

LONG DISTANCE WALKERS ASSOCIATION

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SURREY GROUP

REPORT & RESULTS of the 30m & 40m PUNCHBOWL MARATHONS - 31.1.88

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Entries & Results: John Westcott
Refreshments: Tom Anderson, Mary Kent, Joan Wrenn, Barbara Ellingham,
 Caroline Donn, Mervyn Harvey, Mrs Ann Beeching, Mrs Linda Dixon,
Start, Checkpoints + Finish Registrations: John Westcott, Mrs Leslie
Nightingale, John Kent, John Short, Mrs Gillian Bull, Mrs Rita Russell
In the Kitchen: Bob + Vi Allen, Bob Brown.
Certificate & Badge Artwork: Christine Butterfield.
Path Clearance: Jeff, John Robinson, Bob Brown, Nigel Robinson.

Entries 314

Starters 258

Finishers 252

We were once again very lucky with the weather this year. Like last year we were given a really glorious day in which to enjoy our scenic Surrey Countryside. Last year the ground was a bit hard whilst this year the great volume of surface water that had been in evidence during the week had, in the most part, been evaporated by the strong winds; leaving a residue of mud.

Saturday was a fine dry day and the prospect of a good day encouraged 50 to enter on the day. Every year the uncertainty of how many will enter on the day causes problems with the ordering of refreshments + printing of Route Descriptions. I realise that personal circumstances can change in the days leading up to an Event, but all Organisers would, I'm sure, appreciate a higher percentage of pre-entries. Apart from helping the Organisers you would also get a more accurate and up-to-date picture of the Event. Would those that entered on the day this year please make the effort to pre-enter next year, as I would hate to have to say "No Entries on-the-day" in future.

Despite no short alternative this year we had a magnificent entry, and only one entrant finished outside the 11 hour limit. I think this shows that the majority prefer a plain 30 miler without frills. The short course will NOT be re-introduced as the car parking space will not hold many more. This Event will no doubt attract more and more each year if only because more and more walkers will hear about the LDWA and want to take advantage of what we have to offer. So PLEASE for this Event at least SHARE YOUR CAR WITH ANOTHER MEMBER IN FUTURE.

After 30.6 miles, with a great deal of mud followed by what seemed like fording a river at the 27.5 mile point, it was not surprising that only 13 ventured out for a further 10 miles. At least they were rewarded by a second welcoming smile from Linda Dixon at her Cottage in the Devil's Punchbowl. Husband Martin is to be congratulated on having the mental strength to walk away from his warm, inviting home to complete the last 5 miles to Witley. With 2 miles to go a dog took a fancy to Martin's Labrador 'TARA' and would not respond to plea's of 'Go Home'. This dog therefore ended up at Witley and it took quite some time to trace the owners by a door to door search system.

Due to the unusually good road conditions, for this time of year, only 15 entrants needed to sleep in the Hall on Saturday night. I know this facility is much appreciated so will continue offering it in future.

The Event itself seemed to go fairly smoothly for most. We decided that keeping a check on everybody's progress through each checkpoint was best handled by those who realized the importance of the safety element. So we recruited mainly members from within our own group rather than asking back the usual CB Club.

Under John Westcott's usual methodical guidance the system worked very well, but overall communication is difficult when there isn't a telephone at the Finish HQ. Therefore I am making enquiries (despite the high cost as I feel it would be advantageous for safety and peace of mind reasons) to pay for a phone to be installed in Chichester Hall for our personal use.

Only two items of missing gear this year. 1. A black woollen glove dropped early on. 2. A 4 ft maroon scarf.

I hope you all enjoyed this Event; and to those who have already written or said so on the day - Thankyou - it's nice to find that your efforts are appreciated. To be successful an Event needs lots of willing helpers (to dish out food, etc.), so next year please can YOU bring a friend to help, whilst YOU walk.

A REPORT FROM TONY YOUNGS

(Thanks Tony for the "Through the eyes of an entrant" Report - Jeff).

"I always look forward to reading the 'Punchbowl' Final Details, a document rich in good and avuncular advice. This year, as always, I did my best to avoid Jeff's eagle eye before I set off, lest I be disqualified for wearing three layers instead of the prescribed two, or because my 'favourite eats' were not exactly as specified, or because I had neglected to bring a mug. Luckily these transgressions went undetected."

It was a highly enjoyable Punchbowl. October's storm was not an unmitigated disaster. It opened up new vistas and caused Jeff to discover a first-rate new route. Efficient organisation; good company; excellent food (I cannot believe, despite the label on the tin, that cold Rice Pudding was the food of the Gods, but it certainly provides the walker with most acceptable fuel); warm drinks; long views (to Butser from Crooksbury's Topograph and to Reigate Hill from the Kettlebury Ridge); sunshine: what more could one ask?

