



Run Number 497

12th May 2022

The Augustus John, Liverpool (AGM)

The Pack: Snoozanne and 10secs (Hares), fcuk, ET, OTT, Sticky Rice, Wigan Pier, SF, Overdrive, Cleo, PA, Peter Pong

There were some unexpected absences as we gathered in the AJ. BS had been called to a tennis emergency in Rainford – as people said, "tennis" and "emergency" were two words which rarely appear in the same sentence. Eventually we decided that no-one else would turn up and gathered outside for instructions.





I think here Snoozanne is saying that every falsie is marked with an X; unless she is doing a quick exorcism. The co-hare's instructions were basically not to blame him if anything went wrong since it had all been Snoozanne's idea. Without more ado, we were off and the start of the trail was quickly found heading towards Oxford Street and a regroup by the Chavasse Memorial...





where the sculptor's anatomical realism was being questioned until it was realised that we had mentally combined one soldier's arms with another soldier's legs to produce a 3metre long body. Thereafter the pace seemed to slow a little and there were frequent exhortations by at least one of the hares to stop slacking and call the trail. The pack did seem to have an unerring instinct for avoiding the one direction in which the trail lay.



Somewhere along Myrtle Street fcuk picked up a length of pink plastic piping from some roadworks, saying it would come in useful later.



As Snoozanne said, when he put his arm into it, it gave him a look of the robot in Lost in Space or some other such early sci-fi film. Along the way we passed several of the spots where we had paused to admire trees on the Compo memorial run, including a regroup in Crown Park under the beady eye of the concrete tree.





There was also a Compulsory Play Time sign nearby, but there were actual kids playing on the swings and only PA felt he had any chance of passing as of suitable age...though the beard was a slight giveaway. After passing the Women's Hospital a welcome PS sign was found outside Peter Kavanagh's.



Snoozanne kindly bought a round and we sat down around some very retro-looking tables. Some time was spent discussing fcuk's striped trousers which were the bottom half of a morning suit. fcuk said he found these both comfortable and appropriately smart for teaching, though possibly not accompanied by a luminous green top. I think we also discussed the merits of vertical as opposed to horizontal stripes. The pink tubing for instance might well not be very flattering to the figure...



We also turned our attention to the furnishings. The gratings in the middle were presumably to tap out your cigarette ash into. Were the little bowls halfway up the table pedestals intended as miniature toilets? There appeared to be another slightly bigger toilet bowl pinned to the wall at the left of the bar (see earlier photo)... Anyway time was marching on and we had to resume the trail before resolving these mysteries.



At one check both hares marched off in the wrong direction; it would be nice to claim this as a masterful bit of misdirection, but actually they had both forgotten which way the trail went. Soon afterwards we found ourselves at the Suitcases, scene of many a regroup on previous hashes.



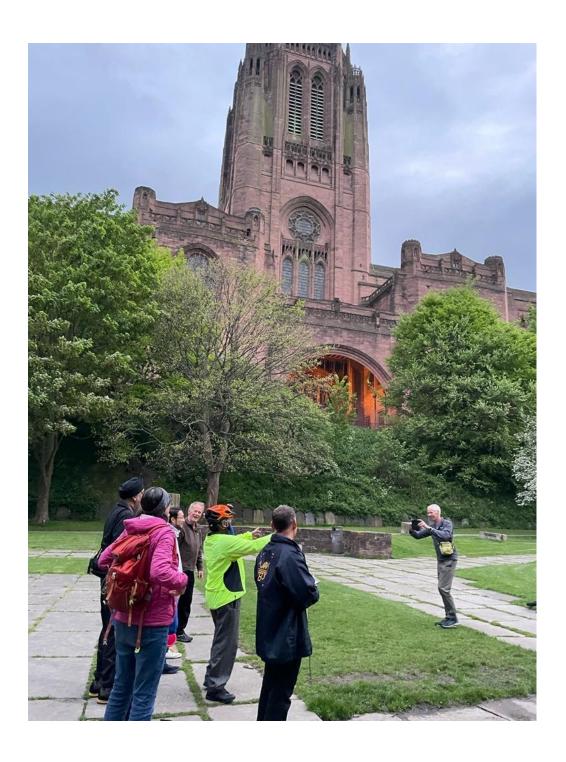
After an obligatory photo we pressed on; shortly afterwards fcuk was dismayed to find he no longer had his plastic tube. Luckily Cleo had retrieved it from the suitcases where he had left it. The next port of call was the St James's Gardens at the foot of the Anglican Cathedral.



