

## **R\*n #2074, 10<sup>th</sup> February 2025, The Olde Trout, Southend**

It was a cold (2 degrees!) and wet (sleet!) night as 13 hardy Essex Hashers met at the Olde Trout in Southend for r\*n 2074. Dr Deaf called the Circle to order, and Pulled Out briefed the group, that we would be using a live hare (Sludge!), once he had popped over to Sainsbury's and bought the flour.

Sludge set off, and we gave him a 3 minute lead – and off we went into the dark streets of Southend. We meandered down to the seafront – and we still hadn't seen the hare, at the Cliff Lift we then got lost – as the trail went along the seafront – and we all went up to the High Street. We were keen to get to the beer stop – which we had been notified was in the Last Post. It was a great stop – as we were all able to get warmed up, while drinking our Ruddles & pineapple juice (not together!). The hare did arrive before the pack – but he seemed to have more flour on his trousers than he had laid on the trail!

Then it was time to head back to the original pub, we proceeded along the rest of the High Street as there was no flour left to lay the rest of the trail!

Back at the pub, we were allocated the upstairs room, as downstairs there was the weekly quiz going on. Although the quiz was piped into the upstairs room – so some of the hashers had good fun trying to do the quiz as well.

The Count stepped in as the RA for the day, and there were down-downs for Fourplay & FagAfter (for the longest trip to the hash, from Miami), Pulled Out & Sludge (the hare's), Frogman & Dr Deaf (radiator fondling) & Boing-Boing (not sharing his vouchers!).

On! On!

Fourplay