

# Play the Table



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## Editorial:

Activity galore last month and things are getting even more exciting as the 2008 Winter Elite Season kicks off this week. There are an awesome 20 teams participating over two nights this year and with lots of new faces & talent WA is bound for its most exciting Elite comp yet! Congratulations to Far Q 2 who carried the Premier Banner to NZ last month and whilst they never beat the Kiwi's they certainly had a great time, check their adventures out in this issue. With finals & knockout comps galore last month there are far too many Champs to mention so check out their results on the next page and well done to everyone that participated. A huge congrats goes out to the Miss Q's Challenge team for retrieving the Gossies Challenge trophy a very close & exciting tournament, good work team. We have new babies & new engagements in this issue as well congrats to all the happy couples & welcome to all the new little people. Next on the agenda are the preparations for the Miss Q's 6th Birthday celebrations being held on June 14th this year. We have a fabulous theme planned this year, boys get your dresses ready its Drag! Even the star entertainment, Jack Halligan will be in a dress for his exhibition, book your table now or you may miss out! Stay tuned & take care til next month.

Happy Potting  
Kez



## Gossies Challenge - Miss Q's Victorious!

It was time again for the Gozzie team to come down and take us on. Only this time we needed to get that trophy back after they took it from us when we were there last. So we wanted and needed the best of the best and the call was put out. We had the qualifying round on Sunday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March which we had a knockout competition to see who the 20 players would be. After a fun day of some very close games Ben Dougherty ended up being the champion of the qualifying round.

The week went quick and it was time for the challenge. I went up to get my Gozzie crew who were just as eager to keep the trophy in their possession. We finally arrived at Miss Q's after an hour of traveling with some very loud men, but I must say at least I got them all here in one piece.

We all warmed up with a few friendly matches and then it was on. Kerry asked us all to rack up the balls ready for the challenge. Then quietly Antonio said that if the Gozzie team won three rounds in a row he would wax his chest. Well I couldn't keep it quiet as I was going to take the first stripe of hair off, so I had to tell Kez. Of Course it was announced on the microphone and now



everyone knew and the Gozzie boys had to reasons to win. After the first round Mandurah had taken the lead by two points with round one score being Mandurah 11 and Gozzies 9. Well I really wanted to see Antonio have his chest waxed so I started to get the crew from Gozzies to concentrate on their game. Well this didn't work as both rounds 2 and 3

one again was Mandurah 11 and Gozzies 9. This then gave Mandurah a 6 point lead. Round 4 and 5 came and the Mandurah dropped their game a little and it was an even round at 10 a piece. Then

Gozzie crew thought that this would be the turn around and they would start to win, well I think we got a little cocky as in round 6 Mandurah being true to form won that round with 14 points and Gozzie with 6. Gozzies realized they had to do something and quick as there would only be 3 rounds left and all ready Mandurah was in the lead by 14 points. So in round 7 we played hard and the games were getting closer and closer and finally we took a round, just. Gozzies won that round 11 to 9 but unfortunately it wouldn't last as in round 8 it once again was a tie with 10 a piece. We had to do something drastic in the final round as Mandurah was in the lead by 12 points, we needed to win 17 points to take out the challenge over all, so with a few GOZZIE, GOZZIE, GOZZIE's we played to our best, but it didn't happen, we won that round but only got 11 games.

So after a very fun filled day Miss Q's took the trophy back winning the day 95 to 85.

Then it came time to find out who was the best of the best for the day, and how weird is this, all the player numbers are just handed out at random and yet both Mandurah and Gozzie players 20 & 2 had each won 8 games each, so it was time for a four way play off. So with Ben and Jimmy from Mandurah and Andy and Dave from Gosnells playing the hardest games they had played all day, Gosnells came out on top for the individuals with Andy coming second and Dave being the Champion for the day. It was getting late and the food had come and gone, in which we must thank Dominos Pizza for helping us out with the extremely large order, and it was time to go. After a few happy snaps from Kez I drove the crew back to Gosnells and they are already plotting to get the trophy back when the Miss Q's come to Gosnells and try to defend their win.

Well until the next challenge take and easy and play hard. By Janey - Miss Q's traitor :-)

## Miss Q's Player Fund - MPF

**What is MPF!?!?** Is the big question that everyone keeps asking me. Well for a few years now we have been wanting to create a players fund were we have fun games night, raise some money to subsidize trips away.

