



Chester and North Wales Caer a Gogledd Cymru CTC
Sunday 24th March 2013
Early Season Reliability Ride - 50 miles in 4 or 5 hours



This popular early season event starts and finishes just outside Chester at the Scout HQ, Higher Kinnerton CH4 9AJ – OS Landranger Sheet 117 grid reference 332 615. You challenge yourself to cycle the 50 mile course in either 4 or 5 hours. It is not a race. Most people get round quite comfortably with time to eat what is a generous lunch, to deal with the odd mechanical issue and stop to check the route directions.

We welcome cyclists of all ages and abilities. You do not have to be a member of CTC to take part although we encourage you to join our national organisation. You can ride on racing bikes, hybrids, mountain bikes or tandems. The route is all on road, mostly quiet ones, and the terrain is gentle.

The entry fee is **£12** or a discounted rate of £6 for under 18's. For that you get:

- lunch midway at Overton-on-Dee near Wrexham
- electronic timing at controls
- route instruction in paper form or for GPS devices
- support vehicle for emergencies
- event is registered for CTC Tourist Competition

The day starts with registration inside the Scout HQ. Please tell us on the entry form if you want to ride with someone in particular and if you plan to complete the course in less than 4 or 5 hours. We will use that information to organise you into groups and allocate a time slot to start. You will receive that approximately one week before the event. **NEW FOR THIS YEAR** we will use your email address to send joining instructions unless you prefer the post in which case please enclose 1x A5 stamped and self-addressed envelope.

The route is our usual one taking you out through MARFORD and HOLT, across the River Dee and on to FARNDON, STRETTON MILL and TILSTON. Then CHORLTON and on to SHOCKLACH and WORTHENBURY before reaching OVERTON.

You must check-in for the lunch at Overton Village Hall. It is quite a feature - soup, sandwiches and cake with tea or coffee. Vegetarians will be catered for. You can take as long as you want to do it justice but we do not stop the clock for that time off the bike.

The return trip is through BANGOR-IS-Y-COED and different lanes to retrace to WORTHENBURY, SHOCKLACH, FARNDON and HOLT. You can expect to be checking-in at the finish between 2 to 3pm. Enjoy a drink and chat with other cyclists.

Complete the entry form and return with the fee. Make cheques payable to **CTC Two Mills**. Contact me if you want to arrange electronic transfer to our bank account. The closing date is **Thursday 14th March, 2013**. PLEASE NOTE that entries will close earlier if we reach maximum numbers. Entries received late or on the day will be charged an additional £3 and only accepted if there is space. It really does pay to apply early.

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