

The Tour of Britain - 11th September 2019

From Chris S...

Our reporter, **Chris L** was introducing one of his grandsons to the delights of a Grand Tour (yes I know) and his deputy **Paul M** was also absent, so I have attached below a short ride description from **John F**. I found riding along the coastal path to **Meols** very demanding as I noticed did a few others. It was a pity we didn't stay as a group and help each other with some drafting I thought - we would have all got there a lot earlier! Our outward trip was at around 8mph with the return at 17mph!

From John...

Thanks to **Harry** for coming up with a great plan to allow us to see a the **Tour of Britain**. We saw the start then rode to the **Railway Inn** in **Meols** and watched the race on the screens in the pub. We returned to Birkenhead with a 15MPH tail wind to catch the Peloton crossing Birkenhead docks, then on to the park to see the finish. A very cunning plan Harry. We must start calling you Baldrick.

From Chris S...

The Chester and North Wales 80th anniversary lunch ride

Last week I said I would say more about this once I had access to my computer. In fact I found **Julie Rand** from **CUK HQ** has written a very nice piece about it and included an excellent short video - see how many faces you can recognise! Just click [here](#).

I would just add that **Glennys** swept the board with prizes! She won the **President's Trophy** as well as first prize in the Photography Competition, General Category and second in the **UNESCO World Heritage Sites** section. (First in World Heritage was **John F** and second in the General Category was **me** so all prizes went to **Wednesday Riders**).

From Glennys..

I rode with the '**Reprobates**' the day before (6th September) so that I could be on **Kelsall Hill** to video the **Tour of Britain** after the **Cat 2 hill climb on Rough Low** and the Sprint Finish at **Kingsgate (Primrose Wood)**. As the four lead riders came round the bend at **Waste Lane** (going towards **Yeld Lane**), followed soon after by the peloton and a string of Tour vehicles, Ambulances and the AA. **Rough Low**, which is very narrow, was packed with people. All very exciting!