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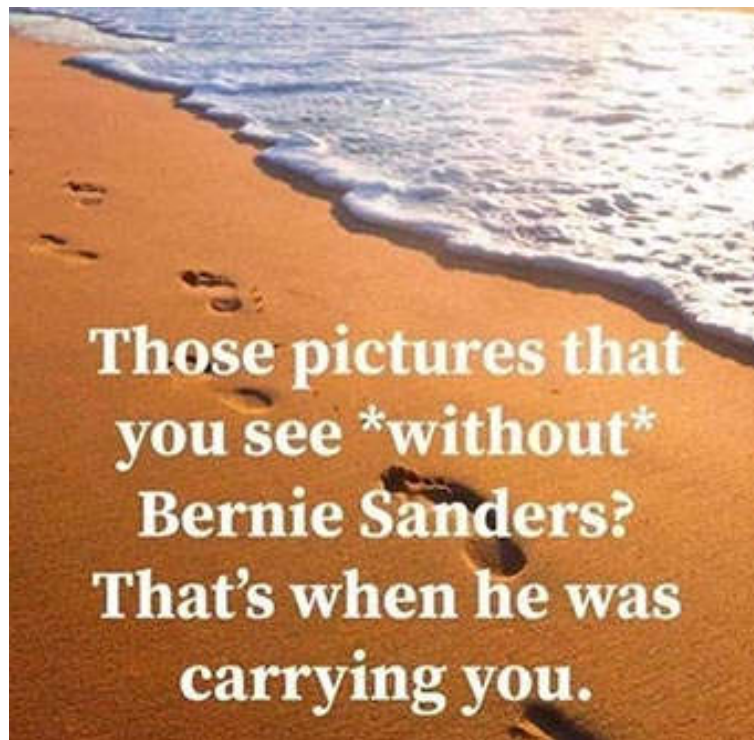
1st February 2021 Zoom #30 Keeps It Up Mystery Theme*

8th February 2021 Zoom #31 Bouncer & Angel Chinese Year of the Bull****

15th February 2021 Zoom #32 Prince Crashpian Silly quiz

Download Zoom on your PC from: <https://zoom.us/support/download>.

Meeting ID: **919 1820 5683** Password: **OnOnOnOn** (*4 mixed case On's*). URL: <https://filvc.zoom.us/j/91918205683>

A photograph of a sandy beach with waves crashing onto the shore. The sand is golden-brown, and the water is a pale blue. Several footprints are visible in the sand, leading from the water towards the foreground. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

**Those pictures that
you see *without*
Bernie Sanders?
That's when he was
carrying you.**

Or find Drambulie's **Hollingdean Hash** in the same way.

Shoreham: Buckingham Arms BN43 5WA

Pyecombe: Plough BN45 7FN

Henfield: White Hart BN5 9HP

Lindfield: Stand Up Inn RH16 2HN

Plumpton: Fountain BN7 3BX

Woodingdean: Downs Hotel, BN2 6BB

Horsham: Bear RH12 1EU

Brighton: Former Port Hall Tavern BN1 5PL

Hove actually: Hove Park Tavern BN3 7AP

SPOILER ALERT: While Sash photos are very welcome, please do not share the route for any of the Sound App trails on the Brighton Hash Facebook page, as this will detract from the experience for others wishing to have a go.

#BernieSanders: Hold My Beer and hand me my mittens.

BH7 HASH EVENTS DIARY & NOTICES

DIARY DATES – see full list of events being attended by Brighton hashers on website under Away Hashes:

06-08/08/2021 Barnes H3 Summer Ball – The Castle of Brecon hotel, Brecon – for booking: <http://www.barnesh3.com>

19-22/08 2021 Eurohash Prague – Waiting list: <https://eurohashprague.com/registration>

29/4 to 1/5/2022Trinidad, Interhash - <https://www.interhashtrinidad2020.com/>

25-28/8/2023	UK Nash Hash Beverley, Yorkshire – registration details in due course.
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Burns, Berns and Bikes!

Despite the vaccine roll out picking up pace, with the plan to get all vulnerable people vaccinated by 15th February, it's now looking likely that we won't be able to expect any relaxation allowing us to hash in numbers until at least 8th March, the three week period required for the vaccine to take effect.

So the Zoom calls will continue, but I have to say, the Burns night proved just how much fun can be had, when we all get involved! Even after editing and omitting much of the material used, it still accounts for 5 pages of this issue, but hopefully still entertaining for those who weren't there!

Elsewhere, Bernie Sanders mittens have provided some light relief so I've included some of my favourite of the memes here too.

We touched briefly on Bike hashing or bashing during one of the calls, and I'd love to have some feedback on the idea of getting together, maybe once a month, to follow a trail by bike. Isle of Wight Hash started a bash recently and have had great success, particularly with their older members and others who aren't able to run for whatever reason. Sound like a fun addition to the club?

Bouncer

Hash mismanagement, the latest who's who:

