"Ride For The Ages" – 75k

NOTE: This Ride Description and its corresponding Route Sheet may not have been checked for accuracy by the www.ctbikeroutes.org team

Total Distance: **46.1 miles** Elevation Gain: **2152 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: 2152 ft / 46.1 mi = 46.68 ft/mi Terrain: Rolling to hilly

Killer Hills: Several "attention getters"

Geographical Region: Southeast Connecticut

Starting Location (city/town): Niantic (East Lyme)

Starting Location (detailed directions to): Samuel M. Peretz Park (formerly Bridebrook Park), Route 156 in Niantic (near Rocky Neck State Park). Take I-95 Exit 72 to the intersection with Route 156 at traffic light; turn left and go 0.5 miles to Samuel M. Peretz Park on the left.

Ride Description: This ride travels over several of the typical biking venues in Niantic, Old Lyme, East Haddam and Salem. The Salem Creamery @ 30.3 mi. is a fine spot to catch your breath and have a snack or a sandwich. On the return route the ride passes through several largely forested areas en route to scenic Pattagansett Lake.

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

Mile	Facilities – Points of Interest
0.0	Samuel M. Peretz Park; bathrooms; ample parking
2.9	Scott's farm stand on the left @ intersection with Rt. 1
30.3	Salem Creamery; portable toilets (seasonal); various ice cream products
~38.5	Pattagansett Lake on the right; views
46.1	Samuel M. Peretz Park; bathrooms; ample parking

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