## Toilet Seat 2008

Well, you've been fairly busy amassing points this past few weeks — I must admit that I am quite stunned and shocked, but also pleased, to see the lengths that some of our Club members will go to in order to gain points for this prestigious trophy.

Yours, Uncle Barry

March hares? No, April Bunny Run: Paul Brannigan gains 5 points for turning up on March 25<sup>th</sup> for the April 1<sup>st</sup> Bunny Run. No points for son Joe though Paul, it's not his fault that you're a bit hapless! Sheepish behaviour? No, it's Richard's new hobby: Jane glanced through her kitchen window one morning, spotted a sheep in the back garden and called upon Richard to exercise his policing skills and apprehend it. As Richard entered the garden the sheep deftly jumped over the fence into the allotment. Richard's attempt at jumping the fence resulted in him lying face down in the muck. Undeterred, Richard grabbed the sheep and frog-marched it across the road into a neighbour's garden (who'd live next to this man, given the choice? - ed.). Five minutes later Jane was yelling, "it's back! it's back!" More wrestling was observed and Richard eventually managed to prevent it entering the allotment for a second time. The pantomime finally ended with the sheep being swiftly frog-marched down the road into a place of safety. 5 points to Richard for un-neighbourly behaviour. More non-PC behaviour? The editor of this page reserves the right not to publish the next story. Suffice to say it involved a bog, a pair of trainers, Richard Leonard and some rather rude remarks from another runner who will remain anonymous. Richard does, however, collect 5 points for the retelling of this tale to Auntie Hazel, who was subsequently rendered speechless for several seconds.

Acts of vandalism increasing? Uncle Barry was unaware that he'd clipped a police car outside the Hebden Bridge station, until a bit fell off his bus about 2 miles up the road. Not too great a crime I hear you say, until you hear the news that our Barry had been awarded a prize for careful driving only the week before! Add 5 points to your prize Uncle Barry!

Sleepless in Seattle? No, Brainless in **London:** Branny got invited to a reception at the House of Lords (how? - ed). Arriving early, Paul's party decided to get some fresh air. They wandered through the alleyways, taking in the waste and recycling skips (why? - ed) and then reached the Speakers house. On walking inside (what?! - ed) they were met by a security guard who gave them two options; he could escort them back or he could 'call it in', which apparently meant they'd be swooped upon by armed police in less time than it took Linford to get down the home straight. The first option seemed appropriate and they arrived back at the reception to find armed police berating their hosts for allowing guests to wander around freely. Ooooh Errr – 5 points Paul

Careless moments (1): Whilst changing after the Anniversary Waltz, Kath Brierley popped her fell shoes behind the car with her spare car keys neatly tucked inside them. She then reversed over them and drove home. The following morning found Kath driving back to the car park and spending quite some time locating and then prizing said shoes out of the mud. 5 points for careless behaviour, Kath

Careless moments (2): Sue and Martin Roberts carefully tied pet dog Sammy to the car before doing the Anniversary Waltz, only to find that he'd chewed through the lead whilst they were racing and disappeared. They eventually found him stood stock still - face to face with a sheep! 5 points each for really dumb behaviour! Coniston Capers (1): Jane Leonard, after having quaffed several glasses of wine at the post-race supper, fell backwards off her chair into the side of the gazebo. On her downward flight Jane grabbed hold of some gazebo material and wrenched it aloft to reveal the bare rear end of a hapless Helen Hodgkinson, who'd disappeared behind the tent to take a sneaky pee! 5 points to Jane for unladylike behaviour, and a further 5 points to Helen for the same offence!

## Isle of Jura a point-free zone? Never!

Phil Hodgson was spotted frolicking in the sea wearing nothing but a Batman thong and picks up an easy 5 points. In his defence he stated that he'd forgotten to pack his swim shorts. (editor reserves the right to question the notion of even owning, never mind the packing and subsequent wearing of such a garment). More Jura tales: Not so handyman Rhys spent ages hunting for a tin opener for a tin of beans whilst making supper one evening during his stay on Jura. Having found an old and somewhat rusty implement, Rhys then spent a further eon trying to open the flipping tin, turned said tin over to see whether the other end was easier to open, only to find a ring pull had been affixed there for his convenience. (duh, 5 points Rhys).

Coniston Capers (2): It has been rumoured that our Jane lost the power of speech during that same post-race supper (*I don't believe it! - ed*). Even more strange, Jane was found to have barbed wire marks on her back and arms the following morning – and says she hasn't a clue how she acquired these...picks up a further 5 points here for carelessness.

## **LEAGUE TABLE**

Phil Hodgson	15
Jane Leonard	15
Martin Roberts	15
Paul Brannigan	10
Colin Duffield	10
Richard Leonard	10
Barry Chapman	5
Kath Brierley	5
Mark Harris	5
Sue Roberts	5
Rhys Watkins	5