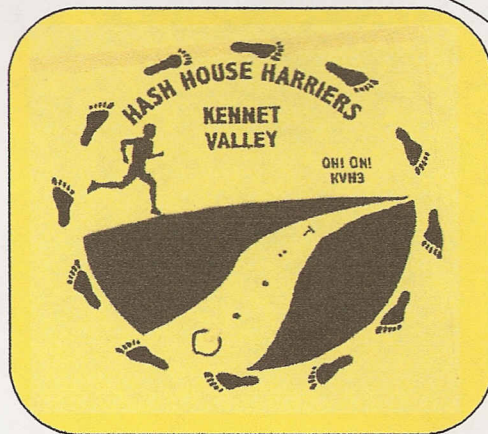


# KENNET VALLEY HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

MAG No 095

THE SUN @ COATE

Sunday 23rd September 2001



Paul managed to find us a challenging route today, I was not aware that so much pleasant countryside existed actually within the Swindon boundaries. Commencing as always with a briefing on the hares interpretation of the age old flour marking ceremony, both walkers and runners suitably confused, set about the task.

Starting down a country lane it soon became apparent that differing levels of ability existed within the group of runners with most of us soon left in the dust of the more able, (whatever happened to the good old regroup signs ?) Onwards into the fields with the busy M4 beckoning us in the distance, through a tall crop of corn on the cob, and emerging onto a pedestrian bridge across the motorway. At this point the runners and walkers trails split, with as normal a bloody great hill for the runners to climb. Upwards and ever onwards we climbed through woods and valleys, emerging eventually into the outskirts of Chiseldon. During this stretch heated conversation ensued as to the possibility of converting Mikes excess 50th anniversary tee shirts into centenary editions.

Turning west we trotted downhill following a well marked trail previously kicked out by our able front runner, passing village pubs and thatched cottages before recrossing the motorway. Assuming an easy run now back to the pub we where all in fine fettle and lengthened our steps accordingly, but it was not to be, for the first time since setting out Jeremy was spotted back-checking after following a long false trail, (we assumed that he was home and on his second pint by now)

Across more fields, with some of the more mature runners ignoring the trail and cutting off corners, we came upon the walkers just before entering Coate water park. Around the lake, through the golf course at last we could smell the pub and this time would not be denied, tacking a short cut we bye passed poor Paul who was waiting to welcome us home, leaving him sitting forlornly in the park whilst we all sampled the local ale.

Thank you once again Paul for an enjoyable run, well marked and of good length

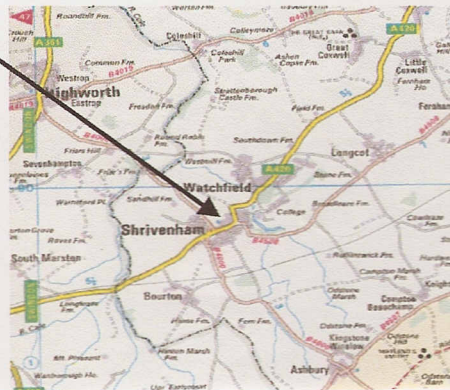
Weather :- overcast but warm

Time taken :- 1hr 20mins (av)

Horn :- Jeremy, for valour

## ON -- Ons

NO 97	21st Oct	The Prince Of Wales	Shrivenham	Margaret
No 98	4th Nov	Golden Swan	Wilcot (Pewsey)	Ray
No 99	18th Nov	The Royal George	Purton	Steve (we hope)
<b>No 100</b>	<b>2nd Dec</b>	<b>Cross Keys</b>	<b>Gt Bedwyn</b>	<b>Mike (GOM)</b>
Centennial Hash, Not to be missed, exciting trails for both runners and walkers, treasure to find (obsolete tee shirts ?), balloons and bubbly en route. Followed by a get together and party with loads of food and drink, entertainment by Mike singing old hashing ditties.				
No 101	16th Dec	The Wheatsheath	Chilton Foliat	Jeremy
No 102	20th Dec	The	Chilton Foliat	Jeremy



## ADVANCED NOTICE OF NEXT SUMMERS HASH (EARLY WARNING ESPECIALLY FOR JEREMY)

DATE FOR DIARY 16th JUNE 2002

VENUE	OGMORE BY SEA SOUTH WALES (WITHIN THE EEC NO PASSPORT NEEDED)
PUB	"PELICAN-IN-HER-PIETY (TYPICAL WELSH, WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE KINGS HEAD)

THIS HASH PROVIDES UNRIVALLED VARIETY, LARGE SLABS OF ROCK - PEBBLE BEACHES - GREEN FIELDS & HILLS - FERNS & FOLIAGE - SAND /RIVERS/ SEA - SHEEP (WELLIES PROVIDED) AND WILD LIFE - ROCK CLIMBING AND PADDLING.

DETAILED DIRECTIONS PROVIDED NEARER EVENT

*A DATE NOT TO BE MISSED*

