

CRANBORNE and NEW FOREST DAY OUT 100km AUK PERMANENT EVENT

Thank you for your entry to this AUK Permanent Event. I hope you enjoy what on a fine day is spectacular scenery. It is actually the same scenery in the rain, but not always appreciated as much.

This is the original New Forest Day Out cycle ride. The route heads west from Lymington into the New Forest before skirting around Burley and continuing to the Avon Valley. From there you continue to reach Cranborne as the half way café stop. The route returns to cross the River Avon again and then follows the scenic 'Ornamental Drive' through the heart of the Forest to Brockenhurst. Across heathland to Hatchet Pond before returning to Lymington.

CONTROLS: The route sheet is written for a Lymington start and finish, but you may use any Control as your start point.

LYMINGTON is the written route sheet start / finish location but you may use any Control as your start point. Most street car parking is charged weekdays and Saturdays. Free street parking can be found south of the High street but you will have to search it out. Car parks are also charged on Sunday, but free street parking is available in Avenue Road or Barfields. Cycle shop (Figures) is off north side of High Street half way down the hill.

LYMINGTON CONTROL location is at the New Street (which is one-way northward) and High Street junction (between Boots Chemist and Costa Coffee café). There are Public lavatories in New Street beside the museum building. There are many cafes in the High Street

BLISSFORD CONTROL is at the cattlegrid after a ford

CRANBORNE CONTROL is at the Garden Centre tearoom

BREAMORE CONTROL is at the track entrance to Breamore House café (summer opening)

HATCHET POND CONTROL is at the small grass triangle immediately after the right turn at end of Hatchet Pond.

BROCKENHURST is not a Control, but there are cafés if required for a break

Your attention is drawn to the following:

- Many of the roads are unfenced and you will encounter ponies, donkeys, cattle, possibly deer and in the autumn pigs. All animals should be treated as being unpredictable in their behaviour. Foals, in particular, are likely to cross the road suddenly.
- In the summer you will also encounter tourists in cars (with or without caravans) whose behaviour is totally unpredictable
- There are quite a few cattle grids. These can be slippery in wet weather.
- Several fords are crossed. There may be water in the ford at Moyles Court and the Watersplash in Brockenhurst. The condition of others will depend on recent weather.
- Horse riding and carriage driving (Pony and Trap) is an everyday part of New Forest life. Please slow down and make your presence known when passing or overtaking. Calling out is a good way of attracting attention, because horses are used to the human voice. Ponies and traps are easily spooked by silent bicycles with potentially serious consequences for either the horse or the passing cyclist.

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NEW FOREST DAY OUT via CRANBORNE and FOREST 100km