Here a pause was made to inspect the inscription on the Chalybeate Spring.





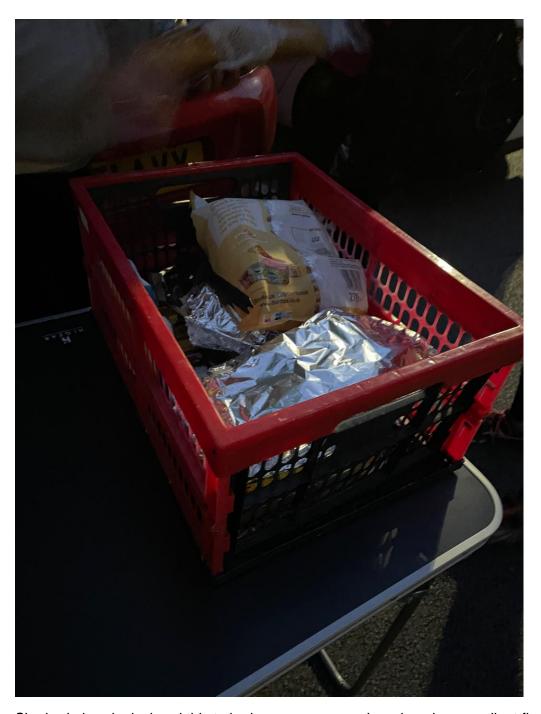


The pack then emerged from the loop though the gardens by the same gate where it had entered, to find an onward trail secretly laid by the co-hare only moments ago since otherwise no-one would have bothered to go into the gardens.





We were soon at another regroup by the Chinese Arch, where PA explained that the 3 Chinese characters at the top of the arch actually said "Chinese Arch". Then continuing up past the bombed-out church, along Roscoe Street and over the plinth of the Metropolitan Cathedral, we were at a final regroup where Snoozanne invited us to admire the Victoria Building, designed by Waterhouse; she recommended a visit inside to admire the grand staircase and ornamental tiling. Then across the road we were back at the On Inn, and round to the carpark where the hash food was awaiting in OTT's car.



She had already declared this to be her swansong and produced an excellent final feast with sandwiches followed by a delicious cake. Then we trooped inside the AJ where we were lucky enough to find an alcove to ourselves. Down downs were awarded to:

Cleo: for saving fcuk's pipe. This recalled the bowls in Peter Kavanagh's which someone now said were for gentlemen to knock out their pipes. When 10secs again proposed his mini-toilet theory, Snoozanne commented that it came to the same thing.

ET and 10secs: for looking even more twin-like than usual, both wearing a Berghaus fleece over a Run 360 T-shirt.

Peter Pong: Returnee. Someone suggested that he might have only come to extract the £1 entry fee to the Farmers Club in Ormskirk which Snoozanne had managed to avoid paying on Run 481.

The hares: it was said (possibly by the hares themselves) that the run was too short, didn't have enough local landmarks, had too much shiggy...

Finally we turned to the real business of the AGM and the Hash duties. After some discussion we decided that the duties of Hash Food and Hash Beer were a big imposition for a year or (in practice) longer, typically requiring as they did the incumbent to drive every week. We decided to make the Hare responsible for arranging the week's food and drink, whether in person or by proxy; and requiring everyone to bring their own drinking receptacle. Here is the full list of appointments:

Hare Razor - Victim

Hare Razor Dep - SR

Webmaster Assistant - PJ Vindaloo (Additional coercion/persuasion required, i.e. he doesn't yet know he's doing it...).

Hash Parking - Wigan pier

Hash Scribe - Ten seconds

Hash Scribe Dep- ET

Hash Shit - Grasshopper

Hash stats - Peter Pong

Hash Haberdashery- Gladrags

Hash Cash - Snoozeanne

Hash Cash Dep -Ten Seconds

Hash Flash - ET

Hash Flash Dep - Overdrive

Hash Cake - Cleo

Hash Cake Dep - OTT

Hash Food - Hare

Hash Beer - Hare

(Bring own mug to hash)

Hash Chips - Madhatter

Hash Chips Dep - FCUK

Beer Wench - Piss Artist

Beer Wench - Overdrive

Beer Wench - SF

Choir Master - ET

choir Master Dep- BS

RA - FCUK

RA Dep - SR

RA Dep - SMS

GM - Ten Seconds

GM Dep - Overdrive

Hash Artist - Piss Artist

Hash Pies - Wigan Pier