

CHURN VALLEY HASH HOUSE HARRIERS



Run No 1542

The Bees Knees, Cirencester
Ultra & Caviar

It was a dismal rainy dark cold shockingly miserable day. It could only be a Bank Holiday. Consequently only the 30 odd true believers turned up. They were all wearing their usual rain wear apart from one continental representative of undisclosed nationality, no names no pack drill, who chose to attend in a stunning jet black two piece non-breathable water proof outfit which was admired by all and sundry.

(Editor's note: Pack-drill was a punishment given to soldiers in the British Army, requiring them to undertake drill (exercise) in full uniform and carrying a heavy pack. 'No names, no pack-drill' is used to indicate that the names of those who have committed a misdemeanor will not be mentioned in order to spare them punishment. The 'pack-drill' punishment is known from at least 1845, when it was referred to in William Maxwell's *Hints to a soldier on service*.)

Anyroad, after our continental friend had completed his cat walk and Caviar had given us the most complicated set of instructions (as if anyone was listening) orf we jolly well went. Poor old Caviar had to set the trail on her own as her co-hare had gone awol to sort out a motorway accident or two.

(Editors note: AWOL is an acronym for "absent without leave" or "absent without official leave".)

The trail took us around the back streets of Cirencester and into the new development at Corinium Heights, which once one was inside was unexpectedly pleasantly pleasing to the eye. It was about here that our continental friend started showing signs of expiration after it became apparent that he was wearing leggings and a full set of running gear under his stunning jet black two piece non-breathable water proof outfit.

We than ran around Cirencester's industrial estate and back to base. An excellent run laid by our hare in adverse conditions.

The Bees Knees then ran out of some of their beer with the excuse that they had sold it all over the bank holiday weekend. This is all very well except that this was about the third time this has happened in three years. Anyway, there is no point in crying over spilt beer – there was a good après with a lively atmosphere attended by none other than the Honourable Mike Singeing checking to see that all was ship shape.

The Bags did not attend so the Sheep's Hat was awarded to Helicopter Paul for years and years of mental abuse to your Scribe, who has been damaged as a result.

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Date	Run Number	Venue	Hares
19-May-2012	EVENT	Hash Dinner Dance - Ciren Golf Club	£15 per head - speak to Fish Fingers
21-May-2012	1544	Royal Oak Tetbury	Pickle & Dr Doolittle
28-May-2012	1545	Daneway, Sapperton - Joint with C2H3	Carloss & Larry
4-Jun-2012	1546	The Crown, Minchinhampton, GL6 9BN	Musthhash
11-Jun-2012	1547	Available	
15-17 Jun	EVENT - 1548/9	Camping Weekend, Tintern Parva, Wye Valley - See Guyless or Special K - need £5 deposit to guarantee space. £6 per adult per night, £3.50 per under 16 per night (under 4 free), £3 per electric hook up per night	
18-Jun-2012	1550	Available	