

## Nags Head, Bunbury- 14th August 2019

Eight of us assembled at the **Eureka** for 9.30am start on Wednesday with much trepidation - the forecast was gloomy and we'd got wet just getting here! To crown it all **Andy** had yet to make an appearance and **Sue** was there to wave us off without even bringing any jelly babies! Since some of us had the route we were about to set off when **Andy** phoned to say he was in the car park and would be about 5 minutes - he'd thought it was a 10am start! (you're not on the birthday rides now - we have hills!). **Lois and Meg** (new to us) had joined us by then too and as we lined up over the road **Chris S** rolled up (or sneaked rather - I think he was hoping we'd gone so he could go back home - shucks!).

**Garmins** now set twelve of us set off in two groups of six (leader **John F**) towards, Bridge Trafford (brief stop) to Mouldsworth then to Willington where we had a banana stop **Capenhurst** (at least I did) - I didn't take any pics on the outward ride - too wet.

There followed a short natural break at **Rosie's Farm** where a group of us thought better than to hang around in the rain and set off for **Cotebrook** and **Rushton** taking the back road around **Oulton Park** to the sweet sound of some petrol-head testing his motor - I hope they were using "wet" tyres - definitely needed! On to **Wettenhall** before turning west towards **Bunbury** - 33 miles with 300 metres of climbing - **Paul** demonstrating his climbing abilities to us - I'm sure he has a motor tucked up in there somewhere!

The **Landlord** was pleased we turned up in two groups, no butty/chip deal this time but food

and beer was good (orders taken at the table) and a much needed drying out required!

**Andy** had said he wasn't feeling brilliant so called up **Joan** who arrived to take him home - hope you're feeling a bit brighter now.





By the time we were done it had stopped raining and but for a few miles of drizzle it soon ceased altogether.

Peckforton, **Beeston** and **Huxley** came and went and at **Hoofield** whilst some of us had wandered on briefly, shouts of "this way" as we were sent down the aptly

named '**Corkscrew Lane**' (wiggly road or home of wine lovers!) to **Clotton**; by the time we passed **Walk Mill** the roads were looking positively dry!

Another stop at **Waverton** before **Richard** and **Paul** took their leave as we headed towards Pipers Ash and the **Greenway**, **Chris** headed on at **Deeside** for home (possibly the **Harp** - although he did have two pints at the **Nags**) whilst **Peter**, **Mari** and **I** headed up **Woodbank**; **Eureka** was closed so it was straight to the car park - 4pm.



61 miles, 2000 ft & some unusual roads - thanks for the route **Andy**, Good day out.

**Text and photos Chris L**