

Toilet Seat 2006

More Good News! This isn't the last issue, there are even more silly blunders to flush out before the Christmas 'do' when the lid will finally close and a deserving winner announced.

Yours,
Uncle Barry

LOST - not the TV thriller but just Richard Leonard who missed the flags and ended up in the woods at Duddon Fell Race for 5 pts

Failed Marmot contender Uncle Barry, after losing out by a mere 5 pts to Jane Smith, redeemed himself by falling spectacularly on a mountain track after a night out celebrating Jane's win. Too late for Marmot points but gets 5pts towards the Toilet Seat Trophy instead.

Panic at the pumps was suffered by Jon Wright after filling up with petrol instead of diesel for 5 pts – the main panic being that he was ferrying Tod's finest to an English championship race.

Tina's bog - on a recent recce of Langdale, Tina Smith managed to disappear into the man-eating bog crossing between Thunacar Knot and Rossett Pike right up to her thighs (well one of them). The look of horror on her face was a picture as she struggled to get out. Luckily help was on hand and she was dragged to safety. I'm told her main concern was that she might have lost one of her £80 trainers but thankfully she had tied her laces tight enough that morning. 5 pts

One race too many - Alex Whitem arrived in the finish field at the end of Leg 1 on the Ian Hodgson Mountain Relay. He stopped, bent down and removed one shoe then ran into the finish funnel. The sole of the offending shoe was hanging off, as was the one still on his foot. "I was going to throw them away after this race" he said. He still had an awesome run despite equipment failure but picks up 5 pts for penny pinching.

Dodgy manoeverer Jane Smith went to work in the camper van, forgot how long it was and ripped the front bumper off a Ford Mondeo. On inspecting the damage the headlight then fell off.. 5 pts

A bite to eat? Not for Helen Wilson at Lee & Helena's wedding celebrations, where she managed to break a tooth when taking a nice bite on an olive and then spent the rest of the evening trying to find an emergency dentist for 5 pts

Snap happy (1) Jim Smith, delighted with his new camera and newly acquired photographic prowess, proudly showed off photographs of his race horse in the pub. They were in fact extremely good and would have been even better if he'd printed them on the correct side of the paper: the words Kodak down the sides were a dead give away. Not only did he manage this once but twice when he announced "I've got it right this time..... better paper etc" Alas the shiny side was on the back again! That's 5 pts twice Jim

Snap happy (2) Jim Smith popped into the paddock to photograph his horse. Wouldn't have been a problem but for the fact that he'd left the flash on and received a stern telling off from the steward (plus 5pts from Uncle Barry)

Cross dressing or the wrong trousers!

Wrong trousers Rachael Skinner was quite concerned at the finish of the FRA relays when her size 10 tracksters had disappeared and in their place a medium pair of manly trousers had appeared. Seemingly Dave Collins had taken them by mistake - whether he was actually wearing them or not remains to be seen for 5 pts, Dave, but you could earn a further 5 pts if you admit to wearing them

A fishy tale: Rachael Skinner looked fantastic on a girls' night out in a brand new pair of white trousers. Unfortunately the waitress must have thought so too for she managed to spill a large amount of sardine sauce all over them – then had the cheek to add service charge to the bill !! She didn't smell too clever either for 5 pts.

LEAGUE TABLE

Jim Smith	25
Stuart Boulton	20
Nick Wigmore	20
Phil Hodgson	20
Martin Roberts	17.5
Hazel Chapman	15
Sue Roberts	12.5
Alex Whitem	10
Janine Wigmore	10
Jeremy Abdy	10
Paul Prescott	10
Dave Wilson	10
Chris Smales	10
Kath Brearley	10
Jon Wright	10
Dave Collins	10
Richard Blakeley	5
Jeff Anderson	5
Gail Sutcliffe	5
Andrew Wrench	5
Peter Ehrhardt	5
Shaun Godsman	5
Sharon Godsman	5
Jane Smith	5
Tina Smith	5
Uncle Barry	5
Richard Leonard	5
Helen Wilson	5
Rachael Skinner	5