

A Very Serious report on the 2013 Lake Macquarie

Once again the date rolled around for our once a year Rogaine. Arriving at the Hash House at 10.15 gave us plenty of time to collect the map & settle down to study it over a cup of coffee & muffin. We knew from past experience that we set the cracking pace of about 2km/hr, so the aim was to define a course of about 10 to 11km. It is also critically important to get to the T & D for a nutritious apple or coconut slice, or possibly both even. This, we considered to be an important objective. So, skipping 11 & 27 (they can wait for the heading home leg) we headed straight for 25. What a jungle of fallen tree heads & lawyer vine (so named because once it gets its claws into you its hard to get away – just like in real life) & only worth 20 points! Next was a pleasant stroll down a beautiful creek, collecting 54, 44, 35, & 64. All easy to find & lovely scenery. By now we were starting to get a bit hungry, so trembling with anticipation we headed off to the T & D picking up 24 on the way. Very fortunately there was still plenty of Apple & Coconut slice left. Thanks Sylvia!

What to do now? Original plan was to head along the track until opposite 65, but it all looked a bit of a jungle, so change of plans. Along the track a bit further & down to 42, then follow another picturesque creek to 65, 72, 43 & 53.

It was now 4:36 so time to head for the HH, collecting 27 & 11 on the way. We considered calling at 26 & 12 as well, but our prime aim is an enjoyable & relaxing event so getting back at 5:30 & not having to rush is ideal. This gives time to discuss war stories with other teams before heading off for a well earned meal.

Finally, congratulations to all the organisers for such a well thought out & run event.

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