SABERS BRYAN WHITE MEMORIAL RIDE - AKA THE CHOCKIE RUN - 20th June 2010



Dear SABERS

Sunday's weather looked ominous. Before the ride briefing it started to drizzle. Bryan was laughing at us from somewhere in bike heaven!

17 welcome bikes braved the day.

I started the ride briefing with a quick remembrance for Bryan and a few silent moments for those that knew him to reflect on our good times with him. The point of the Chockie run these days is not to fill Bryan's belly with sweets but to take us on a journey along one of his favourite rides.

Despite the gloomy forecast we managed just that. The run past Gawler to the sweet shop in Tanunda was uneventful with beautiful scenery to enjoy.

Riding through to Angaston was a bit ordinary with some drizzle & the rough road around Keyneton however the open roads on to Sedan cheered us up.

From Sedan back up another damp road to Mt Pleasant...no need to rush here...beautiful scenery again...a nice road to allow our thoughts to return to days with Bryan & his infectious enthusiasm.

Woodside was the next stop. Melba's for chocolate treats...I think some of you may have pigged out just a little here!

Lunch beckoned...so on to Hahndorf where the main street was busy as ever. The group split a little here with hungry riders seeking out their favourite meal houses.

I lunched at Otto's...fine bakery offerings as usual.

By mid afternoon many had headed off their separate ways. A half a dozen or so of us went back through Balhannah and down Greenhill Road to Dairy Bell's for icecream and/or Cibo's for coffee & hot chocolate...whatever took their fancy. A lovely way to finish off the day sitting back & discussing the ride.

Thanks you to my Corner Marshals, Tail End Charlie and other riders who assisted on corners when the marshals spread a bit thin.

Good day Fred

