

**Daleside Garden Centre, Hawarden
14th March 2010. (Mother's Day)**



With the barometer at 1025 millibars and the air temp. at 11 deg C. we knew we were set for a good dry day.

So it was that Capt Keith (that does have a certain ring about it), led his multi ability group of 21 riders away from the Eureka exactly on time as requested.

Captain Keith

His complicated and well planned route to and around Chester involved many road works and temporary traffic lights. (Men digging triangular ditches. Do we need these for round pipes?), regrettably led to a split in the party.



We waited and looked back up the road. Mobile phones saved the day once again, and it was only now that we realized that Capt. Keith had a 2nd in command. Debbie!



We were soon joined as one again at the elevenses venue, **the Band Stand on the River Promenade.**

Let's have a song!



Welcome cuppa!



End of elevenses



A bit of a dingy building

The lunch venue, Hawarden Estate Farm Shop was a new one to most of us and, externally, the building was less than welcoming, not even a café or restaurant sign.



Even the posters on the walls gave good advice.

Things were very different inside: the food, service, the friendly, helpful staff and the whole ambience of the café and food shop was excellent.



Later, a chilly plunge down hill took us past the impressive **Air Bus factory** and an **A 380 wing** on the riverside waiting to be loaded onto its ferry to take it to Mostyn docks.



A strong head wind along the riverside cycleway had many struggling but we were soon back at the Eureka at the end of another good ride.

Thanks Keith, and of course Debbie!

Bob Witton.

