

THE TYE GREEN CHALLENGE RIDES 2006

Organised to AUDAX UK regulations

SUNDAY 28th May 2006

START AND FINISH - THE TAKELEY YOUTH CENTRE -FOUR ASHES CROSSROADS

TAKELEY near BISHOP'S STORTFORD

Situated on B 1256 150 yds. West of crossroads

H.Q. OPEN 7-30 CLOSE 18-30

CONTACT NUMBER 07835 711154

Map references given are to prominent points on the tours. To convert to National map references add the prefix TL to each except Tye Green Stock which has prefix TQ

THE TYE GREEN CHALLENGE **162 Km (101 miles)**

O.S. LANDRANGER SHEETS 167+154 **Start 08-00**

This tour has the variety of scenery and terrain which is uniquely Essex.

TAKELEY 561 213

Hatfield Broad Oak, Hatfield Heath, Sheering, Potter Street

TYE GREEN - HARLOW 458 086

Harlow Common, Matching Green, Leaden Roding

TYE GREEN - GOOD EASTER 628 124

Writtle, Margaretting

TYE GREEN - STOCK 687 997

Stock, Sandon, Boreham, Terling, Black Notley

TYE GREEN - CRESSING 782 208

Great Notley, Rayne, Great Bardfield, Little Bardfield, Thaxted, Howlett End

TYE GREEN - WIMBISH 592 355

Widdington, Elsenham, Fullers End

TYE GREEN - ELSENHAM 541 244

Gaunts End, Molehill Green Takeley, Bambers Green

TAKELEY 561 213

THE MOLEHILL GREEN CHALLENGE **100 Km (62 miles)**

O.S. LANDRANGER SHEETS 167+154 **Start 09-00**

A tour through the historical villages and lush farmland of west Essex and into the quiet open countryside of north Essex.

TAKELEY 561 213

Hatfield Broad Oak, Matching Green, Leaden Roding

TYE GREEN - GOOD EASTER 628 124

Pleshey, Howe Street

MOLEHILL GREEN RAYNE 712 203

Rayne

GREAT BARDFIELD 682 295

Finchingfield, Steeple Bumpstead, Radwinter

TYE GREEN - WIMBISH 592 355

Widdington, Elsenham, Fullers End

TYE GREEN - ELSENHAM 541 244

Gaunts End, Molehill Green Takeley, Bambers Green

TAKELEY 561 213

THE GREAT EASTON CHALLENGE**65 Km (40 miles)**O.S. LANDRANGER SHEETS 167Start 09-30

A tour through beautiful countryside and some of the oldest villages in Essex, an area very popular for cycling.

TAKELEY 561 213

Bambers Green, Molehill Green Takeley, Broxted Brick End

GREAT EASTON 611 254

Lindsell

GREAT BARDFIELD 682 295

Little Bardfield, Thaxted

TYE GREEN - WIMBISH 592 355

Widdington, Elsenham

TYE GREEN - ELSENHAM 541 244

Fullers End, Molehill Green Takeley, Bambers Green

TAKELEY 561 213

THE TAKELEY FAMILY FUN RIDES

A separate event run in conjunction with the above but **NOT** to Audax UK regulations.

THE BROXTED CHALLENGE**37 Km (23 miles)**

Start and Finish at The Youth Centre, Takeley, as above

Start 10.00 onward.

Event will close at 4-30pm

This ride is through quintessential English countryside. It includes winding lanes with hedgerows and few motor cars. In places these lanes are wooded and shady in the early summer sun. In others they afford distant views of the gently rolling Essex countryside. There are some short sections of "B" roads where these cannot be avoided. This ride is an ideal introduction to cycle touring for the non-committed competent cyclist.

START AT TAKELEY YOUTH CENTRE 561 213

Bambers Green, Molehill Green

BROXTED BRICK END 572 259

Great Easton

HENHAM Millpond Garden Centre 544 275

Elsenham, Fullers End

TYE GREEN 541 244

Fullers End, Molehill Green, Bambers Green

TAKELEY 561 213

THE FLITCH WAY**14.6 Km (9.1 miles)**

Registration at the Youth Centre, Takeley.

