

# Tyn-y-Capel Inn at Minera - June 14th 2017

## C ride, The Alyn, Rossett



### A ride

Richard lead us to **Minera**. There were fourteen riders from **Two Mills**, with four others joining in **North Wales**. It was a hilly route and as usual some riders found it easier than others. At one point I was acting as back marker and mistakenly thought one rider was lost. I eventually realised my mistake and continued after the peloton. At the bottom of a large hill I met **Alan O** at the side of the road who said to me the true path was up the narrow, rough, steep road ahead, but, he promised, if I strayed from the true path and followed him down the wide, smooth, gently downhill road he pointed to, we would be in **Minera** in no time. He didn't quite offer me "all the kingdoms of earth" but I confess I gave in to temptation.



We had a very nice lunch at the Inn which was very interesting and had great views from the beer garden. I don't know how the group got on after lunch because I continued on alone to **Cerrig-y-Drudion** - more climbing but stunning scenery.



## Tyn-y-Capel History



Chris S

## C ride

Six of us left the **Eureka** in sunny weather and decided on **The Alyn at Rossett** for lunch - guided by **Brian L**. We were pleased to see **Chris Evans** who hadn't ridden with us for a long time. and **Chris B** who was on a school run mission later in the day. **Roy, Glennys and Peter W** made up the rest of the group.

**Brian's** route took us to the marshes where we waited for **Roy** who had left his water bottle in his car for umpteenth time!



Further on we rode the **Greenway** to **Blacon** and **Higher Ferry** - over the footbridge - to **Bretton and Kinnerton**. At **Kinnerton** we saw some pink straw bales, an unusual sight in the fields.

We were well served with lunch at the **Alyn** but when we set off there was no sight of **Chris**. I later discovered that he had bought a sandwich and coffee from the shop next door to the **Alyn** and made a quick turnaround to do his school run.

In **Pulford**, Roy decided to hurry back on his own and **Chris E** decided to head for **Bache** to get the train. Then there were three!

On the way back at Saughall we came across **Gordon (?)** who was mending a puncture. We stopped to see if we (**Brian and Peter**) could help.



After the usual tyre inspection and a discovery that one of his spare inners had a puncture he attempted to pump the second spare inner but then the pump didn't work. At this pump **Peter** left as he had an unmissable meeting later. Fortunately **Brian** had his super deluxe pump available so all ended well. **Brian** gave **Gordon** one of his spare tubes as was going in the opposite direction. **Brian** then realised that there wasn't much point in giving him a tube as his pump didn't work! And the moral of the story - *Check that the inner tubes are sound and you have a pump that works.*

Then there were two... **Brian and I** had our usual beverage and departed.

Thank you **Brian** for a good ride.

**Glennys Hammond**