

## ORGANISER'S REPORT

It was encouraging to see 19 participating groups or individuals arriving with bikes ready for the off. You all did very well on a course with lots of hills to negotiate. A few of the paths had rather more vegetation than ideal but you coped well with the conditions. I was particularly impressed by how many of you headed down the steep hill for control 69 for the answer Pyramidal Orchid .... and then back up afterwards.

Thanks also for the many of you that stayed for the prize giving. There were lots of prizes most generously provided to the event by Tri the Bike in Gravesend. Here is a link to their website for those interested in visiting in the future.

<http://trithebike.co.uk/#intro>

The event would not have taken place without the support of Andrew Baylis of West Kent Downs Countryside Trust and Richard Moyse of Ranscombe Farm Reserve. The combined area provided an opportunity for a two hour bike challenge without any road crossings and an opportunity to see the diverse range of trees, plants and birds in the area. During my mapping of the area, I came across a lone stag, a hare and, highlight of all, a badger wandering into a field mid afternoon. All this added to the pleasure I gained from organising the event.

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