Joint GM's

Phil 'Chopper' Mutton

On-Sec

Pete 'Local Knowledge' Eastwood

Don 'On-Don' Elwick

Webfart/ Zoom

Brent 'Keeps It Up' Crowle

Hash Cash

Julia 'JJ' Madigan

Hare Raiser

Ivan 'Fukarwe' Lyons

Beer Monster

Kit 'Knightrider' Dawson

RA's

John 'Bouncer' Biggins

Tim 'Lily the Pink' Jones

Kayleen 'Wildbush' Holla

Hash Horn

Matt 'Rebel WHK' Spencer

Hash Trash

John 'Bouncer' Biggins

Hash relay

Pete 'Prof' Thomas

Christmas

Pat 'Ride-It. Baby' Morfitt

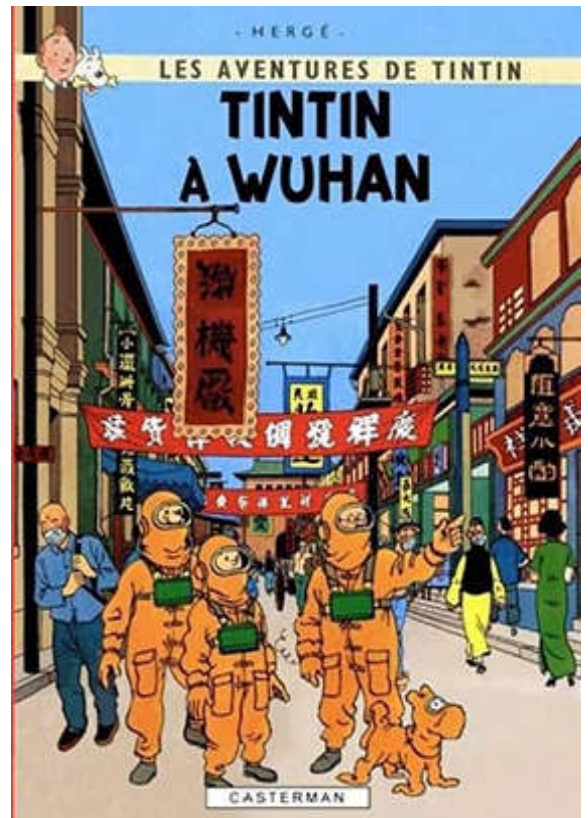
Hash awards

Tim ‘Lily the Pink’ Jones

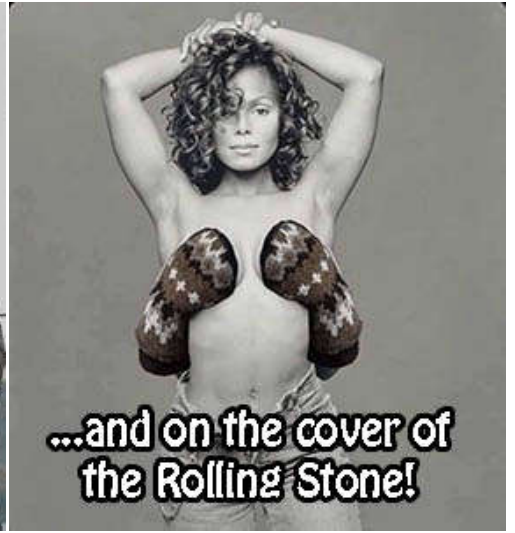
Ivan 'Fukarwe' Lyons

Where's My Broccoli Christmas/New Quiz Answers

- Who Christmas tree/ when? **Prince Albert/1840**
- Feliz Navidad? **Spanish**
- Lapland? **Arctic Ocean**
- Which country Xmas tree, Trafalgar Square?**Norway**
- Christmas day, Zodiac sign? **Capricorn**
- Where Covid 19 originate? **Wuhan**
- Forbes, entrepreneur worth \$200 billion? **Jeff Bezos, CEO Amazon**
- Brassica Oleracea? **Brussel sprout**
- Ghosts, Christmas Carol, Charles Dickens? **Past/Present/ Yet to come/ Jacob Marley**
- Santa's reindeer? **Dasher/Dancer/Prancer/ Vixen/ Comet/Cupid/ Donner/Blitzen/ Rudolph**
- Footballer, free school meal vouchers 2020? **Marcus Rashford**
- Year, Band Aid, Christmas no. 1? **1984**
- Christmas 2019 no.1? **I Love Sausage Rolls, by Lad Baby**
- Slade's 1973 no.1 called? **Merry Christmas Everybody**
- Finish song lyric? "A face on a lover with a fire in his heart...?" (" a man under cover but tore me apart.") 'Last Christmas,' Wham
- "Come they told me.." ("pa -rum pump um pum"). Little Drummer Boy
- Grinch's dog? **Max**
- 'Home Alone,' first released? **1990**
- Who said this "It doesn't matter etc.." **The Conductor on The Polar Express 2004**
- Why called Boxing day? **Rich used to box up gifts to give to the poor. 26th was day off for servants & when they received their special gift**
- Quality Street, how many different types of chocolate? **12**

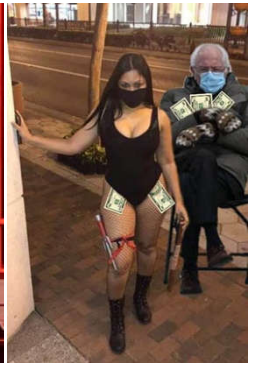


BERNIE ON PAGE THREE...



...and on the cover of the Rolling Stone!

Bernie knows what he likes, and when he starts flashing the money...



...all the girls want to strip for him!



You never know who you'll bump into in a back alley.



And it looks like he's ready for them:



REHASHING the ZOOM

PORCUPINE TREE
FEAR OF A
BLANK PLANET

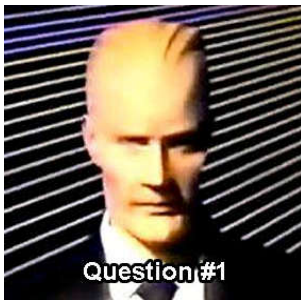
WILDS THING
 be like:



A few more from Wildbush's "Something to fill the time" corner:



Dangleberry's (slightly borrowed) Big Quiz of 2020:



1. THE LABOUR PARTY - Where did Keir Starmer choose to deliver his keynote Labour conference speech?

- a) His own kitchen.
- b) Labour party HQ in Westminster.
- c) A socially distanced PPE factory in the East End of London.
- d) A corridor in a deserted Doncaster arts centre.

2. BORIS JOHNSON - Which of these did BoJo fail to do in his first 365 days as prime minister?

- a) Get divorced.
- b) Have a baby.
- c) Contract coronavirus.
- d) Secure a trade agreement with the EU.

3. TEST & TRACE - Which of these organisations was not given contracts to help implement the NHS test-and-trace system?

- a) Serco.
- b) Capita.
- c) The NHS.
- d) Sitel.

4. Which of these did actor Laurence Fox not do this year?

- a) Announced a personal boycott of Sainsbury's.
- b) Got dropped by his acting agent over the phone.
- c) Acted in a film.
- d) Got told to fuck off by the Pogues.

5. TWITTER - Which of these is a correctly ordered list of Twitter followers, highest to none?

- a) Justin Bieber, Barack Obama, One Direction, Man United, Trump
- b) Justin Bieber, Barack Obama, Man United, One Direction, Trump
- c) Barack Obama, Justin Bieber, One Direction, Man United, Trump
- d) Man United, Barack Obama, Justin Bieber, One Direction, Trump

6. JOE BIDEN - How old would Joe be after a 2nd term in office?

- a) 86.
- b) 84.
- c) 88.
- d) 113.

7. ASYLUM - Which of the following proposals did Priti Patel's Home Office not consider as a way of deterring people from seeking asylum in Britain?

- a) Building a giant wave machine in the English channel.
- b) Processing asylum seekers on a volcanic outcrop in the South Atlantic, a thousand miles from the nearest landmass.
- c) Training swordfish to burst dinghies.
- d) Housing asylum applicants on decommissioned oil rigs in the North Sea.

8. GRANT SHAPPS - What is his actual job title?

- a) Secretary of state for transport.
- b) Minister for Brexit.
- c) Minister of state for international development.
- d) Chief whip.

9. CONSPIRACY THEORISTS - Which of these counterculture celebrities didn't speak at the August anti mask/vax/5G demonstration in Trafalgar Square?

- a) Dr Vernon Coleman, health journalist and newspaper columnist

b) Piers Corbyn.

c) David Icke.

d) Bill Drummond from the KLF.

10. Jeff Bezos, the world's 2nd wealthiest man and pioneer of a kind of delivery Argos, made how much in a single day of the pandemic?

- a) \$100m.
- b) Nothing. All his profits will go towards developing Covid therapies.
- c) \$150m.
- d) \$13bn.

11. PRISON - Whom of the following are not presently in prison ?

- a) Ghislaine Maxwell.
- b) Bill Cosby.
- c) Harvey Weinstein.
- d) The cops who killed Breonna Taylor.

