

The Willy Warmer 200km

Saturday 24h January 2026

Promoted by The Willesden Cycling Club

Willy Warmer ETYMOLOGY:

From Willesden and Warmer, something to keep the January cold out

Venue

Chalfont St Peter Community Centre, GR TQ000911. Enter Landranger Grid "500000,191073" into www.streetmap.co.uk for a detailed map.

***** Please don't park in the small Community Centre car park which is used by day visitors to the centre – see directions below for parking *****

Directions if heading N on A413 (e.g. from M25 & M40 jn1):

Be aware a popular car boot sale takes place on a Saturday morning at the Denham M40/A40 Roundabout and congestion can be expected. Please allow extra time. Continue on A413 to second roundabout (just after going under bridge).

By car: Take 1st exit \$ Chalfont St Peter Centre, shortly 2nd exit at mini-roundabout \$ Gold Hill and immediately R \$ 'Parking' into Church Lane.

A large car park is on the right (see below). Take the path as shown opposite to reach the Community Centre.

By bike: Take 2nd exit \$ Amersham, then after 200m L (green \$ 'Chalfont St Peter Community Centre') to the Community Centre.

Directions if heading S on A413 from Amersham: Continue on A413 to roundabout at entrance to Chalfont St Peter.

By car: Take 3rd exit \$ Chalfont St Peter Centre, shortly 2nd exit at mini-roundabout \$ Gold Hill and immediately R \$ 'Parking' into Church Lane. A large car park is on the right (see below). Take the path as shown opposite to reach the Community Centre.

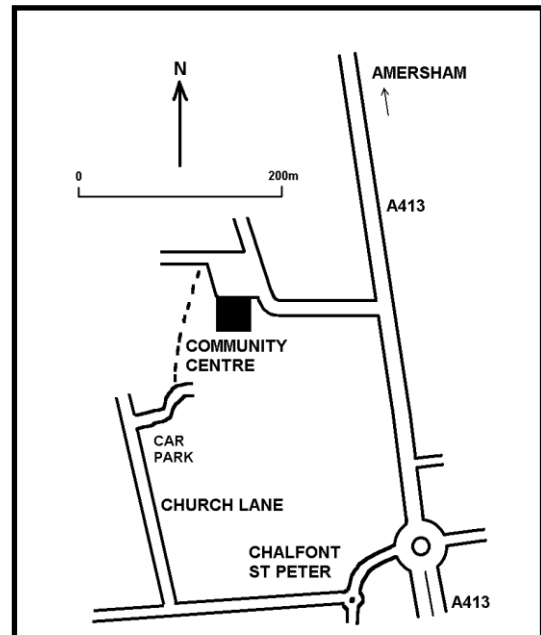
By bike: Take 4th exit (i.e. back the way you came) \$ Amersham, then after 200m L (green \$ 'Chalfont St Peter Community Centre') to the Community Centre.

Car Parking: The Council have recently introduced a Controlled Parking scheme and there are double yellow lines everywhere. The Pay and Display Car Park detailed above charges £2 for up to 4 hours and £3.50 for over 4 hours. Free on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Public Transport: The nearest train station is Gerrards Cross on the London Marylebone line (but check for engineering works!); the 06:27 service from London will get you to the start line in plenty of time. Trains back into town depart at 16, 31 and 52 minutes past the hour. The closest London Underground station is at Uxbridge (Metropolitan and Piccadilly lines), a 10 kilometres ride via the A4020, A40 and A413.

On Arrival

- Please make your way to the Community Centre and collect your brevet card from the Controller. Any last minute route amendments will be advised at this time (also see "Updates" on the next page).
- The Community Centre will be open from around 7am. Free tea & coffee will be available, along with cereal, bread and jam.
- If you are coming by bike and want to leave any bags behind, see me at the start, and I can look after them during the day (at your own risk). Don't leave bags in the Community Centre – other groups will use it during the day.



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The Ride

Bike: Due to the time of year and the risk of inclement weather, mudguards are recommended. Do not underestimate the route. You are strongly encouraged to carry good lighting as the later sections include unlit roads which you will have to navigate in the dark, so don't forget your headtorch!

Route: The route is intended to be a winter audax which may suffer from poor weather and short days, so the emphasis is on a fast route, good roads and not too much climbing. At the same time you will get to see some undulating country roads, so be prepared!

Route Options

Poor Weather Cutouts

Hopefully we shall have good weather on the day however it is a January event so the route includes some 'Poor Weather' options which follow main road to avoid country lanes which can be prone to snow/ice or flooding. These are clearly marked on the routesheet and gpx files.