Even the new Surrey Group Chairman, Tam (O'Shanter) Anderson seemed untroubled by his responsibilities as he looked benignly upon three of his predecessors in office creaking their superannuated ways round the course." - Tony Youngs

SURREY SUMMITS PATH CLEARANCE

A loop of the 1988 Surrey Summits route was chosen for this year's Punchbowl route to reduce the terrific amount of path clearance needed in order to hold the groups premier winter Events. The Eastern loop of the Summits still needs to be cleared and there is a lot of work to be done to make the route 'walkable' rather than 'climbable'.

Following an appeal in the 'Not the Winter Tanners' Results I have started a small list of Volunteers to clear the route. But I would like more... The worst section is between Dorking and Shere, and we deem this impassable at the moment. The previous section from The Winterfold also has some bad sections, but is in the main 'walkable' as it is possible to navigate around the fallen trees without losing sight of the path.

If we are to make an effort to clear these paths for our own Walk it seems only morally right (and sensible for our own long term use) that we do a good job first time. The most economical method of both time and energy would seem to be for someone with a chainsaw to cut their way through with the help of at least 2 others. Then either on the same day or at a later time other members can lift the cut wood off the paths, and trim up with bow saws where necessary. Some trees and their branches can be tackled of course by pruning saws alone.

Using a Chainsaw needs plenty of experience (if not a qualification certificate) so please do not volunteer to bring one along unless you are qualified - we don't want any of our members losing a toe or even a whole leg.

At the moment the plan is for John Robinson (Woking 67892) to use the chain saw and others to assist him. IF YOU CAN HELP IN ANY WAY please ask ME for a route description and either go out on your own OR ring John or me to find out which section we are working on at the moment. The chainsaw uses a lot of fuel and a lot of the sections are a long way of the road, so one of the jobs is to carry the fuel whilst John carries the heavy chainsaw.

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40 MILE FINISHERS (Hours and Minutes)

Martyn GREAVES (Sussex)	6.27	Thomas BROWNLEE	10.23
Mark PICKARD (Surrey)	6.42	Simon BROWNLEE	10.23
Peter HAMSON	7.20	Jill GREEN (Wessex)	11.29
Jeff CAMPBELL (LDWA)	7.28	Barrie MORGAN (Kent)	11.48
Cathy GUNNER	8.04	Richard HOTCHKISS (Wessex)	12.19
Derek EARL (Sussex)	9.07	Janet CHAPMAN	12.24
Alan WATERS (Sussex)	9.07	Jeff ELLINGHAM (29.1.88)	12.26

30 MILE FINISHERS AND 30 MILE TIMES (OF 40 MILERS) (Hours and Mins)

K TONKIN (LDWA)	4.32	A BELTON	4.43
Alistair DOYLE (LDWA)	4.32	Mark PICKARD (Surrey)	4.49
Martyn GREAVES (Sussex)	4.43	Frank THOMAS (LDWA)	5.06
Richard BROWN (Surrey WC)	4.43	Erik FALCK-THERKELSEN (Sy)	5.09
K HARDING (LDWA)	4.43	Peter HAMSON	5.09