Well after many hours of Kez and I trying to work out how this would work we figured that it need someone who would be dedicated to just fundraising for you guys, the players and I put my hand up to take on this role.

With there being many pool tournaments over east I felt it was unfair as it costs us West Australian so much to get there, as we need to fly.

Know as most people are like me and the cost of Accommodation, entry fees and airfares would be too much, yet I'd really like to take part. So if I can raise enough money I'd like to reduce some of these costs and sent a few players over to these challenges and give people the taste of what is out there. We would also like to get enough money so we can send a support team over to New Zealand with the winning Elite team next year. Now Many people have asked me how am I going to choose who will be the lucky people able to go and how many will be going? Well for how many people go will come down to you guys as it will depend on how much money we raise. Now for who will go there will be a few different ways, of course there will be the knockout comps. If I only did it as knock out comps it would be unfair for those who come down for every games night to support the fund but haven't quite developed those pro skills that some of you have and it would be unfair for them. So I'm going to create a tally board which will be left up in the venue and for different competitions you enter you will receive so many points and the top of that chart will also get to go, as well as doing a wild card draw from this ladder for those that work away or have other commitments.

So if you guys would like to have the chance to go over east or to NZ even, then you need to get behind MPF, which is created for you guys, by entering as many Games and theme nights and the many raffles that I will be doing through out the year.

Well that is about it for me, if you have any questions or suggestions for MPF don't hesitate to come and talk to me and I'll try and help. Janey - MPF Co-coordinator



*Bulldog the Aussie Made Hot Dog King*

## AROUND THE TABLES WITH BULLDOG

Hello my minions and a very chocolaty article this month with Winter Elite coming up I know my team is ready and hoping most teams would be with

some very competition this year and we can't wait. A very big congrats to Tristan Yeomans and Brittanyann Trefort and engaged and with them both so young I'm guessing a lot of years to come. And to Brittanyann Happy Birthday and its good to see your now legal lol.

With the loss of Eight our eight legged friend dying we hope he goes to octopus heaven with plenty of crabs to eat. And another very big congrats to Dan Whitehorn and Tammy Doney they are pregnant and we to have another pool champion in the family soon. Its been about 4 months since I was beaned in the car park but anyone who would like to see some more beanage please come down through out winter elite to see Kyle Van Zon get beaned or iced or beaten I haven't decided yet but I'm sure its going to be a lot of fun. Well all my bolo's with not long left in this article I would like to bring up one point, I don't choose to see the glass as half empty or half full I like to think that I would finish my drink and go back to the bar.. Look for me I'll be the one pouring your sweet smooth drinks CyALaTTA Peoplez

There are still spots on Sunday Social and Elite, and Tuesday nights if anyone is interested, teams of 2, member or non member. It's a cheap way to play pool, meet new friends and have a couple drinks - if over age of course.

To the right is the girls and myself, the only people dressed for St Patrick's Day, but we didn't stay long.

Til next time kiddies, Holly



*St Pats Girls*

## March Champions



*L-R: Sunday Green Team Champs, The Friskey Phuckers Peter Rains & Damien Stenhouse with Runners Up Scott & Barry Brownrigg*



*L-R: Tuesday Green Team Champs, Michael & Phillip Lennie with Runners Up Alan & Paul Bennett*

## Summe Elite Champs



*L-R: Summer Elite Team Champs, Team Ronnie & The Man Whores, Tristan Yeomans, Ronnie Old & Clifton Risk with Runners Up Team Three and a Half, Kyle Van Zon, Aaron Goodridge & Dan Whitehorn*



*L-R: Sunday Green Singles Champion Kyle Van Zon with Runner Up Damien Stenhouse*



*L-R: Tuesday Green Singles Champ, Michael Lennie with Runner Up Damien Stenhouse*



*L-R: Summer Elite Teams 3rd Place, Team Sausage Fest, Adam Skipper, Matt Vincent & Damien Baldock with 4th, Team The Three Amigo's, Matt Smith, Peter Christie & John Belcher*



*The Gossies Challenge Champions Miss Q's Team*



## League Update with Holly

Hello again, I would like to, congratulate the winners of Tuesday and Sunday Green leagues, and of course the Summer Gold Elite winners, they were tough matches but

they came to a glorious finish.