12. TRUMP - Which of these is not something achieved in 2020 by the tangerine almost-ex US President?

- a) The most votes for an incumbent candidate.
- b) The most retweeted tweet of all time.
- c) The highest US death toll in a century.
- d) The most golf ever played by a sitting President.

13. FOOTIE - Scotland beat Serbia in a penalty shootout to qualify for Euro 2020 (to be held in 2021, maybe) - but when did Scotland last qualify for a major tournament?

- a) Argentina 1978.
- b) Italia 1990.
- c) France 1998.
- d) Mexico 1986.

14. DYSTOPIA - Which one of these was not a scientific breakthrough in 2020?

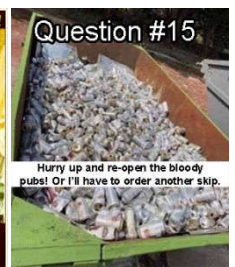
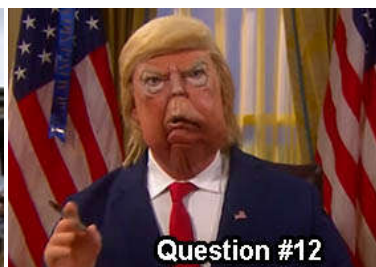
- a) The discovery that bacteria can survive in space for several years.
- b) A bionic breakthrough that allows people with paralysis to control computers using their thoughts.
- c) The confirmation that there are several large saltwater lakes under the ice in the south polar region of the planet Mars.
- d) An AI which can alter magnetic fields in the human brain, influencing thoughts.

15. NOT HASHING - In what must be the longest prelube Hashing has seen, what % of lockdown Brits are downing 6+ drinks per sitting at least weekly (up from the usual 10.8 %) ?

- a) 12.2
- b) 14.5
- c) 16.2
- d) 18.1



THAT'S ALL FOLKS!



Wilds Things Hashing, parkruns and running quiz answers – see #294

1. a or b – Malaysia: Modern Hashing was begun in Kuala Lumpur in 1938. Different Hashes throughout the World have different formats but that described is fairly typical. Certainly the social side of Hashing is as important as the running and most Hashes share the motto, 'A drinking club with a running problem.' *Naturally mention was made of the doubling of answers!*

2. c – Albert Gispert: The Hash House Harriers was founded by a British expat named Albert Stephen Ignatius Gispert who worked for Evatt & Co (later a founder member of Price Waterhouse, now Pricewaterhouse Coopers) in Malaysia. He was known as 'G' to his friends but was actually born Alberto Esteban Ignacio Gispert in Greenwich, London, the son of Catalanian immigrants.

In 1934, Gispert was sent to Malacca where he joined the Springgit Harriers. Later Gispert was transferred to Kuala Lumpur where he used the format of the Springgit Harriers to form the Hash House Harriers along with other founding members including Ronald 'Torch' Bennett, Frederick 'Horse' Thompson and Cecil Lee. In fact Lee is credited with wanting to revive the aborted Kuala Lumpur Harriers and convincing Gispert to set the first run.

3. False: The name was chosen from the Selangor Club Chambers nickname, 'Hash House', where much of the discussion concerning creating the Hash developed. The club earned this nickname due to the lacklustre food it served. The paper used to set the original Hash was from the Malay Mail supplied by Eric Gavin.

4. c) A military scout during the Boer Wars; A Harrier is related to the foxhound and bred specifically for chasing rabbits or hares. Hence the Hare sets the trail and the pack of Harriers follows it.

Harrier is also a type of hawk and a vertical take off and landing military aircraft.

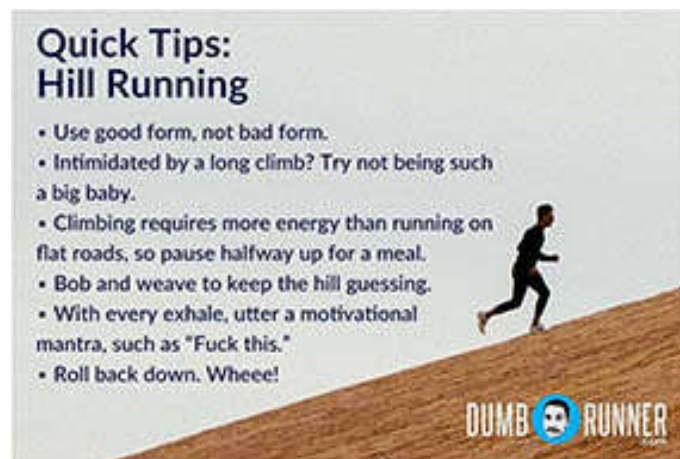
As far as I know a mounted messenger during the Napoleonic Wars, a military scout during the Boer Wars and a stick for cutting a trail through thick undergrowth are respectively called a messenger, a scout and a stick.

5. c) Singapore: Hashing died out during World War II due to the Japanese occupation of South East Asia but picked up in the post-war years. Ian Cumming founded the second Hash in Singapore in 1962.

6. True: The Royal Italian Bordighera Hash was begun in 1947 but died out by the late '50s. It was later resurrected by members of the Milan Hash and became popular in the mid '70s.

7. a) in battle: Gispert, who had been a Captain in the reserves, was field promoted to the active rank of Captain in the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders during the war and died in 1942 in the Battle of Singapore. A quote from the regimental history stated, "About 0400 hrs a considerable force of Japanese from track junction 751150 moved up the track for 200 yards to within ten yards of Battalion H.Q. and halted. They surprised and silently caught Captain Gispert, the mortar officer, and three men and killed them."

8. False: The 'Hash House Harriers' later the 'Kuala Lumpur Hash' formed in 1938 was suspended during the Japanese occupation of World War II. Torch Bennett re-established the Hash after the war and successfully sought war reparations for 24 enamel mugs and an old galvanised tin bath (presumably to chill the beer in ice). The first post-war run in 1946 was round the race course.



9. True: Both the 'Deep Freeze Hash House Harriers' and the 'Brass Monkey Hash House Harriers' run in the Antarctic.

10. d) Sweden with 11 locations. Denmark 8; Finland 3; Norway 6

11. c) St. Peter's Dome, The Vatican:

12. b) 587. although no one knows if they're really made of lead

13. a) B (217) (The others are E(47) S(189) T(102))

14. c) 8.5. a marathon is about 42 km

15. a) Hoblingwell parkrun, which is not too far away in Orpington, Kent

16. b) Root 44 parkrun, which is run on a wine farm in Stellenbosch, South Africa.

17. a) Coed Cefn-pwll-du parkrun. (forest ridge black pool)

the other parkrun names are: b) parkrun backyard toilet; c) parkrun Funnel Duck; d) parkrun Dogs on short lead.

