

28th January 2010

Run Number 141 Upton Station

The Pack: Snoozanne, Madhatter, Carthief (Hare), FCUK, Compo, Tia Maria, OTT, Wigan Pier, Sprog.

The Pack had assembled in the drizzle except for **Wigan Pier** who was talked to the start via a mobile phone. It was reckoned that just getting her to the start was enough of a Trail.

The Hare explained the markings in case anyone had forgotten them



followed by a Hash Flash with Wigan Pier trying to hide FCUK's reflective





At least that was her excuse.

Off went the Pack. The Hare (as usual) had set enough initial falsies to keep the Pack guessing for so long that **Tia Maria** started to question the possibility of a Trail at all.

Eventually the trail was found up Upton Road and through a castellation before entering an unnamed wood and out onto West Road.

A falsie up one side of the road with the real trail up the other pavement had **Wigan Pier** slightly flummoxed. Up to Noctorum Lane and through the Wirral Ladies Golf Club arriving on Bidston Road.

A Buddhist Retreat had the Pack posing for a Flash, and **Snoozanne**'s jokes about "Om Back" and the response to "Where are we" "Near Varna" had the remainder of the Pack retreating.



Several false trails later and the Pack arrived at the base of Bidston Hill. Up to the Lighthouse / Observatory and onto the ominous sign



The Hare had reckoned that no one would be around at that time (which proved correct). The hole through the wall was adequate (even for **Compo**)















Even **Mad Hatter** managed the gap and it only looks as if **Snoozanne** has broken her neck.

On to the top and a slightly damp view of Liverpool before moving along to the lighthouse where the opening times were displayed





And Hash Flash failed again to get a legible photo of the plaque.

FCUK and **Madhatter** found the Trail down to the road and the roundabout but made their way along Upton Road (a much shorter route). The remainder of the Pack were caught in a falsie before descending to the roundabout. They followed the trail through what looked to be called Manor Green but the area did not live up to the imagined salubriousness.

The ON INN was spotted and a lengthy run in followed.



Snoozanne almost surpassed herself with haggis, vegetarian Haggis, tatties (all hot) and whisky to improve the taste of the haggis.

Madhatter and FCUK appeared



Sprog called the circle to order

The Hare for the run

Wigan Pier for the run that never was. (Cancelled due to snow)

Carthief and **Sprog** for being in warmer climes (Bahamas and Dubai respectively)

Carthief, Sprog, and **Snoozanne** for birthdays. **Carthief** announced that he would be getting his bus pass, to which there was utter amazement. The general feeling was that he was confused and that it was his children who

were getting the bus pass.

Snoozanne for the Haggis.

