

SYDNEY HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

Castro's Run Report; 17 February, 2020, Run 2749

Hares: Moishe and Zero

The Acron Oval Run



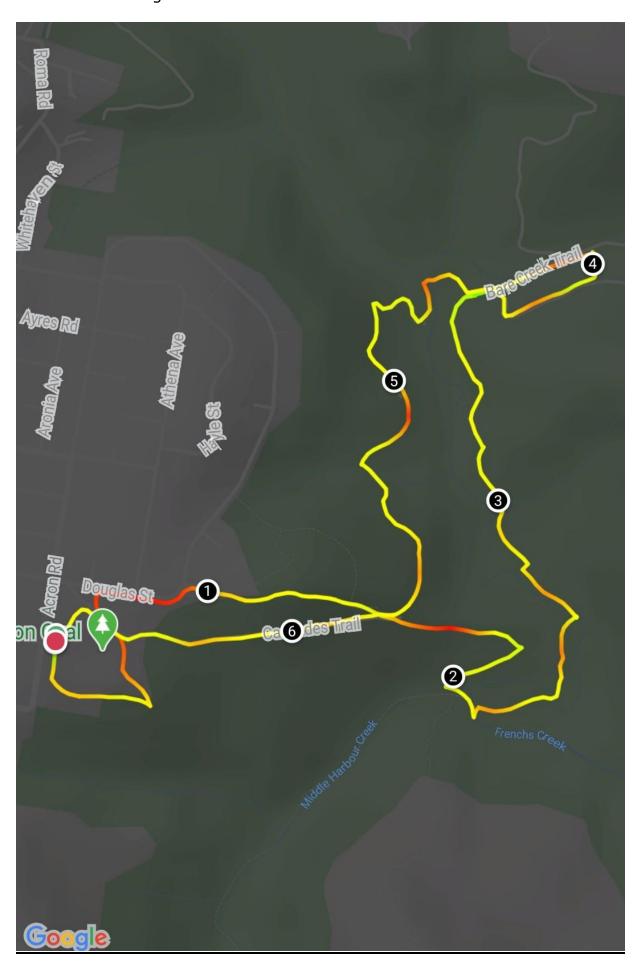
Many of the pack arrived early for what we knew would be a great run – and the reality lived up to the expectations thanks to the fine efforts of the Hares. Another reality got driven home to a few us that interacted with a group of twelve to thirteen-year-old, mountain bikers from Knox. When asked how much their obviously "sweet" bikes had cost, one responded with, "\$14,000", and another with, "\$18,000." Foolish lads, they could have had two of Pee Dub's Harleys for that, or one of your OnSec's cars. Choosing parents well is a skill that comes only to a few of us.

The run itself was a really admirable mix of bush, fire trails, ascent and descent, with a few water features thrown in for good measure. Runners did a little shy of 8 KM, and walkers about 4.5 KM, and short walkers, who knows. Thanks to the considerable work of the Hares, trails were always clearly marked, and there were no dramas to report - no injuries, no whinging historical societies, no violent disagreements, all in all, a serene and pleasant evening.

This of course may not be to everyone's liking, so the Committee is exploring formation of a "Disruption and Discord" sub-committee to juice things up a bit. More on this in due course.

Map of the Run

With thanks to sigma for the contribution.



The OnOn

Meals have under this committee become considerably healthier, and this evening was no different – wild caught, Alaskan Salmon, organic salads made with lettuces picked with only the right hand of virgins in Victoria where it was grown, and fresh bread flown in from Italy. We even earned accolades from a newly svelte Smiley, who having gone Vegan (!!!), could only praise the food on offer. President Wanker took able charge of the proceedings, and:

- Advised the much-liked Norwegians that Down Downs only happen once for visitors, and that they will be much missed by the SH3. We all hope that they come back.
- Provided a health update on Mr. Neat, who took a spill last week. He is reported to be doing fine.
- Complimented Tic Toc for making it back to the bucket on time.
- Offered up Down Downs for visitors and returnees, Carefree and Lord Lexus.
- Led the pack in congratulating Moishe for coming in 1st in both the 100 and 400 meter races at the recent NSW Masters Competition, 75 to 79 category. Quite the accomplishment!

And there was humor, from Pee Dub and Tic Toc both. On the latter, many commented that it was his best performance in quite some time, and no doubt attributable to his timely return to the bucket.