18. b) Father Collins parkrun, which is south east of Calgary in Alberta, Canada

19. True

20. c) Left Arm moves with Right Leg

21. True

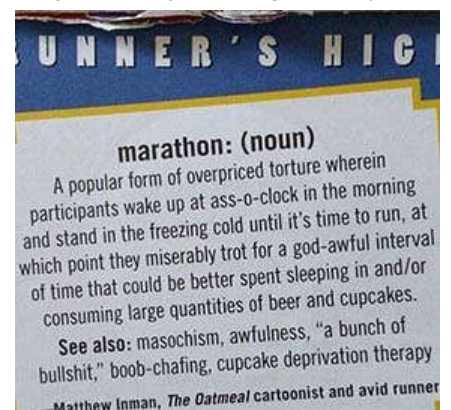
22. True

23. a) Sand

24. a) 100m. *There is a suspicion that Wilds Thing got the question wrong as it didn't make sense!*

25. b) Four

26. c) 9



ReZooming the Burns night:



What a great Zoom this was, breaking our appearance record with a pack of 29 checking in over the course of the evening! Lots of tartan was in evidence, or other suitably Scottish garb, and was being shown off as we gathered - notably Dangleberry's beard, Angel's slippers and Roaming Pussy's socks. But there had been some showing off doing the rounds even before we tuned in, not least from Bathe It Daily with his haggis:



With the piping in of the haggis scheduled for 8pm, Slash Gordon just had time to give us an education in the history of the Burns Supper, whisky, haggis and the address. *The first Burns supper* was 5 years after Burns death and was held in Burns cottage in Alloway on 21 July 1801 attended by 9 friends. The Greenock Burns Club, set up later that year by Ayrshire Merchants who knew Burns from his farming and Exciseman roles, was the first of many in Scotland, and the supper became an annual event from 25 January 1802 to celebrate Burns birth. As Scots travelled far and wide either in military support of the British Army or with the unfortunate forced Highland clearances, Burns clubs became set up in other parts of the UK and overseas. There are now over 1,000 clubs worldwide – more than any other poet or author!

Whisky: The ingredients Malt Barley, yeast and water are distilled, then placed to mature in Sherry barrels for a minimum of 3 years. Of the 130 Distilleries in Scotland, the 3 oldest are: Glennturret - Crieff (Perthshire) 1775; Bowmore - Isle of Islay 1779; Strathisla - (Aberdeenshire) 1786, ironically all during Burns lifetime!! Burns was famous for his liking of a dram and, even though hosted by a Kirk Minister, Rev'd Hamilton, the first Burns Supper in 1801 is recorded as a "droughty affair" with whisky toasts in no short supply! Burns wrote several poems about whisky - one entitled "Scotch Drink" had a couple of salient lines:

"O whisky! Soul O' plays and pranks. Accept a Bardies grateful thanks "

In another of his poems, entitled John Barleycorn, he uses various words to describe this great drink including, Uisge Beatha (water of life), dram, barley bree or "drappie malt". It is probably due to Burns that whisky came to be Scotland's national drink by late Georgian times, with distilleries springing up all over Scotland.



Haggis is a mix of sheep pluck or offal, containing the heart, liver and lungs plus oats, onions and spices wrapped in the sheep's stomach lining, and has been a part of the Burns night meal from that first supper, where the main course is recorded as "Toasted Sheep's Head and Haggis". Haggis gradually became the main component (accompanied by neeps and tatties) once lasses started to be invited to the suppers, as they were a bit squeamish about the Cheviot Head appearances. Whilst haggis was commonplace in Scotland around Burns time its origins go back much further, and there is some evidence that the dish was brought across by the Romans. Believe it or not the first cookbook recipe appearance was in an English Cookbook of 1615. Further back, in Greek times, there is even a reference from the Odyssey Epic: **"A man stood before a great blazing fire – he was turning this way and that a stomach full of fat and blood – seemingly very eager to have it roasted quickly"**. Earlier still forms of Haggis could date back to the Hunter/ Gatherers, when it was important to eat the offal of a wild animal first (as it was the first to go off), which was wrapped in the animal's stomach lining and roasted.

Interestingly, Haggis was banned in the USA in 1971 as it contained sheep's lung; the ban further enforced after the UK BSE outbreak in 1989. Americans visiting Scotland always look to have a haggis – maybe why Donald Trump is always visiting his golf courses in Scotland! Burns wrote the poem **Address to a Haggis** in 1787 (age 28), as a tongue in cheek praise of this common peasant dish, extolling its virtues even as he slags off French food such as ragout and fricassee, which reflects that period of history between the two countries. At the time of the Stuart dynasty from Robert the Bruce in the 14th Century onwards Scotland and France were the best of buddies, a relationship known as the "auld alliance", and together the nations often teamed up to fight the common enemy – **THE ENGLISH**. However, Burns was born only 13 years after the final / failed attempt by Bonnie Prince Charlie to put the Stuarts back on the British throne and replace the Georgians. The French had promised to send a support army but due to their warfare challenges in France and Belgium at the time v the English, the decision was reversed and they were blamed for the disastrous routing of the Highland army at Culloden in 1746 by the Duke of Cumberland (the Butcher).

After a quick apology to our resident French person, Big Jugs of Sangria, Slash Gordon continued with an introduction for McScud and his glamorous assistant, Fetherlite, as they brought the haggis in:

A Piper cam tae oor toon, tae oor toon, tae oor toon,
He cam tae play a bonny tune for a his freens on Zoom,
His name is Scud he isnae dud, he's the best in a' the land,
He's aboot tae pipe the Haggis in – so c'mon and gie him a hand!

Clearly a lot of effort had gone into the piping in with Scud holding a set of bagpipes, but appearing to play a harmonica! Excellent fun and very hashy, as we moved on to the **ADDRESS TO THE HAGGIS** in Slash's normal inimitable style complete with dramatic arm movements and skein dhu, the moment probably marred slightly by the subsequent English translation by Bouncer, which reduced the haggis to a sausage. There was something of an intermission here as those of us who'd prepared their grub ready got stuck in, before Slash again treated us to a ditty to introduce Prince Crashpian for the immortal memory (next page):



While the full speeches are available on request, it would take up too much room to print them all here, so I have exercised a degree of editorial licence to include the salient points. All poems/songs are also available with a quick Google!



Next up to give the Immortal Memory,
Is **PRINCE CRASHPIAN**, oor very own Trevor,
He can run, he can act and cook up great delights,
And now he'll praise Burns with a' his endeavour.

The IMMORTAL MEMORY - Burns was born to Agnes Broun and William Burnes in Alloway, 2 miles from Ayr, on 25 January 1759 in a cottage (now a museum, dedicated to Rabbie Burns) built by his father. As a boy, an old widow who sometimes helped out on his fathers' farm would tell stories of the supernatural, which he loved, turning many of these stories into poems when he reached adulthood. After the death of his father in 1784, Burns inherited the farm but was not successful and by 1786 he was in terrible financial difficulties and had made two women pregnant, so he decided to emigrate to Jamaica. To raise the money required, he published 'Poems in the Scottish Dialect', an immediate success and he was persuaded to remain in Scotland by Dr Thomas Blacklock. After an Edinburgh edition of the poems followed in 1787, he went on in 1788 to marry Jean Armour, one of the many women from his early life. A forgiving wife, she accepted and took responsibility for all Burns' children, legitimate and illegitimate alike, the eldest of which, the first of three illegitimate

daughters all called Elizabeth, was greeted with the poem 'Welcome to a Bastard Wean'. He followed a second failed attempt at farming, with the purchase of Elisland on the banks of the River Nith near Dumfries, by becoming a full-time exciseman in 1791. The steady income from this employment regrettably gave him ample opportunity to continue with his lifestyle of wine, women and song which made him famous all over Scotland, and after only a 10 year career as a poet he died at the age of 37 on 27 July 1796.