Start at Football Club Car Park adjacent to south side of Flitch Way and 250 metres south of Four Ashes Crossroads, TAKELEY 562 209 Start 10-30 onwards Event will close at 4-30pm

This ride is out and back along the section of the Flitch Way which is directly accessible from Takeley. The Flitch Way has a firm base and a hard gravelly surface built on the bed of a dismantled railway that once ran from Bishop's Stortford to Dunmow and then on to Braintree.

It also forms the Northern boundary of Hatfield Forest which has been parkland for 1000 years but is now under stress from air pollution. On this section you will have aircraft from Stansted Airport passing overhead at just above tree top level and there is also some housing development near the trackside

The Flitch Way runs directly through the countryside with lovely wooded areas and views over open farmland. There is abundant wildlife to spot.

There is no traffic but the track is used by walkers, cyclists and horse riders.

There is footway access from the Start/Finish to the Flitch Way and there will be a control point at both ends of the track.

TILEKILN GREEN 523 213

LITTLE CANFIELD 592 213

This ride is an ideal introduction to the joys of cycling for all those of any age who are proficient cycle riders.

THE TAKELEY FAMILY FUN RIDES

Sunday 28th May, 2006

1. Routes. A choice is offered: 9 or 23 miles. Riders are advised to choose the route, according to ability.

Please read the route and study the map before you start - help is available from members. There are no signs or marshals. However, at the checkpoints mentioned, further advice may be obtained.

You must check in at the control points shown on route sheets. If you go off course study your map and find a convenient route to the next obvious point on the route. The contact telephone number below may be used on the day to ask for advice in the event of difficulty and should be used to inform the organisers if you miss a control point or decide not to return to the finish.

2. Safety. Riders are responsible for their own safety. Routes comprise the quietest lanes we can find, but participants should be aware of the usual hazards such as road junctions and other traffic and occasional hazards such as poor road surfaces. On the Flitch Way there is no traffic but the track is used by walkers, cyclists and horse riders. Please treat all users with care and consideration. Wait quietly at the trackside for horses to pass or proceed with care if indicated by the horse rider. Participants should ride safely and in accordance with the Highway Code. Single file riding is advised in narrow roads or busy traffic. Please ride with care and consideration for other road users. Each rider is advised to wear high visibility clothing and a suitable hard shell helmet.

Under-18-year-olds are required to supply a guardian/parental consent supplied.

Riders 14-years of age and under must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

All riders are advised to have insurance cover (e.g. CTC or BC)

PLEASE NOTE THE ORGANISERS CANNOT ACCEPT RESPONSIBILY FOR RIDERS

3. Ability. Participants are responsible for their own fitness and that of their machine and their ability to complete the chosen distance. Participants must consider themselves as being on a private excursion and rely on their own arrangements in the event of failure to complete their ride.

The organisers cannot provide ambulance or breakdown services.

4. Timings. These events are not races or reliability trials. ride at your own pace and enjoy the tour. Participants are expected to make their own arrangements for refreshment. Many excellent pubs and a garden centre cafe are available along the way on the 23 mile route. There are none on the Flitch Way. The check in point at the finish will close at 4-30pm.

You will be given a certificate on completion. To verify please complete the control sheet supplied and present this for signing at the control points shown.

The organisers and helpers wish you all an enjoyable day.

THIS FORM SHOULD BE CARRIED BY THE RIDER THROUGH THE EVENT.

EVENT HEADQUARTERS
THE TAKELEY YOUTH CENTRE
FOUR ASHES CROSSROADS
TAKELEY near BISHOP'S STORTFORD
Situated on B1256 150 yds. west of crossroads

Rider's name.....

Address.....

