

KENNET VALLEY HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

Mag No 045 Sunday 24th October 99 - Barbary Castle - Patriots Arm

To be perfectly honest, given the horrendous weather conditions this morning and the fact that GOM (Navy Mike) was going to be absent, plus Ian as Hare, that's Ian of possible mega long run of Wroughton airfield fame, it was a surprisingly good turn out, 6 runners and 10 walkers

So it was on a grey hilltop in Wiltshire that Ian set us off, across to Barbary Castle we ran, circumnavigating the ramparts before plunging down into the open valley floor. The trail cut off to the left along a narrow road, passing some strange horse racing course then left again up over a steep ridge and across open fields.

On entering a small lane we found our-selves back at the starting point car park but this was not the finishing line, with Ian on his bike smiling away the trail lead us down the other side of Barbary Castle, down and down we ran knowing that the high ground and the car park was up above us.

We ran along the Ridge Way for about a mile before finally turning back towards home, around the hill castle's base, catching the walkers on the last climb for home. With the finish down came the rain again once more, quick change in the car park and it was off to the pub for the most important bit of Hashing.

Well done Ian, nice planning, a good trail, runners and walkers finishing together, a pleasing pint and Rugby on the T.V. great hashing.

On-	Ons		
46	21st November	The Crown & Anchor @Ham NR Shalbourne	Julia
47	6 th December	The Harrow @ Wanborough	Ian
48	20th December	The Black Horse @ Cherhill	GOM
49	3 rd January	The Carters Rest @ Wroughton	Greg

If you would like to lay a trail (or find out where the next hash is) please give me - Navy Mike - a call on 01672 871374 (home) or 01793 481220 (office).