This month we have quite a few leagues restarting, we have Tuesday and Sunday Green leagues restarting as well as now having Elite on Thursdays' and Sundays'.



*L-R: Summer Elite Champion, Dan Whitehorn with Runner Up Tristan Yeomans*



*L-R: Summer Elite 3rd Place, Aaron Goodridge with 4th Place Peter Christie*



*Gossies Qualifier Knockout Champion Ben Dougherty*



*Easter Sunday Knockout Champion Aaron Fozzie Dillon*



*Game Night Knockout Champion Ben Dougherty scoops the Pool Again*

## Easter Cup

Easter Monday had hit and all over the place at Miss Q's were some of the hardest players from our venue. Some big names where Luke Carter, Haylie Bryant, Damien Stenhouse, Jimmy Stewart, Michael Lennie, Peter Christie, Peter Dan Whitehorn and many more with young guns from the age of 10 years old. The day started out a huge surprise with big players dropping out in the first Jimmy Stewart and Dan carter not dropping games another victim to Luke's movement. With Ben the ranks to play off against stepped up again and always be considered a no matter how long he touch a pool cue for. And Haylie working her way



*L-R: Easter Cup Champ Luke Carter with Runner Up Haylie Bryant, 3rd Ben Dougherty & 4th Damien Stenhouse*

the double chance draw playing big names like Andrew Boyd, Peter Christie And Dan Whitehorn which she beat one after the other. With the Grand final being a Predators final Luke beating Haylie 5 to 2. With Damien Stenhouse taking 4<sup>th</sup> and Ben Dougherty taking 3<sup>rd</sup> it was a great day no matter where you came. A big congrats to Luke, Haylie, Ben, and Damien who where the top four for the cash comp and a very big well done to Scottie Brownrigg who was the best out of all the juniors who played in this comp.



*Scott Brownrigg - Best Junior Player*

## The Duelling Duo

Hey guys I'm back with installment two of the antics that pathetically are my life! Well after the No-Doz I needed revenge so I called up my friend Chris and it was off to the servo for coffee's as we lived off them at that time of night so that we had energy to plan the attack, then it dawned on me! A "special" mocha for Jared! The next day I went down to the chemist and told the lady behind the counter that I was having a bit of "congestion trouble" and she suggested these lovely chocolate laxatives! The directions read one heaped tea spoon to clear the bowels, so as I proceeded to pour the good side of a 500g tin into this poor mans coffee to create the ultimate mocha! Oh it would be great but it needed more so once we got to work and I gave Jared the ultimate mocha I slipped out back and proceeded to stash ALL the toilet paper! Then I wrote on the empty roll "WELL F\*&K!!!" and our mission was completed Jared was to bathe in the sweet elixir of blood and revenge! And bathe he did! Well till next month leaguies may your eye be sharp and your cue straight. Andrew



## Easter Games Night a Smash Hit!



L-R: Damien Stenhouse, Ben Dougherty & Tammy Doney collect great pizzas at the games Night

The Easter long weekend is a fun time for all, and I decided that I wanted to get into the fun and have a games night on the Saturday and raise money for MPF for who ever was interested. There were plenty of games and prizes for the night yet only a small handful of people came to join in the fun, they were Ben Dougherty, Tammy Doney, Matt Smith, Andrew Boyd, Damien Stenhouse and of course Bulldog.

With only having a few people playing we decided that we would give out prizes to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> over all for the night and they would receive points for each game that they won.

We started the night with the ever popular Killer pool, then a few games of cut throat. Well Bulldog and Ben dominated both of these games. Then I decided to do some speed ball, the aim of this game is to sink as many balls in 2 minutes. The best time I had ever seen was 1 minute 46 seconds. The Ben started to play, the first few games and the best time he had at this point was 1 minute 47. Know I was very excited about this as I am the record holder for it and I was

pooping myself that he would take the glory from me. Well it wasn't long and his best time over all ended up being 1 minute 29. You bastard Ben!!!!

