

Thursday, June 8, 2006

Wednesday Evening Ride



We had a good turn out with 8 riders meeting at St Winifred's Co-op. Setting off over Forest Moor Road to Knaresborough we decided on a circuit South of Harrogate. At Knaresborough we turned along Abbey Road.

The route then took us to Little Ribston and after that, on the road to Wetherby, Bill Whale decided to show off on his new Merida with a determination to catch a poor unfortunate cyclist who was seen on the horizon. This innocent was probably out for a steady evening jaunt and had no idea he was in a qualifying round for the Tour de France! Bill caught him up - what else would you expect?

Paul had turned out on his first evening ride on a rather super carbon framed Marin causing a few envious looks. Sue is going really well at a good speed, and the whole group is now tramping along at a fair pace. The occasional stops to gather the group together are getting shorter so the faster ones are having to work harder as well.

After Wetherby we headed to Sicklinghall and Kirkby Overblow. Our planned pub stop at the Star and Garter was full of Morris Dancers, and after a brief appreciation of all that prancing about we went up the road to the next pub and enjoyed a drink in the garden. Then home in the setting sun after 23 good miles.

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Wednesday evening rides start from St Winifreds Avenue Co-op at 6.30pm prompt. The pace is Medium/Fast typically averaging at least 12 mph. It is an ad-hoc arrangement so rides and leaders are sorted at the meeting rendezvous. Lights are a good idea in case of a gloomy evening or delays. We also recommend taking a full water bottle.