

Wednesday, February 4, 2009

## EG's Ride



Four riders met at Low Bridge Knarborough. Peter B, Norman, Eric and Dave P. On arrival riders expressed view that roads were clear and traffic seemed reduced (probably due to schools being closed). It was decided to head for Boroughbridge have a caffeine stop and then choose a suitable route/destination. The roads on the run out were completely clear, with no wind, good cycling conditions. There must have been something in the coffee for DP suggested taking the bridle path to Myton on Swale (this can be somewhat damp in a dry summer). Peter and Eric were not aware of this, Norman just smiled and said nothing. It was an interesting track. Norman showed his "Rough Stuff" skills managing to stay upright longer than anybody weaving in and out of trees and ploughed fields. Not a day for "Immaculate Bike" riders, PB thought EG`s should be changed to "Dirty Old Men".

On to Myton Bridge and site of a battle 1319 AD it was a Scotland v England fixture and England lost 5-nil. Cleaned bikes at Myton Bridge, DP somewhat worried his bike being cleaned for him, i.e. being thrown into the River Swale closely followed by himself. On to Tholthorpe, Flawith, and Aldwark village, then back to Boroughbridge for afternoon tea, where Eric amazed us all by demolishing a very large "all day breakfast". Back to Harrogate estimate riders did 43-46 miles door to door. Dave P

In case of inclement weather an experienced cyclist goes prepared. DP