

Run : 179, 18th April 1986

Hares : Rochelle Brown, Kris Doerschlag, Dan Potter and Mike Schifsky

We all gathered in the car park behind the Long Beach restaurant on Upper East Coast Road, to be greeted with balloons, to set a festive spirit. I'm all for that. and it would be a short run, we were told. I am even more for that!

We ran out over the reclamation, getting our feet wet. You know the area - difficult to describe the exact route. We quickly found our way into a kampong area. Despite Boo's stentorian advice, the checks were not held, and the pack spread out. Boo's efforts exhausted him, and he took one of the balloons scattered along the way and tied it to his belt for extra support. The other beneficiaries of these wayside balloons were the kampong kids, who were delighted.

After half an hour or so, we crossed Bedok Road heading west. This allowed the pack to close up, in a sense - the tailenders shortcut to the beer wagon. So through the houses and kampongs and graveyard to Upper East Coast Road, a last funny loop, and on home. Just under an hour for me, with the short cutters and FRD's already into the beer.

I got the last (more or less) give away karate style jacket. Very smart, thank you hares, and it is your fault if I get mistaken for a black belt and get beaten up.

The on-on was at the Mermaid Restaurant at the new ECP Seafood Centre. A good choice. Chilli crab etc, very nice. Unfortunately, it was AGM night, which I found a bit wearing. But the enormous crowd of hashers certainly enjoyed themselves.

So many thanks to the hares.

Peter Jenkin