**Sundon Saunter - Sunday 20th November 2022**

**Entries**. 13 non-LDWA. More than 100 first-timers.

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|  | Expected | non-starters | n/s % | starters | retired | completed |
| overall | 247 | 9 | 3.64 | 238 | 2 | 236 |
| 13 mile | 46 | 1 | 2.17 | 45 | 0 | 45 |
| 18 mile | 42 | 2 | 4.76 | 40 | 0 | 40 |
| 27 mile | 159 | 6 | 3.77 | 153 | 2 | 151 |

18 people achieved their first triple certificate and badge, 9 their second and 5 their third.

**WhatsApp** Used for the first time to communicate between marshals, worked really well. Used to send the non-starter and route change sheet to checkpoints..

**A few things to sort out for next time.**

Although we make it clear that we don’t allow substitutions, a couple of people did that.

Although we make it clear that people must know where the checkpoints are, two people

missed cp1 by only following a gps. Two others missed cp1 but they went wrong.

Although we make it clear that people must not retire without letting us know, someone did that.

**Lost property.** Photos on BBN website and Facebook. One item posted. Two items returned via Sara.

**Finances: Dave Yorston**Total income from entries after SiEntries charges £2446.41
Total provisions costs £598.29
Total hall and parking cost £397.00
Total other costs £43.24
Therefore total expenditure £1038.53

The excess from the event £1478.88

We then sent £130.00 to the East Anglian Air Ambulance (£30.00 from sale at the AGM, £71.00 from tea money and £29.00 from walk excess)
We also sent £100.00 to the LDWA.

Therefore the total excess that went into our account was £1278.88

**Routes: David Sedgley**The closure of the old route up the side of Smithcombe Hill and opening of a longer one, added half a mile and a steep hill to the early part of the route.

My discovery of the medieval village hall in Chalton meant a diversion from the route previously used via Fancott was possible. This shortened the route through Sundon Quarry and meant there was less to mark on the morning. Previously I’d always marked it the day before – then just checked it on the day. It also meant we could use CP1 on the short route rather than CP3 as in the past.

My preferred route between Wingfield & Tebworth had a line of very dodgy stiles, which the newly appointed Rights of Way officer was able to change to kissing gates. This shortened this part of the route by about 400 metres & also made it more obvious. Lyndsay, the new ROW officer, had got the Ripple group to clear through all the overgrown hedge gaps previously.

**Many thanks to all our marshals.**

**Registration** – Dave Findel-Hawkins, Andrew Boulden, Graham Missing, Jim Morrison and Merrian Lancaster

**Car parking** – Brian Leyton, Phil Vidler, Mike Hyland. Alan Leadbetter and Roy Carter

**Kitchen** – Sandra Hyland, Karen Earwicker, Dave Yorston, Liz Sheffield and Phil Vidler

**HQ** – Gordon Shaughnessy, John Davies. Roy Carter, Terry Brown, Mike Hyland and Norman Corrin
**Sweep from CP2** - Alan Leadbetter

**CP1 Chalton on all routes**

Marshals: Gill Bunker, Jackie Burnett, Beryl Bowley, Mike Bowley. Rachel Martin, Sarah Feal

**CP2 Milton Bryan** on Long route only

Marshals: Mary Knight, Dennis Knight, Alan Leadbetter, Gordon Shaughnessy, Andrew Boulden

**CP3 Harlington Scout Hut** on Medium and Long routes

Marshals: Terry Brown, Sara Waldron, Val Thompson, Mooi and Peter Simon, Mike Hyland and John Davies.