

## The Bull, Shocklach - 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2014

The hottest day so far encouraged twenty riders to **The Bull** in **Shocklach** led by **Sylvia**.



**Shocklach means 'goblin stream'.**

**Start Group at Eureka**

It was also the day we welcomed **Brian S** back after a long absence through illness.



**St Edith's Church, Shocklach**



**'Comfort Stop'**

The route took us down **Capenhurst Lane** joining the cyclepath towards **Sainsburys**, then right through **Stoak**, **Guilden Sutton** and **Waverton**. We crossed the A41 to **Saighton** and **Bruera**. It was here we turned left at the **White Horse** and rode down some rarely travelled lanes; a different route always makes a ride so much more enjoyable.

On arrival at **The Bull**, **Brian** and special guest my youngest son **Peter** both felt they wanted the shortest way back, so after lunch we thanked **Sylvia** and went on our way.

### At the Tattenhall Marina Cafe



I have since learned that on the group's return there was a very surprising incident. A young girl was having trouble controlling her horse; **Steve**, now known as the "horse whisperer", approached the animal talking and stroking it on the nose and it soon calmed down; it was only the second time the horse had been on the road. Isn't it amazing the talent we have. **Steve** is a powerful rider but who would have thought he had such 'horsepower'.



**Steve using his 'horsepower'**

### On the Greenway

At the finish we had completed 60 miles so well done **Brian** I hope he has recovered o.k. **Bill Shankly** once said to his players "you don't get married during the season", so, **Brian L**, if you are reading this, you don't fix your roof when the sun shines - sorry **Brian** that's a bit low..



Thanks again **Sylvia**.

**Chris Byrne**