



# HAM SHAG

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A sharp-eyed (pernickety) subscriber to the Ham Shag noticed rare factual errors in the last mag, and so here are the corrections: Run 1695 date should have been **22.2.23** & Run 1696 – **1.3.23**. Also, it seems there may be an error in announcing Arachnid’s wedding. It may not happen this year.

Late write up – Scribe Knead

Run 1696, 1.3.23; The Crown, Batheaston. (Hare – Minor’s Boot)

Thanks again to Perky for resuscitating the Ham Shag. I noticed in issue 6 – March 23 that no contribution was made for this fine hash set by Minor’s Boot. On further inspection, I also noticed the dates of the previous hashes were incorrect. But the Ham Shag tells the truth and nothing but .... Stating this hash was set on 25.1.23. But I’m not here to grumble “Get the f\*\*\*g facts right Perky!”

We all know the Hash meets the wellbeing requirements for body and mind. The mind bit was well demonstrated that evening when two local lasses were riveted to our stimulating conversation in the pub. They sat motionless and possibly bewildered as we filed past them on the way out. Anyway – I digress.

Congratulations if you got this far. It gets worse.

The Hash is also interwoven with current affairs and I’ve been thinking hard on what that connection was that evening. For starters, a Russian jet had dumped (brown) fuel onto a U.S drone in the Black Sea. Then we had the folly of Gary Lineker. Ah Ha! The elusive Browns Folly that evening. We searched high and high for that thing but never reached it.

From recollection, nine hashers were in the search party for Browns Folly. Ah, yes, there would have been ten if Stiff had turned up as he said he would. There was a nice long stretch across the ridge with Browns Folly either to our left or right. Spiderman, X-Rated and Le Caniveau speared out in determined endeavour but to no avail. From that pinnacle, the trail snaked back down through a wonderful field of grass and nothing onto the main road where we could open our legs a little further back to the pub. Plus Timothy Taylor. Marvelous!

Run 1698, 15.3.23; Rose & Crown, Pucklechurch. (Hare – Stiff)

Welllllllll, I suppose it is winter, but yet another soaking. At least it was not in frozen white form. Nevertheless, a shortened route was well appreciated. And, the flour thief had been at it again. Perhaps hares should leave a bag of flour outside the pub after setting the trail so the thief would not need to bother going round collecting it.

Run 1699, 22.3.23; Seven Stars, Timsbury (Hare – Lightning)

A celebration by the Hare of 30 (or 29?, or?) years with the K&A – passed by like a flash of light-ning – without free beers, chips, sausages, cake, fancy hats, T-shirts, speeches, etc, etc. Well, perhaps at the 60 year one. AND, he did not know the number of his first run. So: from my well-kept statistics (yes, we used to have them) his first run number was 181. So: calculating from 0 (31.7.1991); this makes it at around the end of January 1995 – not allowing for double week-counts such as the 1700/1701 runs (no stats for calcs). SO: we CAN have a proper celebration sometime before January 2025. With free beers, .....

| Runs  | Hasher        | Runs  | Runs  | Runs  | Runs  | Runs | Runs | Runs | Runs | Runs | Runs | Runs | Runs | Runs   | All Runs | First | Last         | attendance  | Hashname |
|-------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|----------|-------|--------------|-------------|----------|
| 1251  |               | 1201  | 1101  | 1001  | 901   | 801  | 701  | 601  | 501  | 401  | 301  | 200  | 1    | 1-1300 | Run      | Run   | percentage   |             |          |
| -1300 |               | -1300 | -1200 | -1100 | -1000 | -900 | -800 | -700 | -600 | -500 | -400 | -300 | -199 |        |          |       | from 1st run |             |          |
| 3     | SIMON HILL    | 6     | 3     | 8     | 1     | 2    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 21     | 628      | 1297  | 3.13%        | Hot Fuzz    |          |
| 2     | DAN BLEWITT   | 10    | 38    | 71    | 67    | 49   | 89   | 60   | 43   | 29   | 21   | 25   | 1    | 501    | 181      | 1268  | 46.05%       | Lightweight |          |
| 2     | STEVE LUCAS   | 5     | 4     | 5     | 24    | 63   | 74   | 71   | 62   | 64   | 54   | 0    | 17   | 443    | 151      | 1274  | 39.41%       | Sleepy      |          |
| 2     | SARAH TUCKER  | 4     | 40    | 54    | 55    | 48   | 51   | 57   | 53   | 37   | 0    | 0    | 0    | 399    | 413      | 1263  | 46.89%       | Magnum Fl   |          |
| 2     | LOUISE WALKER | 5     | 4     | 9     | 24    | 34   | 29   | 15   | 12   | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 132    | 568      | 1277  | 18.59%       | Hurry-up    |          |

HOWEVER, my first run was 108: which makes my 30<sup>th</sup> yr celebration around the end of this August – when we could have free beer, chips, sausages, cake, fancy hats, T-shirts, & speeches. But we are not.