Controls and Refreshments:

Pangbourne Control: The main control is the "Costa Café on the High Street where you can collect a sticker for your Brevet. If the café is busy collect a receipt from the supermarket or ATM.

Hungerford Control: A long term favourite meeting point for Audax events. Collect a sticker or if the Café is busy, a receipt from anywhere in Hungerford. There is a large Supermarket on the left before the bridge in the High Street.).

Kingsclere (info) has a Co-op selling sweets and snacks in Swan Street opposite the church.

Winnersh Control:

Collect a sticker from the Java Café at the back of the car wash (was petrol station) on left at junction with A329. The café normally shuts at 6pm but is staying open till 7pm for us. Later riders should make a supermarket sweep at Sainsburys on the right as you approach the A329, or try the burger van on the corner (but get a receipt!).

The Finish

- Please make your way to the Community Centre and register that you have completed the ride. Make sure you have completed your name and address, and have signed your Brevet before handing it in.
- There will be food and drinks available at the finish of the tea, cake variety, plus some simple hot snacks of the beans on toast variety at a nominal cost.
- There are washrooms and toilets, but no showers.
- Please respect the other users of the hall. Leave your bikes outside, and avoid crowding the lobby around the kitchen area.

If it all goes horribly wrong

Alas, once you leave the HQ you are on your own; there is no rescue service, and it can be difficult to return to the start using train services. However, you can get trains from Pangbourne, Hungerford & Reading to Slough, and Chalfont is approx 13km north from Slough up the B416 towards Gerrards Cross. The alternative is to take the train to Paddington and then back out to Gerrards Cross (but will involve transiting yourself and bike from Paddington to Marylebone station).

IF YOU DO ABANDON PLEASE PHONE ME ON THE NUMBER GIVEN ON THE BREVET CARD. If you don't call I'll be sitting at the Arrivee worried about you.

Have fun and be safe.

Paul Stewart

Forza Squadra!

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Information: This is an Event for experienced cyclists who will be aware of the following procedures:

- Whenever possible, familiarisation with the route before the event. Ensuring competence and fitness to complete the course, roadworthiness of the machine and possession of adequate cycle-repair equipment, spares and skills.
- During the event, riding safely, according to the rules of the road and personal capabilities and taking responsibility for personal feeding, warm clothing and rest periods, especially at night.
- Personally deciding not to continue if feeling unwell or too tired
- As with any journey on public roads being aware of and allowing for highway design and maintenance, other users (especially horses), busy traffic conditions, the state of disrepair of the surface (potholes, trenches, ironwork etc.), debris and obstructions of all kinds, poor or non-existent lighting on night sections and oncoming headlights.
- As some roads could be high and exposed, with hills that could be steep and strenuous, carrying adequate food, drink, clothing and equipment for any conditions; preparing the machine (and rider) and carrying spares and tools – and knowing how to use them.
- In the event of bad weather, making a personal decision over starting or continuing; also being equipped to deal with bad conditions.
- Making private arrangements if back-up or rescue facilities are wanted, although if this

is the case undertaking this ride at all should be reconsidered.

- Being adequately rested before traveling home after finishing

As with all Audax UK rides you are on a private excursion on the public highway and subject to the law of the land, so ensure that you are fully self-sufficient and capable of handling all conditions as found on the day.

You are, for the duration of the event, on a private excursion on the public highway and responsible for your own conduct at all times.

You should abide by Audax UK Regulations for this ride and be insured via your relevant Membership of CTC/BC/AUK, or apply for Temporary AUK Membership and pay the Fee of £2.00; (for all other requirements additional, adequate personal travel insurance will be necessary).



Please ensure that your Brevet Card is completed with all details, including contact in case of an emergency

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Chalfont – Pangbourne

Good Conditions Route

See below for Poor Conditions Route

- 0.0 R with care from HQ onto A413
- 0.2 3E RB \$ Village Centre
- 0.4 R (2E RB) at mini RB
- 0.7 R and Immed R onto Nichol Rd
Brown Sign Chalfont Leisure Centre
- 1.4 R @ T onto Grove La
- 1.6 L onto Welders La
- 3.3 L @T \$ Seer Green
- 5.0 R @ T onto A40, BEACONSFIELD
SA through several RB
Pick up route at 12.2 below

Chalfont – Pangbourne

Poor Conditions Route

- 0.0 R with care from HQ onto A413
- 0.2 3E RB \$ Village Centre
- 0.6 1E MRB
- 0.9 R with care @ T no \$
¢ thru Gerrards Cross town centre
- 3.4 R @ X on A40, BEACONSFIELD
SA on A40 through several RB
- 12.2 1E RB \$ WOOBURN GREEN**
- 13.9 L @ T onto Town La
- 15.4 R (2E RB) \$ Marlow
BOURNE END, WELL END
- 16.4 R (2E RB) \$ Marlow
- 17.8 L (1E RB)

