

Hertfordshire Wheelers High

Five Audax - 210 km



A tour mainly through Hertfordshire lanes with visits to the highest points in Hertfordshire, Buckinghamshire, Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Essex.

- H.Q. (start and finish):** Allenburys Sports & Social Club, Harris Lane, Ware, Herts. SG12 0DJ
- Date and Time:** Sunday 18th June, 08:30 am
- Please arrive by 08:15 am so that brevet cards can be distributed and any checks made.**
- Food and drink:** Available at H.Q. and for purchase at the controls.
- Showers and changing:** Available at H.Q.
- Car parks:** Small amount in club, some in street.

This event is run under Audax UK regulations and takes place on open public roads. It is not a race or trial of speed. Please follow the rules of the road and show consideration to other road users.

You must complete the ride at an average speed between 14.3 kph and 30 kph. Your brevet card must be stamped at every control.

The route is not way-marked or marshalled but clear routing instructions are provided. In general the rule is **stick to the road you are on until instructed to leave it**. It helps to pay attention to the distances between instructions. Additionally, GPX files may be downloaded from <https://www.herts-wheelers.org.uk/audax/wheelers-audax-routes-2023>

The organiser provides no rescue service. If you decide not to complete the ride please let us know by phoning 07946294900 and/or by asking another rider to return your brevet card to us.

Visit www.herts-wheelers.org.uk/audax/downloads/ for latest information and maps of H.Q.

Ride safely and enjoy yourself! 2 INFO CONTROLS CHANGED LOCATION PLUS ALL NEW QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Abbreviations and conventions used in the route description:

R	Right	imm.	Immediately
L	Left	TfL	Traffic Lights
SO	Straight on	RaB	Roundabout
\$	Signpost	mRaB	Mini roundabout
T	T junction	Rlwy	Railway
X	Crossroads	▲	Grass triangle

Aldbury **bold type** - place passed through
New Road *italic type* - road Name
[B1368] Square brackets – road you ride along
(A602) Round brackets – road you cross

▲ H, ▲ Bu, ▲ Be, ▲ C, ▲ E Road passes near highest point in Herts (244m), Bucks (267m), Beds (243m), Cambs (146m), Essex (147m)



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Making cycling accessible to all.

Herts Wheelers 200k Audax Route

km First Leg (58.3 km)

0.0	R out of HQ into <i>Priory Street</i>
0.5	R @ T into <i>Baldock Street</i> .
0.9	2nd exit @ RaB. Cross bridge, keep R
1.0	Imm. after bridge, right into <i>Amwell End</i> via cycle access
1.2	Cross level crossing then R @ T no \$
3.5	2nd exit @ mRaB (effectively SO)
4.4	R @ Tfl \$ Hertford East Station
4.6	1st exit @ mRaB by Dolphin pub
4.7	1st exit @ mRaB \$ All Routes
4.8	R @ Tfl into 20 zone. SO through shops At end continue SO under clock set high
5.0	on R (cycle contra-flow - NCR 61)
5.1	R @ T by War Memorial
5.3	SO @ Tfl into <i>St Andrews Street</i>
5.8	2nd exit @ mRaB \$ Stevenage Pass Hertford N. station then forward at
6.3	2 mRaB \$ Stevenage [A119]
6.8	L \$ Bramfield . Follow road to Datchworth Green (7.4km)
14.2	L @ X in Datchworth Green \$ Woolmer Green
15.8	L @ T \$ Welwyn [B197]
16.0	Shortly R into <i>Heath Road</i>
17.3	R into <i>Potters Heath Road</i> (over A1)
18.3	L \$ Rabley Heath
18.7	Information Control @ Robin Hood and Little John pub - see brevet card After control continue towards Codicote
20.9	R @ T ▲ no \$ [B656]
21.0	Shortly L into <i>Cowards Lane</i>
21.4	L at T ▲ \$ Cycle Route 12
26.9	R @T, \$ Wheathampstead [B653]
27.2	1st exit RaB \$ Wheathampstead [B651]
27.6	R after church into <i>Church Street</i> L no \$ (▲) into <i>Pipers Lane</i> (<i>just after</i>
29.1	<i>golf course entrance</i>)
30.7	2nd exit @ mRaB
31.6	Forward @ mRaB
31.7	L @ mRaB \$ Redbourn
32.3	2nd exit @ RaB \$ Redbourn [B487]
35.0	2nd exit @ RaB \$ Redbourn (A5183)
35.6	L on r.h.bend into <i>High Street</i> R @T in front of Atelier Shop \$
36.1	Redbourn Common (into <i>Fish Street</i>) R \$ Gaddesden Row (into <i>Gaddesden</i>
37.4	<i>Lane</i>)
41.0	Follow road right (90°) \$ Jockey End

km First Leg - Continued

42.3	L \$ Water End
45.2	Steep descent to R @ T \$ Leighton Buzzard [A4146]
45.5	2nd left \$ Nettleden
47.0	R @ T \$ Nettleden
53.1	L @ T \$ Tring [B4506]
56.0	R \$ Tring
57.9	Continue through Aldbury towards Tring Station
58.3	Control in Musette Café, Church Farm

km Second Leg (48.8 km)

