

WBCCC Ride Report

Date: 30 August 2016

Day: Tuesday

Start time: 1.00pm

Finish time: Approx 3.30pm

Ride Name: Another Brief Encounter

Distance: 22 miles

Numbers attending: 17

Weather conditions: Bright Sunny and Warm

Another Brief Encounter Or Close Encounters of the Third Kind – Depending how many time you've been on the ride!!

Many of us had done this ride before, but that didn't stop us meeting in two separate places on the bridge. Also parking again was an issue particularly for Dennis, Tracy, John and Liz who nearly got a yellow card for lateness!!

After that it was a leisurely run out of Lancaster via the various cycle paths. This wasn't to last as we suddenly hit a series of fairly steep hills as we travelled via quietish roads to our afternoon tea stop at Carnforth Station.

It shows just how far the club has progressed as last time this was attempted there was a rest halt at the summit for recuperation, and probably oxygen!!

So after 8 miles we stopped for tea and cake at the Heritage Centre at the station. This of course is where the film Brief Encounters was made in 1945 and many of us will have been there for the original premiere!!

After the obligatory photo call under Joyce's clock, it was a fairly easy roll out from Carnforth and onto the Lancaster canal, where we did well to avoid various dogs, walkers, and other cyclists. (and of course the canal itself)!!

Then into Morecambe where we had our photos taken with the great Eric Morecambe. Unfortunately some of us got carried away. No prizes for guessing who! This resulted in said person having to be helped down having been unable to dismount Mr Morecambe.

Finally a gentle run on the coast back into Lancaster and preparation for the 'madness' of Blackpool at night.