BLACKBALL WEEKEND RUN 23rd - 25th February

Firstly a big thank you to our hosts Wee Knackers and Phil Up. I think it would be fair to say every single hasher who attended this fantastic weekend had a great time and we don't want to wait another 5 years for the next one. From the Blackball Hilton to the Workingmens club to the balcony entertainment to the run to meeting the locals to the karaoke night to the Pike river memorial recovery run, there is just too many great stories and experiences to be told, so when you see their next run advertised don't miss out, come and experience for yourselves the great hospitality that is offered in this very friendly small West-coast town.





Playing with the Locals



Our Hosts Phil Up and Wee Knackers

SOUTHERN FLYERS NEWS

Annual Run - This event is held in March from Mr Asia's house who lives on the out shirts of Invercargill. Its followed by an afternoon of fun drinks and the good ole Kiwi Barbie. This year saw some great excitement to the afternoon when the fat in the drip tray ignited setting flames skyward. Fortunately Dutch Hound was on hand with a fire extinguisher as it narrowly missed setting the house wall on fire. Sadly the Barbie was destroyed but thanks to Purcilla not leaving his post no one went without. A very good source tells me it was the most memorable day at Mr Asia's - Well done.

On a sad note they say farewell to Nuts n Bolts who made the Booze trolley and is leaving this with the Southern Flyers for safe keeping and Navel Liquor who are moving onto Roxburgh, Warm Hands who is moving back to Wanaka and Blue Vein who has moved to Tauranga. They will be a great loss as all are very regular weekly hashers.



SOUTHERN FLYERS - ARE HOSTING THEIR 1700TH RUN ON SUNDAY 20TH MAY

If anyone is interested in attending they can contact GM Liquor Out by sending an email to: clukey57@gmail.com or phone 0210645847

MARCH - NELSON BEER FESTIVAL

A great day was had at the Nelson Beer festival in March. Weather was brilliant, great entertainment (if you managed to get out of the beer hall) and plenty of craft beers to choose from. If you enjoy craft beer its a must to do so put it on your list for next year. We have 2 festivals a year, Cider being one and Craft beer the other. This year F..FeFiFoFum, Toyboy, Boulder Holder and Skinner joined us. Was a top day to later finish at "The Basement On Inn Bar" and sink a few more while catching up with Sierra Hornie and Masterbaker.

APRIL 10th - RUN WITH PORT NICHOLSON GERIATRICS

Tuesday 10th was the 50th Anniversary of the Wahine sinking. The weather put on a performance that gave us a little taste of what it would have been like for those poor souls 50 years ago. A bunch of hard core hashers set out on this immensely stormy ferocious windy night with lashings of rain to commemorate this disaster on New Zealand's history. The run took us around the wild sea front where waves were breaking on the shore, onto the Wahine Memorial then onto the Piss Stop in a bus shelter to sink a few Brandy's. Thanks to Unstable for looking after me making sure I never got lost. On back home for a fine season followed by Fish n Chips



WEDNESDAY - 11th APRIL - WELLINGTON LADIES

I joined Ladies Hash this night for a run from the Cambridge Hotel. If I thought the weather was rough the night before, this night I believe may have marginally topped it. Wind, driving rain, thunder & lightning not to mention bitter cold all added to a great night walking around the streets of Wellington with an awesome bunch of jovial hashers. Chips & Auntie looked after me on the run and a very big thank you to Gatecrasher who was my chauffeur for both nights of hashing.





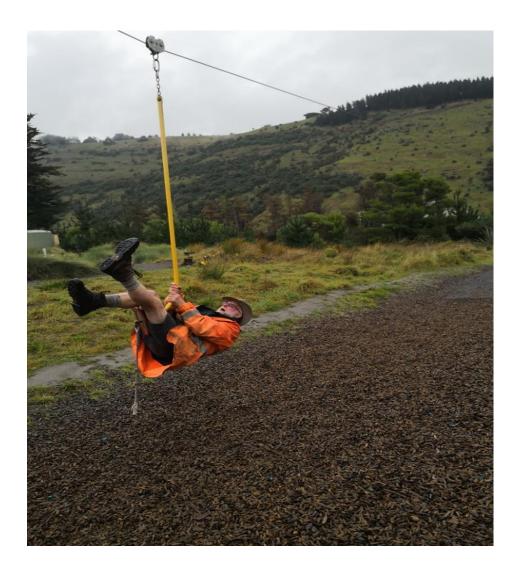
APRIL 25TH ANZAC DAY

As I have done over the last 4 years I joined Wendy & Toyboy in Takaka for this very humbling day. For a small community they have an exceptionally big turnout for both the Dawn & 9am service. The local RSA host this day at the Takaka Fire Station, we were treated to a hearty breakfast followed by sandwiches and savories after the 9am service.

APRIL 27TH - 29TH GH3 OKAINS BAY WEEKEND RUN

Dagy sent me a very short and to the point email that read "You must be there" so not one to disrespect a call from an Ex NZGM I dutifully obeyed and flew into Christchurch with Teddybear to join in the fun that was to be had at Okains bay.

Friday evening was a lovely night catching up with hashers until the wee hours of the morning, then a stroll to the beach where some enjoyed their favourite tipple of whiskey before retiring. Saturday breakfast consumed, trail set, weather not so great but no deterrent we set of for a run that took us onto the beachfront around the estuary to the Flying Fox, OP then part 2 of the trail. Great fun day was had by all and topped by the 4 musicians that were on board. Sunday our recovery run took us to the Okains Maori & Colonial Museum. If you havent been there its well worth the visit. Teddybear enjoyed it sooo much he got left behind so after a few frantic phone calls a vehicle was dispatched to retrieve our (Self appointed NZRA:) Weekend over it was back to Nelson. Thank you Garden City for a brilliant weekend.



Such Fun

1000th Run

RLD (Ex NZGM 2009-2011) reached this milestone on the 30th April and celebrated with fellow hashers on a Red dress run. Looking at the pics I think its fairly safe to say everyone had a jolly good time. Well done RLD.

UPCOMING EVENTS

19th - 20th May - Mooloo (M2H3) are having their Annual Raglan Run Weekend at the Raglan Kopua Holiday Park

25th - 27th May - INTERHASH FIJI

1st - 4th June - Nomads Weekend being held at the Mangatepopo Camp in the Tongariro National Park

3rd - 5th August - CH2H3 are having their Winter Camp at the Waipara Adventure Camp

31st - 2nd September - North Shore Hussies are having their 2000th run held at Kiwanis Lodge - 1331 Huia Road

WEBSITE ADMINISTRATOR - We now have a new Website and are looking for volunteers to administer the website and keep it up to date with any new notifications that come to hand. If you are interested and want more info please email Wendy @ <u>kiwih3@takakacampingandcabins.co.nz</u>

DON'T FORGET - IF YOU WANT OTHER HASH GROUPS TO KNOW WHATS GOING ON, SEND ME AN EMAIL AND I WILL PUT IT INTO MY NEXT NEWSLETTER.

TAKE CARE, BE SAFE, HAPPY HASHING

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