

Run Number 50 26th April 2007: Hamilton Square, Birkenhead

The Pack: Austin Powers, Snoozanne, Carthief (Hare), Sgt Pekker, Compo and Carless Whisper.

The small number of runners belied the depth of talent in the pack, although there were some whisperings that it was strange that **Carless Whisper** and **Sticky Fingers** never appeared at the same run.

The flyer (should it have an e before it?) urged everyone to be at the 50th run so that we could have 50 legs. We nearly made it by having more than 50 toes although **Snoozanne** was worried that someone might have 6 toes (or possibly 4). The RA suggested a 60 toe Hash Flash but the cold night air was against it.

After the usual Hash Flash



the pack took 20 minutes (according to **Austin Powers**) to find the correct trail out of the Square (The six false trails may have helped) which led down to the Birkenhead Tunnel Entrance where **Snoozanne** insisted on this photo being taken



After a couple of tortuous turns, the trail led up Conway Street, but turned left skirting Birkenhead Park with a tantalising falsie or two leading just into the park.

On up to Bidston Road but not before a Check Back



At the water tower on Bidston Road there was a Regroup, before the pack were first inveigled into a falsie through the wood and then a Check Back at the urban farm (is that an oxymoron?).

On down along Upper Flaybrick road and to a check outside the cemetery. **Austin Powers** explored the cemetery, whilst **Carless Whisper** found the other false trail.

Finally the trail led into Birkenhead Park at the western gate and after a few Checks, out of the eastern gate. By this time most of the pack were exhausted and the On Inn was greeted with a sigh of relief.

Back at the cars, it was found that the Hare had bought food, **Snoozanne** had bought food, and there was food left over in the Hash hamper.

Austin Powers regaled the assembly with his efforts at visiting Scotland with his parents. He left Liverpool Saturday lunchtime and by Monday morning had "done Scotland" including Skye, Inverness, and Edinburgh.

With stomachs bulging the RA prepared the punishments



He donned his obligatory badge of office (hard hat) and called for **Compo** to deliver a sermon.

After **Austin Power**'s efforts with the gorilla (the sermon on Run 44) he was given the task of cleaning out the fish. He messed up the oxygen levels and killed the lot. Worried that he might lose his job he fed the fish to the lions. Similarly the next day he managed to kill two chimpanzees and fed them to the lions. On the third day he was trying to find the hive of Outer Mongolian honey bees with a spade. He squashed them flat. They went to the lions as well.

The next day a new lion was delivered to the zoo and upon asking how the food was, was told it was great, they had had fish, chimps and mushy bees that week.

Returnees **Compo** and **Carless Whisper. Compo**'s excuse was that he was chauffeuring but not around Scotland. **Carless Whisper** was canoeing.

Snoozanne for her comments on the W2H3 hash "Is buying food only woman's work?"

Sgt Pekker for standing on every Check. He would not have been found out except that he was the tallest, was wearing yellow, and there were only 6 hashers on the run.



The **Hare** was iced for his long trail, and a sporadic attempt made to sing the "Engineer's song" to keep him there for as long as possible.

Austin Powers for his trip round Scotland in 1 ½ days.

On the way to the pub **Carthief** volunteered to set the run on the 21st June. **Snoozanne** commented that he had done that deliberately, being the longest day, so that at least one of his runs would finish in daylight!