

SCCC's Picnic Tour

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

Total Distance: **43.8 miles**

Elevation Gain: **1921 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: **1921 ft / 43.8 mi = 43.86 ft/mi** Terrain: **Rolling**

Killer Hills: **None**

Geographical Region: **South Central Connecticut**

Starting Location (city/town): **Madison**

Starting Location (detailed directions to): **The Nature Center @ Meig's Point, Hammonasset State Park in Madison. Note that there is a substantial state park entrance fee in effect on weekends starting in late April and then there are daily fees starting around Memorial Day that are in effect through Labor Day (+/-). Govern your ride selection timing accordingly.**

Ride Description: **This ride's route makes extensive use of state roads (Rtes. 1, 80, 145, 148 & 79) for an approximate total of 19 miles. All have smooth biking surfaces and a shoulder that makes for comfortable, fast biking. Additionally, there are several hilly sections en route with 1921 feet total elevation gain/loss making it an ideal training ride...but not necessarily a great choice for a Social or Recreational ride. The ride starts in Madison (Hammonasset State Park) and travels through portions of Clinton, Killingworth, Deep River, Chester and Haddam (in no special order) before returning to the starting point.**

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

Mile	Facilities - <i>Points of Interest</i>
0.0	<i>Nature Center, Meig's Point, Hammonasset State Park (bathrooms, water, views)</i>
14.9	Entrance to Chester Airport
20.9	Deli to the left (may not be open Sundays); there is a convenience store about 0.3 miles south on Rt. 81 in the event that your supplies are running low
33.6	No. Madison traffic circle (intersection of Rtes. 79 & 80); Roberts Food Market is about 0.2 miles East on Rt. 80
41.6	Fish Tail restaurant
41.9	Entrance to Hammonasset State Park
43.8	<i>Nature Center, Meig's Point, Hammonasset State Park (bathrooms, water, views)</i>

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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Ride description: **Wu-New106**

Route sheet: **RS-New106**

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