

Hash	Pub	Village	Date	Hare/s	Scribe
374	Rose & Crown	Ashbury	5 Feb 2012	Viv & John	David

Due to very poor devolutionary organisation from the very top, the special Hash bags/shorts were not brought – er – by me, and Aiole didn't bring the horn. Not our fault, wot's a grand master for if not to arrange these things?

Margaret arrived late because she assumed it would all run loads late as usual. She *apparently* did a massive walk within the huge village of Ashbury instead!

It's difficult enough doing Hashes laid by the 'carefree Coppens' at the best of times, so nerves were fraught at the start, but at any rate the runners needn't have worried, since mother hen, Viv, was clucking (and talking of course) as the hard men (no other women with us this time) ran nearby, and as we were able to use Ollie as a run-everywhere dog we actually managed to follow the Hash ok, except when Ollie was so far ahead we couldn't see where he'd gone.

However, the good thing about that was that when the pesky trail went 3 sides of a square and Ollie was seen way ahead, 1 side of that square made for a shorter run by certain runners. John was hovering around the walkers so they couldn't get lost either, and we all came in around about the same time having been shown the way by the best sign of all on the Ridgeway – the signpost to the 'Rose and Crown'.

Bill, the landlord, served some good beer (and 3 Bs), and laid on a pole for some exquisite pole dancing by Cathy ....... Hang on, imagination getting mixed with reality here, but I do have several witnesses who will perj ... er .. vouch for the fact that she did promise to pole dance next time!

Some dates: 24<sup>th</sup> Feb. **Gambia** evening at **12Bar**, Westcott Place, Swindon.

25<sup>th</sup> Feb. Marlborough **concert** (Mendelsohn's 'Elijah')

23<sup>rd</sup> Mar **Poetry** evening at **Liddington Village Hall**, hosted by Maurice (if you're not

fed up by the sound of him already!)

