April 30, 2023 City Loop Bike Ride

An expanding and contracting group of riders joined Bert and Judy for a circle tour of Brandon, on Sunday, April 30.

Bert, Judy, Brent, Maureen, Darryl, Betty-Anne, Dennis and new members Wendy, Lorne, and Steven (with canine friend in a trailer) met at the Discovery Center. We crossed the foot bridge over the Assiniboine, and then headed West along the dike pathway, crossed 18th St. and took the paths through to MacDonald St. and the Golf course. As we headed up 34th St., Brent and Maureen diverted to a shorter route, but we picked up James. We continued around the city loop trail, opting for the extended route via Patricia Avenue. Somewhere along the way Darryl and Betty-Anne exited, and the rest of us continued on to 17th St East and eventually Crow's General Store, where we met up again with Brent and Maureen. We basked in the sunshine for awhile, some of us enjoying some ice-cream, and then most of us continued on to meet up again with our vehicles at the Discovery Center.

Google maps tells me that we travelled 26 km—not a bad ride for the first substantial ride of the year for many of us. We had a fairly windy day, but we hit most of the headwinds on downhill sections of the trail, so it didn't seem to be too big a problem.



