

## **Half Man Half Hippo**

Plank Lane 9:00am few of the regulars were otherwise engaged but a couple of new faces were expected. Sadly though this didn't happen and it was left to Harold & Caroline to fly the clubs flag once again.

The spell of dry weather had probably taken the challenge away from the planned ride, so it was a hastily improvised route the two of them undertook. Canal towpath to Dover Lock (bit too early for a pint Caroline) across the fields to Viridor and on into the Three Sisters. Lap of the Lake and tour round the Viewpoint followed, before heading for Landgate Lane, the Farm track to Hawkley and back onto the towpath past Scotsman's Flash (aka Denis's water feature). Lock 83 (St Pats) it was time to leave the canal and head for Amberswood followed by the now frequent trip through Low Hall and into Bickershaw, circuit of Fir Tree Flash next up before heading back to Plank Lane. Very pleasant 2 hour ride, not sure of the mileage but assume somewhere around 20 ish. Pleasantries exchanged it was homeward bound once again, with still some of the morning left.