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## Olympian Success!

### Numbers a plenty

Beijing has delivered the opening of the Olympics which seems to have inspired plenty of hashers, some 30 or so, to the exotic surroundings of the Les Quennevais car park. After a wet & windy night the morning is sunny & warm & Beep-Beep & Gigolo have even brought their bikes out for an airing. Tinky Winky is in his accustomed spot collecting contributions & has a little assistant in the shape of Mark who has been roused from his pit by his loving father. There is lots of milling around & chatting & Pussy reveals that she was presented with a pack of 25. What a weekend in prospect! & how can she afford the time to be with us. It turns out that she was talking about the number of ear tags provide by Agriculture for her herd of one goat.

### Timing

Although he lives just round the corner our GM is late but, what a surprise, Frisco is five minutes early but only thanks to Jacko who gave him a lift. Our hares, Nelson & Dildo, finally summon us to form a circle & give us the usual instructions but Dildo demurs at the talk of "sawdust". No, he reveals that we are to follow a trail laid in Snuggle Chips Hygienic Pet Bedding – whatever next? We also learn that Nelson has had to give a written disclaimer to one land owner but he won't say where in case he incriminates himself.

### Run, Rabbit, run

The GM has now turned up but this does not help us find the trail. We wander hither & thither but eventually Nelson decides to cut the Gordian knot & leads us across the zebra crossing & onto La Rue du Pont Marquet. We now know that it will be into the Park & onto the Railway Walk. Well, the Snuggle Chips would suggest this but we are called back & enter the Lavender Farm where, much to the amusement of the visitors, we traverse many of the paths. The young rabbit we disturb is not as frightened as Lisa whose screams rent the calm air. The rest of the pack is amused by this & there are comments re rabbit pie etc.

### Check

Not to worry as we are now into overgrown fields & have to take care not to turn an ankle. We descend a pleasant path only to be confronted by the FRBs who have found the double arrows – serve them right! Dildo helped us out of a little dilemma as the pack mills around & opens the gate onto Waterworks territory. We follow the watercourse but not for long as we clamber up the side of the valley into open farmland. Some of us reach a road only to be called

back to follow an almost illegible trail. However, we do end up at a check on a lane.

### Complaint

Here our very own Ragsby makes himself unpopular by complaining about the trail. Not quite as poor a show as it seems as he was complaining that we had reached the first bit of tarmac for a long time. This section of road seems to have gone to some of our hashers' heads as Jacko, Rentabed & Ballcock all go off trail – How unusual. Poor Pussy is assailed by a noxious aroma of unknown origin but it is also observed that Gigolo is wafting air originating from his rear end in her unsuspecting direction. He is such a gentleman!

### Beached

Our course takes us past Nelson's Navy, a group of waterless boats – quite appropriate as this particular admiral did not drink a drop of water last night. On the other side of the road we are forced to negotiate a barbed wire fence which has a cunningly sited tripwire just beyond it. We descend the slope & negotiate the stream. Continuing along the cotil we are urged to hash hush as there may be horses in the area. This is not quite correct although a lot of splashing at the bottom of the slope encourages the hashers to find alternative routes. Mark blazes the trail although the barbed wire makes us wonder if it was all worthwhile. There may be no horses but we are greeted by Pascoe a very friendly (aren't they all!) golden retriever. Pascoe enjoys the pond in Francief Farm grounds all the more so when Steptoe throws a piece of wood into the middle of the waters. I trust the owner was as happy as the dog.

### Horses at last

There should be an easy way home from here but our hares have different ideas as we climb the hill only to duck under yet more barbed wire & meet the equine inhabitants of the field. They enjoy our company so much that they crash through the hedge & follow us up the other side of the valley. We make sure that the gate is firmly shut so we have no additional "guests" on our hash.

### Home

We are now on a familiar track & happily head for home along La Rue des Bruleries. As usual we head up the valley side but not on the normal course but almost have to blaze a trail through the undergrowth. We head across the open land only to be called back to a check. Some of our number

disregard the call & head for the hostelry. Those with a conscience, yes there are some of us, find the correct trail into the woods & down to the Railway Walk. From here it's a gentle troll to the main road & back to the pub. A very good run on what has turned out to be a very pleasant morning, well done hares.

The pub is not renowned in the circles of lovers of quality ales so Steptoe has his own ginger beer to add to the beer to make it more palatable. Now there's forward thinking! Even so Software has turned up to publicise the next run. The food is a long time in coming & it is decided that traditions will be respected before rather than after the refreshments.

