1. We had a bit of a walk to get to Cooper’s Hill after getting off the bus, and we fell in line with the masses going through Cotswolds Area of Natural Beauty
2. That’s the queue of people up ahead
3. I don’t know if I have a very accurate estimate for how many people actually showed up for the festival, but it felt like it was in the range of 2000-3000
4. Making our way to the hill
5. Beautiful place, it would be a shame if a bunch of people trashed it chasing dairy products
6. That’s Cooper’s Hill. It may not look terribly steep from here, but looking down from the top almost made me second-guess participating. Also, there is a massive crowd of people here already even before the first wheel of cheese has been rolled
7. The view from the top of Cooper’s Hill. Absolutely mad
8. Quite a few characters showed up to chase the cheese. T-Rex had to by personal favorite, he ran alongside me in the same race
9. Post-chasing the cheese. The hill has turned into a mudslide by the end of the afternoon
10. Chris Anderson, the living legend. This guy won all three of the men’s races of the day (including the final one that I ran in), bringing his career cheese total to 20. 20! He won his first one when he was 17 and has been coming back for the last 13 years. He is also a Brockworth local, keeping the cheese in its hometown
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12. Muddy
13. Me and my mate Anthony from Illinois having just participated in the world-renown spectacle that is the Cheese Rolling at Cooper’s Hill