

Kirton Hash House Harriers

Date : 30th January 2017
Venue : Sticklepath
Hare : CrookLock
On Down : Taw River Inn



Once again advantage was taken of the light evenings to enjoy the wonderful views from the open moorland which was the high-point of this week's hash. Apart from the finish.

A fine twist this time was the laying of dots and checks using locally-sourced leaves, rather than the traditional "sawdust method". This brilliant idea delighted the hashers, freeing them from the shackles of keeping to tracks and all that nonsense. It also allowed everyone to practice rare hashing techniques such as "Open Moor Police Sweep" and "ET Forest Chase Scene".

Allegedly we can thank UPROOT for suggesting this to CROOKLOCK (or perhaps sabotaging, according to MUDSKIPPER). Maybe that was sour grapes, however, since although MUDSKIPPER was in fact the only hasher to notice the enormous check at the start, and having shot off like a ferret down a drainpipe, he was called back by the hare to join the others in doing a rather premature victory lap around the car park. Unfortunately, MUDSKIPPER never really recovered from this humiliating epic-fail, and was only seen again at the Sweet Stop.

On Down was the Taw River Inn. Great pub but half the evening was spent deciding what to eat from the vast menu (except me, being a vegetarian, having only one choice - Macaroni Cheese. So I had fish.). Also home to the Miracle Beer Jug™, which SUPERBUG and DENTS discovered using the following steps:

1. Order a four-pint jug of their finest real ale.
2. Drink two pints each.
3. Quietly offer the other hashers the remaining two pints left in the jug.
(at the end of the night when no-one can drink any more).

Bertie was awarded to DENTS by ELVIS for telling everyone that the Sweet Stop was in fact a Fish Hook. Strange idea that; seeing as CROOKLOCK was the one with the sweets.

The evening was rounded off nicely by a subtle plug for the latest CODS masterpiece by none other than the lead thesp himself - SUPERBUG. And the promise of free tickets and pasties if you go and watch. However you can guarantee a seat within tomato-throwing distance for £12.50 for the opening performance on Monday 10th April (immediately after an early hash), as long as you pay SUPERBUG by 13th February (surely I get a free ticket for that double-plug?)

On On