

Run 2451 - Chinese New Year Run – Year of the Rooster



Hare: Snappy Tom

According to Google in 1855 Chinese miners were returning from the California gold rush and some decided to settle in Hawaii rather than risk taking their newfound fortune back to their homeland. Their entrepreneurial skills made them comfortably wealthy and free to travel abroad.

Now this could be pure speculation but the coincidental connection with our own **Snappy Tom** are plausible and will suffice for the sake of completing the story until the present day.

Queensland Official Chinese New Year was 28 January 2017 but it took Snappy until February 6 to organise the New Year run. Some say it was because all the Chinese restaurants were fully booked for a week after New Year that he chose a Thai Restaurant to hold his celebration run. Others say that Hawaii is on the other side of the date line so the Hawaiians read the Chinese calendars from bottom to top.

Snappy certainly did things in an unconventional way. Throwing the hash rules to the four winds he decided to set the run alone and do it in the traditional 1970s way without setting a walk. This was an heroic act considering his dicky knee and a Sunday and Monday afternoon temperatures in the high thirtys. It is a measure of the calibre of the man that he survived all this to set his estimated 5 km run/walk.

The run was well marked with a number of two way checks. This worked in the first half of the run to keep the pack together but after the hill climb in Bellview Terrace to the regroup with the city view, the lesser mortals like **Turbo, Anchovy** and **XXXX** slipped behind the front runners. Vaso was testing his ticker on the hills but superior medical knowledge and familiar terrain led him towards some creative short cutting. Bugs was busy marking off the checks to make sure the dawdlers made it home. Neither **Tinkerbelle** nor **JC** had their hash horn so the pack depended on **Even Optus** to do the calling.

Peewee and **Craft** true to form kept up with the pack without a word of complaint about the heat or the hills.

Arriving back to the Eagle Junction Station a few slow walkers were still finishing off the DIY walk. **Uncle Viagra** knew his trusty GPS would get him back to the circle from the unfamiliar Northside.

Circle

In the carpark of yet another Thai Restaurant **GM Royal Screw** called the pack to order. General consensus was that the run was NOT run of the calendar year but a contender for best run of the Chinese Year.

Hash Cash Scruffy had a spray about paying fees but a show of hands looked like some in the pack had paid twice, so I don't know why he is worried.

Hash Music Brengun made another attempt to train the pack in choir singing. Without a doubt he chose the worst hash song I have ever heard in 40 years of hashing. Things can only improve from here on.

Monk Divot had dirt on a few runners and had them on ice to explain themselves. **Optus, Irish, Tampon** all tried the ice. **Uncle Viagra** then 'broke the ice' which allowed JC to escape that punishment. But he could not escape the SOTW award for breaking his wife's hand during her 'over the barrel' on-board training on the yacht. If the hand does not repair she could consider a hook.

Food

Quaint rural Thai look alike restaurant chosen by Snappy. This place has great hash potential but the cook was very slow producing food to Snappy's New Year/Old Year high standard. **Scruffy, Virgin, Handjob** and **XXXX** were just about to leave when their food turned up at 8:40pm.

Run 6/10

Walk ?

Food 8/10

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Hash Flash Photos below