Some will wink and say with a chuckle, "Aye! Rabbie loved the lassies!", or downplay them without considering how his actions damaged women such as Jenny Clow. Our image of him is complicated by the feminism of "**The Rights of Women**", but still overwhelmingly negative, and his character flaws can but make one wonder how he'd fare in the **#MeToo** era. In "**Reply to the Laddies**", several have summarized this scoundrel and rascal in a word: "Cad". In one of his poems he said of one lover:

My girl she's airy, she's buxom and gay; Her breath is as sweet as the blossoms in May;

A touch of her lips it ravishes quite:

She's always good natur'd, good humour'd, and free; She dances, she glances, she smiles upon me;

I never am happy when out of her sight.

Focusing less on his lovers, he railed against the church (which chastised him for being a "fornicator") and clergy for their hypocrisy but failed to live up to his own standards!! Politically, a radical who loved freedom; his poetry shows an appreciation for the downtrodden. In "**To a Mouse**" which he wrote when his plow hit a mouse nest, he laments over what he had done. Yet while suffering poverty and having fathered at least three illegitimate children, he bought a ticket for Jamaica, where he planned to become a **slave driver**. Possibly a cry for help to gain pity from others, but at best he appears puerile, threatening to participate in what he knows to be the worst kind of inhumanity, and at worst, demonstrating horrendous selfishness, dropping his radical ethics and love of freedom for others when he needs cash.

After gaining fortune and fame as a poet, and while an exciseman, he was still known for his radicalism, being accused of singing a French Revolution song about hanging and burning aristocrats, though he denied this and kept his job after an investigation. He once gave a toast critical of Great Britain's war with the French Republic: "**May our success in the present war be equal to the justice of our cause**", then wrote a letter to his drinking companions asking them to keep quiet about this so that he wouldn't lose his job. Understanding his financial situation, and while probably disagreeing with some of his leanings and recognize he may have had more nuanced beliefs should he have used his fame and spoken out more forcefully against injustice, even if it meant risking his job? He seemingly wants to appear radical without actually risking anything serious!

Now I realise I am a Sassenach and therefore my opinion doesn't count in Scotland but..... Should Robert Burns' character flaws—whether his promiscuousness, selfishness, hypocrisy, or cowardice—mean we forget his positive contributions to the Scottish nation? Or should those who love Scotland ignore the bard's sins so that his nation may appear greater?

If I may be forgiven for citing an Englishman **CS Lewis** (author of **Prince Caspian**!!) describes in **Four Loves** how citizens can have a righteous love of country, speaking positively about "love of home," he is, however, more sceptical about loving a country's history, including the "great deeds of our ancestors." The actual history of every country is full of shabby and even shameful doings and heroic stories, if taken to be typical, give a false impression of it often being open to serious historical criticism. One can love a nation or country's history as long as it is studied seriously, admitting to the ancestors' wrong doings. So while we can talk about Burns' contributions to the Scottish nation—including his collection of over 700 works, recognition of society's downtrodden, influence on future poets, preservation of Scotland's folk songs, and saving his nation's culture from that scourge creeping from the south, Englishness—we should remember how he fell short. After all, we've also fallen yet can still be used for good purposes.

Therefore, on this Burns Night, let me raise my nip of scotch in a toast to remember this rascal's successes and learn from his failings.

THE TOAST IS RABBIE BURNS!!



One positive about the Zoom format is that friends from far and wide are able to join in, such being the case with Vicky Vomit reading the toast to the lassies, but the MC made an unfortunate assumption on gender as VV is male!

*Now custom and practice for Toast tae the Lassies,
Dictates it's a man's job, or so it is writ,
But Brighton Hash is modern, tradition no concern,
So the stage noo welcomes **VICKY VOMIT***

TOAST TO THE LASSIES!! Where would the hash be without the lassies? It would no doubt have been some debauched drinking club where after just a bit of exercise everyone sat down and got drunk while singing bawdy songs... Hang on—that is what it is like anyway with the lassies! Of course the enthusiasm for femininity runs very deep in the hash - which is why the male hashers will jump at any excuse to wear a dress! Having lassies in the hash of course gives hashers the opportunity to demonstrate their chivalrous behaviour. I am sure the harriettes can each recall dozens of occasions when gents have laid down their jackets across mussy puddles and carried them over electric fences! Unfortunately the male superiority is somewhat threatened nowadays by harriettes refusing to be respectful in the circle and some even taking control by rigging elections and becoming Religious Advisors and Grand Mistresses and Mattresses! Robbie Burns must have known a thing or two about women. Writing lots of romantic verse and having a dozen children from four different women, as well as dalliances with others such as 'Highland Mary' who he planned to go to Jamaica with.... Would he have been a hasher? Well he certainly liked being out in the countryside and enjoyed a drink or two... But back to the plot. My final deposition is that it is great to have so many lassies on the hash as it has meant that many of us have been able to find one to marry. And after all who else would put up with a hasher as a partner? Indeed I remember one time waking up in the morning in the bed of Dr Doolittle, still wearing my hash trainers, and she still married me! So gents, please charge your glasses and be upstanding and join with me in a **TOAST TO THE LASSIES!!**

[Before moving on Slash shared the introduction for myself, being prepared in case Vicky Vomit couldn't make it:

According to Angel, Bouncer has many talents, Not least he is King o the Hashes, He's done Park Runs galore, so what's now in store? For he's about tae "Toast the Lassies"]

*Now to the keynote speech in praise of mankind,
A task of tact - and finely tuned grey matter,
We have searched far and wide, to find such a mind,
All the way from Bexhill – **BUSHSQUATTER!***

Ode to the lairds and loons,
aye to the lairds and loons,
and all who enjoy tossing the caber.
Male hashers are a weird lot,
of that we are aware,
Where else doth thou find menfolk,
Who are happy all to bare
That might explain why our northern males,
To the south they do repair
For it is mighty chilly beneath that tartan kilt,
one wouldn't want their willies
to shrivel up and wilt.
So carry on your hashing
even when old and grey,
and just remember this:
*a rich Scotsman has a canopy over his head
a poor Scotsman has a can of pee under his bed
and a dead Scotsman canna pee at all*
**So ladies let us TOAST THEM NOW, Wherever
they may be, For hashing would be only half the
fun, If our hashing men did flee.**



