

## **Run #2129, Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, Theobold Arms, Grays**

### **Hares:- Casey & Blowdry**

Twenty hashers gathered at the Theobold Arms in Grays on a mild February evening, this was only the second time that the hash had visited, the last time being courtesy of Sludge in 2014. The pub was very quaint – an old-style drinkers pub, where the publican seemed a bit rushed off his feet for a Monday night (more about him later!).

The GM called us all to order, and welcomed back our returnees Fergus & Digger who were warmly welcomed by everyone. Casey gave out the run instructions and we were off – around the streets of Grays, finally we came to the waterfront – which was quite a sight, with the glow of all the lights all around reflecting on the Thames. We then ran along the seafront for quite a while, it was a pleasant run – and trying to work out the local landmarks as we ran. Finally we arrived at a cluster of trees marked as the ‘beer stop’ – however, it appeared that someone had got there before us, and the only evidence of the ‘beer’ was a ripped up bin-bag – there was no beer – no sweets – no cups – it was sad!

As we were now getting thirsty, we sped up, and ran the second half of the trail, back into the streets of Grays and finally back to the pub. It was a really good run – very interesting & varied (shame about the beer!). Once back at the pub, everyone had a welcome drink, trying out the various beers, and comparing notes. Then it was on to the down-downs, Pulled Out stood in as the RA for the night and Corpse attended the bar to make the purchase of 12 halves – where he was greeted by the cheery landlord and a barrage of expletives (See you on Tuesday!), for having the audacity to order halves!! (Fancy that – ordering beer in a pub!).

Anyway – once they had been poured, they were duly handed out – Fag After & AGO – for discussing their ailments, Digger & Fergie – for their attendance, Casey & Blowdry for an excellent hash and then all of the other hashers who did the trail – who missed out on their beer at the missing stop!!

On! On!

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