

The Harvel 5 2008

Comments from The Runners' World Harvel 5 Forum Pages

What a great afternoon. My 1st run for 6 weeks and even though my running partner and I were nearly at the back, (Nothing unusual there, even without any injury), we were cheered in like the winners of the marathon. Thanks to all who organised it and my partner enjoyed the beer at the water stop. We will do it again next year and bring others with us to enjoy the mud, fun and beers!

Yes great run - met fellow hashers there and actually shaved 2 mins off last year's time (no huge achievement given my speed!!) Ironman and all at HHHH-thanks and congratulations for putting on a fantastic race ! I first entered in 1999 and you've managed to create a race that is really great fun and genuinely different ! I'll save the rest of the compliments for the "ratings" page, but you fully deserve the great turnout yesterday and I look forward to reading the review in "Runner's World". The muddy conditions certainly made it different (I remember 1 or 2 years when the Country Park section was a "dustbowl") and in defense of the "splashers"-sometimes that's the only way to keep your footing when you run straight into a really wet, muddy section.

That was brilliant I loved the mud it added humour to the run I found it in my eyebrows afterwards lol. It has to be my favorite run so far and I will definitely enter next year. Thanks to all who organised it and well done.

My 3rd year of running this and it was just as good as ever! Slick organisation but low-key, it's a serious event that never takes itself too seriously! Well done to everyone who organised it, it's an event every local runner needs to have in their diary

Great stuff guys, this is my no 1 fave race. Can't wait til next year. Really enjoyed the puddles 😊 Had great fun splashing through them 🤪

Yes - agree - another great one. Always well organised, friendly & fun. Special this year - my 16 year old lad ran his first race. I paced him all the way around and we were doing fine until about 300 metres from the finish line - little swine pulled out a blistering turn of speed and left me for dead. Pocket money reduced this week, obviously..... well done HHHH - looking forward to next year.

Yes thanks HHHH - great organisation and marshals. Thanks for the down down - even managed to avoid the worst of the shiggy (mud to the rest of you)!!

From The Runners' World Harvel 5 Race Rating Pages

In short: Really nice atmosphere, very muddy though!

In full: This was my first race, nice and friendly! I feel encouraged to take part in more events!

In short: Great race - come and enjoy the atmosphere. A really nice, friendly event which is well worth doing

In full: A really nice event. Apart from one short steep hill, very flat (which is surprising given the terrain in the area) so definite PB potential. Good atmosphere on the village green beforehand and at the end.

PS. Well done to the organisers and the Police for making sure that the road sections were completely closed to traffic.

Outstanding race with a unique flavour

In full: If I wanted to introduce a new runner to the sheer joy of racing, this is the one I'd choose.

It manages to combine serious competition at the front in both the men's and women's fields, with amazing support and enjoyment for every runner.

It's a great Saturday afternoon out, with a top atmosphere both during and after the race.

Thanks to all at HHHH-you put on one of the "must do" races on the calendar.

In short: Great run, one of my favourites.

In short: First time but not my last. Fantastic support and a very friendly atmosphere. Brought the family along as well and hot dogs and ice creams were enjoyed a plenty. Looking forward to next year and got a PB.

In short: My first time and I really enjoyed it!

In full: Great atmosphere, friendly marshalls, great course, lots of encouragement, mud and then more mud but what fun. I shall be back for more next year!

In short: One of my favorite races

In full: A bit muddy this year.

Have done it for the last four years, will be back again next year.

Still trying to find out where the beer is served on the route.

In short: Fun and friendly - mix of road and track. Good for those wanting to make transition from 5K fun runs to something more challenging.

In short: Good atmosphere, ideal for first time runner.

In full: For a first time competitive race this was very good. No hidden nightmares, very straight forward. One slightly down side was the number of runners against made over taking quite hard in the narrow lanes.

Another brill day

In full: one of my favourites. Got a nice time a PB for this race

In short: Great race will be back the third time in 2009

In full: This is in my top 5 races for the year, enjoyed it just as much for the second time as the first.

In short: Excellent as usual

In short: makes a pleasant change .

In full: an unusual race. You do not get many races held on a Saturday afternoon. Also the organisation, a drinking club with a running problem, yet they know how to organise. More people may stay for the down downs if transport to and from the nearest railway station is organised, as there is no public transport to and from the village. Forget about a pb but with general atmosphere and scenery, who cares

In short: I loved this race!!!

In full: My first time doing this one and I loved it. Great course, great mud, great atmosphere. I can't wait til next time.

In short: had a great race very well organised lovely medal !!!

In short: 2nd Time for this one and loved every minute of it even the mud! Well organised and very friendly atmosphere be back for more next year thanks Harvel Hash House Harriers

In short: wonderful Afternoon

In full: Fantastic afternoon. My running partner and I rate this as our number 1 race. Treated like hero's when we crossed the line near the back. What a wonderful feeling. The best treatment we have ever received and Dave was so impressed with the beer at the water station. Lovely time and will do it again next year and bring others with us to enjoy the fun.

In short: Great atmosphere

In full: Totally enjoyed this again this year. Even got a pb. Perfect weather and really great support. Marshalls were very encouraging. Will be back again next year.

In short: A great race taking in country lanes and cross country.

In full: Friendly marshals, lots of mud and a nice medal, a great country race, I'll definitely be back next year!!

In short: An enjoyable way to spend Saturday afternoon!

In short: Loved it last year loved more this year

In full: This was the 2nd time for me...I love the fact that for a slower runner like me the support you get at the end is brilliant felt like I was the first person to cross the line...not many races give you that feeling...knocked at least 4 minutes off last years time.....be back next year.

In short: Great Stuff

In full: Really nice route and nice mixture of terrain. Managed my first sub 30 so really happy.

