

Waterways Garden Centre, Borrass - 3rd July 2016

Ten members gathered for a social "B" ride for this alternative ride, alternative that is to the **Liverpool/Chester/Liverpool** ride on the same Sunday. The weather was cloudy and bright at the start but at least it was dry - and the sun came out to visit us later on (don't they look a jolly lot?).



There weren't many cyclists at the **Eureka** which made a pleasant change - you could get your tea or coffee without a big queue - and so the ride was ready to leave at 10.02am down **Woodbank** and on to the **Greenway**. We went through **Blacon** over the **Higher Ferry Bridge** and on through the **Kinnertons**. As you may

know there is a maze of lanes between the **Kinnertons** and **Rossett** but **John** was wise enough to guide us through the lanes so we only saw one car. Halfway up **Marford hill** we turned left to **Hoseley** (what a relief) and on to our lunch stop at this very pleasant and competitive garden centre which served our various meals quickly and easily.



After lunch we had an easy ride dropping down to **Holt** and **Farndon**, then past **Churton** and once again into the traffic-free lanes. This might have been because the lane was closed to all traffic except us!

I was alarmed as we headed for the **Ice Cream Farm**, but there was no problem as **John** had made arrangements for us to escape under the barrier to **Tattenhall**



Marina and of course, a stop for ice cream at this very pleasant venue.

On we went back to Eureka after passing the clock with only one hand at Stoak, a really good alternative and enjoyable ride.

For the record 54.3 miles at an average of 12.09 mph and an elevation gain of 2698 feet.



Many thanks to John and Helen for leading this very enjoyable ride.

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