

Sunday, September 2, 2012  
**Wheel Easy Ride Report 331**



Medium Ride Report

A large group of riders opted for the medium ride today, so Paul was volunteered to take a slightly faster group. The rest of us made our way up to Little Alms Cliff, past the Sun Inn and towards Menwith Hill, at which point Trevor decided to head back, having not been out with Wheel Easy for a while. We had lovely views from Swarcliffe Top, as the drizzle stopped and the sun came out. A pleasant downhill swoop via Clapham Green to Hampsthwaite and a welcome tea stop at Sophie's cafe, where we met up with the other half of the group. Deviating from the prescribed route, we headed back via Killinghall and Knox, losing Paul B., who headed off at a sprint, and gaining Geraldine, who guided us back to the stray. A pleasant ride of around 23 miles. Sue W

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## 'Terry's Away Day' to Bridlington

Firstly can I apologise to everyone who came on the Bridlington ride today for you all having to get up at stupid o'clock to be at Hornbeam in time for us to leave at exactly 7-30 which was a major inconvenience in its self, there were 3 groups a quicker group led by Richard ( many thanks Richard ) the medium group led by me and a touring pace group in the capable hands of Martin. Darren was in my group all prepared for an overnight stay in Bridlington and doing a good impression of a pack horse with all his panniers and tent strapped to the bike even this failed to affect his speed, as we rode along towards Tockwith quite happy with the pace we were setting we found the touring group were now ahead of us. We headed into York with a brief banana stop at the millennium bridge and then onto Murton and Dunnington and across the dirt track towards Stamford Bridge and then onto Pocklington for the lunch break the service in the lunch stop was slow to say the least this plus other factors seemed to cause quite a bit of inter group migration and left our group as 4 Sarah, Robert pack horse Darren and me. This part of the ride included Millington pastures and the fantastic downhill towards Tibthorpe then through Driffild and to Burton Agness hall for a well deserved refreshment stop lemon and ginger tea plus apricot flapjack the things cyclists have to put consume all in the name of research. Then the final leg to Bridlington where we went down to the beach where there was a sudden rush to the fish and chip shop, from the beach we went round to the coach park where the bikes were loaded onto the trailer the riders were loaded into the coach and off we went towards Harrogate. By all the encouraging comments whilst the bikes were being unloaded from the trailer it is looking like the Bridlington trip is going to be happening again next year. Thanks to everyone who took part for making the organizing of this trip worthwhile.  
Terry

The ride title might have been Terry's ride to Bridlington and it might have been based (loosely) on the Roses ride, but people's individuality (and that's a plus not a negative) meant that deviations to the route were made by various groups, sometimes intentional and sometimes not quite intentional. So the ride title could have been "Destination Bridlington, just get yourselves there". However in keeping with Wheel Easy tradition no matter where we had been we all managed to converge on the same cafes.

Hot sun on the ride in to Brid which had fish&chips plus ice cream in abundance. Sarah Cross went for a paddle, but only under strict supervision, as she might have forgot herself and done a swim round the harbour, and a 10k run before cycling back. A brilliant day, many thanks to Terry for the organising and Wheel Easy for the good company. Dave P

Instructions to get to Brid for 16.30 at a "slightly faster pace" seemed to give me a free reign over the 6 conscripts. So I apologised in advance that it would be a ride varying as much as possible away from WoR for a change on roads I had previously wondered about. Since there seemed fewer signs for WoR maybe that was sensible till we ended up in a farm yard near Lowthorpe Lane. (Though we did get through York OK with its river and Uni and to cross the city seemed new for most.) Slow service at Pocklington even though we set up the outside tables for the next groups, and we left as thunder clouds seemed to be rolling in. Julie had no memory of Millington hill so she was educated. As was Californian Ernie about David Hockney. Extra water was taken on at the Cattery near Kilham then a diversion to Rudston Monolith and into the old town for 2pm for the obligatory F&C though Peter J went still better with a double free pensioner special- note for 2013. In the fine sunshine there was little enthusiasm to make it a 100 and visit Flamborough. But a good 85 at good averages for all when the other groups probably did 90 in great weather and company. Richard

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