

"NAM" RIDE-OUT Sunday 17th. May 2009

From Seaton Burn service station head north on the old A1. and turn left at Blagdon towards Ponteland. At Ponteland turn left at the mini RaB, cross the bridge and turn immediately right at the traffic lights onto the B6323. Turn left at the mini RaB just past the school and straight on at the next RaB. Continue on and turn right at the T junction (next to the white cottage). Continue west for approx 3 mls. and turn left at T junction (opposite cottage) and travel for 1 ml. then turn right at X roads onto the B6318 Military Rd. Continue west on to Chollerford crossing the bridge and turning left at RaB. Continue for approx. 1 ml. and turn left onto the B6319 to Fourstones. At Fourstones turn right at the T junction and ½ ml. on turn left onto the B6319 to Haydon Bridge. At Haydon Bridge turn left at T junction, cross over the railway lines and left again crossing over the bridge, turning immediately right heading towards Alston on the A686. Continue past Alston STOPPING at Hartside café for tea etc.

(57 mls) – (57)

On leaving Hartside head towards Penrith via Melmerby and Langwathby. At Penrith approach turn right at the RaB and head north on the A6 passing through Penrith town (beware one- way streets). North of Penrith continue on the A6 (beware mobile speed cameras) to Junction 42 on the M6 and turn onto the M6 north exiting at the next Junction 43 (A69) and turning left towards Carlisle and then immediately right at the traffics lights into Tesco for refueling. After refueling head back to the M6 and turn left again heading north and exiting at the next junction 44. Continue round the RaB taking the 4th. exit onto the A689 towards Brampton, continue for 1 ml. and turn right into the Houghton Hall Garden Centre for lunch etc.

(37 mls) – (94)

Following lunch head back to junction 44 and take the 4th. exit onto the A7 heading north towards Longtown. 4-5 mls. past Longtown turn right onto the A720 to Canonbie, continue through Canonbie and Rowanburn. Shortly after Rowanburn take the left T junction towards Claygate and Langholm (this road has in places a poor surface). **There is a petrol station in Langholm if anyone needs a top up**

(22 mls) – (116)

Continue north through Langholm turning right just outside the town and head towards Newcastleton (the entrance onto this road junction is strewn with debris from tree felling and also this road is single track with passing places, blind bends and brows, cattle grids abound as do the sheep). At Newcastleton turn left onto the B6399 then turning right at Sandholm onto the B6357 (beware sharp right turn over bridge). Follow this road for approx 7 mls. turning right at Saughtree towards Kielderwater. Continue past Kielder Village and 5-6 miles down the lake turn left into Leaplish centre for tea etc.

(28 mls) – (144)

On leaving Leaplish Centre continue east passing Stannersburn, The Eals and Hott, at Lanehead continue towards Otterburn joining the B6320 then crossing the A68 into Otterburn. At Otterburn turn right at the T junction onto the A696 then turn left onto the B6341 towards Elsdon and then Rothbury.

(40 mls) – (184)

At Rothbury turn right onto the B6342 cross the bridge and head towards Scots Gap. At Scots Gap turn left at the T junction and head towards Morpeth. On entering Morpeth turn right at the T junction, continue ahead through the traffic lights and straight over at the mini RaB.

The finish is 200 yds ahead in the car park opposite the Morpeth sports centre.

(22 mls) – (206)