

KENNET VALLEY HASH HOUSE HARRIERS - KVH3

Hash 0216 - Sunday 2 April 2006 - The Prince of Wales, Shrivenham

There I was quietly snoozing on the sofa - in training for our next hash - when the phone rings. A voice from the far end demands — "Who's writing the hash mag this week." Galvanised into action, I immediately jump to attention, and raise my arm to be allowed to speak. "Please ma'am, I'm doing it this week." "Good", she responds, "we know what happened when Keith was away last summer, don't we? No hash mag!" So, that's this mag sorted — phew!

Andrew and Baldrick were our hares this week and demonstrated the advantages to be gained from laying the trail the night before. However as they are so few and our hares were exhausted from laying the trail a second time on Sunday morning, then I won't mention them for now. But what we did have was a fantastic new symbol – the **fish-hook**. This means that you are on the correct trail – however if you are an FRB then you have to retreat immediately and let some other poor B go over the top before you. What we also had were some very significant T's. Apparently within the grounds of what is euphemistically called The Defence Academy, failure to observe such a symbol is liable to result in summary execution with reference to the courts only occurring later – but I am happy to report that the hares counted us all out and counted us all back in again.

For the hash itself we were divided into two—a Red team under Andrew and a Blue under Baldrick. Without the normal delay we expect with waiting for late attendees we set off across the churchyard, over fields and eventually into the Defence Academy, a haven of peace and tranquillity. Perhaps the peace is due to our realm being so successfully defended, but between you, me and the tea person, I do wonder whether there is anyone actually defending it over the weekend — however walls have ears so we better not say too much.

The hash itself was scenic, technically well deployed, with various optional traverses to keep the younger troops amused. Eventually, and despite somewhat shady tactics by the Blue team who missed out at least half of the course, Andrew and the Red team were the runaway winners. However we all retired to the pub to celebrate their own individual achievements and to thank Andrew and Baldrick for an enjoyable Sunday morning.

ON - ONs		All start promptly sometime after 11am	
218	30 April	The Cross Keys, Upper Chute	GOM
219	14 May	Somewhere	Kathrina
220	28 May	The Goddard Arms, Clyffe Pypard	Keith the 2 nd
221	11 June	Somewhere else	Brain
222	18 June	The Ridgeway Relay	
223	25 June	Honeymoon Hash, Defence Academy, Shrivenham	Mike and Phil
224	09 July	No idea yet	GOM
225	23 July	Summer Hash, Studland	Mgt and Dave

Future Trails

If you would like to lay a trail or find out where the next hash is please ring GOM on 01672 521064 / email him at jer@xyz.port995.com, contact the even later Keith Mitchell on 01672 511530 / email keith@griffins.co.uk or check out the website at http://kvhash.mysite.wanadoo-members.co.uk/