

## **BFR - Magaliesburg Restaurant – 03 Apr 2011**

With rain forecasted for the day I was pleasantly surprised to see 39 bikes for the breakfast run. We actually had 36 Harleys and 3 speed bikes. After some negotiations about who was going to ride in 2<sup>nd</sup> gear so that the others could keep up, it was agreed that we will ride as one pack. I must just add that the Harleys rode very comfortably in 2<sup>nd</sup> gear.

PlusOne and a Half (Johann and Sarie) was Road Captain, the CC (Coen and Colleen) rode Lead and at the furthest end of the pack came Scooter with Barry and the Missus performing Sweep duty. What seemed to be a million Marshals turned out to be 5 Marshals and 5 Learner Marshals all working together to keep us safe. Some not so recent riding faces joined us and Heinrich (new member of two weeks ago) brought his dad Jan Lubbe along for the first time.

It is very difficult for the Pretoria Chapter to ride anywhere scenic without going through the Cradle of Mankind. And so we did. We took the N12 to Krugersdorp and then cut through the Northern edge of the Cradle on our way to link up with the R512 towards Hartbeestpoortdam. A quick left at Van Gaalens Kaasmakerij saw us taking the road past Skeerpoort between the two mountain ranges. We joined up with the Rustenburg road just before Lovers Rock and soon we were at the Magaliesburg Restaurant. This was a ride of lefts as we did only one right turn during the whole 134 km ride – and that was at a circular T-junction.

Mac took most of the correct turns this time but still didn't make it to the final destination. It was due to mechanical reasons on this occasion and we trust that it is not too serious.

And then too soon (as it happens most Sundays) the food was consumed, the chatter ended and the pack scattered in different pockets as we had to return home. Although we got close this time, we just have to keep doing this until we get it 100% right.

Thanks to Coen and Colleen for organising this BFR.