

Ride 'a triumph', Spart claims

Dave Spart, North West convenor of action group People's Union of Bicyclists (PUB) hailed last night's ride as 'a triumph'. Spart, a doubtly (*I think you mean doughty – Ed*) 59-year-old, is a veteran activist with campaigns like *Save the Great British Teacake* under his non-leather belt. Describing the ride as 'a spontaneous workers' demonstration against the Council's ill-considered plan for a highway linking the Leek road with the A34', Spart denounced the plan as 'a naked attempt by Cheshire East apparatchiks, controlled by puppet-masters of the Cameron/Clegg junta, to herd the proletariat towards the capitalist temple of a redeveloped town centre to be stripped of their minimum wages by the petty bourgeoisie of the merchant class. And it'll bisect the ancient wayfare of Pexhill and mess up our training rides.'

Spart claimed that the actual number of riders last night (seven) was 'unimportant', stating, 'We've thrown down the gauntlet (Aldi £5,99) at the Council. It must heed this powerful expression of solidarity amongst grass-roots cyclists, er workers.' The ride is believed to have featured no less than three grandees of the famous Macclesfield Wheelers Cycling Club, committee members Low, Jackson and Burns, alongside regulars Bird, Macnee, Cottom and Cook Thomas (*I think you mean Thomas Cook - Ed*) at an impressive 16.4 mph. 'The ride', asserted Spart, 'was an unequivocal statement of intent to ride on and up to the top of Pexhill at an overall average of 15.9 mph, despite a Council-orchestrated headwind.'

Spart was unable to join the demonstration himself, stating 'Did you see how cold it was last night? Besides, I wanted to watch *Britain's Secret Shoppers* on Channel 4.'