

H2H3 RUN #412 - 25th May 2019

Location: Pattaya Ferry Pier, Khao Takiap.

GPS Coordinates: N 12.514030, E 99.980362 (N 12 30.842 E 99 58.822)

Google Map Link: <https://goo.gl/maps/wADCzLAZR172>

Hares: Hugs & Smelly Fingers

Hash Snacks: Colossus

Tax Collector: Tinks

Hash Scribe: VD

NUMBER OF HASHERS: 29

Pre-Hash

Saturday 2th May Hash was reasonably well attended around 30 hashers turned up, or just below that number as some like Mudman arrived late. It was an excellent & rather interestingly, prepared trail by Hugs, as I who live locally, know the area well & the previous hash here, from the same starting point 1 year & 4 months ago was extremely disappointing in comparison! What made this one varied was the clockwise & Anti clockwise turning points & the research that had gone into the contrasts in terrain, where there is a lot of road & not jungle like as in most of the hashes which are often right out in the country & away from towns.

The RUN

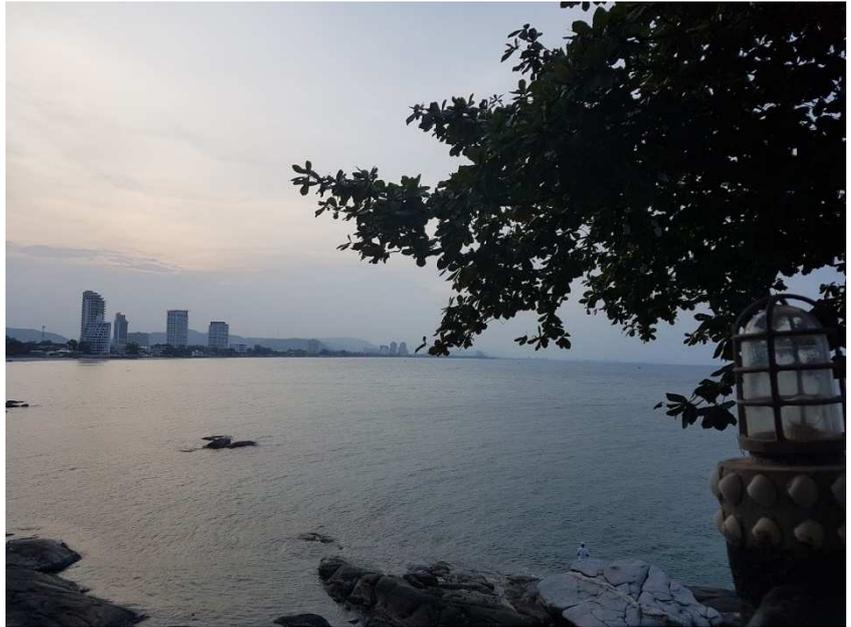


The start was particularly inspiring, as we immediately went behind the parking area into a partially fenced up area, which used to be an area for the starting point of Elephants treks & also a parking place for local speed boats etc., there afterwards. However, that all changed

with the construction of the ferry terminal which took 2 or 3 years to be built & not only lorries & heavy equipment was involved in that construction ,but bulldozers knocked out the lovely path & uprooted trees & grass alongside the edge of the river, which came out by the Restaurant RUA RIMTARN & in those days before that happened I used to run down that path. Therefore, I hadn't ventured out there anymore recently.

So when we passed the entrance to that old parking area ,it was very satisfying for me, to see that Hugs had laid the trail to the right along the edge of the river, where that path has since been restored & it is jungle like now ,as the tree & undergrowth have grown so high that you are sheltered under the scorching sun & sky until you come to the restaurant & then you

proceed down a short rough road leading to Takiab road ,turn right then proceed past the 7 eleven, after that, the small bridge over the river, then turn right again before the island where the police station is located, then continue to the beach where the big Buddha is, following the paper. Hugs had in the circle, mentioned a flight of steps but he didn't mention t the second almost vertical gradient steps which went to one of the temples & where the old army radar was located. Richard



& I two of the front runners, must have missed the paper, as we were the only 2 hashers who negotiated those steps, as other hashers had gone straight on up the path ,past the LA MER Restaurant then up to the point, where we met them going down the other side, when we noticed the paper on their right side as they were coming up. But before that happened we inadvertently (despite no paper), did what we thought was the Rambo loop we had gone round

in a circular clockwise way past the main temple on Monkey hill, but went down the hill later ,joining the other hashers following the paper, which took the first turn left at the bottom of the hill & continued back to Takiab road, where we saw the second hare (to the Left) on the small bridge where there was a lot of paper on right side of the bridge.



That's where the fun & games started, as the 2nd Hare, had no idea, which direction the long

run & walk went in the direction the short walkers should take? We had to look for ourselves, & Richard & I & also Bushwhacker went into the Mangrove, others like Tinks went back towards the village of Khao Takiab, but no one found any other paper, so I went back to the bridge & though the 2nd hare told me the paper went right after the bridge past the marker, it wasn't for runners, only for the short walkers trail, he said. However, Screwdriver (Barry) decided to go there & 5 minutes later I decided to follow him. I caught him up & we made a lovely run past the market turned right after that then came out directions, leading to Petchkasem road but the paper then turned left, parallel to the rail track, before the level crossing & we followed that to its recent extension for the High speed railway line (a new discovery for me too), & then crossed into the Army golf course & the paper inevitably led to the beach at Suan Son, where we turned north along the beach back to the ferry car park!

Pre-Circle, Circle and Down Downs

All in All, a nice day & nice refreshment's & drinks afterwards, not to forget the downs downs in the circle for some of us!

Hugmynannygoat - Smelly Fingers -

Hares

Colossus - Snacks

VD - Screwdriver - Fastest round

VD - Hash Scribe

Screwdriver - Stand in ice man

Hot Pot - Returner

Rearender - Returner

Mudman - Missing Ice Man



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