

CHILTERN KANTER 2023

EVENT REPORT

The 22nd Chiltern Kanter was held on Sunday 5th March for the 205 participants who had arrived at Pitstone Memorial Hall at sunrise on a cool morning. There were 231 expected based on bookings from SiEntries. This represents an 89% turn-out on the day and all finished with no retirements. The Short route had 59 complete 13 miles; Medium route had 51 complete 18 miles and Long route had 95 complete 26 miles. Also, 26 participants had the honour of receiving the CK-HH-PM Triple Challenge badge. The weather throughout the day remained cool, dry and reasonably sunny, which made for ideal conditions for the Kanter.

There were 24 Marshal's on hand to help with the event. A problem was immediately spotted in the kitchen before participants arrived at Pitstone. The hot water Urn had a message reading "Out of Order. Reported 23/02/23". This meant we could only use slow boil kettles to prepare tea and coffee for participants. Another problem occurred simultaneously when we found there wasn't enough bowls for both stew and dessert. Both problems resolved by DFH who returned to MK to fetch the BBN urn and bowls from the Equipment cupboard. More problems occurred late morning at Aldbury CP, when the Disabled toilet flooded which also affected the Ladies toilet. Marshals were on hand to mop and clear the spillage. From that point, participants at Aldbury could only use the Gents toilet.

Other issues during the day were: The Defibrillator at Pitstone Hall kept buzzing and flashing (unusable?) and space to store prepared food at Wigginton was very limited.

Response from the Aldbury Memorial Hall manager:

"They found a blockage in the sewer pipe near some of the neighbouring cottages. It's my understanding that this issue was unique and is unlikely to happen again"

Response from the Pitstone Memorial Hallmaster:

"I believe both issues, the Urn and the Defibrillator, are being sorted swiftly, as we also want to keep our popular hall up to spec for the community. Thank you for your concern"

Marshal Information:

Can I thank Checkpoint managers Mary Knight at Aldbury & Gill Bunker at Wigginton for offering their selection of food and drink which was praised by many participants. A thank you to Karen Earwicker at Pitstone for preparing a final course of vegetable stew and fruit dessert which participants really enjoyed. A thank you also to Merrian & Dave for the process of registration and certificates at Pitstone. And finally a very big thank to all our other Marshal's for attending to participant requirements:

Norman Corrin, Mike Hyland, Alan Leadbetter, Brian Chandler, John Davies, Philip Vidler, Dennis Knight, Gordon Shaughnessy, Chris Burns, Therese Jamin, Jackie Burnett, Beryl & Mike Bowley, Sarah Feal, Terry Brown, Dave & Lynn Yorston and Alison Roberts

Chiltern Kanter Finances:

Total Income: £1926.18 Total Expenditure: £1255.06

Surplus: £671.12

Total Income			Total Expenditure		£1,255.06
SI Entries Receipt – December	£283.50	£283.50			
SI Entries Receipt – January	£393.00	£676.50			
SI Entries Receipt – February	£483.75	£1,160.25	Source of expenditure		
SI Entries Receipt – March	£665.93	£1,826.18	BBN	£680.00	
	£0.00	£1,826.18	Mary Knight	£131.04	
Pitstone Hall – Damages Deposit – Refund	£50.00	£1,876.18	Gill Bunker	£193.47	
Wigginton Hall – Damages Deposit – Refund	£50.00	£1,926.18	Roy Carter	£250.55	
			Total	£1,255.06	
			Balance of Income vs Expenditure	£671.12	