

Sunday, January 17, 2016

## **Wheel Easy Ride Report 507**

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### **Sunday Ride Report**

I guess this will be the only Ride Report for yesterday as Mark and I were the only two (mad/foolish) ones to rock up at Hornbeam for a 9-30 am start! However having put on all the kit and made the effort it seemed a shame not to do something even if it was only to return to Knaresborough along the roads that I had reconnoitred on the way up. So having said goodbye to John who, perhaps rather more sensibly was off for a walk, Mark and I headed for Knaresborough with the intention of checking the roads and conditions as we went and if necessary turning back, but otherwise at least getting some fresh air and exercise. Forest Moor Road was damp with little sign of frost on the road or footpath which encouraged us to try our luck on Abbey Road which also turned out to be clear. Thus encouraged we headed for Boroughbridge via Farnham and Occaney, at which point we decided to try our luck a bit further and turned off for Bishop Monkton and Ripon. Still the roads were generally damp and frost free so we headed past the Race Course. through Skelton and into Listers Farm Shop Cafe for caffeine and to thaw out our somewhat numb fingers and toes. After careful consideration we then decided to head home through Minskip, Staveley and Knaresborough and to hopefully gain a few brownie points for being home "early"!

Sorry no photos today as neither of us had the wherewithal to take them, but we did enjoy 33/34 miles cold, but problem free, miles. Thanks to Mark for his company.

James G.