

## **Run 231, 4<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

### **Great Broughton - Thong and Rent Boy**

Nearly 11am, overcast and damp, no Hares in sight and the pack were yelping and straining on their leads. But we were soon off, pounding the tarmac into Great Broughton, past a dodgy-looking pub. The walkers then split off leaving only four runners (Coral, G-string, Weakender and Highway) - who almost immediately met up with Forever Blowing and Bubbles from Lune Valley, who'd appeared as if from thin air. On down to the Derwent, meeting the walkers again, and east along the bank for some fine views before veering back into the woods and fields and muddy tracks. The mid-hash daze set in for a while, suddenly interrupted by hitting upon a major highway! Where were we? Surely such a wide fast road couldn't be coming out of Broughton? Surely the route was straight across onto the grassy lane opposite...? Yes, you guessed – along the road, but then a pleasant detour past a delightful pond reclaimed from opencast workings, before the descent into a smart housing estate, bedraggled and steaming, looking for the elusive On In. Back past that pub instead, while the Hare had set off up the real On In to look for us! Then back to the pub, which of course wasn't at all dodgy, with real ale, a real fire and superb home-made food – a fine way to end an excellent hash.

Thanks to Mrs Thong and Harriet for the food contributions.

On, on,

Weakender