

Wednesday, May 13, 2009

## EG's Ride

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Nine riders met at Low Bridge. Alec, Bill W, Colin, Dave P, Dave W, Eric, John, Norman and Terry. This week the man in the spotlight was Dave W with his carbon framed Specialized with "zerts". This was a "trial " bike from the bike shop, nice bike shame about the colour, which could only be described as somewhat feminine. Ideal colour for a trial bike as no guy would want to pinch it, well if they did they would have it re-sprayed. Then on to Minskip for tea with the ladies, where due to modern technology and the forethought of Eric, who rang ahead, tea was waiting for us. John left us at Boroughbridge and Norman at Brafferton, the remaining seven pushing on in the headwind to Easingwold, riders taking turns to "push the wind". At a set of traffic lights near the railway bridge we came to a gentle stop, where Eric (very gracefully) fell over, but it was done with style. At Easingwold sandwiches/snacks were eaten in the sunshine, still a slight chill in the air. Then into the cafe for hot drinks. For a change our return route was to Huby, Sutton on the Forest, Shipton, Newton on Ouse and Linton on Ouse for a snack break at the small store. Here we had a pleasant chat with young (aren't they all) airman, despite the RAF recruiting he didn't think we had much chance in becoming fighter pilots. Then on to Aldwark Bridge, Great Ouseburn, Farnham, Knaresborough and Harrogate. It had been a good cycling day and only starting to look threatening at Knaresborough. Would estimate most riders would have completed 58 to 62 miles door to door.



