

Run Number 116 12th March 2009 The Lion Tavern, Moorfields

The Pack: Compo; Carthief; FCUK (Co-Hare); Sprog; 10 Seconds (Co-Hare); Snoozanne; Alternative Entrance; Becca; Matt; Ben; Valérie, Emily; Holly

The warm-up

From: Compo (why is it always Compo that starts these things?)

Subject: Food at run

I'm not quite sure who gets the food now, although Snoozanne often comes up with the goods!! I have the beer box to bring and to avoid duplication, shall I bring the food also??

From: Carthief

So long as it is not Compo rations!

From: Compo

But I like Compo rations !!

From: 10 Seconds

Hi, on a previous occasion we managed to get the pub to lay on some food—is that worth another go?

From: 10 Seconds

We can get a mix of pies, cheese and sandwiches after the run for £5 a head—the guy seemed to remember us and said that was what he charged last time. Does that sound OK?—if so I'll make a definite booking later today.

From: Snoozanne

£5 per head sounds fine, but the trouble is always deciding in advance how many heads. I would suggest erring on the side of caution as I remember in the past that was plenty of food. Mind you, those pork pies are very nice and I've been starved of British food for a couple of weeks (far too many clams prawns and oysters over there!)

From: Carthief

OK by me

Thirstday night seems a long way in the future. I am still in Tel Aviv. They have a Thirsty Knights Hash here although I have not been able to get there.

From: Snoozanne (to Carthief)

So you'll be a bit short on pork pies, too then....

From: Carthief

I noticed that Snoozanne only replied to me

From: Snoozanne

Sorry, blame it on jet lag (or lack of pork pies...)

From: Compo

Pleased that the Landlord remembers us, hopefully for the right reasons. It was a year ago, I note, that we were last there and their were 10 at that time. Being optimistic I would suggest ordering for 10 again.

These people back from Philadelphia and Tel Aviv will need some sustenance anyway. Looking forward to your run.

From: Carthief (mainly to Snoozanne)

Are you telling porkies?

From: Snoozanne

From: 10 Seconds

So maybe 8 would be a reasonable estimate?. No more than 10, anyway. How many came last time?

From: Snoozanne

I'm sure we can get through 8 portions between us!

From: Compo

Yes, that would be good I think.

From: 10 Seconds

OK I've made it for 10-bring a doggy bag.

Just when we all thought that it was safe to open our e mails Compo started us all off again.

From: Compo Subject: Prohibition

If you were around in 1919 (just before prohibition started) and came upon the following poster.......

I mean seriously, would you quit drinking?

From: Carthief

I don't know. The guy in the middle looks quite cute!!

From: 10 Seconds

And it's amazing what lengths Gryff Rhys Jones will go to to find some hot chicks...

From: Snoozanne

... what about Harold Wilson on the left in white?

From: 10 secs

Maybe it's really him that Gryff Rhys Jones

is lusting after...

From: Snoozanne (GM and arch pedant)

I think that should be 'he' not 'him' (as the verb to be takes the nominative each side)

From: CT

That should keep everyone quite for at least

..... 10 seconds.

Now get changed and go to the run

From: 10 secs

Not until I find a handy petard on which to hoist the soi-disant

pedant...



An earlier Hash Flash (idea courtesy of FCUK)

By this time most of us were on our way or changing but....

From: Snoozanne

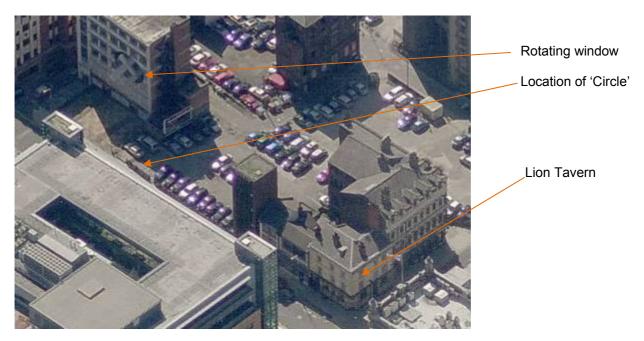
No doubt, like most pedants, I will be hoist by my own petard...

From: 10 secs

Quis custodiet custodes ipsos is what I always say...

At last onto the run

Meeting up at The Lion some were fascinated by the still rotating portion of a building (see previous run for a photograph but in case you are too lazy to scan 116 Trashes here is an aerial shot). I have to be careful to close the brackets or **Austin Powers** will point it out (as if it was a mathematical computer programme)



The Hares seemed unusually agitated to get going and the usual pavement artistry was a rather large white circle. **Alternative Entrance** did her best to cover up the offending Hi-vis but still the camera struggled to cope with **FCUK**'s brilliance.



