

## FROM RUNNERS' WORLD WEBSITE

### The big picture 2007 (19 votes)

Overall score	99%
How many would do it again?	100%
Details:	
Scenery	84%
PB potential	76%
Atmosphere	88%
Organisation	83%
Value	83%
Beginner-friendliness	87%

**In short:** Jolly.

**In full:** This is a happy friendly low-key 5 miler that is unmissable. Good pre-race atmosphere on the village green, then up past the farmyard to the start.

A varied course takes you along quiet lanes to the new village then off-road into the mostly shaded country park (excellent viewing points over the northern Weald and the Medway valley). One short sharp incline, a little bit of softer ground then generally downhill for a mile and a bit to the finish by the village green.

Local character (and characters) and the general Hashers' vibe make this quite joyful. A PB every time I turn up here. Medals are usually the best.

**In short:** Another good year !

**In full:** I enjoyed this year very much. Managed another PB. Will be back next year.

**In short:** Harvel pulls it off again

**In full:** Been back several times now and I like the course, the atmosphere and the fact that it's on a Saturday. Harvel is the Kent village that time forgot, so there's very little traffic, some chocolate box houses, a village green, pub and cricket pitch and that's all. Support it next year.

**In short:** Always a great race, and watching cricket from pub garden finished the day off.

**In short:** a nice friendly race, will be back for more

**In full:** a nice friendly run through the woods.  
a very nice way to spend a Saturday afternoon.  
will be back next year.

**In short:** Great atmosphere, no pressure race.

**In full:** Super run mainly through the country park shading us from the heat of the day. Well organised and great to have the jelly babies, beer tent and WI cakes at the end.

**In short:** Lovely setting nice mix of trail & road. Good day for runners and spectators. Some encouraging marshalls thanks to them! jelly babies and water very welcome at the end. Start a little crowded and slow but enjoyed it lovely day, be back next year

**In short:** Running through the woods and jelly babies? What more could you want? A brilliant race - highly recommended

**In short:** Great race

**In full:** My first event and was great. Beautiful village and scenery. Would definitely recommend for a first timer like me. Will definitely be back next year! The marshalls (and Police!) were great at encouraging you throughout. The weather was very hot but once you got to about mile 2 it was shaded more so got much better.

**In short:** Well organised race with excellent and encouraging marshalling. 1st time. I'll be back!

**In short:** Great mixed terrain run with terrific support.

**In short:** excellent way to spend a Saturday afternoon

**In full:** It's all been said, encouraging marshalls all the way round the course, plenty of people at the finish line, extremely well organised. Different types of terrain made the race interesting although that stretch from mile 2 to 3 seemed to go on forever

Also my first time at this event and i will be back next year

**In short:** Loved it.

**In full:** My first time for this race.....LOVED it. Loved the medal...as a plodder it was great to see so many people supporting the slower runners at the finish line...normally most people are leaving by the time I get in. The marshalls were really encouraging so thank you for all of your time. See you next year.

**In short:** Well organised race again - and thanks for the hot weather. Not!

**In full:** A great afternoon out and a very well organised event. Well marshalled with a cracking refreshment tent - and that beer tent was very tempting as well. Only problem is that I parked my mini in that field and I still can't find - it's in that grass somewhere!

**In short:** a bar at the finish line.....what bliss!

**In full:** rural 5 miler which was organised well and marshalled throughout with the police stopping all tractors.....erm traffic. a very hot day but plenty of water and a finish on the village green with a bar right next to the finish line for those that needed a thirst quenching. fantastic scenery overlooking the north downs (i think?) with the only gripe being a very crowded start with a mixture of fun runners and club runners at the front.....perhaps a wider bit of road. pb potential with the last mile downhill....i will be back next year!

**In short:** A great race, great atmosphere, a great day out.

**In full:** My first time for this race. Good organisation and friendly marshals on the course, thoroughly enjoyed myself today and will definitely do it again next year. Mind you, it was very hot out there today.

**In short:** Excellent friendly race with a lovely route through quiet kent villages and country park.

**In full:** My first time for this one and will defo be back next year, really enjoyed it. Just one tiny gripe that I was at the back at the start and didn't know it had started until everyone in front of me was running. The course was superb and the marshalls were really friendly and a brill medal at the end.

**In short:** Loved it

**In full:** Very friendly race lovely scenery, excellent marshalls, cant fault it at all. Will be back next year.