time) and on 1 January (British GMT). Needless to say, he was out of luck (again) this year.



**Birthday Boy**

Finally, our Hares, Bear and Pervey, were awarded the customary Down Downs for providing an excellent run, which even included some rarely (if ever) used terrain.



**The Hares**

**RAPIDLY RECEDING HARELINE**



**Run No:** 1590  
**Date:** 19<sup>th</sup> January  
**Hare:** Flasher  
**On Down:** Le Hocq Inn, St Clement  
**Scribe:** Smuggler

**Run No:** 1591  
**Date:** 26<sup>th</sup> January  
**Hare:** Wendolene  
**On Down:** TBC.  
**Scribe:** TBC