

The Brisbane Hash House Harriers Red Dress Run 2015

Hares WOPA and Radar

Drink stop wenches Parasite and the Harrietts

Santa Whale

Venue PLOUGH INN December 14 2015

A cast of thousands descended on Southbank Parklands making the all ready colourful Christmas decorations look even more spectacular..

The Red dress Run has been around since 1999 making it one of the longest running events and biggest run on the Aussie hash scene. Tasty bits and Radar had decided that the previous year's boring hash Christmas function had been disappointing with everyone just standing around in their own little tribes not interacting with other hashes ..In fact it hasn't changed that much.. Just more Hash clubs in their own orbit...

After last year's near wash out, the hares, had been watching the weather like a Magpie spying a lycra clad cyclist. The Hash Monks rallied to provide a clear day. Rain had been forecast but great, the heavens had only opened up the day before.



THE PLOUGH INN was Sea of Red. Cocks In Frocks and The girls also looking

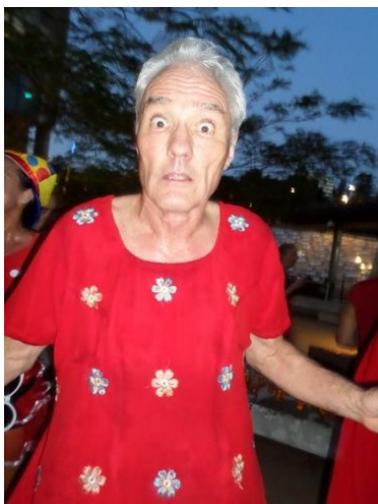


SENSATIONAL in their skimpy little numbers Some hash men were looking far better than they ever should deserve, having waxed backs and legs!!

Wopa ,Bugs and new GRANDMASTER SBAGS tried to get some order but were swimming against the tide, taking all the monies..handing out donation tins to the walkers and runners.

Finally the Rabble were given the usual instructions .The balloon chested Tinkerbell led the runners over to the restaurants along Little Stanley St while the walkers ambled along the Christmas decorated arbour towards the museum

The runners caused much mirth and mayhem as they hassled diners for dollars and donations. A Loop brought the runners back together near the new ABC building. Through the Library and on to Kurilpa Bridge the RED throng flowed. SHAKEIT the gun runner from THIRSTY HASH led the masses in to the drink stop at the COMMONWEALTH LAW COURTS , where Radar, SANTA Whale, BEDPAN, PARASITE, PITH HEAD, MCSQUAT, DIVOT and a bevy of Harrietts had the traditional Port and Lemonade and Xmas Cake all lined up. As is true to Hash form (Or Radar's uncanny ability to attract trouble) two policemen on mountain bikes followed him setting the trail through GOMA . A humorous Q&A on what the chalk arrows was for.? Radar's reply was "Some ugly men in RED DRESSES and may be a few good looking girls are running for THE SALVO's."



The security guard at the Law Courts also turned a blind eye when he glimpsed SANTA WHALE helping fill the plastic cups for



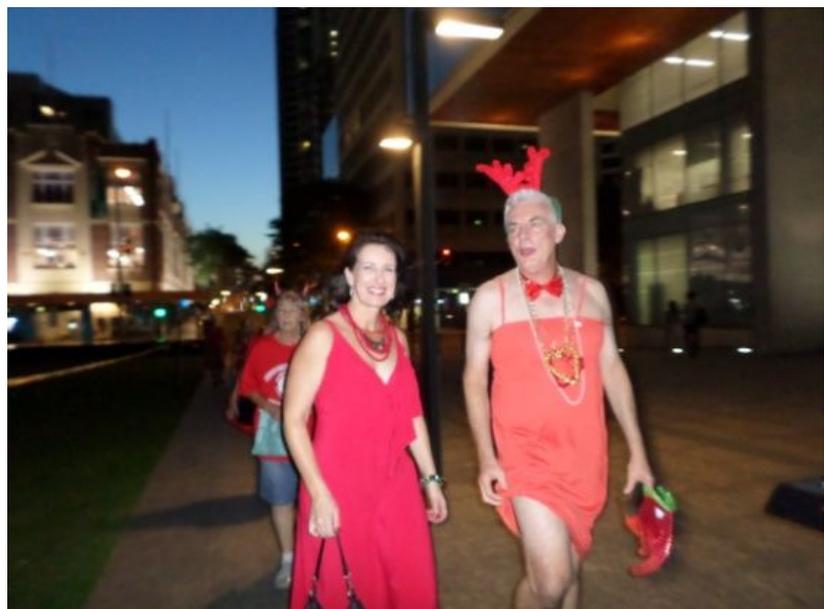
drink stop. He indicated that there was a council park across the road. Because this year's event was a week later the city was filled with Christmas activities and King George Square was

the finishing point for THE MYER'S XMAS PARADE. A wise decision was made to change the regroup as we didn't want the crowd rushing our Santa and spoiling their PARADE.

Looking back towards the Kurilpa Bridge the RED DRESS mass took forever to reach the drink stop... Port and lemonade and Christmas cake were partaken. SANTA WHALE and the HASH CHOIR sang some great versions of some old time favourite carols and an energetic "Swing Low -Sweet Chariot". The trail then went on to King George where more hash mayhem as our runners mingled with an incredulous public. Most were amused by seeing so many RED DRESSs in one place .The runners did a loop while the walkers continued on up the Mall to the casino and eventually home via Victoria Bridge. A good majority of the lead runners got caught on a clever loop that had them bolting towards the Goodwill bridge check back to the refurbished ferry stairs. It was then A DRAG Race for all the runners. Back at the PLOUGH INN the action started in earnest Wopa was strutting his stuff pleased with the turnout and hopefully monies raised. The bar had been raised this year in quality and quantity of RED DRESS outfits..Chopper from REDLANDS HASH was either a BELLY DANCER or a Muslim who had lost her BURKA. A scary sight that could have given someone a real nightmare. ! The PLOUGH IN certainly was rocking. The two for one meals seemed to be met favourably and the cheap Fat Yak beer kept most people happy.

The Music was a rather loud when the circle was finally called. GRAND MASTER SBAGS was drowned out the noise but the down downs were received by all.

The randomly picked winners were a hoot. There were some disappointed Gals and Guys who were jostling for the coveted honour of BEST IN SHOW The RED DRESS RUNS has had many venues .. Nearly all promising the world, but letting the run



organisers down. The Plough Inn is central to everything Ferry's, buses, and trains. Parking can be a hassle but if people carpooled shouldn't be a problem.

This year saw a record attendance with a bumper show of non Hash Runners that were enthusiastically taken in by the event.



At least some of them may join one of the hash clubs. Many thanks to the clubs that participated and to the dozen or so Gold Coast hashers that trained up from the coast.



Many thanks to Wopa ,Radar ,drink stop crew and to SANTA WHALE who has been an intergral part of this event for many years

If you didn't enjoy this years run .YOU must be hard to please. Approximate figures are that we raised \$3000 bucks which makes the night worthwhile.

Any suggestions to enhance or improve the event will be appreciated .ie timing, dates. venue etc. One club doing drink stop etc. But the RED DRESS RUN is the PREMIER event showcasing Hash and getting us all to gether and out there in the wider community.