
2087 – Clavells Restruant – 16/12/18

This run started on Saturday, when the trail is laid. Desperate phone call to GM, during the torrential downpour that filled that day: 'Is it okay to live here? No point laying a trail, it'll only get washed away.'

Weather forecast today was no better, odds of rain were between 50% and 90%; most looked out of the window and said, 'Maybe next week.' A number of diehards did make it; on arrival Calamity told us that the hares had already departed to lay dust.

We circled at 1100hrs; new GM has a sense of timing, he says.

Only DD this week was Ratty, 700runs. 😊

Calamity Jane fired the starting pistol, 'On on that way,' she pointed down the hill and off we went.

Quick right behind the houses, just teasing, slowly over a stile then left and left back to a track close to the road. The mini would be ahead of us soon. Another right, another pixie loop? Actually the dust was half okay today, all fresh, shiny and water-proof. Check; left along the beck or right up the slope? FRBs went left and called; we kicked out the circle and went on. Suddenly, 'Bar!' so back again, kick out the circle and try the other way. Wrong! Nappy Rash had indeed found a bar, but she was so far ahead that she was past the next check! Rebuild the circle and kick it out for the third time. Along, up a slope, left through into the next field and left again, down – does that sound suspiciously like a pixie loop? Maybe not, but how come a couple of the Mini front walkers suddenly appeared on the path from our left?

We were always going to go to Kimmeridge Bay; as we approached, our no. 1 hare, GerryAtrix, appeared to provide encouragement and direction. Past the rocking donkey and then onto the ranges. Curious here: Banger did not have any serious competition today so he just stopped: photo/ chat/ beer whatever, but wasn't to be seen when the Main went on. Check just inside the ranges; good guess was right up the hill, usual track. FRBs of the moment were Nappy Rash and Tally Ho, no blokes to be seen. Up up they went, second gateway and ever onwards, ever upwards. Banger must have got his mojo back: he suddenly appeared but had to make do with third place. Quick photo-call half way up, serious disrespect to the GM from Grocer and JockStrap! [Look at the piccies!] By now, Nappy Rash and Tally Ho had an almost unassailable lead. Across the tops; couple of checks did slow our harriettes slightly. Then back to the road; which way? Nappy Rash went straight, Banger went down the road, Tally Ho paused and looked. DeathMarch guessed right, i.e., very sharp right, over a stile and down the field to the village. On arrival, there was Boy Lost ensconced in a lovely warm campervan being fed hot drinks and choccies by his good lady.

To everyone's amazement, including his own, DM was first, gold medal today [only one he'll ever get!], with Banger a very close second and Tally Ho taking the bronze.

Shortish trail, but lots of smiles all round as people finished. Our thx to the hares for arranging the only two hour break in the weather: it was a dry run with only the odd bits of shiggy to moisten our soles.

Little Flo Rollover was rather sick today and they had to leave early. Hope she's better by next week.

Half way through the DownDowns, Ferret coughed that he was stand-in RA and should have been doing them himself. Well-earned DD for that. Others:

- ArseAbout and Navigator seemed to think that 'coiffure' was more important than attending the DownDowns
- Calamity Jane: invented a new hash position, a 'Talking Hare' – she most certainly did 'Talk the Talk' but then retired to the coffee hash leaving the rest of us to 'Walk the Walk'.
- Joint GMs, DM and LapDancer for changing all the rules: early DDs, runs less than 10kms,

announcing the next PoshNosh already etc. [But we all know that in a Hash there are no rules!!]
• And, naturlich, our hares for a lovely trail.

Next week: The Barking Cat Ale House, 182-184 Ashley Rd, Poole BH14 9BY

And from the other GM: Death march not one mention of the 40th do on 19Jan2019. Shame on you it's the 40th!!

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