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## Pelting rain doesn't stop cyclists from riding for Karen

Regional News

Sep 12, 2007 08:40 PM

By: Michael Power

The rain may have been torrential at times, but that didn't stop cyclists participating in this year's Ride For Karen from beating their fundraising target.

The ride, which starts in Maple and snakes north through York and neighbouring regions for 160 kilometres, raises cash to send children with cancer to summer camp.

This year's event, held Sunday, raised roughly \$250,000, about \$50,000 more than organizers were aiming for, said co-organizer Kirk Tobias.

Mr. Tobias and his brother, Kris, both Markham residents, have organized the event every year since 2002.

Their mother, Karen, died at 53 of breast cancer in July, 2002. The event, started to honour the memory of their mother, has since raised enough money to send hundreds of children with cancer to summer camp.

Children attend camps Trillium, Quality and Oochigeas, which are geared specifically to children with cancer.

As an added bonus, the ride managed to raise the cash with fewer participants than last year's event, Mr. Tobias said. About 350 people participated, he said.



Bill Roberts

The first group of Ride for Karen 2007 riders head west along Kirby Road in Vaughan about five kilometres into their 160 km route. About 350 cyclists took part in this year's Ride For Karen fundraiser.

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The weather turned rough when the riders approached an area near Caledon, Mr. Tobias said.

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They were pelted with heavy rain for about 90 minutes.

"I don't think I've ever ridden in rain coming down like that," Mr. Tobias said. "But I don't think I heard anyone complain."


Mr. Tobias credited the York Regional Police Service with volunteering to act as ride escorts and Scotiabank for sponsoring the event.

"It was a great day," Mr. Tobias said. "My message to the riders was that it's tough having cancer. We're going to have a tough day on our bikes, but it's nothing compared to having cancer. We're already thinking about next year and we're going to do more."


Visit [www.rideforkaren.com](http://www.rideforkaren.com) for more information on the event or to donate.



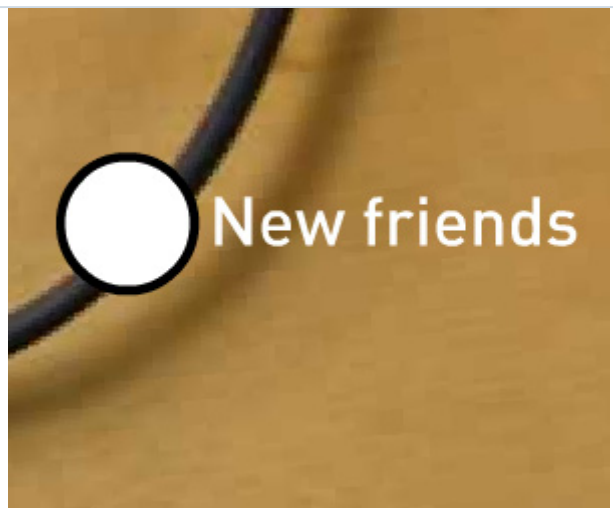
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