The Pack with the highly enthusiastic virgins split up at high speed in all directions and trail was eventually found in one of the side streets called Temple Hey and then Checks galore into the shopping centre with Valérie having definite opinions on which way to go.



Arriving at Paradise Road Interchange (or PSI as **FCUK** called it) he gleefully pointed out the first cryptic clue.

The camera lied slightly as there was a 14 at the end of the message.

The Pack eventually worked out that we should take a Number 27 bus and possibly get off after 14 stops.

Piling onto the bus, **10 Seconds** spent a great deal longer than his name suggested in negotiating the fare and arrived back with a toilet roll of tickets.

Not sure why Becca has a halo round her mouth.



The bus stops were duly counted out with Emily giving sign language for the hard of hearing



Sprog and **Alternative Entrance** were jumping about like cats on hot tin roofs, so **FCUK** gave them the nod to get off one stop early to race the bus. Inadvertently he told them at bus stop twelve so they had a longer

run than they expected but were still smiling as they ran in to join the rest of us.

A few falsies to keep the FRBs happy

And then on through Waverley Park.



Along Holly Road.

Mmmm missed opportunity to get Holly alongside her road name.



But at least the road name was in focus



A confusing sign which seems to indicate what the spear side of the hash should do without any instructions for the distaff side.



The Hares were still nervously hurrying us along and a second cryptic clue was discovered



The time was reckoned to be 8:24 so we duly went on to admire the water and the Gothic Building. At least we would have done if the Hares had not rushed us again. Oh and had it not been dark.

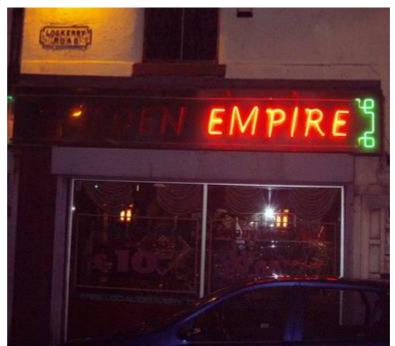
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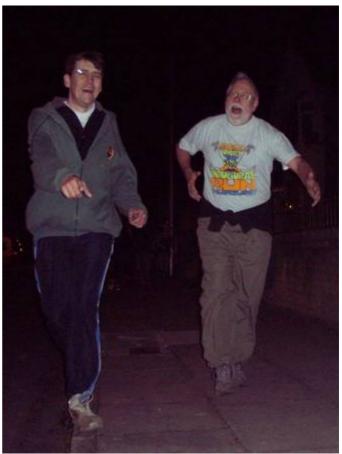
On out of Newsham Park past an ominous sign They certainly looked like bullet holes.



Past a souvenir of Britian's past



A couple of fakers complained that they had to run slowly otherwise the camera would not catch them

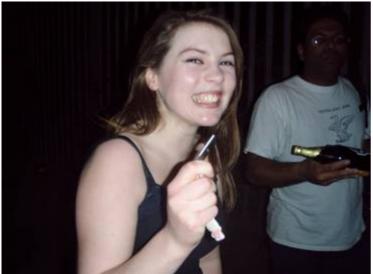


Some more cryptic clues

And according to \mathbf{FCUK} an addition by a local



Waiting for the bus, the Hares produced some liquid refreshment and not so very amazingly (she comes from the North East) Holly produced a bottle opener (a slight flaw in the Hares' plans)





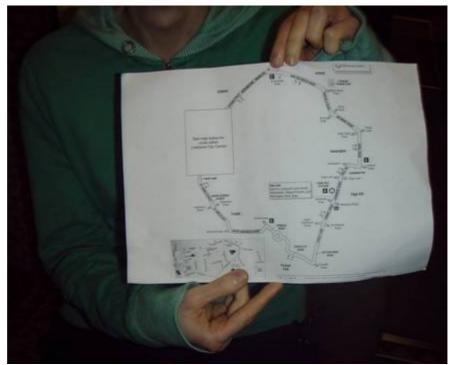




Onto the bus again



The Hares lost the plot a little bit here (or **Alternative Entrance** is wilier than she looks) as she was able to get a copy of the route from **FCUK**.



Off the bus

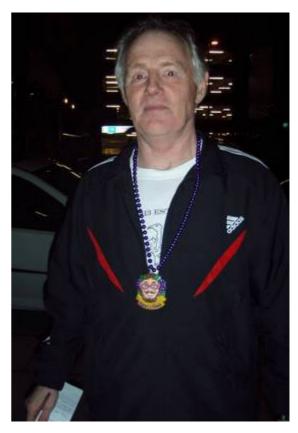


Bag of drinks

and a short run in to the pub.

The Hares still in a rush this time so we were not late for the pork pies called the circle to order

Snoozanne had bought a souvenir from some Mardi Gras in the USA and presented the stand-in RA with the new badge of office.



