



### KENNET VALLEY HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

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Our master of the witty hashmag is away yet again on some fund raising skylark and so you'll have to put up with some more old rubbish from me this week.

Had to set off early to get to Yatton Keynall in time as it is a considerable distance from the Kennet but I am all in favour of new and interesting places for the Hash and it was certainly worth the journey. The Bell is a nice looking pub in an attractive rural setting and it was bathed in warm summer sunshine as runners Kevin and Margaret and GOM and Keith 2 and me and walker James and two ladies (whose names I do not know) - gathered in the large car park behind the pub. Brian our hare then strolled in looking relaxed and told us all about the trail emphasising that he did not want us to get lost as there was a lot of long grass about. We asked him how long the trail was and after pausing for a moment he said "the walkers will be back before the runners". So, pondering these enigmatic statements, we set off - straight into great fields of long grass and stinging nettles where there was more flour than you could shake a stick at - arrows and on ons by the hundredweight. So nobody got anywhere near being lost as we hurtled along through woods and fields barely pausing at circles and as a result we began to spread out a bit. Brian, in training for the Ridgeway Relay, ran round again sweeping up the rear runners and he Margaret and I chatted and admired the lovely countryside - until I remembered that I too am in training for the Ridgeway. Springing forward like a cheetah I ran the last couple of miles flat out, most of which was up a one in two hill, in an attempt to catch up with Jeremy et al and almost made it.

The pub was as attractive inside as out and we sat in a corner of this comfortable pub drinking good beer and enjoying the company. GOM thanked Brian for laying such a good trail and then cast around for something to present. The horn and the green drawers seem to have disappeared and we only have the rubber chicken left - and that had to be taken into custody as it is to be our team baton in the Relay next week. An excellent trail full of interest and variety and a good pub - thank you Brian.

#### ON ONs

277	22 <sup>nd</sup> June 08	The Blue Lion at Collingbourne Ducis	The Late Keith
278	6 <sup>th</sup> July 08	The Seven Stars at Bottlesford	Jackie and Ray
279	20 <sup>th</sup> July 08	Chez GOM @ Ramsbury (BBQ)	GOM
280	3 <sup>rd</sup> August 08	The Buggers Arms	Pauline and Clive

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