

Breakfast run to Witbank Portuguese Club – 06 March 2011

Bom dia – Falar Portuguese? “Good day, do you speak Portuguese?” Although the Portuguese Club in Witbank was our end destination for this Sunday’s breakfast ride, we didn’t all need to speak Portuguese. Paul Correia and his family who organised the whole trip spoke on our behalf.

As is the norm we set off from the Dros in Waterkloof, 32 bikes +1 (PlusOne). Should HOG-Pta ever wish to award a prize for the most spectacular riding improvement, the March prize must surely be awarded to PlusOne. Two weeks ago he could not keep up with the pack, last week he made the ride with the pack and this week, PlusOne was our revered Road Captain. Well done Johann and your small pack of fearless Marshalls.

This ride started without that pinkest of pink bikes – little Pinky. Erika got herself seated on a new Heritage Classic during the week and fell in love with it. Needless to say that Pinky now belongs to somebody else and she rode the Heritage with flair.

Halfway down the N12 between Delmas and Witbank, we picked up another 5 bikes that belonged to members from the Witbank and Middelburg area. At the clubhouse we had the chance to sample some Bock (Portuguese beer) and 1920 (Portuguese brandy) with our breakfast. Big thanks to Don and Joe for sponsoring a spicy chicken liver dish and Portuguese Prawn Rissoles.

And then, all too soon, it was time to say “Adeus” and “Tudo de bom” and homewards rode the 32 +1. Thank you Paul and Fernanda, we really enjoyed the venue.