Stage 1 - To the western Forest fringes and across the Avon Valley		
km	Start CONTROL from High Street northwards along New Street (between Costa Coffee and Boots Chemist)	km
0.3	L at T (sp New Milton)	0.3
0.7	R at TLs (sp Lyndhurst)	1.0
0.5	SO at mini O	1.5
0.4	L into Sway Rd (sp Hordle)	1.9
0.9	Fork R into Mount Pleasant (sp Passford House Hotel)	2.8
2	R at T (no sp)	4.8
0.6	<i>CG</i>	5.4
1.1	R at T onto B3055 (sp Brockenhurst)	6.5
0.9	1st L (sp Burley)	7.4
3.3	L (sp Burley) and immediate L at T (no sp)	10.7
1.1	<i>CG</i>	11.8
2.1	<i>CG</i> {Burley}	13.9
1.8	R (sp Bisterne Close)	15.7
1.5	R at T (sp Lyndhurst)	17.2
0.7	1st L into Forest Road and continue thro' ford probably dry	17.9
1.8	R at T	19.7
0.4	1st L (actually SO) as road turns sharp Right	20.1
2.2	<i>CG</i>	22.3
1.6	R into Crow Lane (no sp) {Crow}	23.9
1.0	L at T opposite Elm Tree PH into Hightown Rd (no sp)	24.9
0.7	R at T onto slip road (2 way traffic) (sp Southampton)	25.6
0.3	L (1 st exit) at mini-O over A31T (sp Poulner)	25.9
0.5	R (2 nd exit) at mini-O beside White Hart Inn (sp South Gorley) {Poulner, Rockford}	26.4
1.3	Follow road L after ford (probably dry)	27.7
1.1	<i>CG</i> {South Gorley}	28.8
0.6	Cross ford at Moyles Court (sp Mockbeggar)	29.4
2.2	After Hockeys farm shop sign on R, Fork R at green (small sp sign Furze Hill)	31.6
2.2	Follow road sharp L (sp Hyde)	33.8
1.4	R at X beside school (sp Stuckton) {Frogham}	35.2
0.6	SO at X and down 25% steep Blissford hill	35.8
0.7	L at T (sp Godshill)	36.5
0.5	Thro' ford and over <i>CG</i> and BLISSFORD CONTROL at Cattle Grid	37.0
0.7	L at T (sp <i>Fordingbridge</i>)	37.7
2	L (1 st exit) at mini-O onto B3078 (sp Alderholt)	39.7
1.3	SO (2 nd exit) at mini-O (sp <i>Sandleheath</i>)	41.0
1.6	L in Sandleheath (sp <i>Alderholt</i>)	42.6
0.9	R immediate after Alderholt Mill (sp missing)	43.5
2.1	L at T (sp Cranborne)	45.6
1.3	R at T (sp Crendell)	46.9
1.2	1st L (sp Cranborne)	48.1
1.7	L at T (sp <i>Cranborne</i>)	49.8
1.3	Through Cranborne village and R into CONTROL – Cranborne Manor Garden Centre Tea Room	51.1

L = left : R = right : SO = straight on : X = cross roads : T = tee junction : O = roundabout : TLs = traffic lights : CG = cattlegrid : sp = signpost
Distances are in kilometres Left column is interval Right column is cumulative Next place cycled thro is in italics (sp PLACE) or {PLACE} © John Ward 2004 / 2016

Stage 2 - Return through the heart of the Forest		
L from Control		
0.2	1st R (sp <i>Alderholt</i>) into Castle Street	51.3
6.4	R (sp Ibsley) into Ringwood Road	57.7
1.6	R at T (no sp)	59.3
1.4	3rd L (sp Ibsley)	60.7
2	R at T (sp Ringwood A338)	62.7
0.3	1st L (sp Mockbeggar) into Mockbeggar Lane	63.0
1.2	Over CG and R at stg X (sp Moyles Court)	64.2
1.1	thro ford and L	65.3
9.5	Continue under A31T and 1st R (sp Bolderwood Arboretum / Ornamental Drive)	74.8
2 CGs in next 3km while descending Ornamental Drive		
4.3	SO at X across A35 + 2 CGs {fast traffic on A35}	79.1
3.1	CG { <i>Brockenhurst</i> }	82.2
3.8	L through Watersplash (sp Village centre via ford)	86
0.4	CG	86.4
0.3	R at T onto A337 over level crossing and immediate L into Mill Lane (sp Beaulieu)	86.7
1.4	CG and R at T onto B3055 (sp Beaulieu) {Sustrans 2}	88.1
6.4	R after hatchet pond (sp Lymington) and HATCHET POND CONTROL at this junction	94.5
0.3	1st L (sp <i>East Boldre</i>) and L at T (actually SO)	94.8
5.9	CG {positively the last cattlegrid ☺}	100.7
4	L at T (sp <i>Lymington</i>)	104.7
0.4	L at mini-O (sp Town centre)	105.1
0.6	Follow road around to R into High Street & climb hill	105.7
0.1	FINISH CONTROL at High Street / New Street junction between Costa Coffee and Boots Chemist	106.0