

Basherama!

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2002 JUNGLE SQUAD:

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WELCOME SPEECH by El Hefe Sany

Welcome to Basherama 2002!!! The closing speech by Raymond in the January 2002 issue was overwhelming! Much dedication and effort were channeled by the 2001-committee members to ensure that 2001 was a successful year. Of course, the year wouldn't be an active one if not for the support from its enthusiastic and die-hard members (over 80 of them). Kudos to all of you Bashers out there.

I'm still trying to figure out how I've ended up as the El Hefe for 2002. I'm still dazed by my appointment as 'Basher in Chief' for 2002. In short, I was 'Shang-hied' into it! Anyway, I will take heed of Raymond's pointers and try my best to ensure that 2002 will be another memorable year full of fun-filled activities for the cycling community in Malaysia.

We encourage more new members to join and to actively participate in our fun-filled down-to-earth cycling activities. The KLMBH is not only confined to cyclist in the Klang Valley as we have a growing number of members from the Northern states as well. Lets hope 2002 will be the year as a common platform for us to foster goodwill, camaraderie among other cycling groups and also bridge the various cycling fraternities in Malaysia (hopefully enticing some members from the Kia-Su Land as well) to promote cycling activities and inculcate appreciation for mother nature.

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DIRECTIONS TO SUNGAI SENDAT BASH 9.30 a.m., 24 February 2002

Hares: El Hefe Sany and Thomas Fong

Via Batu Caves / Batu Dam

Zero trip meter at Jln Kuching Toll (Heading towards Ipoh/Selayang), at 3.7 km turn left to roundabout, take 3 o'clock heading to Kuantan. At 5.3 km turn left to Batu Caves, at 5.5 km take another left turn. Look out for Hulu Yam / Genting Highlands sign board. At 6.4 km traffic light (opposite Milo advertisement board) turn right. Head straight from here onward, passing 3 traffic light. (the last traffic light will be at 7.5 km). Keep to right lane from here onward, at 8.4 you will pass a mosque and school on the right. At 10.3 km, turn right towards ulu yam at junction, landmark will be the cityliner bus depot on the right. From here drive all the way toward ulu yam passing batu dam at 12.5 km. At 32.2 you will see Kampung Pasir sign board, At 32.5 you will hit a junction with Sg.Sendat sign board, turn right and park the car opposite 'Thou Yen' restaurant (50m from junction).

Via NKVE

Follow direction of November 01 hash to Ulu Yam and zero trip at Lucky Lite restaurant. Head straight from Lucky Lite toward Ulu Yam Baru town. At 1.8 km you will pass the police station on your right and at Ulu Yam Baru junction, turn left. At 2.9 there will be a sign board for Kg. Gurney / Sg. Sendat. Head Straight and park car opposite 'Thou Yen' restaurant.

In addition, there is excellent fish head curry and pandan prawns available at the restaurants adjacent to the On On site after the ride. Yum, Yum!

Please note that this is a different site from the November Bash and runs on new trails. Super Duper! Hope to see all of you there!

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Plans are set in motion with other biking fraternities to include mountain biking jamboree, outdoor adventures and escapades, biking clinics for newbies and adding some interesting "twist" to the monthly Bashes. Please bear with us should there be any "imperfections" as much effort, support and understanding are requested from all parties, especially from the committee members, to ensure the success of these activities. We may come from all walks of life but we are bonded by our common interest...the love of cycling that takes us to the great outdoors! Lets make 2002 another milestone for the cycling community in Malaysia. Life is too short....lets make a difference!!!!

Ed.itorial

- 1. Kong Hey Fatt Choy to all our friends who are celebrating. Don't forget that after all that good food one needs to get back onto the bike fast.
- Congratulatory wishes to our members Ow-Yang LG and Wade Brackenbury for tying the knot last month
- 3. Do check out the new Techtip section for tips on how to stay out of trouble.
- 'Hare facts' is another interesting bit of information for all bashers.

