

4 Jan 2016

Run No. 2394 "2015 is Shafted Run #2394"

Hares = **VD & Verbal Diarrhoea**

Venue = Shafston Hotel, Wellington Road, East Brisbane

Despite the drizzling rain, twenty-something hashmen showed up at the Shafston Hotel, for the first run of 2016. Pre-run discussions included over-eating during the Xmas break, **Twin Tub's** jokes, **Tweety's** account of replacing a roller door motor, and **Radar** becoming a Grandpa. **Handj\*b** arrived with five members of the Clayfield Push in his wife's brand new BMW, and proceeded to scrape the underside of the car over a speed bump – obviously too many Xmas dinners and beers; who was sitting in the back seat??!!

The run had been set with chalk and toilet paper in the rain by **VD** and **Turbo**, and **Turbo** offered to live hare. Surprisingly, most of the marks were still visible. There were eight runners – **Optus, Bugs, Craft, Scruffy, Multiple Choice, Anchovy, Tinkerbelle** (and **Turbo**).

The run zig-zagged through CBs and two-ways along Mowbray Terrace, Longlands Street and Norman Street, before a Re-Group in Lena Street. Then we wound around dirt tracks in the Moorhen Flats, before exiting on Turbo Drive to the Norman Creek Greenway bike path around to Stanley Street, for a second impromptu Re-Group to let **Multiple** catch up.

We continued along Vulture and Sinclair Streets, to a Re-Group at Wilamina Park (scene of Scruffy's prior "bubbling" demonstration), before heading home along Northcote Street and Lytton Road, with **Optus** and **Tinkerbelle** leading the way.

The walking dead had completed a loop along Wellington Road, then over to Churchie and back. According to **Tweety**, Churchie is like the Boys Scouts' motto – "Never leave your mate's behind".

New GM **Sh!tbags** formed the circle and the run was judged the best run so far in 2016. **Sh!tbags** introduced monk **Irish Joke**, in a rather soggy court jester outfit. The "Arm-of-Justice" made a return, with down-downs including:

- **Barebum** (for wearing a shirt wrapped round his waist like a skirt)
- **Handj\*b, Anchovy & Vaso** (for being overweight and scraping the BMW)
- **Scruffy** (for being stopped at the airport in New Zealand for "excess baggage" around his waist, as they hadn't even started looking at his bags)
- **Radar** (for becoming a grand-dad)
- **Craft** (as the resident Kiwi, for knighting a sheep-shearer in New Zealand, for his commitment to the community)

By popular vote, **Craft** was again SOTW (two weeks in a row, and a new PB for him!).

The food was inside the Shaftston Hotel, with a \$15 steak deal proving popular.

Run 8 / 10 (Best run so far in 2016, good use of water-proof chalk)

Circle 7 / 10

Food 8 / 10 (Good steaks & chips)

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**Tinkerbelle**