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When: 10 Apr 2018
Where: The Black Horse,
Lacey Green
W-hare: Scribbler
Scribe: Hawkeye

Hounds: 25 **Dogs:** 3
Distance: 12.94 km
Time: 132.43 min
Uphillness: 367.00 ft

Anyone who thought that the run from the Pub of the Year was going to be a light celebration of the event followed by a good session in the pub, couldn't have got it more wrong. It started fairly innocuously, as the hashers, all in their bespoke blue T-shirts, gathered outside the front door for a photograph, together with the poor landlady and landlord, who were dragged out of their pub to join us. The photo session took a bit of time because every time Gerry set the timer on the camera across the road, a car threatened to photobomb the field of view. After several takes, we were able to release said landlord and landlady, and the hare nervously announced what was in store for the run. "Er.. the short is about 4 and a half", and then with about as much conviction as Diane Abbott's grasp of maths, the hare mumbles under his breath "the long is about mmmm... 6..."

We eventually started off and soon headed off in the direction of Princes Risborough. Going downhill, the path became more and more muddy. Someone shouted "watch the barbed wire", at which point Yours Truly immediately pirouetted and fell on wrist into a thorn bush. This was the first of some fairly spectacular mooses, all of which I witnessed.

After about 2 miles, we crossed the Wycombe-Risborough road and headed off across more shiggy towards Saunderton. The second moose happened somewhere along this route. Wing Commander Zebedee lost his footing on a stile, which resulted in a spectacular dive over the other side, before he could get his leg over.

After another 4 miles, we found ourselves on the west side of Princes Risborough, and just in front of me I saw another nasty moose. Alex slipped on the muddy steps going down to the railway line. It looked as painful as it sounded – clunk - the sound of wood on bone. Apparently it was his coccyx that took the brunt of the fall – ouch!



It's the Pub of the Year!

After another 2 miles (are you counting?), we had successfully circumnavigated Risborough without further mishap, and were heading uphill towards Loosley Row.

Finally, we left the shiggy behind and started up the road towards Lacey Green. There was a final incident on this hash, when some stupid woman in an Audi decided to play chicken with me, by driving her car as close as possible to the side of the road – my side! Needless to say I lost the game, and jumped onto the verge, screaming expletives at the b.....

During the last mile Roger happened to let drop that Lacey Green was one of these villages (like Bledlow Ridge) that goes on forever along the main road through it. Just what I wanted to hear.

So, after about 9 miles, we finally made it back to the pub, where I have to admit there were lashings of sausages and chips, and very quaffable Seafarer beer. We also witnessed the handing out of 3 T-shirts, which I reckon was for runs which totalled well over 2,000! These were dished out by our GM to Moose and Helen, and then the GM received one of his own.

Was this the longest run this year? YES

Was it the shiggiest? Probably

Was it the most dangerous? YES

Thanks, Matt, at least I had enough material for the write-up.

Chip Advisor

The Black Horse

Lacey Green

85 %

SodLime index: £1.80

Beer



A touch down on our last visit. 4 well kept ales on tap, excellent Butcombe Original & Tim Taylor's Boltmaker, both at an acceptable 4% with Brakespears cooking bitter & Gale's (Fullers) Seafarer for the less alcoholically adventurous.

Not beer



L & s at a not totally unreasonable £1.80 a pint although no one would be turning cartwheels at that price! Cola at the same ticket but at least not dispensed from a pump but out of cans which seems better value. Small but perfectly formed choc along with biccies from one of those horribly expensive looking machines.

Food



Not only a substantial serving plate of tasty chips which got a bonus top up, but piles of buppy for making that culinary masterpiece the chip butty. Masterchef - Paaa!! Also piles of sausages, enough to leave the butchers dog prone on the floor with his legs in the air!

Hashmosphere



A proper local boozier, well run with plenty of staff to avoid beer starvation. A welcoming, well proportioned area with plenty of seating, drink related sayings adorning the walls to encourage the thirst and the telly placed in an adjacent area for the footie if required. Car park tight but plenty of off site alternatives.

Commentary

Never mind CAMRA awards or those dispensed by other related organisations, The Black Horse scooped the far more prestigious HWH3 pub of the year for 2017. A proper pub concentrating on the core values of well kept ale, good service, grub at non unsettling prices. Overall just a nice place to be particularly after Scribbler has just set a knacker hash the distance and duration of which would do Keyboard proud!

Next Hash

21 Aug 2018

Scribbler & Flamey

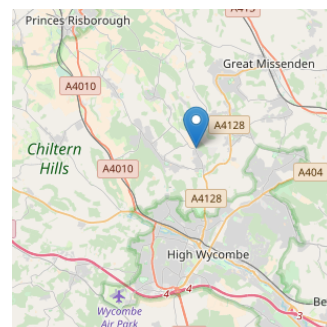
Bearcat

The Harrow

Hughenden Valley

HP14 4LX

Dog friendly



Murder Mystery Hash #2

Runs list

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| 21 Aug | The Harrow Hughenden Valley HP14 4LX | Scribbler & Flamey Bearcat Murder Mystery Hash #2 |
| 28 Aug | The Carrier's Arms Watlington OX49 5AD | Keyboard Ken Please park and meet at Hill Road car park and not at the pub. |
| 04 Sep | The Greyhound Eton Wick SL4 6JE | Doormat Limited parking at the pub so use roads or recreation ground car park next to village hall SL4 6LT, main road through Eton Wick. |
| 11 Sep | Dunno yet | Truly Scrumptious & Waldorf |
| 18 Sep | Dunno yet | Sooper Barney's Silver Jubilee |
| 25 Sep | The Land Of Liberty, Peace & Plenty Heronsgate WD3 5BS | Spy |

Dates for your dairy

Tue 21st Aug, The Harrow

Murder Mystery Hash #2

Want to know what on earth this Murder Mystery is all about? Find out here. If you've now read the first bit and still aren't put off, click here to see what character you will be playing on Tue 21st August. [more details on website]

21 to 23 September

Hash Away Weekend

We're off to Cirencester for the away weekend this year. Details appearing slowly. [more details on website]

September 29 @ 10:30 am - 2:00 pm

Whiteleaf Trail Run

The Chilterns Society are organising a 'stunning 10-12 mile social run across some varied terrain including forest, chalk paths, and rolling grassy hills'. Start & finish at Whiteleaf Hill car park. More details on the CS website

12 to 15 October 2018

Isle of Wight CAMRA hash

The CAMRA Hash has been touring southern England and is now venturing overseas to the IOW. There's a 'Beer and Buses' event on Saturday and Sunday which is about 50 pubs running their own 'mini festival' with guest ales and vintage buses running between the pubs. The IOW Hash will set a run on Sunday. Details on the Winchester H3 website

