

ANOTHER BOB GRAHAM 29/30th June 1985

Contenders: Allison Wright, Roger Moakes, Colin Henson, (all DPFR) and Dave Ramsden (Clayton-le-Moors)

For us blokes it was our second attempt and for Allison the first. It was rather busy on the hills at times as there were 31 runners taking part in attempts during the day. We passed the Skyrac team when they made a navigational error and went the wrong way round a traffic island!!

Our first problem was the descent of Lords Rake on Scafell. It was wet and slippery and we had a few non-climbers with us. Still, gravity helped. Dunmail was very busy with the various teams feeding themselves, and an invasion of Our first WAB of midgest

Colin scrounged some apricots and was immediately sick. What a way to say thank you to your backing.

Allison experienced her first problem on the ascent Dollywagon she didn't have any toilet paper. Pete Rogers in blunt Dark Peak manner told her that it was dark and there was plenty of grass, so get on with it and catch us up.

My Hi-Tec Silver Shadows gave up on the descent of Clough Head and I had to wear my best 'going-out' trainers for the awful last 12 miles. Still who cares when you've come so far.

Colin unfortunately had to retire at Threlkeld. Pete relieved the tension during the latter stages by demonstrating a 'dry' river crossing and ended up sitting (he said he was having a wash) in the water.

We all finished Allison Wright became the Graham round. Keswick in 23 hours 19 minutes and youngest lady complete the Bob Graham Round

Thanks to all my back-up team: Rob Sanby and Pete Rogers (Dark Peak), Robin Price (Clayton), Dave Gilbourne (U/A), and all the feeding station attendants (wives and mates).

Roger Moakes.