

KENNET VALLEY HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

Mag No 0078 - Sunday 11 February 2001 - The Roebuck, Mariborough

A somewhat murky, dull day but with a good turnout and, as usual, more walkers than runners. Luckily we were confronted with no worse that a short period of slight drizzle.

Margaret and Dave, our hares, looked immaculate, with no sign of mud - that apparently was due to them having found time for a bath between laying the course and seeing us off. The off occurred after a slight delay while Ray parked, then the runners led us off while the walkers were held back for a few moments.

There were a few detours round the vicinity, with Margaret and Dave on a couple of occasions giving guidance to the runners. Somewhat more confusion arose near the railway until the walkers caught up and all at last crawled up the embankment and set off along the old railway line.

The runners led the way on across fields, through Mildenhall (pronounced Minal) and on again to Axford, where water and cake were provided. From here it was then a long struggle up onto the downs before the long gallop across fields and down back into Marlborough.

The walkers had their sustenance (but no drink!) at Minal and started their loop back to Marlborough from here. They also had a long struggle up onto the downs.

It was about 90 minutes after setting off that we all returned back to the Roebuck for well deserved refreshments, a rousing speech from Mike and a round of applause to Margaret and Dave for a great course, cake and a scenic day out.

Update on Mike

As some of you already know Navy Mike (our Grand Old Master) was unwell after this last Hash and had to be rushed to Reading Hospital. As this Hash Mag is being written he is back in Reading for the day having a pacemaker fitted. We are led to understand he can expect a speedy recovery, we wish him well and look forward to seeing him back with us as soon as possible. In the meantime Jeremy has agreed to stand in and set the trail on 11 March.

<u>ON</u> – ONs			All starting at 11am	
	079	25 Feb 2001	George, Purton	Steve
	080	11 Mar 2001	The Swan at Wilton	Jeremy
	081	25 Mar 2001	Woodland Edge, Peatmoor, Swindon	Paul
	082	08 Apr 2001	Hare and Hounds, Lambourne Woodlands	lan
	083	22 Apr 2001	tbd	GOM
	084	06 May 2001	Coopers Arms, Pewsey	Keith
	085	20 May 2001	Red Lion, Baydon	Val. Dave

Future Trails

If you would like to lay a trail or find out where the next hash is please ring Navy Mike (GOM) on 01672 871374 (Home), 01793 481220 (Office)