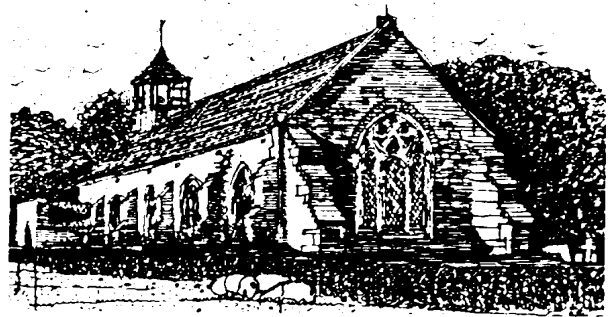


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**Ride and STRIDE 2008 SEPTEMBER report**

We are on the doorsteps of yet another of our annual Sponsored Ride and Stride events which is the highlight of our calendar each year. All our efforts during the 12-month period are aimed at making sure that everything is in place to ensure that we have a successful and highly productive event as we try to raise money for crumbling buildings in the county of Nottinghamshire.

Weather in the last few weeks has not been our best friend but hopefully come Saturday it will show up with its best behaviour and the sun will be out to accompany us on our journey to as many churches and chapels that have signed for the 2008 event.

This year we have 242 participating churches, 240 of which were included in our original list distributed to participants back in July, and two more places who are listed in our Late Additions List, which has been made available to local organisers in an attempt to encourage more people to pay a visit to those places who were unable to appear on our initial list.

Our most recent event – the get-together at Winkburn back in July – was a great success and it was pleasing to see so many people able to attend and it is great pleasure to meet with our friends, who year after year play a tremendous part in our fund raising efforts. The materials for the event were distributed to church representative with many people happily taking envelopes for delivery to neighbouring organisers to help us save some valuable pounds of postage.

Finally let's hope the event goes according to plans and our aim each year is to collect as much funds as possible in an attempt to beat the total collected the previous year. In 2007 we received around £20,000 in sponsorship so our aim would be to do better in 2008.

Wish us good luck and hope to see you on your saddles and in your walking shoes on Saturday!

**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST****SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE & WALK****SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2008**

Nottinghamshire

**START: 10am FINISH: 6pm**

Nottingham

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