Annual Tour de Headwaters rolls in with $47,000 proceeds

Cyclists took to the roads and trails Sept. 17 for the second annual Tour de Headwaters cycle event in support of Headwaters Health Care Foundation.

?The support from both the local community and the cycling community has been outstanding,? said Board Director and Event Chair Tim Peters. ?I am so proud to announce that this year we ?rolled over' last year's numbers and we welcomed 231 riders and raised $47,155.89 in net proceeds for the purchase of medical equipment at Headwaters Health Care Centre.?

This event took riders through the Hills of Headwaters and offered a 25-kilometre family-friendly trail route, as well as 50K and 101.5 K road routes for the more advanced cyclist. Participants started and finished at the Lloyd Wilson Centennial Arena in Inglewood and depending on the length of their chosen route, riders rolled through Erin, Alton, Belfountain and even as far up as the Headwaters Health Care Centre itself (the halfway point of the 101.5 K route)

Registered participants paid a fee to ride, but were also encouraged to collect pledges from friends and family. Sponsors supporting the event included Teknion, Multi-Vans, Stewart's Equipment, 101.5 myFM, Cushman-Wakefield, Caledon Hills Cycling, Caledon Ski Club, The Town of Caledon, Magnum Automation, Serre Financial and Sutton Group.

Special thanks to Orangeville Lions for providing all of the en route volunteers, and to Deborah's Chocolates, Holtom's Bakery, Heatherlea Farms, Higher Ground, Tim Hortons Orangeville, Tin Roof, Spirit Tree, Mindful Snacks and Sysco Foods for keeping the riders well fed and hydrated.

There were plenty of people who thought it was a great day for a bike ride recently, despite rather threatening skies. They were taking part in the second annual Tour de Headwaters, a fundraiser for the Headwaters Health Care Foundation.Photos by Bill Rea

Tanya Nodin of Riverdale Fitness was leading the warm-up at Lloyd Wilson Memorial Arena in Inglewood before the riders headed out.