SCCC's 2007 Seabreeze Metric Century

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

Total Distance: **62.6 miles** Elevation Gain: **3210 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: 3210 ft / 62.6 mi = 51.28 ft/mi Terrain: Rolling to hilly

Killer Hills: Haddam Quarter Road @ mile cue 29.1

Geographical Region: South Central Connecticut

Starting Location (city/town): Madison

Starting Location (detailed directions to): From I-95 Exit 61 (Rt. 79) in Madison, go south on Rt. 79 (Durham Rd) \sim 0.6 miles to the 3rd traffic light; turn right (west) on Rt. 1 and follow for \sim 1.5 miles; turn left on Neck Rd (just before small shopping plaza) and follow for \sim 0.6 miles. Our Lady of Mercy school will be on the left. Please do not use the Our Lady of Mercy parking area; find an inconspicuous spot on Neck Road to park. Start your bike trip odometer at the Our Lady of Mercy driveway.

Ride Description: This is a very challenging ride that visits the towns of Madison, Killingworth, Durham, Haddam (Higganum) and Clinton while riding almost entirely on scenic back roads (the exception is one 2.4 mile stretch on Rt. 154 between Higganum and Haddam Meadows SP). There is an elevation gain/loss of 3210 feet and there are some seriously steep sections on the ride. Riders attempting this ride should be in good physical condition. It's a pretty ride but it's difficult.

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

Mile	Facilities - Points of Interest
0.0	Our Lady of Mercy school
10.4	Camp Laurelwood on the left (wooded)
27.0	Coginchaug High School (Durham)
30.2	Entrance to Millers Pond State Park on the right
35.1	Higganum business district
37.5	Entrance to Haddam Meadows State park to the left
58.3	Start 1.5 mile ride along Madison coast w/ several spectacular views of L.I. Sound
60.3	Madison Green
62.6	Our Lady of Mercy school

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Ride description: Wu-New143 Route sheet: RS-New143

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