

THE ROUTE

START - SANDBANKS FERRY

B3351 STUDLAND up hill keep right, Corfe Castle.
A351 Turn **Right** & immediate left at foot of Castle.
MR CHURCH KNOWLE, Creech Hill **Left** at top of main climb by gate house.

B3070 Lulworth Camp, **Left** to W LULWORTH
After "Castle Inn" watch out for **SP** Durdle Door, turn right (Watch out !) just by church cross in the village.

MR the **R SP** WINFRITH NEWBURGH,
MR Dagers Gate, WINFRITH NEWBURGH
A352 **L** onto A352, OWMERMOIGNE, **RDB 1st Left**
A353 OSMINGTON, PRESTON, (sea wall on L)
Stay on coast road to WEYMOUTH
🏍 **WEYMOUTH 57km**

Leave control and turn **R** at the clock
Over the bridge and follow signs to

B3157 PORTESHAM, ABBOTSBURY, SWYRE

B3157 BRIDPORT CENTRE, (not bypass)

B3157 **L** at Lights then in ½km **R** at **RDB**

B3162 **SP** Salway Ash & Broadwindsor

MR In 2km Fork **L** at **MR, SP** BROADOAK After
Shave Cross PH, **bear R**

In ½km **keep L**, in further ½km, **keep R**.

In further ½km **keep L** (Effectively SO)

where the road priority turns right. **SP**
MUTTON STREET up to MARSHWOOD &
B3165

B3165 **L** onto B3165 for 5km to "DEVON" sign
At BLACKPOOL CORNER **R, SP** SECTOR

MR Downhill, becomes SECTOR LANE where **R**
on main road to AXMINSTER Centre
🏍 **AXMINSTER 110km**

OS Maps 193,194 & 195 cover the route

R - Turn Right **L** - Turn Left **SO** - Straight On

SP - Sign Post **RDB** - Roundabout **T** - T Junction

MR - Minor Road **Lights** - Traffic Lights

🏍 - CONTROL

Places on Sign Posts are - Lower case

Places you actually go through are - UPPER CASE

Start at any convenient date. Please telephone me a few days before to confirm. Start at the Poole side of the Sandbanks Ferry which leaves every 20 minutes or shuttles at peak times. The box on the other side will stamp your card. You are at liberty to get a control stamp at any place in the nominated control town. TIME / SIGNATURE / Some kind of STAMP.

A358 Retrace back into town, exit on Chard road
SP Chard & Taunton A358. After Lights at river, and after railway **R**

MR **SP** WAGGS PLOT & Hawkchurch
At WADBROOK + **L SP**
THORNCOMBE

At **T L, SP** THORNCOMBE

At **T R, SP** HOLDITCH &

THORNCOMBE

Follow **SP** THORNCOMBE and in village
bear **R SP** BLACKDOWN.

At **T** with old chapel **L SP** Crewkerne,
Immediate R SP Crewkerne "Unsuitable
heavy vehicles"

Next **L SP** Clapton/Crewkerne

B3165 **L SP** Clapton/Crewkerne

At next CROSSROADS **R SP**

Broadwindsor & Bridport to DRIMPTON

B3162 After DRIMPTON speed limit signs

Fork L in 100 metre **SP**

LITTLEWINDSOR

MR LITTLEWINDSOR, **L** on B3164

B3164 to WHETLEY CROSS

A3066 where **R** on A3066 (Beaminster road)

L onto minor road just before the tunnel

MR Beaminster Down SO at X (minor roads)
then **R** on A356

A356 for ½km then **L** at TOLLER DOWN
GATE

MR BENVILLE, **R** at Benville bridge and
follow river valley UPHALL,
RAMPISHAM, WRAXHALL,
CATTISTOCK, MAIDEN NEWTON

A356 **L** at **RDB** B3147 DORCHESTER Centre
🏍 **DORCHESTER 161km**

B3150 Head out down through Town eastwards
SO RDB (crossing bypass A35T)

MR STINSFORD, TINCLETON, Cross
B3390 Clouds Hill, At **T turn R SP** Wool
& then **immediate L SP** WAREHAM &
WORGRET HEATH to A352 where **L**

A352 at **RDB** (Wareham Bypass) 1st exit

A351 2nd **L** at **RDB** over bridge

SO at RDB (2nd exit) SANDFORD

SO at next 3 **RDBs SP** Poole/B'mouth

B3067 **SO RDB SP** LYTCHETT MINSTER

B3067 **R** at Double **RDB SP** HAMWORTHY

B3068 **L RDB SP** Town Centre & over Bridge

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You can take out a card for any day (undated) and you can pick your own date within the AUK season of taking out the card. Or, as I keep records going way back, if you have an even older card then email me and check its validity. I do appreciate a call to let me know when you plan to ride the route, I find it good to know who is suffering on the route at any time.

The start at is at the Sandbanks ferry and you can get your card stamped by the toll booth on the Studland side before you set off if the guy in charge is not too grumpy that day. Note that the ferry has an annual service in the autumn and has been having breakdowns just lately so check with the ferry (sandbanksferry.co.uk) and me if we need to agree a work around.

The ferry departure is taken as your formal start time. All the control requirements on the route are flexible, the shops and cafes listed are not always open but that doesn't matter as long as you get a verifiable stamp from the vicinity, with time of passing of course. Accordingly when you finish, any place in the Poole area is acceptable as your finish stamp. Alternatively, the ride can be started and finished at any of the control points by arrangement with me.

You need to post your completed card back to me as soon as you can after the event. Nowadays AUK have on-line recording and so your card comes back to you pretty quickly and your ride appears on your listing just as soon as John Ward gets around to endorsing my accreditation. The "Permanent" now qualifies for 2 AAA points under Audax UK's method of calculation. It also qualifies for the "Wessex Super Randonneur" award which is administered by Shawn Shaw.

NOTE: The army ranges at Creech Hill are liable to be closed at any date, but generally after 0900 and rarely at weekends. You can attempt to find out ahead of time by calling 01929 467721 and asking for the Range Wardens. IF it is closed, make a workaround as per the Sandbanks Ferry closure possibility.

Good Luck on your ride,

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