

# RIDING THE BP MS150

2007

To all of our sponsors, a big thanks you from Team Thomsen. All of us made it despite challenges in size, leg or brain. Awesome is the only way to describe this event.



The 7<sup>th</sup>.. Thor.. thundering on his own



The 7<sup>th</sup> of us was running on his own again, taking pictures of us. But we caught him anyway. He is the only one known to us that managed to make 2 training rides with broken spokes... all muscles.

This is for some of us the 1<sup>st</sup> year riding the BP MS 150 Bike Tour from Houston to Austin, and, as expected, they are doing the same mistakes that all of us did in prior years. We started early in the morning in 3 groups: BP, Kurt's house and another team (team BP was over crowded). At the starting line the first two groups converged. It was awesome to see the spirit among the people as we waited for the fog to lift. More than half of the people started at Tully stadium and another group started in Katy. The prior training rides had given us sufficient interdependence that the start went smooth. We split into 2 groups plus the ride marshals and off we went. The beginning was awesome, the weather was great, and lots of people were along the road cheering us on. This year we were lucky... not a single flat tire or breakdown... our training must be paying off.



Some of us ate more ice cream than others and we really enjoyed the break points this year.

100 miles later in La Grange, all of us met again. Some stayed at the fairground, some in hotels and others went back to Houston (thanks to our great volunteer support in La Grange and for the drive).





The second day and the remaining 80 miles were equally great as the first day. The road shows along the way were good, though, 2 years ago they were better. A smaller group did not go through the park but went the park bypass route to rendezvous again at lunch time.



We were approaching the Austin finish line.





Turning into the finishing line.



Before we cross the finish line.



Team Thomsen group photo after crossed the Austin finish line.

You can find all pictures downloadable at:

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Why are we riding the MS? When you have seen people with incurable diseases, helping along for a cure is one way where little effort and time can make a potentially big impact. In addition to helping others we are also helping our own physical condition and are building long lasting friendships.

**A special thanks goes to all of you that supported us with pledges and efforts.**