SCCC's Hamden-North Haven Ride

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

Total Distance:**25.4 miles**Elevation Gain:**976 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: 976 ft / 25.4 mi = 38.39 ft/mi Terrain: Rolling

Killer Hills: None

Geographical Region: Southwest Connecticut

Starting Location (city/town): North Haven

Starting Location (detailed directions to): Rte. 40 Exit 1 CPL; get off I-91 Exit 10 onto Rte. 40 heading west; take Rte. 40 Exit 1; at bottom of ramp @ TL turn left onto Devine Ave (n/s); entrance to CPL will be on your left in 0.1 mile

Ride Description: This ride's route stays entirely in the cities of North Haven and Hamden. It first travels south to Whitney Lake (views) before heading north toward Hamden past Quinnipiac College and Sleeping Giant State Park. It then continues north to Brooksvale Park with an interesting display of live animals. There are a few modest hills along the way but much of the ride is over rolling terrain. While some of the ride route is on busy city streets and heavily trafficked state roads, a surprising portion of the ride is on back roads through heavily forested areas. This ride is probably best ridden by experienced riders who won't be bothered by occasionally heavy traffic.

Facilities and Points of Interest:

Mile	Facilities - Points of Interest
4.5	Lake Whitney (views)
11.9	Quinnipiac College campus on the left
12.0	Sleeping Giant State Park entrance to the right
14.9	Brooksvale Park (petting zoo)
18.1	Wentworth's Ice Cream Parlor to the left
18.8	Quinnipiac College campus on the left

Note: This ride has been provided by the Southern Connecticut Cycle Club from its Ride Library as a service to the Connecticut bicycling community

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