

East Sussex Morris Minor Club

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Rally 2011

Sunday 8th May 2011
Blackberry Farm, Whitesmith, East Sussex



Despite a heavy downpour during the night, and a pretty awful forecast for the day, we were, once again, extremely lucky with the weather at our 28th Annual Rally, which was held once again at Blackberry Farm.

At 2.30pm on Saturday the official proceedings began, with a 40 mile run out. After the run out, BBQs a-plenty were fired up – this year, despite it being a tad overcast, was much warmer than the icy temperatures we endured last year.

As always, our hosts Paul and Karen left the park open for us, and this year we were able to take advantage of it – it's brilliant for the younger members being able to have a whole adventure play area to themselves, and even some of us older members tested out the giant bouncy pillow – well, there was no one looking, was there?!

This year we moved from inside the horse field to the area just outside. The reason behind this move was that the field was a little rough and uneven, and would definitely be boggy if it rained, whereas the area outside the field was flat and grassy.

Cars were soon pouring in, and this year we were lucky in that one of our young visitors and the farm owners' two daughters all had bikes, and seemed to enjoy leading the cars in. Never one to miss an opportunity to save my legs I soon had hi-viz vests strapped on them and Aidan, and together they provided this year's marshalling services – they were invaluable, and we really couldn't have done without them!

We had a steady flow of cars through the gate all morning, in total the attendees numbered about 55.

As usual we had a number of prizes, and this year they were awarded as follows:

Morris Minors

- 1st - M. Cowdrey
- 2nd - P. Cowling
- 3rd - A. Gould

Visitor

J. Turner

Car most people would like to take home

M. Kellaway

Furthest Distance Travelled

D. Pittman – 63 miles

Extra congratulations have to go to Mr Pittman, for still managing to get here despite a breakdown and subsequent delay on the way down.

We hope everyone enjoyed the day - we certainly did, despite the hard work! We had a great turn out in the end, so much so that we did end up struggling for space (the committee did some creative shuffling with their cars), but rather that than too few cars.

Again, thanks to Paul, Karen and family for hosting the event, and to all our helpers.