Techtips by Casper

No.1

At the last bash, I took a digger at one of the big drop-offs. Bent the front wheel. With a trick and a little luck, I was able to complete the ride without having to disconnect the front brakes. First, remove the wheel from the forks (or frame, if it's the rear wheel). Grab the wheel with both hands at the point directly opposite the worst bend in the wheel. Then swing the wheel over your head and slam the wheel into the ground, to knock the bend the other way. Check the wheel, repeat if necessary. I was lucky, it only took one wheelly hard slam to get it rideable. I took out the remaining wobbles with a spoke wrench.

Hare Facts

- 1. Gordon Fraser took the shortest time to set 5 bashes: 73 weeks, or slightly under 1.5 years.
- 2. Richard Aubry was the first person to have set 5 bashes, on 26 Jan 1997.
- Pigpen, Twocan and Scandal have been the only ones mad enough to set 2 hashes on successive days.
- 4. Mike Eliott took the longest to set 5: 215 weeks, or almost 4 years and 2 months.
- 5. I was the first to set 10 hashes, on 28 February 1999.

BITS & BOBS – 1) Swag for sale!. KLMBH Mugs (RM15), 2nd Annual Int'l Bash t-shirts (Blue; RM12) and 3rd Annual International Bash t-shirts (White RM10) are still available and make great gifts! Kindly inquire with Bash Cash. 2) REPEAT! Beer prices for the Bash have increased to RM5.50 each from RM5.00 due to increased sin taxes levied by the "Powers That Be". Softies remain at RM1.50 each. 3) For all members who have yet to collect their 3rd International Bash t-shirts, you may do so at the next Bash from the registration table. 4) That's all for Bits & Bobs for now...

Swap Meet

Property to let - Bangsar Ria townhouse, 1,600-1,700 sq ft, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. 4 split-levels, located near the infamous Tivolli Villa, with back facing the Universiti Malaya reserve land and the Sprint highway (don't worry, far away). 4 units of air cond, semi-furnished, almost ready to move in. RM1,600 per month. Contact Chew at 012 488 3818 or tohhoonchew@yahoo.com.

Pair of Panaracer Fire XC Pro 2.1 inch kevlar bead tires. Black with red sidewalls. Good condition. RM80 ono takes 'em both. Contact Fuji @ 012 307 6815 or ngahfuji@tm.net.my or look for WGK 9898 at the next Bash.

WMF Crystal Glasses - Made in Germany - 15 pieces each for red wine, white wine and champagne for RM18 per piece - 15 pieces each for sherry, liquor, and cognac for RM16 per piece - Contact Fuji @ 012 307 6815 or ngahfuji@tm.net.my.

Lost n' Found at Recent Bashes

Nalini headband. Green. Wet and stinky when found, nice n' clean now. Found after September Bash. Collect from haremobile WGK 9898 at the next bash.

MAA watch. Found some time ago and forgotten for a while. Collect from haremobile WGK 9898 at the next bash.

Yellow Giro Helmet. Found after November Bash. Collect from Bike Pro Centre or call 7805 1989 and speak to Tan Boon Foo.

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2002 Calendar of Upcoming Events

Date Event/Remarks Date Event/Remarks Date Event/Remarks

24 Feb KLMBH February Bash 17 Mar Singapore Bike Hash 14 Apr Singapore Bike Hash 15 - 17 Mar KOTRT Langkawi Trip 17 Mar PCC Pos Mensun HOB 2 28 April KLMBH April Bash 17 Mar Eco-Xcapade Adventure Race 31 Mar KLMBH March Bash 24-26 May KOTRT Sg. Lembing Trip

HARELINE

In order to facilitate the efficient planning of your 2002 cycling calendar, the following Bash dates have been fixed for next year. As in the past two years, your Committee has decided not to adopt a receding hareline, whereby all members are required to set hashes on a rota system, this year and therefore volunteer hares are needed to keep the Hareline going.

