

Date: 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Run No: 2682 – The Ludwig Leichhardt Run

Hares: Multiple Choice, Ron the Bomb, and XXXX

Venue: Hotel Monier, Darra.

As we turned up for the run at this Virgin venue, the rain clouds looked ominous. The rain did come but was only light.

Ron the Bomb decided that he'd had enough setting part of the run and took off home before we started. The other two hares were resplendent in their specially designed Ludwig Leichhardt tee-shirts, commemorating Leichhardt's successful expedition that departed on 1 October 1844 from Jimbour Homestead, on the Darling Downs, for Port Essington, north of Darwin.

Irish Joke made a brief appearance, doing a loop of the car park while towing his camper trailer, before taking off.

The orders from the hares were "Walkers over the Road and Runners down to the right"

The runners – Tinkerbelle, Peewee, Bugs, Splat, Mu, Scruffy, Optus, Handjob and me – took off down Monier Road from the pub, then around the back of the pub and through the Bellwood industrial estate. Coming out of the estate a two-way stuffed us up for a while before we headed up Westcombe and joined Monier again where the trail was lost.

At this stage Scruffy and I decided to head back along Monier to the right, looking for the trail, whilst the rest headed by Tinkerbelle kept looking to the left. We picked up the walkers' trail soon after and followed it. It soon merged with the runner's one however by this stage they hadn't reached this part of it, they were still lost back near the top of Monier.

Now heading down McPherson drive, going further away from the pub, the trail almost got to Seventeen Mile Rocks, however turned right to join the Edenbrooke walkway, and then meander back to Monier and up to the pub. As we couldn't hear the nightbird calling we thought that we were way behind the runners. When we arrived the circle hadn't started, the walkers were all back, and the hares were shitting themselves that the runners weren't, as it was getting close to icing time. Eventually they turned up, with surprisingly Tinkerbelle aka the nightbird, the last one in.

Finally, the circle was held, Twintub told the joke about the wrestling match between the Moscow Mauler and Shamus O'Toole, and the SOW was awarded to Multiple Choice I think.

Run: 8/10

Circle: 7/10

Food: Dunno, didn't eat.

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