David WHITEHEAD (Surrey)	5.15	Timothy STYLES (Cr YHA)	7.48
Keith HOLBE (SI Cas)	5.17	S HEARNDEN (Cr YHA)	7.48
Jeff CAMPBELL (LDWA)	5.17	Peter BARNETT (Kent)	7.48
Dave TILLEY (SI Cas)	5.19	Tony GORDON	7.51
Trevor CIVIL (Surrey)	5.21	Dave READ	7.51
Peter CLEMENT (Guildford)	5.21	Tony HAYWARD	7.56
Paul VINBY (Guildford)	5.21	Maurice HASTED	7.56
Nigel ROBINSON (Surrey)	5.28	Graham ROWLING (BBW)	7.57
Alan WHEELER	5.34	Anthony TAYLOR	7.59
Will WITT	5.38	K METCALFE	7.59
K WHITTLE (LDWA)	5.38	R WILSON	8.00
Mike GRANT	5.38	Elizabeth HIGGINS (Surrey)	8.01
Chris HAINES (Surrey)	5.41	Dan HADFIELD (Surrey)	8.01
Bob EASTAUGH (Feltham P)	5.48	Len WILSON (Kent)	8.01
Jon MOORE	5.49	K ROWETH (Kent)	8.01
Cathy GUNNER	5.53	Jill GREEN (Wessex)	8.02
N NEMELE (BB&N)	5.54	Louise CARTWRIGHT (Surrey)	8.02
Steve FAWCETT (SI Cas)	6.01	Tony CARTWRIGHT (Surrey)	8.02
Dabbie COOPER (Wessex)	6.01	Martin FOX	8.02
Robert GUTTERIDGE (LDWA)	6.05	Barrie MORGAN (Kent)	8.02
Victor GUTTERIDGE (LDWA)	6.05	John WHITFIELD (Wessex)	8.04
Steve SHARP (LDWA)	6.05	Alan FIRTH (100km Assn)	8.08
Mike PARKS	6.15	Bryan CLARKE (Kent)	8.09
Jeffrey REID (Surrey)	6.16	Derek BOUGHEY (Sussex)	8.10
Peter SHORT (Surrey)	6.18	Chris COATES (Surrey)	8.11
James CRAWFORD (Surrey)	6.18	Colin COOK	8.11
John ROBINSON (Surrey)	6.20	Alexander JOHNSTON	8.11
Ralph HENLEY (Surrey)	6.20	Mike SHEPHERD	8.12
David HOWSE (Wessex)	6.24	Dave CHALLENGER (Surrey)	8.12
Jenny HOWSE (Wessex)	6.24	Graham HEMSLEY (Wessex)	8.14
Nigel COATES (Sussex)	6.24	John CLARKE (Th Valley)	8.19
Joseph GROOME	6.24	Duncan SMITH (Surrey)	8.19
Christine GRAY	6.25	Peter WEST-KELSEY (Kent)	8.19
Derek EARL (Sussex)	6.29	Nicholas BOX	8.20
Alan WATERS (Sussex)	6.29	Keith NOBLE (E/Herts)	8.20
D CASHMORE (Staffs)	6.40	Howard DOWNING	8.22
Sylvia HACKNEY (Staffs)	6.40	Paul SHAKECHAFT	8.22
Rex STICKLAND (Kent)	6.41	Michael HARMAN (Kent)	8.22
Val BELTON (Kent)	6.41	David ADAMS	8.22
Gillian BORTHWICK	6.44	Trevor BLAKE	8.23
Paul BORTHWICK	6.44	Peter RICKARDS (Kent)	8.23
Mike GREGSON (Staffs)	6.45	David JOHNSON	8.24
George FOOT (Dev/Corn)	6.50	K KEMP (LDWA)	8.24
James PALMER (Surrey)	6.51	Patricia MASON (Staffs)	8.25
Peter YOUNG (Surrey)	6.55	Jack ALLEN (Staffs)	8.26
Tom STAGLES (Read's Jog's)	6.56	Brian BUTTIFANT (Kent)	8.26
Martin CRAWLEY (E/Herts)	7.00	Jim DUNSTER (Surrey)	8.26
Peter OGDEN	7.02	Tony YOUNGS (Surrey)	8.27
Alan TAPLIN	7.02	Mike PAINTER (Sherwood)	8.29
Trevor GUNNER	7.04	John TOMSEN	8.29
Paul GREGORY (Ranelagh)	7.05	Derek WISDOM	8.30
Andrew SEDDON (Surrey)	7.19	Gordon FACER (Anglian)	8.30
Norman ARCHER (Ranelagh)	7.24	Paul HATCHER (Kent)	8.31
Mike POWELL DAVIES	7.24	Neal O'ROURKE (Kent)	8.31
Thomas BROWNLEE	7.37	Joe CORFIELD (BB&N)	8.32
Simon BROWNLEE	7.37	John CORFIELD (E/Herts)	8.32
E G BROWNING (Surrey)	7.38	Peter BROOKES	8.32
Dudley STEBBINGS	7.42	Graham BROOKS (Sussex)	8.34
Don NEWMAN (Surrey)	7.42	Tim MAGGS (Sussex)	8.34
Don SCOTT (Kent)	7.45	Peter COOKE (CLOG)	8.35
Keith CHESTERTON (Surrey)	7.47	Marshall WILLEN (Surrey)	8.35

