

Run No ~~2014, 16th July 2017~~ 2061, 1st April 2018

Venue: Blind Fiddler, Anstey

Hare: Klinger and Klingon

Scribe: Jetstream

Although it seems that **Klinger** has laid a dozen trails from this pub, this is not actually true as this was only his 5th 6th attempt. Unfortunately, we arrived (as usual) just as the pre-run circle was ending and so missed the Hares' instructions.

It started off predictably with a short run ~~up~~ down the road and then right ~~down~~ up the usual footpath. *At this point I realised that I won't be able to use the same run report as before!*

After paying our respects to **Unmentionable's** cousin's grave in the Churchyard we then found dust (no, not dust to dust, ashes to ashes, but sawdust), and followed **Kermit** and **Blowback** on trail across a muddy paddock. Here we were confronted by **Horny** coming back from a turn-back. At this point I (please note that this is no longer "we") calculated that if I went through the turn-back I'd find the trail on the other side. I soon realised that this was a mistake so I retraced my steps, only to be accosted by **The Earl** who seduced me into joining him on a "short cut" around the wood. If only I listened to my instinct, and my promise to **Unmentionable** before the run, and followed the dust instead of **The Earl**. In my defence, I'm not the first one to be seduced by **The Earl**, although I'm not Harriette.

For those who followed the trail, I can report that the trail didn't go around the wood, nor did it go around the Anstey Quarry or up the Barkway Road. If I hadn't come across **Little Blow, Wai-Wai** and **Just Josie** I might have found the true trail, but I was side tracked and joined them on the way to the children's playground. As the pub wouldn't have been open I turned right and immediately found dust, which I followed. At least I did until I encountered **Kermit** and **Collapso** coming the other way. It was 10 minutes past 12 so a no brainer, I turned round and joined them, delighted to find an On-In on the road. I'd missed the river crossing, which I hear was the highlight of the run ... such a shame!

We'd also missed the beer stop but never mind. As we 'ran' back to the pub we were surprised to be accosted by the Hare and **Klingon** in their new'ish motor. Are you the beer stop we enquired? Yes, **Klinger** replied and I'll stop just up the road and you can make up for missing it the first time. What a great Hare! We stood and enjoyed a nice beer (not 2.8%, or past it's sell by date) until the walkers appeared and he closed up shop.

As these run reports are getting too long and boring I won't describe all the shenanigans in the circle, except to congratulate **Paperazzi** on being awarded a lovely ashtray for achieving 400 runs.

All in all, an excellent run and a welcoming pub, tHHHanks to the Hares. I look forward to doing the "usual trail" next time!

On-On! **Jetstream**