	R after control and through Tring Station
61.3	Forward at (very small) mRaB
61.9	R @ T \$ Town Centre
62.0	Shortly 1st exit at mRaB \$ Town Centre L @ X into <i>Akeman Street</i> (opp. Costa
62.4	Coffee – easy to miss!)
62.7	L \$ Cholesbury (imm. after r.h.bend)
63.5	Fork R \$ Hastoe
64.7	Follow road 90° R ▲H
67.8	R @ T \$ Cycle Route 5
68.2	R @ ▲ \$ St. Leonards Through Buckland Common and St Leonards (follow signs to Aston Clinton)
	2.4km (1.5m) Chivery ▲Bu
71.4	Information Control - see brevet card
75.4	Steep descent to R @ T \$ Tring [B4009]
76.6	R @ T \$ Tring
77.4	2nd exit @ RaB \$ Ivinghoe (over A41)
77.5	Shortly forward @ RaB \$ Ivinghoe [B488]
80.2	2nd exit @ RaB \$ Ivinghoe [B488]
82.3	2nd exit @ RaB \$ Ivinghoe [B488]
84.4	R \$ Whipsnade [B489]
88.2	R @ double RaB \$ Dagnall [A4146]
90.3	1st exit @ RaB \$ Whipsnade [B4506]
90.6	R before l.h.bend \$ Studham (▲)
94.4	L @ X \$ Studham
97.4	SO @ RaB \$ Dunstable [B4541]
99.8	Sharp R & stop <i>Isle of Wight Lane</i> ▲Be Information control – see brevet card
99.8	Reverse Course, downhill.
101.9	L @ RaB \$ Kensworth [B4541]
104.1	Stay on [B4541] Common Rd until R into The Chilterns and imm. R into control in Village Hall.

kmThird Leg (46.9 km)

	Retrace to B4540 and back L
104.9	Shortly L \$ Dovehouse Lane
106.0	L @ T ▲
109.9	R @ T in Markyate no \$
	SO (across A5 - care) into No Through
110.8	Road (<i>Old Watling Street</i>)
	L no \$ into <i>Chad Lane (just after "road</i>
112.2	<i>narrows" sign)</i>
113.2	R \$ Chilterns Cycleway
	L \$ Chilterns Cycleway into <i>Kennel Lane</i>
114.3	CARE! Poor surface near end
	L @ T no \$ (eff. SO) into <i>Kingsbourne</i>
115.4	<i>Green Lane</i>
115.6	R @ T \$ Harpenden [A1081] (care)
115.7	Shortly L \$ Newmill End
118.3	SO at staggered junct. \$ Peters Green
120.8	L in Peters Green \$ Wandon Green ▲
122.1	Follow road \$ Wandon Green ▲
122.4	R @ T ▲ \$ Whitwell
123.3	Follow road \$ Whitwell
126.3	R \$ Whitwell
126.9	R @ T \$ Whitwell
	Information control - see brevet card
127.3	L \$ Hitchin [B651] (at war memorial)
131.8	L @ X \$ Hitchin [B656] (care)
	R @ X no sign (then through 3 90°
133.1	bends)
134.6	R @ T \$ Little Wymondley
134.0	L on r.h bend \$ Wymondley
135.6	SO @ mRaB \$ Great Wymondley
137.3	R @ T \$ Graveley
	Information control - see brevet card
	After T follow road to R
137.8	L into <i>Graveley Lane</i>
138.8	R @ T \$ Graveley
141.2	L \$ Chesfield
143.7	Care R on l.h bend \$ Halls Green
147.3	R @ T \$ Walkern
148.4	L on r.h bend \$ Cromer (almost SO)
148.8	R @ T \$ Cromer
149.2	L @ T \$ Cromer [B1037]
149.7	L on R.H. bend (almost SO) \$ Baldock
151.6	L @ T no \$ [A507] (care)
151.8	Continue SO \$ Rushden
152.8	Control – Mill End Plants, Rushden

km Fourth Leg (35.0 km)

152.8	Left out of control
153.5	R \$ Sandon
155.4	R @ T \$ Buckland
156.6	Follow road to R in Sandon \$ Buckland
158.0	L \$ Buckland
159.4	R @ T \$ Buckland
161.2	L @ T \$ Cambridge [A10] (care)
161.6	Shortly R \$ Barkway (care)
165.2	L @ T \$ Barley [B1368]
166.8	Fork R on descent \$ Great Chishill
171.2	R @ X \$ Saffron Walden [B1039] ▲ C
	R \$ (3 arm signpost on left side of
176.7	road)
	Information control - see brevet card
178.2	R \$ Duddenhoe
178.7	L \$ Langley
180.9	R @ T \$ Meesden ▲ E
182.2	L @ T \$ Meesden
182.3	Shortly R \$ Meesden
186.4	R @ T ▲ \$ Meesden
188.3	Control - Blind Fiddler pub, Anstey

km Fifth Leg (22.5 km)

188.3	L from control
190.4	L @ T \$ Hare Street [B1368]
	Through Hare Street, Dassels, Hay
	Street, Braughing
199.1	L \$ Puckeridge
	L after Crown and Falcon pub into
199.3	<i>Station Road</i>
199.7	R at pillar box into <i>South Road</i>
	SO @ X into <i>Barwick Road</i> (A120,
200.1	care)
201.0	Fork R into <i>Dowsetts Lane</i>
202.5	L @ T \$ Colliers End
206.1	SO @ mRaB by Anchor P.H.
208.2	2nd exit @ RaB \$ Ware
208.5	1st exit @ RaB \$ Ware
210.1	3rd exit @ RaB \$ Stevenage
210.2	1st exit @ mRaB into <i>Park Road</i>
210.5	L @ X into <i>Harris's Lane</i>
210.8	Control @ Event HQ on R