Goldhanger West Cache Trail – Final Instructions

Thanks for registering for our meet and trail this Saturday. We have endeavoured to provide you with a fun day of alternative caching and look forward to seeing you at the start.
More details about the day are shown below. We hope you have a good time.

Anne Culverwell (aka Kitty Cachers)
Ray Crowther (aka Schoolfrenz)

Registration:

Registration and breakfast will be open from 09:00 inside the Chequers Inn. Please arrive no later than 10:00.

You may park in the Inn car park or on street safely nearby. If possible travel with other cachers to reduce the number of vehicles.

Free "breakfast" tickets have been allocated to the first 40 registrants; otherwise refreshments may be purchased at the start for a modest exchange of coinage.

At registration you'll receive a folder containing: a list of inter-cache Route Instructions (see below); 22 sealed panic envelopes; your score card for the day; a map of Chigborough Lakes Nature Reserve; instructions for finding the three caches in the reserve; a free cache greetings card (courtesy of Mrs Schoolfrenz).
Also help yourself to free homemade munchies to nibble during the day (courtesy of the senior Kitty Cacher).

Start Time:

Your start time is shown on the entry list below.

For each team there is: an anticipated start time; cacher name; (number of caches found @ May 14; number in party; number of breakfast tickets allocated).

The start order has been determined by the teams "caching experience" i.e. the sum of the number of caches found by the team members. The theory is that the lesser experienced (slower?) start first so that everyone reaches the finish at the same time. Unlikely, but it's our best stab at having a communal gathering at the end.

You're on the seeded list even if you are not interested in doing the whole course or are not bothered about the competitive part of the trail.

Teams will leave at two minute intervals to avoid too much bunching up.
We are starting a little earlier than planned at 09:44.so if you arrive on time you'll have a minimum of 40 minutes to natter and enjoy breakfast.

Finish Time:

Well, that depends on you. Anne and Ray will be at the Chequers Inn from 12:30 to welcome you back. We won't leave until we've counted you all back in. If you retire early please call Anne's mobile (see Rescue Service below) to avoid us sending out a search party.

Caches:

There are nine small/regular containers and the rest are micros of various shapes and disguises. The smaller log sheets being robust and new might be a tight fit, so bring a pair of tweezers to avoid mangling them too much.

Some of the larger caches contain a Schoolfrenz and Kitty Cachers collectable Pathtag. Please take ONE as a memento of the day.

Prizes:

Anne says there are many and wondrous and comprise at least: commemorative mugs, new TB dog tags and caching greetings cards.

Certainly the best three competitive scores and best tale of the day will be rewarded. Then get your logs posted and photos uploaded quickly after the event because the best will also receive a post-event increase in their assets.

There is a special prize to anyone who leaks a hint to the organisers which leads to the successful discovery of the Scarecrow's Revenge cache.

It is rumoured that if your name is Bob and you present certificates to successful cachers you may qualify for some kind of trinket.

Any remaining prizes will be awarded at Kitty's absolute and unarguable discretion.

Route Instructions:

The route to cache 1 is instruction 1.

On the log sheet at cache 1 there will be an "L" number, say 13. Look at instruction 13 from the list - this will be your descriptive route to cache 2. At cache 2 there will be another L number e.g. 28 - this will be your route to cache 3; and so on.

Record the L numbers (including those at the final cache and in Chigborough Nature Reserve) on your score card as proof you found the cache.

If you can't find the descriptive way to, say, cache 3, open panic envelope 3 to reveal the coordinates and a hint. By opening the envelope you will forsake a credit of 5 minutes to your overall trail time.

Bring all your unopened envelopes to the finish to claim your credits.

FTFs:

Since you are starting at different times, accurately reflecting FTFs is a little complicated. So here's what we'll do.

There will be a big clock at registration synchronised to BBC time. Set your watch to this time. (Of course, if you've got a GPSr you will have an accurate timepiece anyway).

At each cache (optionally) *record the time of your find* on your score card. Also work out the time taken from the start to make the find.

At the finish we'll post the FTFs based upon the minimum find times.
No time recorded – no FTF.

Cache Greetings Cards

Hand-made cache greetings cards by Christine (Mrs Schoolfrenz) will be on sale at registration (see website at http://infin.ity.me.uk/Cards/CacheCards.php) to preview the cards available.

Rescue Service:

If you get stuck during the day and want to be given a lift back to the start/finish, make your way to the nearest public road and call Anne's mobile number in your documentation.
This applies only if you are fatigued; as usual call 999 if you need emergency help.

Seeded Entry List & Start Times (as at 00:30 May 20, 2011)

09:44 antntracey (15,2,-)
09:46 ianbp (60,1,-)
09:48 Dixie Lily1 (102,2,2)
09:50 Silver Horde ("215",2,2)
09:52 Rob_Anna (298,2,2)
09:54 Shirst (362) + Pipsta (47) (409,2,1)
09:56 chequerdog (504,2,2)
09:58 carlst (695,1,1)
10:00 rallisalli & hawkeye (749,2,-)
10:02 happileigh (793,1/2?,1)
10:04 PeCeH (817,2,2)
10:06 windywetmud (890,2,-)
10:08 Norbergs (618) + The Jeffery Clan (312) (930,3,-)
10:10 Red Duster (1,1,1)
10:12 a1nnie (1340,1,1)
10:14 landda (331) + cookie cook (596) + stephia4 (577) (1504,3,-)
10:16 tyke (656) + Loony Londo (1147) (1803,2,-1)
10:18 Stones2005 (1872,2,2)
10:20 cbailey8 (591) + GrooveFactor5 (922) + Alanswright (415) (1928,3,3)
10:22 Wilcox (2043,1,1)
10:24 mcwomble (2296,1,1)
10:26 gillywig (1561) + kevanjue (760) (2321,3,3)
10:28 HollynCharlie (3462,1,2)
10:30 vanguard3 (2018) + gspleo (1483) (3501,2,2)
10:32 Cassandy (3508,2,2)
10:34 helennbrian (4756,4,4)
10:36 mel-ray (5000,2,2)
10:38 cazmockett (1235) + Alibags (6403) (7638,2,1)

53 people in 28 teams

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