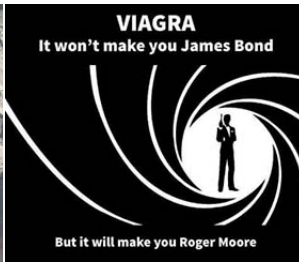
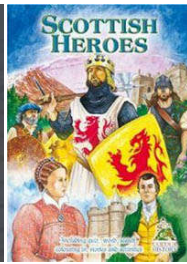
After the formalities it was open floor and I started by reading a poem alluded to in the Immortal memory, **"The Fornicator"**, partly because it referred to Quarantine, but it supported PC's points, ultimately stating that: Kings, hero's, captains and Caesars alike, we all are fornicators! Scud performed a dramatic rendition of **"Tae a Fert"** previously heard at the 10th Anniversary Burns from the Bax Castle in Southwater (see #141), then, after Doctor Dolittle commented on Angel's sex doll appearance in her wig, **Slash sang "The Northern Lights of Aberdeen"** having spotted Where's My Broccoli's background. Slash's quiz was launched next and decreed excellent with VV and DD emerging victorious over Gromit and a very rare podium for Dangleberry, but Wilds Thing needed to ask Alexa who Rod Stewart was! We finally got to the whisky tasting after earlier being treated(?) to a sight of Chipmonk's Black Cock (*a blended whisky from the Ross Brothers which he seems intent on pulling out at every opportunity*), which Chopper just missed clocking in seconds after we'd had our fill for the moment. A private battle had been going on between Cyst Pit and Dangleberry, of trading insults by changing their Zoom names, which warranted mention, before Slash again took the floor to give us **"Tae a Moose"**, complete with his small clockwork companion from just last year (see #273). This was followed, after some chat about hash raffles, with selected verses from **"Tam O'Shanter"**, possibly Burns most famous poem and certainly one of his longest. As we wistfully headed down memory lane with Vicky Vomit recalling a childhood fishing at Menteith Lake, and Slash regaling us with a story about Greyfriars Bobby, whisky tired started to take faces from the screens, so Slash got us hooking arms across the windows to **"Auld Lang Syne"**. Wildbush, observing that it was already Australia Day in the antipodes, kept it going as we segued seamlessly into **"Waltzing Matilda"**! Somehow we ended up hearing **"Toss another shrimp on the barbie"**, then turns came thick and fast with Cyst Pit giving us **"Green Fields of France"** and **"Black Velvet Band"**, Slash did **"Donald Where's Your Troosers"**, and at some point to keep it relevant I reeled off Burns



"Reels of Bogie". I was allegedly volunteered to organise a Zoom folk night, but feel sure this must be Scud. It could be fun to include the odd number in our regular Zoom calls, but watch this space! Of course I don't remember anything by now, but I woke in bed in the morning so made it there at some point. A fantastic evening and thank you so much to all those involved for making it **Another Great Burns hash!**



Brighton Hash Burns Night Quiz 25 Jan 2021 – Slash Gordon



Q1 Which of the following Scottish famous folk was born first?

- a) Robert Burns b) Macbeth c) Rob Roy d) Robert the Bruce

Q2 Which of these is not a song written by Robert Burns?

- a) Auld Lang Syne b) John Anderson my Jo c) Over the Sea to Skye d) Green Grow the Rashes O

Q3 Which body of water in Scotland contains more water than all the English and Welsh lakes put together?

- a) Loch Lomond b) Loch Katrine c) Loch Ness d) Loch Morlich

Q4 What was the name of the American territory in which Scotland unsuccessfully attempted to establish a colony in 1698?

- a) New Caledonia b) Nova Scotia c) South Shetland Isles d) Isle of Nevis (Caribbean)

Q5 Which of the following mountains is the second highest in Scotland?

- a) Lochnagar b) Braeriach c) Scafell Pike d) Ben Macdui

Q6 Which of the following Scottish Bands, whose song Sailing was a Rod Stewart no. 1, come from Aberdeenshire?

- a) Simple Minds b) Sutherland Brothers c) Nazareth d) Bay City Rollers

Q7 Which of the following films was not set in Scotland?

- a) Catcher in the Rye b) Skyfall c) Gregory's Girl d) Local hero

Q8 Which one of the following is a Scottish Soup?

- a) Cawl b) Colcannon c) Powsowdie d) Borscht

Q9 Which one of the following sports was invented in Scotland?

- a) Golf b) Football c) Rugby d) Hurling

Q10 Scotland claims to have the highest / tallest item of its type in the world. What is it?

- a) Castle b) Beech Hedge c) Pine Tree d) Archaeological standing stones

Q11 On what musical instrument would you find a chanter and a drone?

- a) Bagpipes b) Piano Accordion c) Fiddle d) Harmonica

Q12 Which is the most recent of the following 4 wartime battles occurring in Scotland?

- a) Stirling Bridge b) Killiecrankie c) Bannockburn d) Sherrifmuir

Q13 What was the name of Bonnie Prince Charlie's army and supporters in the 1745 uprising?

- a) Covenanters b) Picts c) Jacobites d) Gaels

Q14 Which of the following business sectors all beginning with the letter "J" is the city of Dundee not famous for?

- a) Jam Manufacture b) Joinery c) Journalism d) Jute Manufacture

Q15 Which of the following Scottish Regiments was based at Fort George near Inverness?

- a) Black Watch b) Gordon Highlanders c) Royal Highland Fusiliers d) Seaforth Highlanders

Q16 Which one of the following Scottish Author books was written by Sir Walter Scott?

- a) Ivanhoe b) Treasure Island c) Sunset Song d) Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde

Q17 In which Scottish City is there a small statue to a dog called "Greyfriars Bobby"?

- a) Edinburgh b) Glasgow c) Dundee d) Aberdeen

Q18 What language was commonly spoken in the Shetland Isles up until the early 1800's?

- a) Pictish b) Gaelic c) Manx d) Norn

Q19 Which Scottish runner was a winner at the 1990 London Marathon?

- a) Liz McColgan b) Eric Liddell c) Yvonne Murray d) Alistair Hutton

Q20 Scotland only has one "lake" - all other inland bodies of water are called "lochs" Which one has the "lake" prefix?

- a) Maree b) Leven c) Mentieth d) Lochy

Q21 Which of the following occupations did Roberts Burns never undertake?

- a) Sommelier b) Exciseman c) Poet d) Farmer



Wot no Bernie?

Wildbush Scottish themed funnies from the Burns hash:

FIRST MASS COVID VACCINATIONS

TAKE PLACE IN SCOTLAND 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿

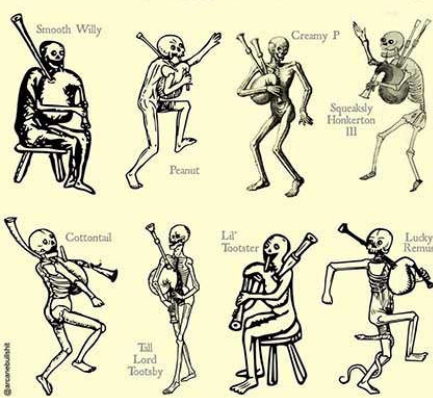


LYRICS TO AULD LANG SYNE

Should OLD acquaintance be forgot,
And never larz sha borr
Ma mor raa laa da fo shmmmm de
for the sake of OLD lang zyne.

