

Hash 287 - The Tally Ho, Hungerford Newtown - 9 November 2008

On arrival at the Tally Ho, we were welcomed with bright November sunshine, a pleasant surprise after the stormy wet weather of the previous night. Ten runners turned up and more than 15 walkers. The Late Keith was surprisingly not late, which was fortunate as he was the Hare. He gave us an introduction to the Hash, which included warnings to the walkers to beware of deep muddy water and violent wild pigs. The intrepid walkers were not deterred however, and we all set forth into the wilds of Hungerford New Town.

The route was a mixture of delightful country lanes and fields around the Kennet Valley. The pigs were not too violent, until we mentioned bacon sandwiches, and this then caused the runners to put on a sudden increase in speed. A welcome re-group point allowed everyone to catch up, however, there was no time to rest as the GOM had us all moving onwards again.

Eventually the Tally Ho came into view, a welcome sight for us all, but Keith had one more trick up his sleeve, as his route took us up a long hill, well past the Pub, to join the road further along. It was noted, however, that some runners (no names) cut the corner and made tracks across the field, the sight of the Pub being too much of an incentive.

The walkers and runners all arrived back at the pub at exactly the same time; whether this was due to excellent planning by the Hare, or sheer luck, no-one was quite sure. Everyone was pretty muddy, but not a drop of rain had fallen on any of us during the Hash. Once in the Pub however, we had the satisfying sight of watching the heavy rain falling, whilst we enjoyed sampling the range of beers! Thank you to Keith for a very enjoyable Hash.

Upforthcoming Hash Runs

289 - 07 Dec - The Horseshow, Mildenhall

- Navy Mike

290 - 26 Dec - The Keepers Arms, Quenington

- Margaret, Steve

(Boxing Day, Fancy Hat hash)

291 - 04 Jan - The Red Lion, Baydon

- GOM

292 - 18 Jan - The Black Horse, Wanborough

- John, Vivien

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