

## The History of Crazy Otto

Almost 35 years ago, Otto Lindsel left the forests of the northern west coast and moved to the Antelope Valley to be nearer to his family. As he had many years experience cooking for lumberjacks, it was natural that he would come up with the concept of opening a diner. This was the perfect retirement venture for him, thus creating the history of an Antelope Valley tradition.

Stories abound from longtime customers about Otto. Some of our favorites include his intolerance of customers who only came in for coffee or customers who took too long to eat their meals or anyone who complained about the food. All were thrown out with relish.

For almost 25 years, Crazy Otto's was located adjacent to the train tracks on Sierra Highway in Lancaster. The diner originally consisted of 122 counter seats and one booth. Over the years, the diner expanded in an effort to accommodate the large crowds, eventually ending up with two separate and distinct kitchens and dining rooms. Due to the proximity of the railroad tracks to Crazy Otto's, Otto devised a numbered wheel to be spun every time a train passed.

The counter space corresponding to the number on the wheel won a free meal. This tradition continues today. The passing train would cause the old building to rattle and shake to the delight of customers.

As a result of the 1994 Northridge earthquake and damage to California freeways, Metrolink expanded its rail service from Los Angeles to the Palmdale/Lancaster area. It was determined that the old building was too close to the railroad tracks and Metrolink required the property on which Crazy Otto's was located.

In June 1994, Crazy Otto's moved to its present location on 20th Street West, just south of avenue K. Again, in an effort to accommodate the demand for Otto's food, a second location was added about a year later at 1228 West Avenue I in Lancaster. This is the only Crazy Otto's

On June 12, 1993, Crazy Otto's Diner broke the World Record for the largest omelet by creating an omelet an astonishing 1,364 square feet. This was carried by all news services including CNN, UPI, and AP and was reported in newspapers around the world. Crazy Otto's received commendations by Governor Wilson of the State of California and Palmdale City Mayor, Jim Ledford.

On June 18, 1997, Crazy Otto's Avenue I was a site for filming of the movie *Odd Couple 2*, *Travelin' Light*, starring Walter Matthau and Jack Lemon.

On June 08, 2000, Crazy Otto's opened its third location in Acton right off the Antelope Valley Freeway at Santiago Road. This location received a warm welcome from the locals and is a favorite gathering spot in the community.

At The Palmdale Fall Festival on October 12, 2002, in conjunction with Clear Channel Radio, Crazy Otto's Diner, Inc. again broke the world record for the Largest Omelet. This omelet consisted of 34,000 eggs, 200 pounds of cheese, 50 gallons of milk, 500 pounds of bell peppers and 120 gallons of crushed tomatoes. It was cooked on 11 portable grills and took approximately six and one-half hours. Over 200 volunteers helped to bring the World Record back from to the where it belongs. The omelette was a "Ripley's Believe It or Not" amazing size of 1850.9 square feet. That's awesome!

On April 30, 2005, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor of the State of California, made an appearance at Crazy Otto's on Avenue I, where he poured coffee and mingled among customers. Boy, did this surprise a lot of people having breakfast on a Saturday morning!

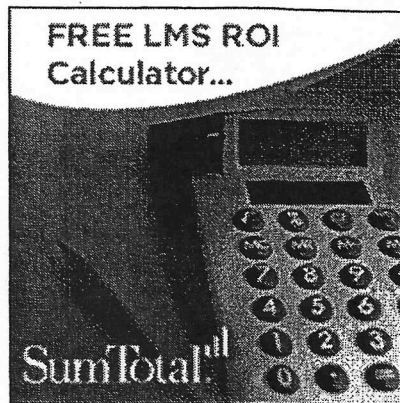
# Largest Omelette



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The Lung Association, Brockville, Canada made an omelette that weighed 2.95 tonnes (6,510 lb) at the Brockville Memorial Centre, Ontario, Canada on May 11, 2002.



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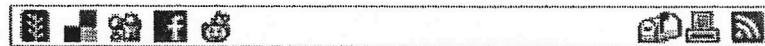
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Russian Village Cooks World's Largest Omelette

Omelette Has 11,000 Eggs

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BELORECHENSKIY, Russia -- Dozens of cooks spent hours cooking a record-setting omelette than 1,000 pounds.

Slideshow: Russian Village Cooks World's Largest Omelette

More than 11,000 eggs went into making the world's largest omelette.

It took two weeks to collect all the ingredients and 20 people cooking in rotating shifts to prepare the gigantic dish.

Once done, the giant omelette was enjoyed by everyone in the small Russian village of Belorechenskiy.

The omelette breaks the old world rec

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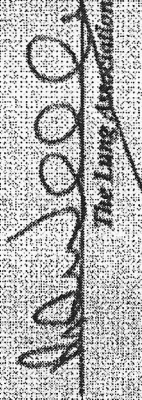
*The Guinness World Record*

*for making the largest omelette weighing 2,953 kg (6,512 lb.)  
on May 11, 2002 in Brockville, Ontario.*

*Money raised from this event support the programs and services of  
The Ontario Lung Association.*

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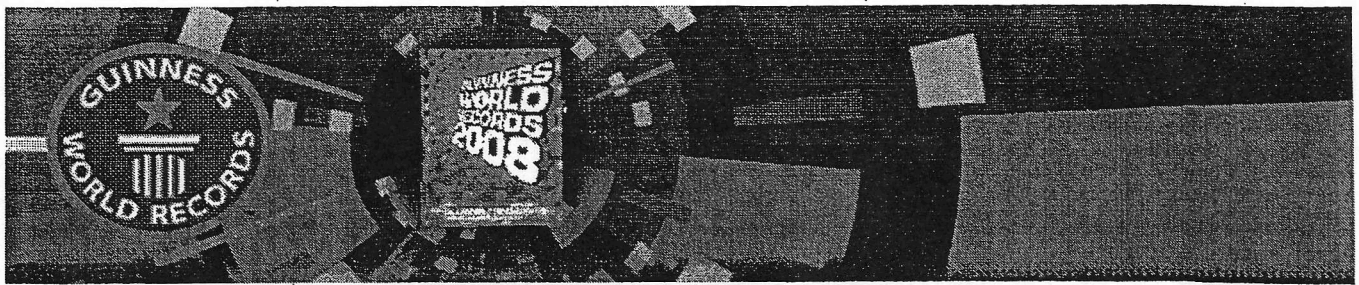
  
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*When you can't breathe, nothing else matters*

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it right the first time. And don't spill any soup on it! The dry-cleaning bill would be a nightmare.

