The ride takes place on the day of the historic country fair in the village of Reach at the end of Devil's Dyke. We'll arrive in time to witness the opening of the fair by the Mayor of Cambridge at noon. This tradition goes back over 800 years, and is accompanied by the throwing of pennies for 'the poor villagers' - but children love to catch as many as they can. There are stalls, fairground rides, a maypole, morris dancing and food and drink tents. It's perfect for a family day out. The ride back to Cambridge will leave at 2pm on the very quiet roads towards the fens, via Lode and rejoining the outgoing route at Bottisham.

## The Ride

Come prepared for stunning views of open country, all the fun of the fair and changeable weather. Bring water, snacks, a bike lock and money to buy food. The pace will be leisurely: the riding time to Reach is a bit less than 2 hours each way. The ride is organised by Cambridge Cycling Campaign and is supported by Cycle Cambridge and Bike Week. They are open to everyone, and this includes accompanied child cyclists who are strong enough to ride for around 27 miles. Children under aged ten may find the full distance challenging, but you can do shorter rides by joining the ride along the route, at Newmarket Road Park & Ride site for instance. The ride will be accompanied by marshals who are able to help with simple bike problems. You are of course free to ride independently. This is a ride just for fun, there is no charge and there is no sponsorship.

## Details

The cycle parking at Reach Fair is on the right as you approach the village centre. It is simply a field near to the fair. There's a fence and hedge to lean bikes against. We suggest you lock bikes together in groups, at your own risk. Please do not park in the cemetery.

Slower riders should join the early departures. You can do a shorter ride by starting from Newmarket Road Park & Ride as late as 10:45 am. Toilets are available at the Park and Ride site, the Missing Sock pub, and the Fair.

For the latest on the ride visit www.camcycle.org.uk email contact@camcycle.org.uk or leave a message on 01223 690718.

Follow our tweets at #ReachRide

## Bike Ride to Reach

Fair

A great family day out! All Welcome! Follow National Cycle Network route NCN 51 all the way to Reach Fair.

## Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May 2011