These games took longer then expected then it was time to do our very popular Easter egg hunt. Now this game was opened to the whole venue and everyone was getting excited about it as they had already found some of them, but they could not get them until 10 pm came. They all waited anxiously for Kez to give them the go ahead and when she did, it was the funniest sight I'd ever seen. Young and old were running everywhere looking for the 20 eggs scattered around the venue. After 20 minutes of people looking under tables and chairs, in lights and in any other place they thought I'd have put them, there were still 6 out there to be found. After a few small clues they only had one left to find, in which was the major prize. We gave them the first clue of it's near something warm, this clue had no success, so we decide to tell them that the sun rises in the east and sets in the west. Well this still had no success and we couldn't have made it more obvious and we weren't going to tell anyone more clues until closer to closing time. Then Some lovely people had come in for a few games and went to the fridge for a drink in which she found the lucky number 1 egg stuck inside the fridge behind the sun sign. So congrats goes to Emma, who won a night up in the function room for her and 50 mates.

After all of the shenanigans of the egg hunt we decided to play the match box game in which we used 5 cent pieces, now this is a very funny, yet frustrating game if you haven't played it before. After nearly 2 hours of playing

only 1 game of this, it was time to tally up the scores. Tammy ended up coming 3<sup>rd</sup>, Damien 2<sup>nd</sup> and the extremely talented Ben 1<sup>st</sup>.

Well I'd like to thank everyone who participated and congratulations to those who one any of the many prizes handed out on the night. Janey - Games Queen

## Welcome Alanis



Clif Risk & Jes Druery proudly present their new bundle of joy, beautiful Alanis Danni Risk, born on February 28th and weighed in at 3 kg. Congratulations guys your growing Family is gorgeous.

## Love is in the Air!



L - R: Emma Fraser proposed to Kim Holst the Wiz on of the traditional reverse proposal day Feb 29th & the Happy couple have set a March 09 Date for their Big Day.



L - R: Gary Moon proposed to Kylie Treacher both of Monday Blue League in Feb Happy couple have set a June 08 Date for their Big Day.

## Vic Elite Do the Land of Milk & Honey

FARQ2 and myself were off to challenge the Kiwi's and after a flat tyre of mine and Nathan forgetting his passport, we were checked in and boarded and on our way to New Zealand. Arriving in Auckland we picked up our mini bus and our journey was off to a great start. Firstly, checked in to our hotel then off to have a squiz at one of the venues "Snooker World" where FARQ2 would be playing 9ball.

Friday night was time to go to "Onehunga Working Mens Club" where 8ball was being held, but tonight was for meeting the Kiwi Team "Invincibles" and play some 8ball. All the staff and patrons were ready for us. Posters around the room, they even purchased some brand spanking new balls, with small whites, and even the locals were getting into the "Aussie way." Definitely made us all feel right at home. The Kiwi Manager "Greg Noyes" (Noisey) had been gearing up the patrons and had begun a list of challengers for knockouts soon to begin. As players practised, reacquainted and had a few laughs, I met most of the Working Mens Club patrons as nearly everyone I spoke to wanted to put their name down to challenge the Aussies. One semi final saw two players of the Aussie Team, Marc Robertson and Bradd Hill, face off for a spot in the Final and the other was two of the NZ Team players, Jimmy Henry and Werner Fontein. Fabulous to have a player from each side in the final for a showdown, Bradd v's Werner. Congrats

to Werner for winning the cash!! The other knockout (we had to finish after the main event) saw three Kiwi's and Nathan Harris for the Aussies. Nathan played a local "Glen" in the final, but unfortunately after a very long day of pool for Nathan, Glen came out on top.

To the main event!! Saturday morning



was time for 9ball at "Snooker World" and the Kiwi's were off to a great start taking the first round 6-0. Some great matches played with some really unlucky results for the Aussie. Marc, Bradd, Jamey and Jake took some matches off the Kiwi's and our half time scores were 12-6. Nathan also joined the score board but the Kiwi's just turned it up and brought it home with a 25-11 win. Too good!! Now it was time for 8ball and we had a big challenge ahead of us...

Arriving at "Onehunga Working Mens Club" it was time to pull together and knuckle down, unfortunately to no avail. The Kiwi's were on a roll and made sure

they kept the pressure on the Aussies. Half time scores weren't as pleasing as we were hoping. Marc, Nathan, Suzi, Jake and Jamey started our scores but Kiwi's took the lead, 10-8. Increasing their lead the "Invincibles" went ahead to take out the 8ball as well, 22-14. Huge final result 47-25 to the Kiwi's. Too good ladies and gents! We had a 3 way play off for the player of the day with Werner Fontein taking the trophy.