### Announcements

Our GM confirms that there are only 2 places left on the bike bash. All participants will receive details of requirements for the weekend.

The Tour des Paroisses will commence at 9.30 from the Weighbridge on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August.

Registration for the 1,000<sup>th</sup> was still available & a good turnout was requested for the 31<sup>st</sup> August when Channel TV will be present. It was requested that hash t-shirts be worn.

There was no positive response when Hare Raiser requested a volunteer for the bike bash weekend. He was more successful for various dates in October.

### Down Downs

The first victim is Baz the Jerseyman from Guernsey who downs his punishment with aplomb.

Bed Pan 2 struggles with her half after having been discovered training for the Bike Bash – rumour has it that the CCC are after her signature! She probably had trouble with the beer as it was “Mary Ann” after all – thank God I avoided punishment,

Smuggler has kept a low profile but his past catches up with him & he is rewarded for his birthday. When asked about the Mr Kipling emblem on his chest he responds that they are “round & tasty”.

Finally the real culprits of the day our hares Nelson & Dildo (no longer a virgin hare) are severely punished for providing such a good run but do well in disposing of their reward.

Plates of chips, sausages & bread & butter eventually arrive & are eagerly disposed of in the sun by the now very hungry gathering.

### 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 Tinky to pay for your food, no late fine for those who did not run or walk. Please inform TW if you do not intend to stay for food as this will save the club 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.

### French Bike Bash

Theme “Ooh la la!” Only 2 places left so have a word with Tinky Winky PDQ. Costs have now been finalized & it is time to cough up a further £120 in addition to the £50 deposit. For non-members the total cost for the weekend's activities is £210. TW would be pleased to relieve you of your final payment.

### Tour des Paroisses

Ragsby & Illegal Immigrant are organizing a training ride on August 23<sup>rd</sup> as practice for the real thing on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Contact either of them for further info.

### 997 Run

We are to star on Channel TV! So turn up in good numbers on 31<sup>st</sup> August in hash t-shirts & help promote the 1,000<sup>th</sup> run. There is sure to be plenty of hash nonsense – we hope.

### 1,000<sup>th</sup> Weekend

It's not too late to register so download a Registration Form from [www.crapaud.org](http://www.crapaud.org). Please contact any ex-hashers you know either here or in the UK & encourage them to come & participate.

### Joke

An Australian ventriloquist visiting New Zealand walks into a Small village and sees a local sitting on his veranda patting his dog.

He figures he'll have a little fun, so he says to the Kiwi 'G'day, mind if I talk to your dog?'

Villager: 'The dog doesn't talk, you stupid Aussie.'

Ventriloquist: 'Hello dog, how's it going mate?'

Dog: “Yeah, doin' all right.”

Kiwi: (look of extreme shock)

Ventriloquist: 'Is this villager your owner?' (pointing at the Villager)

Dog: 'Yep'

Ventriloquist: 'How does he treat you?'

Dog: 'Yeah, real good. He walks me twice a day, feeds me great food and takes me to the lake once a week to play.'

Kiwi: (look of utter disbelief)

Ventriloquist: 'Mind if I talk to your horse?'

Kiwi: 'Uh, the horse doesn't talk either...I think.'

Ventriloquist: 'Hey horse, how's it going?'

Horse: 'Cool'

Kiwi: (absolutely dumbfounded)

Ventriloquist: 'Is this your owner?' (Pointing at the villager)

Horse: 'Yep'

Ventriloquist: How does he treat you?

Horse: 'Pretty good, thanks for asking. He rides me regularly, brushes me down often and keeps me in the shed to protect me from the elements.'

Kiwi: (total look of amazement)

Ventriloquist: 'Mind if I talk to your sheep?'

Kiwi: (in a panic) “The sheep's a f\*\*\*\*\* liar.....”

### Disappearing Hareline

996	24 Aug	The Priory, Devil's Hole	Frisco	
997	31 Aug	Trinity Arms	Illegal Immigrant & Rentabed	Channel TV & Jersey Live
998	7 Sept	Somewhere	A Volunteer	Bike Bash
999	14 Sept	Who knows	Meccano & Knickerbox	B of Britain Wk
1000	21 Sept	Havre des Pas	Mismanagement	The <b>BIG ONE</b>
1001	28 Sept			
1002	5 Oct		Illegal Immigrant & Steptoe	Jersey Marathon

**Remember:** Now only 5 runs to Run No. 1,000