**Golders Green Tube to Muswell Hill, Wednesday 1st June 2016**

8 walkers, 7 miles – leader Peter Russell

This was a walk straight to the warmth of the pub on an overcast evening when even the rhododendrons had lost their sparkle compared to my walk-out last week but the company and art works made up for the return of winter.

At Golders Hill Zoo a recreation of Dungeness beach with beach huts on shingle reminded us all of summer except the seagulls were replaced by White Egrets and a Sacred Ibis.  At Hill House pergola the protected view of Harrow was invisible but the Shard was just visible by the time we got to Kenwood House.  Here Douglas's dog won a play fight with another bantam weight spaniel on points with Dave as referee.

A swift walk through Highgate woods took us to the de-luxe Wetherspoons of Muswell Hill. Here we grabbed the last long table. The youngest person on this all-male walk appreciated his cheap buttermilk chicken and Guinness whilst the old lags drank Jail Ale from Dartmoor.

P.S. Rod asked me how to get back to Finsbury Park but declined my suggestion of following the Parkland walk with a poor excuse of having just completed that well-known 100-mile event.

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