Continue SA to central Marlow
(RB with Market Square / Obilisk)

- 21.9 SA (2E RB) \$ A4155
¢ to HENLEY where
- 33.7 R (2E MRB) \$ Wallingford
Immed L onto Badgemore Lane
- 34.0 R @T then
Immed L onto Crisp Rd
- 34.2 L onto Hop Gardens (School)
- 34.7 R @ T no \$
- 40.1 L @ T (B481)
- 42.0 After new housing estate on RHS,
Sharp R onto Stoke Row Rd
\$ Village Hall
- 42.4 L onto Gallowstree Rd, \$ CANE END
- 45.6 R @ T on A4074, \$ Crowmarsh
- 47.2 L, \$ B4526, Goring
Continue to T Junction



Good Conditions Route

See below for Poor Conditions Route

- 48.8 L @ T \$ Goring Heath
- 48.9 R \$ Hill Bottom
- 51.2 L @ T onto B471, \$ Pangbourne
Steep Descent. Cross river at toll bridge
(cyclists free!)
- 53.5 1E MRB to: **PANGBOURNE CONTROL**

Collect sticker from Costa Café in the high
street or receipt from anywhere.

Note you can access the Costa Café rear
terrace through the car park on the right.

Poor Conditions Route

- 48.8 R @ T \$ Goring
- L \$ Pangbourne (B471)
continue to Pangbourne Control

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Pangbourne - Lambourn

- 53.6 L from Control, 1E MRB (eff. SA)
- 53.7 L (1E MRB) \$ Basingstoke
Immed R \$ Yattendon by Church
- 58.9 R @ T \$ YATTENDON
- 67.6 L @ T No \$
- 68.4 3E MRB onto Priors Court Rd
\$ CHIEVELEY
- 71.3 L onto School Rd (after Red Lion Pub)
- 73.9 L @ T \$ B4994 Newbury
- 74.2 R \$ WINTERBOURNE
- 75.4 R \$ BOXFORD
- 78.6 L @ Tri with tree
- 78.9 R @ T \$ EASTON
- 84.8 R @ T no \$, GREAT SHEFFORD
- 85.0 Soon L, \$ EAST GARSTON
- 92.0 **LAMBOURN INFO CONTROL**
Church Noticeboard on LHS,
shortly before crossroad

Lambourn - Hungerford

- 92.3 L @ X onto High Street
 - 95.9 L @ T \$ Newbury
 - 97.3 R \$ Chilton Foliat
 - 102.6 L @ T \$ Hungerford
 - 105.0 L @ T \$ Newbury
 - 105.5 R (2E MRB) to Town Centre
 - 105.7 **HUNGERFORD CONTROL**
Check in with the Controller in the
Tutti Pole Café on RHS after river bridge.
- If busy get receipt from other cafes or shops (there is a large supermarket on LHT immed before railway bridge).

Hungerford - Kingsclere

- Continue up Hungerford High St passing under railway bridge
- 105.9 L (1E MRB) onto Park St \$ Station
BR @ Tri by bridge, ¢ KINTBURY
- 110.8 in Kintbury, Fork R onto Newbury St
\$ HAMSTEAD MARSHALL
- 112.9 R on LHB \$ East Woodhay
- 116.9 ¢ straight ahead into BALL HILL
R \$ Woolton Hill (after Ball Hill Garage on Left)
- 119.7 RL STGX over A343 \$ PENWOOD
- 122.3 Cross bridge over A34

Good Conditions Route

See below for Poor Conditions Route

- 122.4 L @ T, \$ Burghclere
- 123.7 R onto Spring La, \$ Ecchinswell
- 124.6 R @ T, \$ Ecchinswell
- 124.9 L @ T
- 128.0 L @ T, ECCHINSWELL
- 128.3 R by P.H. \$ Kingsclere
- 131.1 R onto Newbury Rd
¢ to Kingsclere Info Control by Church
Toilets and Shoppe in Swan Lane
- 131.4 **KINGSCLERE INFO CONTROL**
Church noticeboard in Swan Lane

Poor Conditions Route

- 122.4 R @ T \$ WHITWAY
- 125.0 L \$ OLD BURHCLERE
- 131.3 After KINGSCLERE boundary sign
R onto Bear Hill \$ Overton
- Bear L, L @ T onto Swan St
Carpark, Toilets and Shoppe on RHS (Church)
- 131.4 **KINGSCLERE INFO CONTROL**
Church noticeboard in Swan Lane

