Simsbury Spin-About Ride #2

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

Total Distance: **29.9 miles** Elevation Gain: **832 ft**

Degree of Difficulty Index: 832 ft / 29.9 mi = 27.83 ft/mi

Terrain: Flat to rolling

Killer Hills: None

Geographical Region: North Central Connecticut

Starting Location (city/town): Avon

Starting Location (detailed directions to): The ride starts at the Avon Wellness Center parking area, Rtes. 10/202 about 0.4 miles north of Rt. 44 in Avon. Park to the right in the lower parking area (additional parking in adjacent Sperry Park).

Ride Description: This neat ride travels over mostly flat to rolling terrain through sections of Avon, Simsbury and Granby with a stop at the McLean Game Refuge, Salmon Brook Park and a ride on the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail. There is a lot to see and enjoy on this ride. Note: This trip is the same as Simsbury Spin-About Ride except that it joins the rail trail slightly earlier, avoiding a troublesome crossing of Rt. 10/202.

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

Mile	Facilities - Points of Interest
7.3	Tulmeadow Farm roadside stand and ice cream on the right
7.4	Convenience store on the left
12.5	Equestrian Center on the left
13.1	West entrance to the McLean Game Refuge
16.3	Salmon Brook Parknice snack/lunch spot; rest rooms
17.4	East entrance to McLean Game Refuge
19.5	McLean Game Refuge on right
23.7	Constitution Oak historical marker
25.1	Bridge of Flowers/Farmington River
25.2	Begin 5 mile trip on the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail w/ views of Talcott Mountain
	ridgeline and Hueblein Tower on your left

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Ride description: Wu-New164 Route sheet: RS-New164

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