

## **Run #2122, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January, The Whalebone, South Woodham Ferrers**

### **Hares:- Fourplay & Fag After**

It was a freezing cold night as the 23 hashers gathered at the Whalebone in South Woodham Ferrers. It was only the 6<sup>th</sup> time we had hashed from the pub, and the first for fourteen years!

I was the hare, and when I arrived at 5.30 the road was absolutely gushing with water, from a burst water main nearby. I parked up at the pub and set off to lay the trail – it was already minus 2 degrees – and I was worried about all the water laying around the pub – and therefore changed the route to go left instead of right.

An hour later and the trail was laid – and hashers were gathering, Compressed Fart and Corpse were in the pub – but had already messaged the hashers to say that we couldn't park at the pub due to the flood and that the walkway was now treacherous! This was then proven as Pulled Out, Basil & Small Prick all managed to fall over on their way to the pub!

At 7pm we circled up inside the pub, and the runners set off on their way – and I was amending the in-route as we went – so we avoided the floods and got back to the cars safely! The Knitting Circle, led by Fag After, had a short walk to the Railway pub where the real beer stop was held outside – but in the meantime, the walkers went inside for a quick half and a warm up!

By the time the runners arrived, only a couple of hardy souls were waiting alongside Fag After, but we all tucked in to the beers, and very firm toblerone & fruit pastels. Luckily 359 also provided some hot chocolate – which went down very well! It was then the final half mile or so back to the pub – and a chance to warm up!

Once at the pub, we were joined by EMF, and it was time for the down downs. There were two numbers – 50 for Comes Not a Lot, and 600 for Frogman, as well as Pulled Outs late birthday. Pulled Out, Basil & Small Prick also had down downs for their falls, and Froggy had another down down for his luminous light – which seemed to light up the whole of South Woodham! Fag After & Fourplay also got down downs, for actually setting a trail despite all of the obstacles in the way! Another successful hash!!

On! On!

Fourplay