Get a job, hippie

Back in 1997 the world's longest documented hair belonged to 85 year old Hoo Sateow, a tribal medicine man from Chiang Mai. His hair was officially measured at 5.15 metres. He has since been surpassed by a Chinese woman, and it seems that Radhakant Bajpai's ear-hair is rapidly catching up as well.

Are you experienced?

Does the headline 'Virgins on Tour Set World Record in Thailand' conjure up all sorts of improbable fantasies? What about 'Largest Group Massage Ever'? Sorry to let you down, but the virgins in question were of the UK company Virgin Cosmetics, and the group massage was administered by trained professionals in broad daylight at Hua Hin in January 2005. The only 'happy ending' in this case was that they broke the record.

#### FOOD:

Biggest tom yum goong

The pot used to make this monstrous tom yum goong in 1999 was three metres in diameter, over a metre high and held 5000 kilograms of soup. According to the Pattaya Mail Newspaper, "All who tasted it agreed it was the best tom yum goong they had ever tasted from such a large pot." Far better than all the others.

Biggest omelette

Someone forgot to check with the Guinness Book. In 1997 Thailand thought they had won the world record for biggest omelette with almost 21,000 eggs, but the Japanese had made one with 160,000 eggs three years earlier. The yolk was on them! There's no sunny side, either: the Japanese have got an egg up on the competition and won't go over easy.

Longest buffet

In 1996 The World's Longest Buffet was served at Patong Beach in Phuket. It stretched for 1,509 metres, and wouldn't you know it, people still complained that there wasn't enough shrimp.

Largest monkey buffet

For monkeys, not of monkeys (it wasn't held at the Chiang Mai Night Safari restaurant). The Kala Temple in Lopburi is known as the 'Monkey Temple' because of the two thousand or so primates who call it home. The temple provides them an annual spread of fruit and vegetables, weighing 3,000 kg. Of course, much of this is normally hurled at the obnoxious hairless apes who screech and take pictures while the poor little fellows are trying to eat in peace.

Fit for a kingdom

The Royal Dragon (Mang Gorn Luang) restaurant in Bangkok is the largest restaurant in the world - it can seat 5,000 customers, served by 1,200 staff zipping around on roller-skates. With over 1,000 dishes on the menu, including Chinese, Japanese, Thai, and Western, it's surprising that peanut butter and marshmallow sandwiches are not available, despite being Elvis Presley's signature dish.

#### ANIMALS:

Most expensive pet wedding

Two rare 'diamond-eyed' cats, Phet and Ploy, were married in matching pink outfits at a ceremony in Thailand's biggest discotheque in 1996. Phet's owner, Wichan Jaratarcha shelled out almost half a million baht for the affair. Additionally, the dowry was another half million baht and guests brought over two million baht in gifts. According to rumour, after all that Phet ran off with the best man and Ploy developed a severe catnip habit to quell the crushing pain of true love gone wrong. Meowch.

Most veterinarians on one operation

In Lampang in 1999 over 30 vets worked together to repair the left foot of Motola, a 38-year-old cow elephant who stepped on a land mine. In the operation they used enough anesthetic to knock out 70 people, or Sandy at the Irish Pub.

Largest freshwater catfish

Recently Thailand added another world record to its list when residents of Chiang Khong district caught a catfish the size of a grizzly bear, 2.7 metres long and weighing in at 293 kilograms. Some of the villagers told reporters "Yeah, but you should have seen the one that got away."

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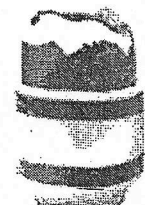
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## Eggstraordinary Facts

Here are some eggstraordinary facts about eggs. Have you got a fact about eggs that Q doesn't know? Email [QtheLion@britegg.co.uk](mailto:QtheLion@britegg.co.uk) and let him know!



For Mums and Dads

- In Britain, we eat nearly 10 billion eggs a year; that's 26 million every day, which placed end to end would reach from the earth to the moon.
- Boiled eggs are the most popular way to eat eggs, followed by scrambled and fried.
- The fastest omelette maker is American egg-centric Howard Helmer who can rustle up 427 omelettes in 30 minutes.
- People have decorated and given eggs to each other in the springtime for hundreds of years, as a symbol of the new life which grows in the spring.
- Eggs provide lots of the essential nutrients for a balanced diet, including most of the vitamins the body needs and a wide range of important minerals, including iron and calcium.
- The largest egg ever had five yolks and was 31cm around the long axis.
- The heaviest egg weighed 454g - that's six times heavier than a Large egg from the shops.
- The world's largest omelette was made in Madrid from 5,000 eggs by chef Carlos Fernandez. It weighed 1,320lbs.
- The longest throw of a fresh egg - without breaking it - is 98.51 metres. The record was achieved in Texas, USA in 1978.
- The world record for pancake flipping is 349 flips in 2 minutes and the largest pancake ever tossed measured 15m in diameter.