

# THE HASHTRALIAN



**Run No** 2898, April 11, 2023(Easter Monday)

**Hare:** Top Gum

**Where:** Where the Possums roam

## Around the Possum Trail Again

*In the absence of all 3 scribes I give you what happened last Tuesday night as far as my memory allows. Some pictures have been stolen from previous reports because our Hash Flash Irish was a No Show also. Credits for the Iphone pictures awarded to Kanza who reluctantly got up from his cozy chair around the fire to record a few events*

It was back to the hills of Heathmont last Tuesday night as Top Gum turned on another athlete's challenge for the assembled mob. Quasi's book said 14 turned up to take on the hills and the Possum Trail. As usual we were greeted by a warm open fire from which there was obvious reluctance to leave.

As the 5pm bell rang Sergeant Adolf introduced GM 2Streets who welcomed all to Possum Lane, noting the return of Bottom Gum, He then asked Top Gum to brief the pack on the run. It was the shortest briefing of all time from him. No virgin ground he said. Out the front and turn right (as he pointed left)



It was up to the corner then a left turn down the gravel track to the first check at the creek. Bottom Gum found the On On heading west along the creek then back on to the main pathway for a K or two before another check. The trail was found a couple of blocks away as we started the hill climbs. An on back (picked

by a few) was encountered shortly after before another check split the runners from the walkers.

The runners headed left around a couple of blocks crossing through Top Gum's son's dental practice onto the pedestrian pathway which follows the main road and eventually on to the main bike pathway leading back to the Creek. From here we followed the main track back to Possum Lane, (about 5kms someone said later)

Back at the possum nest the beers were flowing freely and some had already started sampling the excellent selection of old reds generously drawn from Top Gum's cellar.

It wasn't long before the offerings from Bubble Gum's kitchen start arriving, firstly an enormous bowl of mixed salad (far too healthy for a bunch of old Hashers) then a delicious Butter Chicken curry with Naans. Many were seen to return for seconds.

With the Mob well fed sergeant Adolf called for a circle again introducing the GM who complemented all on finishing Top Gum's trail before calling on RA Phantom 2 to rate the run. Pointing to his high-tech Garmin, he said it was 5. something ks and covered some familiar ground. He said the trail was very well marked and awarded the run a score of 9.5 but the GM elevated it to 9.8 because of the high-quality food provided. Kanza chimed in saying we don't rank the feed, unlike ESH3. (Who are they?) Top Gum called up for a drink.



Two special occasions were then recognised. Top Gum's 52<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary and Gibbo's birthday (we don't know which one) Top Gum was joined by Bubble Gum for a celebratory drink.

Gibbo didn't make it into the photo because he was too busy working on his choice of candidate for the soon to be announced POW award.



The GM then handed over to Sergeant Adolf who called for charges from the floor.



There were several but I can't remember them. Herpes got one and also Gonzo, Trickey,

Trickey...didn't get a check right all night.

Gonzo?



Happy's raffle followed soon after with wife Barbara drawing out the winning tickets which belonged to

2Streets, Gonzo and Wrong Way?

The POW was awarded by Gibbo to Bionic for helping himself to a super-sized glass of wine and for not attending a Gibbo birthday event for such a long time.



There will be no run next Monday night with all encouraged to join RPH's AGM. See web site for details!

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