



KENNET VALLEY HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

Mag No 142 - Sunday 29th June 2003 - The Pelican at Froxfield

Lovely hot summers day with lots of runners and walkers and Keith was there on time - well he had to be really because he was the hare. He gave us a short brief in the car park and then we were off over the canal bridge and up a steep leafy lane into the most wonderful countryside. There were fields full of poppies and an abundance of wild flowers in the hot sunshine and then we ran through green cool woodland for a bit and then out onto the hills with views over the Kennet Valley below. It was probably the prettiest run we have had. Unfortunately I was not running with my usual speed and grace and so was not actually at the front - in fact it was in the position vacated by Keith as he was laying the trail. Brian very kindly kept me company however as he hasn't been running for a while. The trail was very well marked and so we were back in about an hour and twenty feeling spiritually refreshed and then we sat outside in the pub garden and gossiped and exchanged anecdotes in the hot sun.

Jeremy - as local acting unpaid GOM (GOMargaret being away somewhere learning a dance with a rude name) - thanked Keith for a splendid and beautiful run and awarded the horn to himself as he could not think of who else to give it to.

Mag No 143 - Sunday 13th July 2003 - Savernake Forest

You get two mags for the price of one today there having been a slight hiccup in the mag writing roster. Today's run was from the picnic site in Savernake Forest on the road to Wootton Rivers and once again the weather was absolutely glorious. Blazing sunshine, not a cloud in the sky and with temperatures in the high 80's (or 34 in new money). It was a bit too hot to run so it was well that Mike had laid a trail through the shade of the forest. The trail was shorter than usual as well at 4.5 miles for the runners and 2.7 for the walkers and so everyone was back in less than an hour. The trail set off down a broad track and then struck left into the depths of the forest - through glades and open bits and then along very narrow winding paths rarely trodden by man and then back to the picnic site along a long grassy way with trees arching over it. A very good trail I thought. The apres was great fun. We all had a picnic under the trees and then played rounders with children of all ages rushing about and shrieking with excitement - huge fun. It was too hot to play for more than one game and so we went back under the trees and drank chilled white wine and had a few more egg sandwiches until it was time to go home.

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