I'd just like to thank "Snooker World" and "Onehunga Working Mens Club" for the use of their venues and the staff for making us all feel welcome. To the Kiwi's, you guys are great. Another year and another win, Congratulations to you all. It was lovely to catch up with you all again and hopefully next time you can come challenge us in the land of Oz. To FARQ2, another great trip, a pleasure to have been a part of. Commiserations on the loss but you were playing some of the best New Zealand has to offer and you certainly gave them a run for their money. Lastly but definitely not least, a big thanks to Kerry for the opportunity, experience and memories.

Once again the trophy will remain in New Zealand with the 5yr running Champs. Again, congratulations. You're all awesome and all players from both sides are a pleasure to watch in action. Congratulations to you all!! Leanne Shield Team Manager.

# The Captains N.Z. Report

Our trip to NZ was filled with laughter and fun and was thoroughly enjoyed by the whole team. Unfortunately we were unable to bring the trophy home but this was the only disappointing aspect of the trip.

Our opposition was first class and included 5 of the top 20 Australasian 9 ball players, so we knew we had to play our best to stand any chance. We started with 9 ball first and were blown off the table losing the first 8 matches through a combination of our errors and the Kiwi's good play and superior knowledge of the game. This proved to be too big a deficit to peg back even though there was huge improvement from us, we just couldn't get close enough.

When we moved to 8 ball we were quite confident that we could more than hold our own and exert a little pressure back on to the Kiwi's but once again we were outplayed at the start and all hope of winning was lost. Even though I'm sure we all gave it our best only two of our team deserve a mention for their performance. Suzie Yeomans played exceptional 8 ball and I have no doubt she will be in the national team for many years to come, well played. Nathan Harris also put in a solid performance in both disciplines but especially 9 ball where he lost his first 3 matches and finished 3 from 6. Statistics back

up his solid play and he was clearly the best player from our team.

After the competition was over the real fun could begin. We drove our bus north 4 hours to the bay of islands and found the perfect hotel where most of us could stay in the one room. This was perfect as we didn't even need to go out anywhere so we sat around in the jocosé drinking and laughing and generally enjoying each others company.

The next day was filled with adventure, Jake, Rosie, Graeme and Brett went charter fishing and Mark, Suzie, Jamie, Nathan and I went Quad biking. From what they told me the fishing was great but the veteran of the team Jake (18) needed to take a little nanna nap and left his girl to fish for herself while he caught some shut eye.

A much fun as they had they missed the funniest 45 minutes of the trip, quad biking (sorry Hammer) We were all given our bikes and taken to the training course, Hammer was having a little trouble controlling the throttle and approaching the first corner which is designed to be taken slowly he absolutely guns it and smashes into the dirt embankment, dirt flies everywhere and he nearly comes off. Anybody would think that he might have got better but to our delight the calamity continued, time and time again he

came close to falling off which included almost driving into a wire fence, however the funniest part came when we were riding through a field with cows that were lying down only feet from the track. I decided to freak the cows out screamed MOOOOOOOOO, quick as a flash the cows got up and scattered randomly and one frightened cow ran directly in front of Nathan. I'm not sure who was more frightened, the cow or Nathan because as the cow ran directly in front of him he completely shit himself, instantaneously everybody else was forced to stop their bikes because it is impossible to ride with tears coming your face from laughing so hard.

The last day we went on a luge run and everything was going smoothly until the last corner on the last run, Brett was trailing me with a couple of meters to go when he ran out of track and slammed into a concrete wall at about 50kph and catapulted into a garden bed landing on his head, he dislocated his finger and had to put it back into place but was lucky to walk away with minor injuries considering the speed at which he hit.

The last part of my trip was the most heart racing because Graeme and I decided to sky jump which is a cross between a base jump and a bungy. The Sky tower in Auckland is 195m high and the hook you up to a wire which slows you down right



FAR Q 2 Airport Adventure



L-R - Top: The Kiwi Warriors Champion Team, Des Blair, Matthew Mc Innes, Bill Gregory, Jimmy Henry, Bottom: Hazel Cook, Greg Novels, Werner Fontein & Chris Bowman.