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23 miles Start 10.00 am onwards

9 miles Start 10.30 am onwards

In event of accident, please contact:-

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Check in at finish closes 4-30pm

Contact No. 07835 711154 mobile

At (Contact No.).....

I the undersigned have read and understood all of the above

Signed.....date.....

Parental Consent if under 18 years old

Signeddate.....

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Registration Form

Rider's name.....

Address.....

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In event of accident, please contact:-

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At (Contact No.).....

BC no.....CTC no.....

Name of any CYCLING CLUB or Association
That you belong to:

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PARENTAL CONSENT:

Required for entrants under 18 years of age.
Parents/Guardians should read and take note
of the information given.

They should also be aware that this is an
Individual ride and there are no leaders.

I am the parent/guardian of the entrant;

Name.....

I have read and understood the entry information
And give my consent to this entry:

Signed (Parent / Guardian)

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Date.....

TO ENTER THE EVENTS

For the AUDAX events.

Apply for entry form by post to address below and include an A5 s.s.a. envelope or download entry form from website <http://www.audax.uk.net/cal/entform9.php?Ride=874>

Entry Fee is £4 for postal entries or £6 on the day

For the FAMILY FUN RIDES

Apply by post to address below and enclose an A5 s.s.a. envelope or download entry form from website at herts-wheelers.org.uk/audax.htm or www.stopstanstedexpansion.com and send to address below and include an A5 s.s.a. envelope

You are advised to have insurance cover via membership of C.T.C. or B.C.

All riders below 18 years of age must provide parental consent on the entry form.

All riders 14 years of age and under must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Entry Fee is £4 for postal entries or £6 on the day. For all entries 14 years of age and under £1.

Each rider will be given a route description sheet and map. On completion each rider will be given an attractive Certificate.

PLEASE NOTE each tour is restricted to a maximum of 50 riders

FOR ENTRY FORM AND ENQUIRIES

W. R. CHASTELL, 30 SILVERFIELD, BROXBOURNE, HERTS EN10 6PD. Tel. 01992 444 073

GOOD B & B. Close to start and finish. BONNINGTONS FARM, Takeley. 17th Century Farmhouse - Accommodation - 01279 871 391 Email: bonningtonsbbs@aol.com www.bonningtonstansted.co.uk

£25 sharing double room - £40 single - Free car parking all day. Large secure garage for bikes. If you have a long way to travel or would like to make it a nice weekend break this is an ideal stopover

ABOUT AUDAX U.K.

Audax U.K. is part of a Europe wide Long distance cycling association.

The Audax regulations were produced in 1904 by Henri Desgrange who is famous for founding the Tour De France.

Audax U.K. was founded in 1976 with an opening event of Windsor-Chester-Windsor of 600 Km
Audax U.K. now run over 600 events each year, in addition there are events throughout Europe and also in Australia, Canada and the U.S.A

ABOUT THE TYE GREEN CHALLENGE RIDES

I have developed the Tye Green Challenge rides to raise awareness of the threat to villages and countryside by proposed expansions to Stansted Airport and to promote support for the work of the organisation Stop Stansted Expansion (S.S.E)

I was motivated to do this on discovering the threat of demolition to Tye Green, Elsenham to make way for airport development. Molehill Green and adjacent villages are now on the site of the proposed second runway. This is an area of beautiful, typically rural English countryside and very popular for cycling. It is too good to lose.

I would like your support but most of all I hope you will come along to enjoy what we have to offer, a good day out on a bike.

W.R.CHASTELL

ABOUT SSE

SSE OBJECTIVE Stop Stansted Expansion's Objective is: (revised May 2004)

“To contain the development of Stansted Airport within tight limits that are truly sustainable and, in this way, to protect the quality of life of residents over wide areas of Essex, Hertfordshire and Suffolk, to preserve our heritage and to protect the natural environment.”

www.stopstanstedexpansion.com Tel 01279 870558

DONATIONS TO SSE are gratefully received and you may raise funds through sponsorship. Sponsorship forms and supporting posters/leaflets are available and will be posted to you on request.