

119 walkers and 4 dogs started on Surrey group's opening event of the year in superb walking weather. The floods had gone down somewhat since the previous day and the hard frost made the mud much easier to cross. The labrador still had the best terrain, over her canine competition, an alsation, a whippet and a collie, and enjoyed her many swims.

The humans seemed to enjoy getting liquid inside rather than outside them and some were able to have their drink sitting outside in the hot winter sun. A number of pubs were sampled and good reports given of all, though one landlord couldn't understand why he was asked for his name by so many people. Nor can I - it was painted outside the door!

Entrants said they liked the routes, but some said the short course was rather too easy. I think it was mostly the good weather, but we'll try and make it a little harder next year. There weren't any complaints of that kind about the long course and 9 people only finished at my house, after we'd finished at the hall. Difficulties were caused at the end, when competitors couldn't work out how to cross the river and canal!

Grateful thanks are due to Bob Ball, who worked out the courses and worked the whole day, Barbara Ball and Jill Chesterton, who did the majority of the kitchen work, Nicholas Chesterton who acted as starter, Alexander Chesterton who helped him and Jeff Ellingham who ran the entry side. St Catherine's Village Hall was a good starting point, with space, warmth and kitchen. We'll hold it here again next year - with changed courses.

One last point:

|| Someone removed my 2 1/2" map of the Godalming area, hand drawn with all the public footpaths - its return would be much appreciated. ||

Keith Chesterton, "Firle", Chestnut Avenue, Guildford.

LONG COURSE - 18 MILES

Hrs Mins

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3-19	Tony Watkins	LDWA	5-55	Ian McLeod	LDWA
	David Cheesewright	"		John Westcott	"
	Neil Forrester	"	6-12	John Davies	"
	Brian Watkins	"		Barrie Saunders	
	Nic Watkins	"	6-24	Tony Taylor	Wormwood Scrubs
3-39	John Laing	"		Dian Taylor	"
	Rosalind Paul	"	6-31	Lewis Pettit	Kingston RA
3-59	Mike Burton	"	6-34	Charles Checkley	LDWA
4-00	Dave Yates	"		John Lewarne	"
4-05	Roger Cole	Leicester		David Albone	
	John Walker	"	7-35	Bernard Clifford	LDWA
4-11	Mark Pickard	LDWA		Paul Clifford	
	Martyn Greaves	"		Roy Ward	
4-13	Mareus Guillen	"		Bruce Campbell	
4-32	Monty Rosen	LDWA		John Ambler	
5-10	Brian Reader	"		Paul Eden	
5-14	Bill Grace	"	7-55	Philip Hastings	Rockhoppers
5-15	Ralph Henley	"		Hans Nieuwmeyer	Durban (SA)
5-16	Clifford Bamfield	"		Sue Nieuwmeyer	Mountain Club
5-19	Harold Gray	"	Retired	Philip Griffiths	LDWA
5-20	Thomas Harding	"		Julian Brown	
	Chris Steer	"			
	John Feist	"			
	Tony Youngs	"			

45 started, 43 finished

SHORT COURSE - 11 MILES

<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Mins</u>			<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Mins</u>		
2-48		Mike Morley		5-07		Andrew Addis	LDWA
		Stephen Radford				Sarah Biggs	"
3-04		Dave North				Rosemary Rosen	
		Kathy North				Miriam McLarnon	
		Kathy Sims		5-10		Phyl Jackson	LDWA (Surrey)
		Doug Sims		5-11		Jack Trendall	"
3-47		Tony Gough	St Catherine's	5-16		Martin Phillips	
		Mandy Gough	"			Genauzeau Maryse	
3-54		Andrew Mitchell		5-17		Liz Pamplin	LDWA (Surrey)
4-37		Arthur Radley	LDWA (Surrey)			Terry Pamplin	"
		Jocelyn Radley				Xanthe Pamplin	"
		Graham Raw				Ian Blatchford	"
4-45		Merle Marsden	LDWA	5-18		Philip Fearnhead	
4-47		Bridget Walker	Leicester			Lee Thurloway	
		June Cole	"	5-22		David Challenger	LDWA (Surrey)
4-51		John Carey	LDWA (Herts)			Katharine Challenger	"
		Rosalind Carey	"	5-25		Bill Radcliffe	"
4-56		John Lillywhite	1st Shalford			Pat Stanbury	
		Andrew Lillywhite	Scouts and Guides			Liz Evans	
		Stephen Lillywhite	"	6-07		Mac McCauley	Kingston RA
		Eric Turner	"			Gwen McCauley	Kingston RA
		Richard Tilbrook	"			Margaret Loveless	"
		Trevor Chapman	"	6-08		Tony Parker	"
		Roger Cannon	"			Chris Lipscombe	"
		Jane Bartlett	"	6-15		Peter Lambarth	
		Jessica Godfrey	"			Anita Stevens	
		Sally Coleman	"	6-32		Sue Coles	LDWA
		Liza Cheak	"			Don Shipton	LDWA
5-02		Molly White	Middle Thames Ramblers	6-35		Tony Farrell	"
		Vince Smith	"			Ann Farrell	
		Stuart Bridger	"			Adam Farrell	
5-03		Jeff Reid				Jonathan Farrell	
		Clare Reid		Retired		Chris Tony	YHA
		Ian Cooper	LDWA			Clare Pelham	
						Sandra Mitchell	
						4 Du Moulin family	St Catherine's

74 started, 67 finished.

FUTURE EVENTS

- 16 January Winter Tanners (30 miles) - Alan Blatchford Guildford 60085
- 6 February Windsor Wander (17 miles) - Meet 10am. NCP, North side Staines Bridge
- 27 February Chilterns Kanter (12/20 miles) - Brian Graves, 72 Cottingham Grove, Bletchley, Milton Keynes (Ph 78981)
- " OXTED (15 miles) - John Probert (Oxted 5315)

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