L-R - Top: The Premier Elite Champs FAR Q 2, Niel Robertson, Nathan Harris, Jamey Suede, Brett Daphne, Jake Mc Carney, Bottom: Suzie Yeomans, Leanne Shield, Bradd Hill & Greame Hill

## Hammer Does NZ:

It wouldn't be a typical FarQ2 experience without going through some off table issues, so why not have a few before we even reach the airport.

First off, we all meet at Brett (Daff) Daphne's place around 4.45am, to go in as a group, only to learn Leanne is running late due to a flat tyre. Then as we are 5 minutes from Tullamarine, some genius decides to remember he left his passport at home. If you haven't worked out who that genius was, it was me. Thankfully, my very annoyed father drove in and dropped it off, but not before he slapped me round a bit, understandably. Finally we arrive in Auckland, and proceed to find our motel so we can get a bit of rest before all the games commence in the coming days. There wasn't a lot to do really, except drink, which suited most of us. Everything closed at an early time, which sucked.

At last the matches commence and sadly, it didn't go to plan. I was really pumped for it because I felt we had a side that could really take it to these guys. Unfortunately, NZ got off to a great start, taking the first 8 matches, and we never recovered. Our guys fought it out all day, but chasing tail against these guys is very hard to do. A few of us would be a little disappointed with our own performances, but not through lack of trying. Just wasn't their day. I still believe we had the side to win, but in order to do that, you need everyone going. That didn't happen, and we suffered a fairly sizeable defeat. Thanks to all the NZ players for a good match. I always learn something when I go over and play you, and hopefully, I'll be back again with a few others and we can finally hand you a loss. Once that was over, it was time for some R&R. We managed to sneak in a lot of things in the remaining days we had together. It was a lot of fun, and many jokes were had. If I could pick a group of people to go away with again, it would be this one. Ill just do a quick description of everyone who I went away with, so here goes (I can elaborate on these if anyone asks me). Myself - Retired from Quad Bike riding. - Graeme - Where's your pants? - Jamey - Wife Beater. - Brett - Luge Maniac. - Marc - Rates his fruit loops. Suzi - Rarely takes a photo. - Bradd - Control freak. - Jake - Good sleeper. - Rosie - Go the Island theme. Leanne - Hates bourbon - not. Lastly, a big thanks to Kez for arranging our flights and accommodation, Leanne for running the show during our matches and keeping it going smoothly, everyone in NZ for making our stay a memorable one, and all my friends who came along for the trip. Nathan Harris (Hammer)

## Greame Does NZ:

This pool trip to New Zealand has been a fantastic experience. The competition between us and New Zealand's best pool and 9ball players, was enjoyable even though they outplayed us especially in 9ball. The New Zealand hospitality was amazing. They went out of their way to make us welcome.

Our few days after the competition was very good. We stayed in units at the "Bay Of Islands" and went fishing, quad bike riding, luge racing and sky jumping. In all it was a very memorable trip. Graeme Hill

## Suede Does NZ:

I'm sure their will be a lot said about the adventures we got up to in New Zealand so I wont bore you with repeating it all over again. I just have to thank all involved for making this trip happen, o the New Zealand team for another spanking, to the very hospitable venues we played at, especially Onehunga Workmans Club \$9.60 for Double Baileys, Kalhua and Milk NICE!. And for the boys letting me piggyback on their talent yet again to get my ass overseas to play pool.....cheers to you my team mates.....

Capt. Brad- Well done on keeping everything under control (freak) and for putting up with me drinking in the front seat.... Graeme- Keep this man away from the wheel of a car!!!! You've been warned!! Hammer- Always has the knack of coming up with the trip catchphrase....this year, Vitamin Sigh.....

Daph- Wanted for international alcohol smuggling and theft of an ice pack from a Luge track....Robbo- Keep on practising Pong, im sure you'll get me one day and maybe even at heads up. Suzie- No more photos, Not on my watch!.... Rosie- No Cowboys, Not on my watch!.... Old Mate Jake- Dont listen to them, you go plenty hard enough, I look forward to ruining our livers some more..... Leanne- Bourbon!, thanks for all your hard work behind the scenes, its appreciated. Im still looking for the 17.50 a night hotel though. hehe sorry!!! All in all very enjoyable do it again next year? - Suede.