Sprog and Alternative Entrance for racing the bus. FCUK for telling them the wrong bus stop. **Snoozanne** for describing herself as an Arch pedant.



Becca for introducing so many virgins that she reduced the average age of the hash by a factor of two.



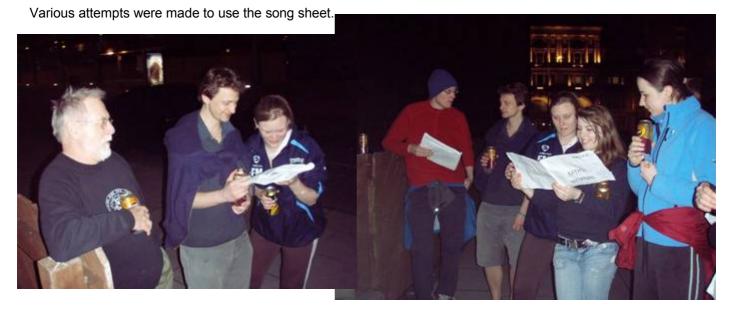
Compo told a short joke? Something about an old Ford van, wholemeal slow digestive transit. Maybe it should be translated into German (or I was not listening).

He then told the one about Mary Poppins and eating cauliflower cheese for dinner (which was nice) and then poached eggs in the morning (which were appalling). Or as she wrote in the Visitors book. Supercauliflowercheesebuteggswerequiteatrocious.

Emily was hauled up for her alternative circle (She was talking).

The Virgins were called up, Emily, Ben, Valérie and Holly





And we all retired to the delicious pork pies (or what was left of them by the time this photo was taken).



There was a fascinating description of Horse Ball http://www.british-horseball-association.btik.com/

Judging by the web site I can see why the ladies (and the men of a certain persuasion) are so enthusiastic.

Finally for those of you who think that setting a run is easy (well it is but these two do not seem to think so)

From: FCUK

Subject: FW: run 116

Thanks for looking into the pub food. Before I set the trail, I'll ring to find out when they stop serving, we don't want to miss it! Yesterday, I had the rather bizarre experience of recceing part of a hash in a bus...

Our charabanc leaves from the Paradise Street Interchange (PSI) at 7:30, stand 8. How about doing a RG near that point with the legend?

ON IN 27

ON OFF AFTER 14

This might get one or two of them foxed. Probably so... given the time it took them (and me) to solve your lords a-leaping... (**Snoozanne** I know that there is a missing hyphen but I only copy pasted the tract CT)

Tunnel Road/Edge Hill station is fourteen stops on the 27. It would be good to be there a couple of minutes early.

The day riders are £3:20, so we can convert any subs we get into bus tickets, but you might want to take a note or two along. I'll do the same. THE MAIN THING IS TO LEAVE THE LION PROMPTLY, ISNT IT?

The portion we run is this one (minus the bit on Sheil Road where we jump on the bus again) http://www.gmap-pedometer.com/?r=2621634

The whole route looks something like this http://www.gmap-pedometer.com/?r=2621703

As for the run home section

A good place would be at the bus stop on Whitechapel (outside the Circus Casino). We should get there at about 9:10 pm It's behind Queen's Square and we could get to it easily to pick up the trail if we had to take the number 15 bus in (if we missed the 27). To pinpoint it: it's where the 'a' in Whitechapel is on this map:

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 $http://www.merseytravel.gov.uk/pdf/tt_001/27\%20Sheil\%20Road\%20circular\%20(from\%2007\%20September\%202008).pdf$

From: 10 Seconds

Just off to set my part of the run, hoping it doesn't get washed out in the rain which I believe is forecast during the night. But do you think it's worth sending an e-mail round advising people of a prompt start or will that spoil the surprise? I guess another possibility is that one of us hangs around at the start for a while to fast-track late-comers.

From: FCUK

Hope all went well. 116 could be hilarious or ridiculous!

Thought about the prompt start thing. I'll announce to everyone that the hares will have their mobiles handy, if that's ok with you? Either one of us could fast-track latecomers or just write instructions in chalk at the first check outside the pub once the pack has moved off.

From: 10 Seconds

That all sounds fine. I hope I've made the trails fairly fast (short falsies and rapid on-ons) but still given a modicum of interest. It did rain pretty hard last night, at least for a while, so I may go and refurbish at least the correct trail if necessary. Good luck with your sections...

From: FCUK

Funnily enough, I set a fast trail too this morning. We have just over an hour to get from Edge Hill to Newsham Park. There is a spare loop if we get there early and an alternative bus stop RG/PS if we get there late....

We'll soon know and be able to pass comment on Napoleon's quip that there is only a small step separating the sublime from the ridiculous.

From: 10 Seconds

It was more a case of "Apres moi la deluge" after I'd set my trail...

From: FCUK

;-) I hope that witticism is going into the French translation of your Volume IV!