



HUA HIN HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

Who are the H2H3 – A fun-loving and sociable running group that runs every 2nd Saturday of the month at 5:00 pm following paper trails. We add spice to just running, walking and drinking. We are never boring. Check us out and join us. Call May 032-513855 or email: may1may@hotmail.com

Hash Run #25

Saturday 10 August 2002

Hare: Doug & Pimpa

The Pinnacle

Well Pimpa (with Doug's assistance) finally delivered her long promised run and it was quite a nice one. A large turnout (22) for the Queen's Birthday occasion found the run site about 8 kms North of Cha Am on the ocean side of Hwy 4. Lovely and lush rice fields covered a plain punctuated by the occasional limestone pinnacle jutting up here and there. A new setting but one sure to be visited again. The pack included four foreign visitors (Kuala Lumpur, Holland and the U.K.) and three new Thai followers initiated into our hashing ways. The weather cooperated beautifully with a covering cloud insuring cooler conditions for our run.

Prior to the run as we scanned the lovely flat terrain with dirt roads and paths along the canals it was assumed that this would be a fairly fast run along the same paths. Indeed we started along a dirt road through the rice paddies and past some canals but then veered sharply into the rice fields atop the small dykes between the sections of the fields. Only a detour, I thought, Doug is just putting the leaders through their paces and we will soon be back on the road and some smooth running. Alas it was not to be, sure as a visiting hasher heading for Soi Cowboy at the first opportunity, Doug took us straight the fields to the nearest Pinnacle and up we started. Well, so much for speed running, it was bush-wacking through the bamboo and over the limestone crags jumping up to destroy our delicate running shoes. Up and down and up again until finally we came out back to a nice dirt trail. Here Doug had some mercy and kept us on the flat though we now encountered a series of checks, check backs and false trails along the canals that had the pack of runners (except for the sensible walkers) going in circles. It was quite fun to watch May and Ballbanger (unable to tip each other off as to the correct trail as in past weeks) run in circles with the rest of us. Finally Ballbanger did find the correct path and the pack leaving him behind, (possibly slowed by the need to show proper attention to his bride along for her first Hua Hin run) ran on home with front runners, May and Tom, coming in at 55 minutes. A nice run in a new and lovely setting.

With an adjacent road side hut and tables available the pack gathered for drinks and introductions. The Visitors were Dutchman Add Van Nus (Long Legs) from Petaling Hash in Kuala Lumpur and his wife Detty (a virgin hasher); Taxi Tosser (TT) and Taxi Tosser's Tootsie (TTT) from the Donnington hash in the U.K. New local members were

Kob, (Ballbangers forward looking wife, a Prachuap lass) and Noi, Um and Joy three lovely charges of Khun Jit. All promised to return next run. The foreign visitors allowed that though it was a bit warm for them, they found Hua Hin hashing quite enjoyable. What they didn't know was that the evening's fun was only just begun. All the above introduced at the circle with appropriate down downs. GM Doug was dragged into the circle and given a down down for telephoning his wife from his sick bed during last months On, On, On and his lovely wife, Poo, was also given a down down for entertaining his whining. No more entertainment at the circle though the Thai girls got quite a kick out of watching Long Legs do his road side shower a la the custom of the Malaysian hashes. No coins were tossed though and Long Legs finished cleaner but no richer.

Then the pace picked up as we were all (with the exception of Bill and Terry who was worried about See Cup's progress at Chiva Som) off to the Jit's Chicken Coop restaurant. It was our normal hash dinner and On On On, but our British visitors were quite surprised, "you do this after every run?". Well yes what do you do in the U.K.? "Oh we just run to the pub and get pissed". Well ok, but we like our Asian style. Let's have a proper sit down with some decent food and then ease into the booze, right dear? Needless to say (for those in the know) but a great meal and great time at the Chicken Coop. Khun Jit is a great hostess. But Wait! The night wasn't over. Under the leadership of Jaew, Tom and May led the four visitors, with Ballbanger and Kob, off to Hua Hin and Jays Restaurant and Pub on the Soi behind the Temple in the central area. New and delightful place. Great music (Elvis) and dancing and drinking until the wee hours. Good run, great dinner and even greater finale.

Join us in two weeks, August 24th, for our next run (to be set by Ballbanger) and who knows what after. Twice a month?? Yes, we intend to have hashing on a fortnightly basis from now on.