

Bumblng Along Bokum Road

Total Distance: **30.4 miles**

Elevation Gain: **1710 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: **1710 ft / 30.4 mi = 56.25 ft/mi**

Terrain: **Hilly**

Killer Hills: **Wig Hill Rd (on the optional longer route only)**

Geographical Region: **South Central Connecticut**

City/Town: **Chester**

Starting Location: **Rt. 9 Exit 9 CPL (Rt. 148) in Chester**

Ride Description: **This somewhat eclectic ride is over mostly rolling terrain with some significant hill work toward the end of the ride. It features visits to Centerbrook, a pass-through of the Otter Cove development, a possible lunch/snack stop in Essex village at the Connecticut River Museum and a visit to Deep River Landing before tackling the hilly portion of the ride on a seldom used back-roads-return to Chester. For anyone wanting to do even more hill climbing there is a Wig Hill climb option at the very end of the ride (it's a toughie and is described on the route sheet).**

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

Mile	Facilities - <i>Points of Interest</i>
5.0	<i>Centerbrook section of Essex</i>
5.9+	Supermarket on the right after the traffic light
6.2	<i>Essex Meadows retirement community on the right</i>
10.2	<i>Start tour through Otter Cove development (follow mileage cues carefully...it's a maze)</i>
13.9	<i>Start of Essex village business district</i>
14.0	Public restrooms in little park on the right after the post office and NewAlliance Bank
14.2	<i>Connecticut River Museum; boat launch; pier/dock (views) – possible lunch/snack stop</i>
21.1	<i>Deep River Landing with gazebo (views)</i>
28.9	<i>Beginning of Wig Hill climb (optional, slightly longer, tougher route)</i>

Note: There are several places to purchase food and beverages along the route, especially in Essex village.

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