

THE HASHLESS TIMES – SECOND EDITION! SEE BREAKING NEWS APRIL 8TH

Nice to see that BH³ Hashers were busy on Sunday. Perhaps busier than expected, given the reports below. Thank you for sending the information through. If anyone has something they would like to see in the Gobsheet, either send it to your reporter/editor/tea boy/floor mopper at hashgate@hotmail.com or to Iceman at the address above.

Dunny and Rampant enjoyed a socially exclusive event near Little Wittenham. This is not far from Wittenham Clumps, which I've always imagined to be a medical condition. "Doctor. I believe my Wittenham Clumps has flared up again. Should I use the cream and trowel you prescribed last time?"

The below pictures (sent by Dunny) illustrate their Hash. Or Covidash, as Dunny put it.



Rampant (like Talking Heads) is On The Road To Nowhere.

They ran to the arboretum, where Dunny suggested they take a delightful forest path despite neither of them knowing where it led. Sadly, it led nowhere and their expected 6 mile run extended to 8. In recognition of Dunny's original suggestion, Rampant awarded her the 'La Pecarina' apron and the picture you can see is of her Downing a Baileys.



Dunny sups her Down Down while sporting interesting footwear.

WaveRider and NappyRash also took advantage of the fine weather to enjoy their 'Three Pubs, No Beer' Hash. They visited The Hare and Hounds, The Butchers Arms and The Bird in Hand, all around Sonning Common, North of Reading. They got a little carried away and ran 9 miles!



Here they are at The Butchers Arms, appreciating some water.

In contrast, TC and Whinge took some exercise in their new garden. Here's TC working out (side).

Good to see that some of us are managing to keep up our Hashing tradition in these difficult times. I hope the rest of you are getting out and about too. 😊



Those of you who read the [West Bay Diary](#) will be familiar with Bob, the seagull, so beloved of Whinge. He popped up again in a Whatsapp post from NappyRash and is obviously unhappy with the social distancing that's causing challenges. 😊



him some lunchtime

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Hot news from our GM:-

- MotoX has been extremely ill with the virus. Skinny has been phoning him regularly and he says he is beginning to very slowly feel better. Apart from having a high temperature, coughing and headache, he had lost all sense of taste (good), but is now beginning to feel like eating again (bad). The poor chap looks as strong as an ox but he has been hit badly. All of BH³ wishes you a fast recovery Motox – get well very soon.

It's Motox' birthday today so a (hopefully) Happy Birthday from all of us, along with the above wishes. Here's a picture of our RA awarding himself a couple of Down Downs. 😊



- Bomber has been travelling to Canada, the USA, Australia (where he said it was surprisingly damp!) and Switzerland. Nice one Bomber! Amazing what one can do on those hi-tech cycling machines isn't it? He has posted maps and pictures on Strava if you'd like to see.

So now we are in the period of most risk, when the outbreak of Covid-19 is due to 'spike' in the UK. Our heroic NHS workers (doctors, nurses, porters, cleaners *et al*) are performing a fantastic job, with all the physical and emotional dangers it entails. Once again, our appreciation and thanks to Swallow and Slips.

Let's not forget all the supermarket staff and shopkeepers who are working flat out to ensure we have adequate food supplies. I know that our local shop/post office is making deliveries to those who have had to self-isolate or who are unable to get out, along with the local groups that have volunteered. And, of course, the care workers, who risk their health to help the elderly and sick. It's so uplifting and humbling to see and read about all the people who are pulling together to get us through this crisis.

You may be interested in an article about J.K. Rowling in today's Daily Telegraph. She explained that she had had Covid-19 and that her doctor husband had given her a simple breathing technique to keep her out of hospital. You can find a Youtube video [here](#) where a doctor explains the procedure. I hope you never have to use it.

No doubt you all watched the special broadcast by our Queen recently. An inspirational message from this lady that made clear her steely determination, leadership, care for her subjects and classic serenity amidst the whirlwind of the dreadful virus that is afflicting our country. Even ardent republicans can't fail to be encouraged by this nonagenarian who has served her country for decades. In her speech she echoed the words of the Vera Lynn wartime song by saying that "We will meet again."

And we in BH³ are very much looking forward to the time when we can 'meet again'. The Committee continues to talk (online) to discuss future opportunities and is very much focussed on when we can safely recommence Hashing. Our GM, SkinnyDipper, is sending out weekly emails to keep you up-to-date.

Here are some surreal pictures, taken in London yesterday by my nephew, whose restaurant and coffee shop business (and 35 staff!) is currently on hold. Strange days.











Keep safe everyone.

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