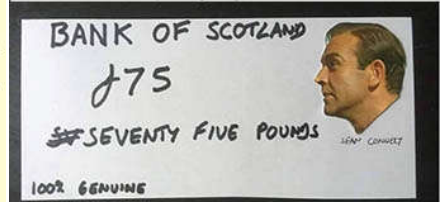
For OLD lang zyne, ergh dmm,
For OLD lang zyne.
We'll ma crro sthhr la de dor rerl
for the sake of OLD lang zyne.

Which Old Timey Bagpipe Skeleton Are You Today?



joe heenan
@joeheenan

I'm in London & once again a shopkeeper has refused to accept my money because it's a Scottish note. I'm absolutely raging



Bouncers joke: A family were gathered in the waiting room of a hospital, where one of their number lay gravely ill. The doctor came in looking tired and sombre. "I'm afraid I'm the bearer of bad news," he said as he surveyed the worried faces. "The only hope left for your loved one at this time is a brain transplant. It's an experimental procedure, very risky but it is the only hope. Medical insurance will cover the procedure, but you will have to pay for the brain yourselves."

The family members sat silent as they absorbed the news. At length, someone asked, "Well, how much does a brain cost?"

The doctor quickly responded, "£5,000 for a male brain, and £200 for a female brain." The moment turned awkward with the men in the room trying not to smile, and avoiding eye contact with the women, although some actually smirked.

One man, unable to control his curiosity, blurted out the question everyone wanted to ask, "Why is the male brain so much more?"

The doctor smiled and explained to the group, "It's just standard pricing procedure. We have to mark down the price of the female brains because they've actually been used."

England can cut their own fucking grass 🤔🤔



Gareth L Powell
@garethlpowell
My daughter thought MC Hammer was pronounced as if he was Scottish: 'McHammer'
5:14 PM · Jan 23, 2021 · Twitter for iPhone

Ru Pringle @RuPringle · 3h
Replying to @garethlpowell
Ye canna titch this!
Ye canna titch this!
Ma, ma, ma, ma
Music dings me sae hauid
Maks me say 'Och, ma laird
Thank ye fur blissin me
Wi a mynd tae rhyme an twa hyplit feet!'

Geoff @_TheGeoff · 3h
Ah've bin aroon the world,
Fae Laing tae Wemyss Bay,
It's Hammer nae, Hammer wahey!
An the rist gan gae an play
(canna titch this)



Tae a Virus (if Burns lived the noo)
(Twelve) months ago, we didna ken,
yer name or ocht aboot ye,
But lots of things have changed since then,
I really must salute ye
Yer spreading rate is quite intense,
yer feeding like a gannet
Disruption caused is so immense,
ye've shaken oor wee planet.
Corona used tae be a beer,
they garnished it wae limes
But noo it's filled us awe wae fear
These days are scary times.
Nae shakin hawns, or peckin lips,
it's whit they awe advise

But scrub them weel, richt tae the tips,
that's how we'll awe survive
Just stay inside the hoose ye bide
Nae sneakin oot for strolls
Just check the lavvy every hoor
And stock-take your loo rolls
Our holidays have been pit aff
Noo that's the Jet2 patter
Pit oan yer thermals, have a laugh
And paddle 'doon the waater'
Canary isles, no for a while
Nae need for suntan cream
And awe because o' this wee bug
We ken tae be.. 19
The boredom surely will set in,

But have a read or doodle
Or plan yer menu for the month
Wi' 95 pot noodles.
When these run oot, just look about
A change, it would be nice
We've beans and pasta by the ton
and twenty stane o rice.
So dinny think ye'll wipe us oot
Aye true, a few have died
Bubonic, bird flu, and Tb
They came, they left, they tried
Ye might be gallus noo ma freen
As ye jump fae cup tae cup
But when we get oor vaccine made
Yer number will be up.

Willie Sinclair.... March 2020

A BIG FAT BERNIE QUIZ

How many of these classic movies with Bernie in can you name?

Raindrops on roses
And whiskers on kittens
Bright copper kettles
And Bernie in mittens



IN OTHER NEWS



From: **THE SCOTSMAN**



Haggis in space: how did Scottish butcher Simon Howie launch haggis into space for Burns Night - and why?

By Matt Brooks Monday, 25th January 2021, 12:29 pm

Scottish butcher Simon Howie has taken Burns Night to new heights by launching a packet of haggis into space. The popular Scottish delicacy, accustomed to flying off the shelves, was sent soaring 20 miles above Earth - the equivalent to nearly four times the height of Everest - in celebration of the life and works of poet Robert Burns. Mr Howie said he wanted to start the year by "lifting the spirits of the general public" and hoped it brought some much-needed cheer to everyone during the Covid-19 lockdown, as the country prepares to fine dine over haggis on 25 January. "Burns Night is one of the most important dates on the food calendar for us and we wanted to mark the occasion by sending the UK's best-selling haggis, the original 454g, to the edge of space," he said.

How did they launch haggis into space? Mr Howie worked alongside space education and research firm Stratonauts to send the packet of haggis up, up and away from his butchers headquarters in Dunning, Perth and Kinross. Attached to a weather balloon, the haggis travelled over Stirling, Falkirk, Edinburgh and the Pentland Hills before reaching such great heights and falling safely back down to Earth. And, after two hours, 37 minutes in the air - and having covered a distance of 52 miles, the savoury pudding landed in Lauder in the Borders to become the first haggis in space. Stratonauts director Lewis Campbell said: "Launching from Dunning was challenging due to the winds as we needed to ensure a safe retrieval of the footage and of course the 'space haggis' itself. "Having monitored the weather for weeks, a window of opportunity finally presented itself -perfect conditions"

Where is the space haggis now? Following its safe landing, the haggis has been collected and returned to where it was made at Howie headquarters where it will be preserved as “the first haggis in space”. “After reaching over 107,000ft with views of at least 250 miles, the haggis then fell to Earth at nearly 200mph before the parachute took over - meaning it is also probably the fastest haggis in the world too,” added Mr Campbell. While Mr Howie and Stratonauts hope the unusual launch inspires young people to get into science, technology, engineering and math related subjects and careers. The two companies plan to run science workshops with local schools once Covid restrictions have been eased.

What other things have humans sent into space? Humankind's exploration into space goes beyond rockets, satellites, planets or solar systems. For as long as humankind has been fascinated by the stars, it has had an urge to send things up there. It wasn't long before music followed humans into space with astronauts onboard the Gemini 6A spacecraft bursting into a rendition of Jingle Bells, accompanied by a tiny four hole harmonica. In 2001, astronauts aboard the International Space Station were the recipients of a Pizza Hut delivery. The pizza was reportedly worth \$1 million at the time and its ingredients modified to withstand space travel. To celebrate the 30th anniversary of George Lucas's Star Wars franchise, Luke Skywalker's lightsaber from the film Return of the Jedi flew into space with the Harmony crew in 2007. Other strange things to be sent into space include Lego figurines, a custom-made golf club and the ashes of Star Trek creator Gene Roddenberry.