Setting a Bash is a rewarding experience as it involves planning, much adventure, camaraderie, some deviant thinking and a great sense of satisfaction when the pack charges off down your false trail and/or your fellow Bashers curse you out at the end of the Bash and then buy you a beer. In fact, setting a Hash is so much fun as evidenced by the Hare Tonic on page 7.

Anyone interested in setting a Bash can contact Eric Teo, the Hare-Raiser, and for those who have no experience in setting a Bash, fear not for your Committee shall pair you up with an experienced Hare who shall pass on his/her wisdom free of charge. Hares will also have the exclusive use of the KLMBH guillotine and the KLMBH directional signs to help prepare for their Bash (Ooh! Ahh!).

Bash	Bash #	Date	Hares/Notes		
January	88	27 January 2002	Low Min Chee and Eric Teo (also called the Fatt Fatt Bash)		
February	89	24 February 2002	El Hefe Sany and Thomas Fong		
March	90	31 March 2002	Scott Roberts and another		
April	91	28 April 2002	Raymond 'Rocketboy' Keys and another		
May	92	26 May 2002	Hares needed!		
June	93	30 June 2002	Hares needed!		
July	94	28 July 2002	Hares needed!		
August	95	25 August 2002	Hares needed!		
September	96	29 September 2002	Hares needed!		
October	97	27 October 2002	Hares needed!		
November	98	24 November 2002	Hares needed!		
December	99	29 December 2002	Hares needed!		

HARE TONIC

In Basherama! 48, Hare Tonic was introduced in an effort to encourage more members to step forward as hares. The idea was to reward hares who had set 5 or more Bashes with Pewter Mugs. The Committee is currently sourcing the rewards (which may or may not be in the form of Pewter Mugs or exclusive Jerseys) with the intention of presenting them to the deserving hares as soon as possible (whenever that is!).

The score as it stands as updated by Speedy the Dog on our very own webbe site and further updated by my own count as at 1 January 2002 is presented below. As mentioned before, if you feel that you've set more Bashes than listed below, kindly contact Ed. or Speedy the Dog to set the record straight.

Azizul Adnan	14	Melody Tan	3	Annett Frohlich	1	Pinhead	1
Richard Aubrey (Awarded)	12	Alistair Swanson	2	S.Y. Chong	1	Simon Ng	1
Eric Teo	9	Simon Kenney	2	Clara Chin	1	Steve Ellison	1
Ngah Fuji Bakri (Oi, where's me mug?)	8	Dick Shelly	2	Colin Jackson	1	Kenny Stewart	1
Gordon Fraser	6	Grant Lee	2	Dave Baker	1	Karen Brunsdon	1
Pat Brunsdon	6	John Hagedorn	2	David Foo	1	Janie Ravenhurst	1
Hulk	6	John Mugford	2	Emma Booth	1	Paul Moir	1
Peter Bloomer	5	John Spencer	2	Geoff Stecyk	1	Jamie Knowles	1
Barry Hills	5	Kelvin Wong	2	Graham	1	Robbie Knowles	1
Mike Elliot	5	Noel Brennan	2	Ian Miller	1	Charl Bester	1
Paul Sweeney	5	Nigel Blott	2	James Aubry	1	Ingrid Burke	1
Denis French	4	Shariman Alwani	2	Jeff Dean	1	Scott Roberts	1
Alison Keeler	4	Speedy the Dog	2	Johnathan Startin	1	James Lim	1
Shaharudin Damis	4	Tan Boon Foo	2	Marie Benedix	1	Gostarnjoe	1
Raymond Keys	4	Larry Chan	2	Mark Clark	1	Andy Blake	1
Bill Steven	3	Chew	2	Mike Smit	1	Nick Smith	1
Mark Chaterton	3	Conrad Fawcett	2	Mike Wright	1	Low Min Chee	1
Peter Heston	3	Matt Schneller	2	Paul Booth	1		
Animal Elford	3	Andy Knellar	1	Peter Pickernell	1		
Jake Slodki	3	Angus Knowles	1	Phaedra	1		

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