

## Run 2628

### Gallopers Sports Club

#### Hares: Barebum, Vaso and Shitbags

Because of my decaying body parts it had been about 12 months since I attempted a long run. I arrived at Gallopers and checking the weather I decided because of the suitable cool breeze I might make an attempt at what would be a mini marathon for me set by the hares from the Clayfield Coup.

In the carpark every time I found a cluster of hounds less than the medically safe number of 10 a few more would join quickly making the group technically illegal. It was no surprise that passers-by were gawping at the scene of around 40 old men hanging in the carpark and they must have wondered if Gallopers had now become an Aged Care Facility.

I checked out the running team, **Insp. Rex, Scruffy, Craft, Tinkerbelle, Bugs** and they looked fitter than I remembered so I downgraded my run ambitions to join the small clique of run trail walkers. **LAP, Multiple and Optus** had developed the art of walking the long run and if the run checks were smart and sufficient they could keep the real runners in view around the run. I should be able to do this!

We got the usual 'no hills' guff from the chief run strategists and Birthday Boy **Barebum** did not have to remind us that food and grog were on the house.

We had hardly left the carpark when **LAP** shouts "Oh Shit I have left my car lights on". His backtracking left him out of the running for the run walkers group (if you get what I mean).

We quickly lost sight of the runners but a well marked trail saw us arrive at the riverside park off Kingsford Smith Drive. Split of trails took us 150m towards Brisbane before it turned to join the walkers. Not much progress so far and little chance of catching the real runners. Caught out once **Optus** with nose to the ground was regularly checking with **Multiple** for signs of another trail split. Along the Portside shops, all seemingly vacant, we made it as far as Macarthur Ave. As the street lights became fewer the run arrows became thinner and less visible. Around Northside Riverside Park ferry terminal we spent some time trying to locate **Vaso's** arrows with some 100m between the legible ones. We knew where we had to be but thought in true hash spirit we would try to stay on trail. I think it was Curtain Ave that took us on a long haul back to the bright lights around Nudgee Road. We found the walkers trail and the back street loop to the venue. Well after 7.15 by this time and all runners and walkers were comfortably seated in the club restaurant. The distancing rules seem to vary week to week and suburb to suburb. There were 12 at our table but who's counting?

The free nosh from **Barebum** was well received and gave him an excellent chance of making OnOn of the Year. The jury is still out on Run of the Year!

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## Run 7/10

**OnOn Food 9/10** (Happy Birthday Barebum)

**Drinks ?** Tooheys Old was good

Word quickly spreads of free food at Gallopers



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