Kingsclere – Winnersh

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- 131.4 Continue on George Street to
- 132.0 RL over A339 \$ Aldermaston,
KNOWLE HILL
- 135.2 R on LHB after B&W Chevrons
small \$ Wolverton Nurseries

- 136.5 L @ T onto Wolverton Rd no \$

Good Conditions Route

See below for Poor Conditions Route

- 136.6 R @ Tri shortly after AXMANSFORD
sign onto Ham Lane (no \$)
- 138.1 R @ T no \$
Shortly L, STONEY HEATH, RAMSDELL
- 141.2 L @ X onto Monk Sherborne Rd
\$ CHARTER ALLEY
- 142.0 L on RHB onto Old Chapel Lane
- 142.1 R onto Pamber Rd \$ Pamber End
- 143.5 L @ T \$ Pamber
- 144.9 RL over A340 \$ BRAMLEY
Continue to Bramley Level Crossing

Poor Conditions Route

See below for Poor Conditions Route
(distances approximate)

- 139.1 R @ T \$ Basingstoke
- 140.1 L \$ TADLEY onto Shaw La
- 142.4 R (3E RB) \$ PAMBER END onto A340
- 145.7 L \$ Bramley

**Easily Missed - look for concrete
bollards on verge on left hand side**

149.9 Bramley Level Crossing

- 150.0 Immed after LC,
L onto Bramley La
\$ STRATFIELD SAYE
- 153.7 RL STGX onto New Street
- 155.7 R @ X (Tri on right) \$ Heckfield
- 158.0 2E RB over A33 \$ RISELEY
- 158.3 L \$ B3349 RISELEY



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Riseley - Winnersh

- 158.7 R onto Odiham L
Immed L onto Part Lane
- 161.3 R @ T no \$
- 162.9 L onto Swallowfield Rd
\$ ARBORFIELD CROSS
- 166.3 2E RB onto Sindlesham Rd
\$ WINNERSH
- 168.2 SA (2E RB) then
- 168.9 L (1E MRB) to
- 169.6 **WINNERSH CONTROL**
Main control is the Java Café in the car wash (was petrol station) on LHS of junction with A329. Java closes at 6pm, later riders go to Sainsburys

Winnersh – Chalfont

- 169.6 Back to route and cross A329 onto B3030 [Robinhood La]
- 171.0 On blind LHB, R Immed L (eff SA)
\$ St NICHOLAS CHURCH
- 172.3 L@T \$ Twyford
Immed R \$ Ruscombe
- 173.5 R @ T onto B3018 \$ Bracknell
- 174.1 L onto Hungerford La no \$
- 176.4 SOX \$ PALEY STREET
- 178.3 L (1E RB) onto Howe La
\$ PALEY STREET
- 180.4 R @ T \$ Maidenhead,
¢ PALEY STREET
- 181.8 L @ T onto A330 \$ Maidenhead
- 182.7 R onto Forest Green \$ Windsor
- 183.4 L onto Moneyrow Green,
¢ HOLYPORT
- 184.3 **Attention!** Fork R by Large Tri no \$
R @ T onto Holyport Rd

- 185.5 L @ T (1E MRB)
Immed R after underpass \$ Bray
- 188.7 R (3E RB) onto A4
SA @ RB and cross Maidenhead Bridge
SA @ RB (entrance to new estate)
- 189.5 L @ TFL by car sales \$ Taplow
Onto Berry Hill and climb...
- 197.8 R @ T \$ Littleworth Common
- 193.3 L @ T \$ Burnham Beeches
- 199.6 L onto A355
Move to RHL to...

- 199.9 R @ TL, immed 1E RB onto Hedgerley La
- 202.4 L @ T onto Hedgerley lane
- 205.1 L @ TL onto B416 
\$ GERRARDS CROSS
- 206.5 SOX A40 \$ CHALFONT ST PETER
- 208.2 L onto Lower Rd (before RB)
- 208.5 R (2E MRB) onto High St
- 208.6 L (1E RB) onto A413
- 209.0 L into Chalfont Centre **ARRIVEE**

Key

L:Left, BL: Bear Left,
R:Right, BR: Bear Right
L/R @ T/Tri: Turn at T Junction or Triangle
L/RHB: Left or Right Hand Bend
SOX: Straight over X Road
¢ Continue on, SA Straight Ahead
LR/RL STGX: Staggered X Road
1/2/3/4 E RB/MRB: Take Exit on Roundabout
or Mini RB
\$ Town : signpost for Town
TOWN : Enter Town / Pass Boundary Marker