Two Tunnels Ride.

As the weather has been so grim this Summer, I’ve not really felt the desire to go out and ride the e-bikes.

However, with the forecast looking okay for Monday morning, I plucked up courage and went for a tootle round part of the Sustrans ‘Two Tunnels’ route on the Bafang powered Orange Gyro.

The route is fairly simple, the surface smooth and it may suit the ‘lycra clad’ a bit more than a common or garden e-biker!

Surprisingly, the gradients on the old Somerset and Dorset line were quite steep in places and I’m sure it would have made the old steam locomotives grunt a bit whilst traversing them! The two tunnels themselves were impressive. Fortunately for me they were lit by LEDs, but next time I will try to remember to fit lights to the bike for extra visibility….. Because of the still, undisturbed air in the tunnel, it’s possible to achieve impressive speeds on an e-bike!

After I passed the site of the old Midford Station the novelty of riding on a smooth surface wore off and I decided to venture onto some green lanes… Needless to say, they were muddy, wet and slippery!........... A quick trip over the handlebars on a Byway heading towards Wellow got the pulse racing a bit, and joy of joys, the event was captured on my GoPro!

Riding with a bit more care and attention, I managed the rest of the ride without any more incidents!

Got back home before 10.00 with just under 30 miles covered.

More photos and incriminating video here: