

RUN: 2157 – Chez Froggie Canvey Island. Hares: Frogman & Zipper

We grabbed our passports and headed for the border, security was non existent and the queue was way shorter than we expected. The EH3 Whatsapp group had been lighting up all afternoon with apologies so we were expecting a reduced size pack – we were wrong!

The hares & their partners, along with Compressed Fart, Woodpecker & Slimcock were sampling the refreshments when we arrived at the same time as Mr Piper and 359. Plenty of comfy chairs had been assembled that easily accommodated Pulled Out, Sucked Inn, Sludge and quite a few others that had remembered their passports.

I called the 2 minute warning and a few hashers quickly began queuing for the loo. I invited the pack to nominate an RA and Pulled Out quickly nominated Sludge & Himself much to Sludge's surprise.

Froggie took the main pack & Zipper guided the knitting circle along a few roads towards the seafront. After about 15 minutes we headed towards Thorney Bay Beach and the Disco that was still playing. In the shelter of the sea wall (out of the wind) the early evening sun made the walk very pleasant. We turned the corner of the sea wall into a bracing wind that was accompanying the incoming tide.

The knitters took a few minutes to enjoy the view before retracing their steps back to Froggie's place and the waiting refreshments.

The main pack had weaved their way thru roads, snickets & footpaths to the beer stop before making their way back.

There were several cool boxes that had liquid refreshment and Jayne had prepared hotdogs & onions and plenty of Danish pastries for the pack to consume.

Frogman had eventually managed to light the patio heater (once Jayne had showed him where the correct hole was!!) and we settled in for an evening of convivial chat.

The raffle was held before the circle and Mother Sucker, One Erection & Paul left before the circle began. Down Downs were awarded to the Hares, Sir Lunchbox for calling Sludge back from the right direction causing him to retrace his steps, Woodpecker & Slimcock for reaching their 11th r*ns (as usual EH3 were late in the awards)

359 got his down down as he invited Mother Sucker to view the inside of his small camper van only to return a few minutes later and exchanged their contact details!!!

CF received a down down to thank him for the picnic trail and he was presented a large portrait of Graham Gooch, signed by both the artist & Goochie that is to be hung on the pavilion wall.

What a great evening, On On Sooty