

Olympic Torch Pictures

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Despite it not being a public holiday, bigger crowds than on Carnival Day were out yesterday morning (24th May) to see the Olympic Torch passing through Ledbury on its first stop after spending the previous night in Gloucester:



However, the most impressive thing was the police presence - I lost count of the number of motorcycles:-



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Before the main entourage appeared, spectators were kept amused by a springy stilt walker:



Then there was a parade of sponsors' vehicles. It is interesting that only one sponsor in this parade was British (Lloyds Bank, now owned by all of us). Others were Samsung (whose vehicle incorporated a huge LED advertising screen on each side, accompanied by very loud muzak) and Coca-Cola (in a Coke bottle-shaped contraption). They were a bit parsimonious with their rather unhealthy product...

Here is the People's Retro Bus:

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The highlight of the torch relay was not having a local runner (Stuart Woodburn, from Worcester) posed



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