

### ***Swan Reach Jan 14th 2007.***

After waking up to a hot morning we headed into town for coffee and a chat with everyone before the ride.

By the time we got into town it was well on its way to being a scorcher. Lots of fluids need to be consumed today.

Bikes kept rocking up until almost the time we were ready for a riders brief. Excellent to see because it was organised at such short notice!

There was a great feel of mateship and eagerness to get going as quite a few of the riders complained that the ride group had been too quiet for too long. The briefing was short and sweet as I too wanted to get out and ride.

We all got out of the BP and a few km's of city traffic we were out on North East Road and heading for the hills.

The short twisty section to Gumeracha was a welcome start to our adventure. It's a good leg stretch and a chat.

Once we were all back on our bikes it was another great section of interesting road to Sedan via Mount Pleasant.

Turn right at Mt Pleasant, go up the hill and you are then riding on the ridge of the

hills over looking the Riverland Flats. It can be very windy and caution as you enter the twisty bits heading down to the flats, You also have to watch out for mini landslides as rubble rolls out all the time down there and onto the road.

There is a very long open section after Sedan so we pulled up here and regrouped. Some of the smaller capacity bikes took the opportunity to refuel while most of the others took time to grab a drink and chat.

This over it was time to do that bit of road ... long and straight. Boring, well that was until it was time to blow out some of the carbon build up.

With that part of our ride over it was time to regroup and head over the ferry and lunch at the Swan Reach Pub.

The lunch here was great value and we would recommend it to all clubs or even if you are just out there cruising around.

We all had great lunch and a chance for some catch up time and chat.

After Lunch we decided to head back the long way via Mannum and back up to Lobethal.

We regrouped at Lobie for a coffee and to say good bye to everyone.

You can always get a good coffee at the Amberlight Café ☺

So in summary it was another successful ride.