

A good crowd gathered for ride #56 - 23 happy souls naively behaving they were off for a leisurely jaunt through the flat Nonthaburi countryside - how wrong.

We rolled off at 2.30 p.m. sharp and promptly ..... stopped dead. In what can only be described as their thickest mud this side of anywhere the pack leaders soon found themselves completely bogged down with mud clogging their wheels, brakes, pedals, everything. It wasn't long before the entire peleton was affected. The ride took the form of a push for the next kilometre as it proved impossible to cycle. A couple of hardy types tried riding through a rice paddy without much success.

Considerable relief was experienced when a gravel road was finally sighted. Before remounting most people elected to dunk their bikes in a klong in an effort to remove some of the accumulated crap - I think my nice 26 lb bike was weighing about 40 lbs at this point ! The GM also decided it wasn't only the bikes that needed cleaning and proceeded to dunk one hapless washer.

Anything that Capt. Squall put up after that was going to be relatively easy. However a series of complicated checks, u-bends and the like kept the pack pretty much together. The weather remained kind and everyone enjoyed a scenic ride, few anticipating its length - while my odometer clearly had an off day showing only 15 kms ridden, I am reliably informed that at least 42 kms. was covered.

A rare BHHB race ensued at the end for which the winner was suitably punished for in the circle. The early finishers chose to put their bikes straight into Klong Pra Udom in a further effort to remove the accumulated mud. Left any longer, a lump hammer and bolster would have been required.

So to the circle where punishments were handed out particularly to Hon-On Sec for impersonating the GM. The verdict was a good ride but ..... oh that mud!

Turn out, RIDE #56	
Hares	2
Riders	18
Canadians	alot
Visitors	2
New Spokes	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>



"GASP!  
HELP  
ME,  
PLEASE!"



THIS IS  
PURE POETRY  
IN MOTION!



I am not sure what  
the problem is...

Debbie's new riding technique  
saves wear on the topes!



WHY CAN'T WOMEN WEAR  
BAGGY TRUNKS AND T-SHIRTS  
TO SWIM IN LIKE MEN DO?



Where is everybody?



GREAT! I STILL HAVE  
SOME FANS LEFT!