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If you're wondering what the whole EU vaccine row is all about, this is my understanding of the whole EU, Ireland, vaccine thing explained in pizza terms for the simple minded:-
New pizza restaurant opens:

Who wants pizza?

GB - Yep, please, pepperoni and shed loads of it!!

Ok, EU, while I'm making the GB order, do you want anything?

EU - Yes please but hold on! Everyone what are we having?

FR - Pepperoni

DE - Plain cheese

GR - Anchovies

IT - Mushroom

PL - Pineapple 😊

FR DE GR IT PL - Who the fuck invited PL? We are NOT having pineapple you heathens!!

Well while you decide we'll crack on with the GB order.

(Some hours later)

EU - We too shall have pepperoni!

Great we're just dealing with the GB order but will start yours ASAP! All ovens fired and we're cracking on.

EU - No! We have ordered!! You shall deliver to us NOW!!!

Well, you can have a few but we really do have an obligation to deliver GB theirs first.

EU - Fine, then we shall block the garden path to the GB. No more pizza for them until we get ours!!!!

FR - Who left the side gate open?! IE ffs why haven't you shut your gate?

IE - You said we could keep it open so we can still go and see next door and take them stuff. You said it was a good thing.

EU - We said that to try and strong arm the UK into not leaving us!!

IE - But.....

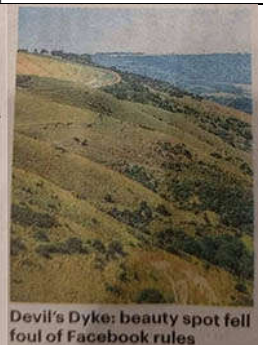
EU - (Mutes IE) It's ok we have the key, just lock it anyway.

Sinn Fein- I focken dare yous to touch our gate!!!!

EU - Erm...we've talked to the GB and decided NOT to lock the gate. We shall wait patiently in line for our pizza and see if there is a calm & rational way to speed up production.

Devil's Dyke 'hate speech' apology

Facebook has apologised for threatening to ban people from a Brighton community group it had accused of "hate speech" for mentioning the name of the Sussex beauty spot Devil's Dyke. Facebook last night promised to look into what it said was a "clear" error.



And just a week later, Plymouth Hoe was also barred! Reminds me of this story from 20 years ago:

Top marks this week go to the local council in Scunthorpe who updated their email system to use a profanity filter which filtered out any emails containing obscene language. All was fine, until they realised that no one whatsoever had got ANY emails during the whole week since they installed the software. They checked through everything and couldn't find a problem... until one bright spark pointed out that every email address, whatever@scunthorpe.gov.uk contained the word 'c**t!'

The grid contains the following images:

- Top Row:**
 - 1. A surrealist painting of a man in a mask and coat sitting on a shell, surrounded by classical figures.
 - 2. A detail from Michelangelo's 'The Creation of Adam' showing the hand of God reaching towards the finger of Adam.
 - 3. A painting of the Last Supper with Jesus and the apostles seated at a long table.
- Second Row:**
 - 4. A painting of a large group of people in a grand hall, possibly a historical event or a theatrical production.
 - 5. A painting of a group of people in a boat on a body of water, possibly a historical scene or a theatrical production.
 - 6. A Japanese woodblock print of a person riding a wave, with Mount Fuji in the background.
- Third Row:**
 - 7. A black and white photograph of Abraham Lincoln standing on a stage, surrounded by a crowd.
 - 8. A painting of a group of people in a park or garden, possibly a historical scene or a theatrical production.
 - 9. A painting of a person standing on a bridge or walkway, looking out over a body of water.
- Bottom Row:**
 - 10. A black and white photograph of a large group of people in formal attire, possibly a historical event or a theatrical production.
 - 11. A black and white photograph of a group of people sitting on a ledge or balcony, looking out over a city.
 - 12. A painting of a person sitting in a chair, looking out over a city at night.

A three-panel meme. The first panel shows Bob Ross painting a winter scene with a person in a winter hat. The second panel shows Jesus and a person in a winter hat sitting on a bench. The third panel shows a person in a winter hat sitting on a chair in the background of a woman lying down.

First trip booked for 2021. Hopefully off to Iceland in February.
If that goes well, probably looking at Asda in March and Tesco in April!

IN OTHER OTHER NEWS

Lady Gaga saved from meme of the day by Bernie's mittens; BoJo; Bisons; Brexit; and a beer on Aussie Day: When you have to sing at the inauguration at 11 and win the Hunger Games at 12 #InaugurationDay 46



"So we have a trade deal!!?"



Bison.. 🙄

Most Australians have been compliant with COVID rules. Then this guy turns up naked, no mask, no shoes, after curfew and expecting a beer.



"Of course..just send me your bank details Sir"



Frank Lampard on his sacking from Chelsea:-

Friends and family are everything," said the former midfielder. "When I got home, John Terry was already there comforting Christine on the couch. Not sure how he heard the news so quickly, but they were both red-faced and breathless with emotion." We have all heard about John Terry.

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The case for: BERNIE THE HASHER



when u get back to camp at 6am and theres that one guy still going

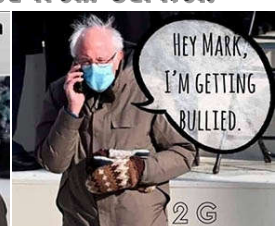


Bernie's backdoor attempt on presidency foiled as he gets forcibly removed from Capitol:



You sat there, quite comfy, in your hand-made mittens
We all took one look, and were suddenly smitten
You unintentionally became a work of art
You warmed your hands, and warmed our hearts
What you've accomplished, no one could dream
You united a country under a blanket of memes
Just sitting there, you set us on an upturn
You gave us what we needed, and we all feel the Bern

What the...? I've never been at any of these places!



THE END

Angel be like:



It was him all along!



Problem solved:



Just to make sure, eat the bear!



HOW SAD IT MUST BE - BELIEVING THAT SCIENTISTS, SCHOLARS, HISTORIANS, ECONOMISTS, AND JOURNALISTS HAVE DEVOTED THEIR ENTIRE LIVES TO DECEIVING YOU, WHILE A REALITY TV STAR WITH DECADES OF FRAUD & EXHAUSTIVELY DOCUMENTED LYING IS YOUR ONLY BEACON OF TRUTH AND HONESTY.

Trumpy Dumpty
never finished his Wall,
Trumpy Dumpty
lost the Election this Fall.

All the Shady Lawyers
and all the Yes-Men
Couldn't get Trumpy
Elected again.



I'm a little suspicious of the new maid
they just hired for the White House



John Barron
@barronjohn1946

Hello I am brand new to Twitter,
what are you guys up to

A brief history of 46 Presidents of United States:

