

UConn Dairy Bar Ride

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Total Distance: **24.3 miles**

Elevation Gain: N/A

Degree of Difficulty Index: N/A

Terrain: **Hilly**

Killer Hills: **No killers, but a few "nice" ones!**

Starting Location: **Route 6 commuter parking lot, on Route 6 just west of intersection with Route 316, in Andover. If you are coming from the west, heading east, the lot is on your left, just past the Andover Post Office.**

Ride Description: **It may be the quiet corner, but there is a lot to do and see on this ride. Pedal through Andover, Coventry and Mansfield, stopping at the UConn Dairy Bar for ice cream. You can wind your way through campus as you like, making your way to the Dairy Bar, located on Route 195 near the intersection of North Eagleville Road. The ride up and around Horse Barn Hill offers a spectacular view. There are several historic sites, if that suits. The return trip takes you back down Route 275, so if you can't stand repeating yourself, try the Alternate Route, which adds about 5 miles but eliminates the repetition.**

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

| Mile | Facilities - <i>Points of Interest</i> |
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| 0.1 | Convenience store on right |
| 7.0 | <i>Eagleville Pond and Dam:</i> <i>A pleasant place to stop. You will see it on your return trip as well.</i> |
| 7.2 | <i>Somewhat unusual, a one-lane bridge has stop signs at each end. Cars will usually grant bikes the right of way. Then you dip under a RR bridge and whip around a few corners, arriving at Champlion's General Store on the left. Since the 1970's it has been selling natural foods. You can stop and buy drinks and snacks if it's open.</i> |
| 10.5 | <i>The University of Connecticut's Dairy Bar serves its own ice cream from 11-8 every day in the summer. You can visit the milking parlors if you like.</i> |
| ~11.8 | <i>Horse Barn Hill:</i> <i>Spectacular views! Stop and visit the farm animals in the barns along the road!</i> |
| 15.2 | <i>Alternate Route begins here. Adds 1.2 miles and eliminates some backtracking..</i> |
| 20.5 | <i>Nathan Hale Homestead:</i> <i>Home of Nathan Hale, Coventry's famous favorite son!</i> |
| 24.2 | Convenience store on left |

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Ride description: **Wu-New015**

Route sheet: **RS-New015**

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