

**KENNET VALLEY HASH HOUSE HARRIERS – KVH<sup>3</sup>**  
**Hash 0268 – Mothering Sunday, 2 March 2008 – The Radnor Arms, Coleshill**

It was such a bright sunny morning, I even suggested having breakfast on the patio – and if it hadn't been for the wind we might even have ended up doing so. Unfortunately, after bacon and eggs and a read of the Sunday journal, the sun decided to move off elsewhere, so that by the time I arrived at Coleshill, the best had passed. There, our hare, despite not getting up as early as he had wished, was waiting patiently for us – directing our parking on the Coleshill drag, and apologising that no one could have food, since a load of mothers had rung up and commandeered it first. Despite the loss of some regulars, there was a good turnout of walkers, one scraggy mutt, and a small team of runners, including Zoe, who had joined us for the first time – GOM was under strict instructions not to allow us to loose her.

Having been fully briefed, we set off in the direction demanded by our hare, which consisted of a brief loop around the village before heading off in a totally different direction from his previous hashes at this pub - good to see that we weren't being fed any re-cycled hash rubbish.

Clive & Ray spent most of the time as the FRBs, with the occasional spurt from GOM. The long split took the runners up and around Badbury Hill, which according to Mr Google *is the site of an Iron Age hill-fort. It is likely that the fort was built and occupied from around 600 B.C. and was in continuous use until the first century A.D. The interior was largely occupied with storage including round huts, grain storage pits and stock pounds. Although it has not been fully investigated, it is likely that valuable evidence has been lost through farming, as the bank of the fort has been levelled and at some point ploughed.*

After this we descended to rejoin the walker's route. The guys were able to catch them for the run in to the pub, and the gals, including Zoe, following just a few minutes later.

With the pub being full, we all settled down on the patio and enjoyed the re-emerging sun. GOM led all in thanking Brian the Bold for an excellent trail and as this was also a celebration of KVH<sup>3</sup>'s 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary we were all entranced by this ode from that famous poet and founder (bounder?), Mr Michael Fisher:

*Oh to be in Coleshill now that March is here  
I want to be part that party and drink too much beer  
After ten glorious years of good hashing you'll be full of the pride you deserve  
And toasting yourselves and the Kennet with laughter and lack of reserve*

*I know that the trail will be different as it's set by Brian the Bold  
Full of interest and variety and exactly the one hour old  
I sit in the cold north of England and think of you all having fun  
And pass on my warmest best wishes for this our tenth birthday run*

Thank you Brian for our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary hash and apologies to Jackie for forgetting to mention it was your umptieth birthday.

<u>ON – ONs</u>	<u>All start promptly sometime after 11am</u>	
270 30 Mar	The Cross Keys, Lower Wanborough	Pauline & Clive
271 13 Apr	The Suffolk Arms, Brinkworth	Kevin & Ann
272 27 Apr	"Katmandu remembered"	Madge
273 11 May	T B A	Jackie & Ray
274 25 May	T B A	Navy Mike
275 08 Jun	T B A	Brian the Bold
276 15 Jun	The Ridgeway Relay	K.V.H.H.H.

**Future Trails**

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