

KENNET VALLEY HASH HOUSE HARRIERS Mag No 146 - Sunday 24th August 2003 - Ramsbury Chez Jeremy

Today's run was from Jeremy's house in Ramsbury followed by a barbecue in his back garden. It was a bit strange not running from a pub but we soon got used to it. There was a surprisingly large number of runners milling about outside Jeremy's house at 5 to 11. Apart from our own loyal Kennet Valley - Navy Mike, Dave and Keith P with Terry and Teresa walking - there were six or seven from North Wilts and a lively couple from the City of London Hash. So there was quite a big mob setting off up the hill in full cry at 5 past 11. The weather was warm and dry and just a bit too hot for running - well it was August bank holiday weekend - and everyone was soon dripping with sweat. The trail took us north along the back lanes of Ramsbury then along the valley towards Marlborough for about 3 miles. The Kennet Valley hashers (other than Keith who was up at the front) running stoically along were soon miles behind our guests who were obviously accustomed to a more frenetic pace. Jeremy who ran round with us kept popping up every now and then to keep us in touch with the pack and to shepherd us along a bit - which was nice. Then up the side of a mountain to the ridge on the south of the valley where we ran with the most lovely views to our left and then down steeply again to the river. There is a delightful spot on the edge of the village where there is a ford and a bridge and of course the trail went straight into the water. It was so cool and pleasant that everyone stood in the middle of the river and splashed and messed about and some of our guests even went swimming. One of the great moments. On Home down the high street to Jeremy's house with Kennet Valley still in the rear but not too far behind the others.

We then relaxed in Jeremy's delightful garden with our barbecue (Catherine had prepared salads and sauces and crisps and things so the meal was excellent) and drank beer and chatted and the whole thing was civilised and exceedingly pleasant. Mike in the absence of GOMargaret thanked Jeremy and Catherine for their hospitality and for setting such a splendid trail.

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147	7 Sep	Bakers Arms at Somerford Keynes	Steve
148	21 Sep	Trout at Lechlade	Katrina
149	5 Oct	Rose & Crown at Highworth	Mike
150	19 Oct	Bakers Arms at Chiseldon	lan
151	2 Nov	Buggers Arms	Volunteer please
152	16 Nov	The Tawny Owl at West Swindon	Brian
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