Hash Bash Hash Trash
Hash 652
L'Arbre du Voyageur
Sun 4 Aug 2013

Hares Didier, Anabelle, Kay and Steve (right with Hugh)



Hashers 75

Beer maidens Alysu and Marie-Andrée

Hash Flash Priscille, Steve, Jim, Elvira, Sofia and Melanie

Hash Trash Kay

First word



The Hash was followed by an extended circle as the GM conducted the election of the new mismanagement team. He tried to run the proceedings efficiently so as not to keep everyone from their lunch for too long but the vociferous crowd of Hashers made it a difficult task. Nominations were called out, votes cast and counted and despite the mayhem a new mismanagement team was elected.

Why not improve this process next year by having the nominations and election in advance and then inaugurating the new mismanagement team at the Hash Bash?

Trail

A large group of Hashers assembled at the on-on. It's amazing how a meal and dancing after the Hash encourage a good turnout! We had the pleasure of a trail of tranquillity in the forest which started with a beautiful view across Mare Longue in the morning sunshine.







After half a mile we arrived at the gate to the Domaine de L'Arbre du Voyageur where the trail began in earnest. We followed 4 x 4 tracks and narrow paths through the forest, emerging now and again into clearings bathed in sunshine. The heavy rain overnight had made the ground very muddy and slippery and some of the flour had been washed away, however the Hares had foreseen this problem and used a system of orange ribbons to mark the route and yellow ribbons to signify a circle.





Some lucky Hashers were able to watch a herd of deer enjoying breakfast. A hedgehog was spotted in the undergrowth and birds flew overhead as we trekked through the forest. Claude had brought a toy pistol and Gilbert was dressed in a camouflage hunting outfit but they posed no threat to the local wildlife.





There were some tricky muddy slopes and climbs, especially for those at the back. The children and those carrying babies had to be extra careful but all returned safely to the on-on.





Hash circle
Here's to the hares!
There was such a lot to get through that the GM totally forgot to introduce the Hares. However, just before he was booted out of office he did thank, Hugh, grandson of the estate owner, who had been an excellent guide for the Hares when they set the trail. Hugh was





presented with a gift by the Trail Master in recognition of his services to the Hash.



First timer ?; second timers Loic, Kevin, ?,? and Melanie; returner Jacqueline

First timers

- Katharina – friend of Olga
- Olga – from Slovakia, friend of Alysu
- Sophia – from Portugal, friend of Katharina
- Selvin – friend of Mario
- ? – friend of Juliette

Second timers

Loic, Kevin, Melanie and Sharon

Returner

The GM announced that a very popular Hasher had returned to the fold after too long an absence and invited Jacqueline into the circle for a special presentation. He explained that he and the Scribe had visited Jacqueline's son, Ryan, in South Africa recently and had returned to Mauritius with a gift for her. He then presented her with a special mug bearing a photograph of her beautiful granddaughter, Summer. Jacqueline was then served a down-down in her new mug.

RA

Down-downs with a twist

In his final performance as Religious and Sexxxxxual Advisor, the RA singled out a small group for particular punishment.

Keith – for getting lost on the way to the Hash and driving up and down the road several times before arriving late at the on-on.



Pierre-Andrée – for talking on his mobile and missing the circle before the Hash.
The Magnificent Seven – GM, Scribe, Didier, Alysu, Kees, John and Alan – who had helped the RA a lot by giving him so many good reasons for down-downs during his year of office.
Here's to the usual suspects!

Hash hostage



It was good to see Hash Cash, Claudia, back at the Hash with the cowbell. She singled out Leslie as her victim as he had arrived at the Hash dressed like a tourist, wearing a posh hat and smart clothes. Not normally known for his sartorial elegance, Leslie presented a somewhat incongruous appearance, some suggested more a fashion victim than a tourist.
Here's to the fashion victim!
It must be noted that Leslie's beautiful wife Marie-Claude was wearing a chic dress and pretty shawl and would not have looked out of place on the lawn at Buckingham Palace at one of the Queen's summer garden parties.

Change of mismanagement
With the standard agenda items over, the GM thanked his team for all their hard work during his term of office and moved on to the election of the new mismanagement team.

Not known for having a long span of attention or for being able to keep quiet for more than 2 seconds, the unruly mob of Hashers nominated, voted, and elected the following:



Grand Master	Mark Fortey
Joint RAs	Kees Cupido and Jim Ladd
Hash Cash	Claudia Thierry
Cellar Master	Gilbert Leste and Jean Ramiah
Trail Master	Didier Beesoo
Hash Market	Marie-Claude Nimmo
Scribe	Kay Farrow
Hash Horn	Hector
Webmaster	Bob Russell
Hash Flash	Gilbert Leste and Priscille d'Arifat-Koenig

The new GM was inaugurated in the time honoured manner with a down-down from a huge



GM's down-down, the Joint RAs, Jim and Kees, Georgie, the new Hash Horn?

glass tankard. He was also presented with a special whistle with which he will attempt to control the unruly mob of Hashers in the circle. Unable to drink all the beer in the tankard, the new GM threw most of it over the former GM.

Here's to the GM!





The role of Hash Horn was decided by a test. Sybile, Kees, Liz and Georgie all had a go but it was only Hector who could get a sound out of this ancient instrument and he was duly elected to this important post.



The new regime

With his final duty performed the GM was literally given the order of the boot by Alan and kicked out of the circle. The new GM, Mark, thanked his predecessor and then started his term of office by introducing his Trail Master, Didier, to tell us all about the next Hash.



Next Hash

The Trailmaster announced that the next Hash would be at La Ferme and that the Hares would be Alysu, Ellie and Kay.

Here's to the Hash!

On-on……



Hash Bash

The Hash was followed by one of the highlights of the Hash social calendar – the annual Hash Bash. After a sumptuous feast there was a raffle, dancing, pass the parcel and more

dancing. The party finished just before dark and a happy band of Hashers went home reluctantly.




Pass the parcel












On-on!!!!!