Laureen's Ride 'Cheshire Cheese' Loop

You can park at the Stag, Mill Lane, Great Warford, SK9 7TY, 01565 872350. Provided the spaces are pre-booked and the riders order a sandwich/drink or order a packed lunch, parking is free for a couple of horsebox/trailers. Tethering rails, water buckets, hay nets and a mounting block plus tables and chairs for riders are planned. For other parking see www.northcheshireriders.webs.com.

The route can be ridden in either direction – we recommend the following:-

- 1. Turn right from the car park on Mill Lane and after the pelican crossing turn left on a bridleway.
- 2. Keep straight ahead until the track bears left, where you go through the bridle gate on the right into a field, keeping straight ahead through a small wood and another field to a tarmac track. Cross a byway and at the T junction turn right and straight over the A537 at Chelford into Pepper Street.
- 3. After a quarter of a mile take the bridleway on the right and at its end turn right, then immediately left.
- 4. At the next T junction, turn left into Sandhole Lane and straight ahead on a field edge bridleway, which continues in a straight line to the water tower on the horizon. After the water tower, ride straight ahead through a field and into a fenced track.
- 5. At the end of that track turn right on Stocks Lane then first left into Grotto Lane.
- 6. Take the next right and ride for one mile, passing Peover Hall.
- 7. Turn right on a restricted byway, following this straight ahead for one and a half miles. At the T junction turn right.
- 8. At the cross roads with the A50 go straight over into Townfield Lane. At the next junction turn right into Heath Lane which becomes Foxcovert Lane. After a mile turn right along Mill Lane to a T junction with Free Green Lane where you turn left.
- 9. Take the bridleway on the right in a few yards, following it through the farmyard and on for a mile to the A50.
- 10. Turn right, keeping on the verge here and cross left into Stocks Lane by the Whipping Stocks pub.
- 11. After three quarters of a mile turn left on a bridleway in a poplar wood. After a third of a mile, with a stable yard on your left, bear right on tarmac then, by Lower Moss Wood Nature Reserve, take the bridleway on the left.
- 12. When this hedged bridleway ends turn right to follow the field edge track to Ash Farm then through the farmyard to Seven Sisters Lane.
- 13. Turn right on Seven Sisters Lane, using the verge and at the A537 go straight across into Marthall Lane.
- 14. After a mile turn left on a bridleway and follow this straight ahead using the bridle gate by the cattle grid. This passes Mountpleasant Farm and crosses a bridge to come out on a tarmac farm lane*. Go straight ahead and follow the tarmac right to reach Pedley Lane. Turn left on Pedley Lane and then right on Ancoats Lane.
- 15. *At the T junction with Warford Lane turn right, then first right again on Mill Lane to get back to the Stag.

^{*}join the northern Heritage Loop at either of these two points