Anyhow, a well set run Lightweight. Rather mountainous in places and away from the cosy warmth of a sheltered built-up area. The first 3/4 in dry but gale-force conditions. The latter in extreme rain and gale-force conditions – records say 5mm in 1 hr.

Run 1700, .29.3.23; Jolly Sailor, Hanham. (Hare – FC)  
Edit Hare away. So????????????????

Run 1701, 1.4.23; Delayed **Celebration** of our 1700<sup>th</sup> run from the pretend Pulteney Arms - The Curfew, Bath. (Run Hare – Lightning: Food Hare – Snail’s Nuts)

There seems to have been a delay at the OFF waiting for Perky (due to Miss-communications) who was preparing the first First Regrope for the opportunity for a swim in a lovely new pool, but no one could be bothered. Hmmm, what a SHOWER. So, we had the traditional Celebration Group Photo – taken at the Cleveland Pool. Attendees can be identified using a 1700x magnification lens. Anyhow, it seems the visit was appreciated and so ON ON >>>>> Left toward the canal – along the canal – right across the canal – up the hill from the canal. And up the hill to the hill. From the hill we then went uphill – to the top of the hill; to the Second Regrope. Then across the top of the hill to the Third Regrope at Shambolic Castle. Then along the hill ridge to a down, down the hill (needed to get back the start level) – to where we had 3 or 4 Down Downs (I got lost in these proceedings). Cunningly, Lightning had arranged the 3 regropes and end to be exactly 1700 m apart, giving a  $4 \times 1700 = 6.8\text{km} = 4.25 \text{ mile}$  run.

All were provided with Goody Bags containing specially prepared 1.70/0 proof beer. Plus, some were lucky enough to get a cup-cake: others had 2 or 3 cup cakes. Then followed a pub crawl via the Star and the Raven and finally to the Grand Brown Eastern Eye for a curry, or 2. Excellent meal for the 10 attending. Interesting to note that the bill came to £1700, but Hash Cash agreed beforehand that the Hash would pay for any amount more than we put in to the kitty. He did correct a minor error of no mushroom rice for Lightweight. Thanks to Snail’s Nuts for being Food Hare.



*Fortunately, we had to contend with only these annoying people on the Hash.*



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**Letters to The Edit Hare**

None.

**Questions to HASH**

I noticed the right-up that Knead sent was “fully” justified. Do members prefer to have their enjoyment fully justified – or left justified?

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During the course of Lightning trying to locate the K&A logo template for our celebratory run, it became obvious on Wapp that many people are confused at what we should be using. See below .....



SO, I suggest that we have a complete change of logo to avoid this confusion.  
Please submit suggestions to the Edit Hare.

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**NEW FEATURE - RECIPES**

This week – Parched peas

Several years ago, I produced, and gave to the Hash a specially prepared Northern delicacy – “parched peas”. Many have badgered me to give them the secret recipe, so here it is.

First: obtain some parched peas – they are Carlin Peas (also known as black badgers, brown badgers, grey peas, maple peas, or black peas). But, they are rarely found south of Latitude 53.5 deg North (Lancashire).

You will need to purchase online, such as at: <https://hodmedods.co.uk/search?q=carlin+peas>

Method: take 100gm, soak overnight, rinse and add 300ml water, boil and simmer for 45 mins - 1 hr, until soft. Add Salt, pepper, and a little vinegar and eat while still warm.

Delicious, warming and filling.

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**APPEND-DICKS (1)**

I have been made aware of how Snail's Nuts keeps her beauty and flawless skin. Below is an actual photograph of the procedure on Fiona.



According to my information even Patrick has had treatment!

The latest beauty treatment is to let snails leave their slime all over your face. Patryk (aged 105) states since having the snail slime treatment his wrinkles have reduced and now looks 30 years younger.

OR: which one is L' Escargot?