

Run #2162 Friday 25th September 2026, The Bakers Arms, Danbury

Hare:- Count Dracula

Tonight we are in Danbury on a Friday (!) – for the Annual General P*** Up, or as we have renamed it for this year – the NAGPU. We are gathering at 6.30 – so we have plenty of time for the food and ‘meeting’ shenanigans later on! There are 16 of us in the car park – whilst we watch Pacemaker manoeuvre his car somehow into a parking space at the Bakers. We are aware that Vicky Vomit & Basil are also on their way – but they are running late! As is Comes Once a Year.

The hare informs us that it a ‘shorter than normal’ trail – but that doesn’t mean much coming from the Count. We set off down the road, past the Count’s house – and then through the field – which we have to go around, even though we all know where the gate is! We then go into the nature reserve, where it seems that the runners have to go all the way down and all the way up – whilst the walkers just saunter along the top path!

We then head out (not on a public footpath!), and come into the woods at the bottom near the little stream. The stream has been damned by some children (although some of the hash seem to think this is beaver activity!), so Fourplay decides to unblock the river, sending a tsunami of water through the woodland – as the stream was blocking the pathway!

We then wind a bit more through the woods – although the walkers seem to take another short cut. The runners are at a check – and Dr Deaf and Comes Not a Lot are checking the TWO directions, whilst we all wait. Fourplay sees that Comes Not a Lot has missed a path – and gets blamed for ‘supervising’ the runners and not checking out! Anyway – it turns out Fourplay is right – and the trail does indeed go the way she thought!

Finally we head on back to the pub direction – and it seems that the walkers are ahead of us again!! And just as we think we are getting near – then The Count appears and points DOWN the hill – and says ‘this way’!! Pacemaker & Fourplay follow – as requested, and eventually we get back to the pub. For a ‘short trail’, we have done nearly 3 miles!!

Once back at the pub – the hash buys everyone a drink, & the food which we pre-ordered starts to arrive. Just as we are unwrapping our takeaway chips, 359 manages to knock over a complete pint of beer all over Fourplay & Fag After! Finally we are all settled in our seats – and the GM conducts the ‘business’ side of the evening, by giving out his awards, and assigning the hash roles for 2026/27 (refer to the AGPU minutes for details).

Once this is done, then the RA hands out the usual down-downs for misdemeanours on the trail. So Pacemaker gets one – for his poor parking, arriving on time, and actually arriving at all, Fourplay manages to get two – for dismantling the ‘beaver damn’, and for ‘supervising’ hashers (!), the GM gets one to Thank him for his efforts in organising the evening, and Vicky awards the last one to Basil – for making him late to the hash so he didn’t have to go

for a walk! We also had a number tonight – 100 runs for Liq Allsorts, although the RA made a real dogs dinner of the award – throwing it on the floor & breaking off the handle!

The RA also had a special award for Corpse Shagger, as he is giving up the Beermaster, in recognition of his service to the hash – the RA had commissioned a special and precious beer tray badge to be made and awarded to Corpse, who proudly wore the wonderful momento!

The raffle was then held – which was lovely – as it was a proper raffle, with proper prizes!

We all had a wonderful evening, thanks to The Count for organising it all!

On! On!

Fourplay