Anthony PEART	8.36	Chris GOODMAN (E/Herts)	9.20
Sarah PEART	8.36	Angue MacARTHUR (Surrey)	9.20
Peter ENGLDOW (Kent)	8.37	Hugh ROMER (E/Herts)	9.20
Brian HAIGH (Surrey)	8.37	Renate ROMER (E/Herts)	9.20
Janet CHAPMAN	8.41	Steve WYLIE	9.20
G THOMPSON (Surrey)	8.41	Paul BAUNGARTNER (Wessex)	9.23
R ALLEN (Surrey)	8.41	Mark JOHNSON (Dev/Corn)	9.26
Brian RUSSELL (E/Herts)	8.41	Marcus ROGERS (E/Herts)	9.35
Lawrie LOWE (Kent)	8.42	Dave COWLEY (Kent)	9.36
John PROBERT (Kent)	8.42	Maira RICKARDS (Kent)	9.36
Peter HUGHES (Surrey)	8.43	David YOUNG (CR YHA)	9.36
Stuart HARDING (E/West)	8.44	A MOORE (Sussex)	9.42
Yong Choo TAY (Surrey)	8.44	L CAMPBELL (Sussex)	9.44
Robert CAMERON-WOOD	8.44	A NAYLOR (Sussex)	9.44
Michael BAKER (WFRS)	8.44	R PENFOLD (Sussex)	9.45
Ronald CORKHILL (Kent)	8.44	Richard COATSWORTH (Sussex)	9.45
Dave GREEN (Wessex)	8.45	Alan WILLIAMSON (Sussex)	9.46
Mike SMITH (Kent)	8.46	Martin DIXON (Surrey)	9.49
Kevin BROMLEY (Surrey)	8.46	Peter HIGGINS (Surrey)	9.49
Jim ASHWORTH	8.47	Anthony SHOTTER (Surrey)	9.51
Jerome HAGEN (Surrey)	8.47	S VERRILL (Kent)	9.51
Ken OVETT (D&WRC)	8.47	Jonathon COMBER (RA-BH)	9.51
Krai CHATAKRA	8.49	Ivan VERRELL (Kent)	9.52
Richard HOTCHKISS (Wessex)	8.49	Wayne DIXON	9.52
Jeff ELLINGHAM (29.1.88)	8.50	J NICKERSON (BB&N)	9.52
John GEORGE (T Valley)	8.51	Kenneth STYAN (Surrey)	9.56
Eric ROLFE (E/Herts)	8.52	Michael ATTWELL (Kent)	9.56
Bobbie ANDREWS (Sussex)	8.52	Graeme CROVE (E/Herts)	9.56
Elaine EDWARDS (Sussex)	8.52	Nick WOOLLETT	9.58
Len WILLCOCKS	8.54	Roy BARNSLEY (Surrey)	10.03
David WOODYER (LDWA)	8.54	Olive BARNSLEY (Surrey)	10.03
Roger MOSS (Surrey WC)	8.55	Norman LINES (LDWA)	10.06
Ian DITCHFIELD (D&WRC)	8.55	John ELRICK (Surrey WC)	10.07
Ian McLEOD (Surrey)	8.59	Gail ELRICK (Surrey WC)	10.07
Phil HASTINGS (Kent)	9.00	Bob GLANDFIELD (Surrey)	10.08
Brian ADCOCK (E/Herts)	9.01	Ian HUNT	10.11
Colin HAYWARD (E/Herts)	9.01	Lorraine HUNT	10.11
Barry GUFFOGG (Surrey WC)	9.02	Harold GRAY (T Valley)	10.13
Bill GRACE (Surrey)	9.02	Lynne SYDES (Surrey WC)	10.14
Ray BOLTON (Staffs)	9.03	D JEFFERS (Surrey)	10.24
David FEE (Wessex)	9.06	John GREENHALGH	10.26
Arthur ATTWOOD (Wessex)	9.06	Francis ROSS BUSH	10.36
Paul BOURNE (Kent)	9.08	Julya COMBER (RA-BH)	10.39
David SHELDRAKE (Kent)	9.10	Robin DAY	10.40
Tony TWYMAN (E/Herts)	9.10	John HADDOCK (LDWA)	10.40
Ivan WAGHORN (Kent)	9.10	Terry KNAGG (Surrey)	10.41
Ed LARKIN (E/Herts)	9.12	David THOMAS	10.42
Maureen LARKIN (E/Herts)	9.12	I TIPLADY	10.42
Damion LARKIN (E/Herts)	9.12	Mavis MARSHALL (Sussex)	10.45
Peter WINDSOR (LDWA)	9.13	Diana WARLAND (Sussex)	10.45
Cuff GARNHAM (LDWA)	9.13	Maurice FAIRCLOTH (Kent)	10.54
Chris LEWIS	9.15	Roger MULLALEY (Kent)	10.54
E C STRATTON (LDWA)	9.15	Mike SMART (BB&N)	10.57
Julie BOLWELL (Sussex)	9.16	Kate CHAPMAN	10.59
Chris STODDART (Hast Runrs)	9.16	Alan CALLOW	11.00
John WHARTON	9.18	C OMEROD (E/Herts)	11.00
Bernard GREEN	9.18	Reg CHAPMAN	11.00
Dave BRIDGER (Surrey)	9.19	Clifford WILLIAMS (Sussex)	11.05

Retirements: Robin CULVERHOUSE (Wessex), Roy DILLIWAY, Paul DOUGLAS, Chris MORGAN, David CHUBB (Basingstoke), P KEMBLE (BB&N).