Some Photos of the Evening





Left, we were all more than a little surprised by Duck's reaction to the suggestion that he might be hitting the grog a bit hard. Once he had been

calmed, persuaded to come off the table, and sat down again, we were able to pry a bottle of the exceptional Pinot Noir that he brought along, and share it with others. How does he do it?! The wines have been superb this year. Above, Moishe and Zero, Hares extraordinaire, taking seriously their bucket preparation and guarding duties as the pack moved its way along the meticulously well-laid trail.



Above, "Trouble Brewing." Right, a justly proud Moishe sporting his medals. Below, Down Downs for old friends returned. Below right, a hitch-hiking leech.







Next Week's Run, IMPORTANT - NOTE TIME CHANGE!!

Run#: 2750 Hare: Calici

When: 24 February, at the dock by 5:35 pm or you will be left behind. Instructions

below

It's on again.....THE BROOKLYN CLASSIC #4

This is the one you've been waiting for, under the tutelage of Captain Ian assisted by Calici. We're going to be skimming the waves from Parsley Bay at Brooklyn to an overseas destination. No cruise ships involved here, just good old oyster barges. No quarantine, no locked in your cabin, just salt air and a bush run / walk.

You will, however, be accommodated afterwards at Jaspers restaurant opposite the station for dinner.

Get the 17:01 train from Hornsby to be at Brooklyn (the station is Hawkesbury River) and detrain at 17:25. It is a 10-minute walk along George St to the wharf at the end. Plenty of parking, also. Barges depart sharply at 17:45. We have to be back in daylight.

Make a special effort to be at this one, it will be memorable.

BRING PHONE, WATER, TORCH and/or HEADLAMPS

Upcoming Events

Just one that we want you thinking about for now, and that is the Weekend Away in beautiful Kiama. You need to book, NOW, NOW, NOW please. Details follow:

Gentlemen, not to be missed is this planned weekend excursion to beautiful Kiama, on the Southern Coast. With the invite including your partner, **the Committee has been able to put this together at the unimaginably low cost of \$90 per person.** This cost covers your participation in all evening events, most food, and some grog at the festivities. You will be responsible for your own accommodation costs, and even on that front we have been able to secure highly discounted rates at a number of hotel choices. Find a map of Kiama <u>HERE</u> As things stand, plans are:

- Friday, 15 May: Arrival, and then Golf at 11:30 am and Barefoot Bowls at 3:00 pm. Dinner at a local pub that evening, food included, own costs for grog.
- Saturday, 16 May: A run/walk in the morning, a free afternoon, and a Drinks, Dinner and Dance Gala in the Evening.
- Sunday, 17 May: A recovery run and breakfast, free time and then departure.

We have rooms set aside at the following:

- **The "Luxury Option"**: Nova Kiama 31 Bong Bong Street, Kiama contact Yasmin Roberts (GM) 42033010 or 0413812877. Twenty rooms have been set aside until 28/2/20 @ \$199 @night, so you will need to act quickly.
- **The "Budget Option"**: Grand Hotel 49 Manning Street, Kiama contact Michelle 0427809945. Six rooms have been set aside until 31/3/20 Budget \$50 @night with shared facilities
- **Other Options**: Motel 617, Terralong Apts., Kiama Shore Hotel, Sebel Harbourside.

To lock in your place at what promises to be a fine weekend away, you need to:

Pay your \$90 per person to the Hash, BSP: 112-879, Account No: 154 706 831 Please Reference: Your Hash Handle/KIAMA
 Book your hotel room directly. Several weddings in town that weekend, so please act soon

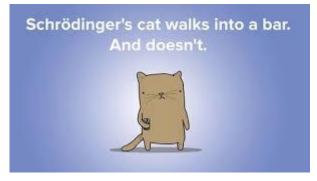
Humour

There were complaints that the humour in last week's run report hit too low of a standard, even for the Hash. Is that possible?! Some redemption this week perhaps.



A pun, a play on words, and a limerick walk into a bar.

No joke.



What do you get when you cross an agnostic, a dyslexic, and an insomniac? ... a person who stays up all night wondering if there really is a dog.

A bloke walks into a bar and takes a seat. Before he can order a beer, the bowl of pretzels in front of him says "Hey, you're a handsome

fellow." The man tries to ignore the bowl of pretzels, and orders a fine Pilsner beer. The bowl of pretzels then says "Ooooh, a pilsner, great choice. You're a smart man." Starting to freak out, the guy says to the bartender "Hey what the hell, this bowl of pretzels keeps saying nice things to me!" Bartender says "Don't worry about it, the pretzels are complimentary."



Respectfully submitted, OnSec Castro

LEGEND HAS IT THAT A MAN PARKED HIS CAR



WHILE WAITING FOR HIS WIFE TO GET READY