

STEVENAGE CTC GREENWICH MERIDIAN
52 Miles OFF-ROAD CHALLENGE
DATC/MEDAL Audax Style EVENT
Sunday July 20th From Fairlands Valley Park

The start is at Costello's Café by The Sailing Centre O.S. Landranger 166 ref: TL 254241
 Start at 08:00 a.m. Please arrive by 07:45. The route is covered by Landranger Maps 166, 167 or
 Explorer Maps 182,193,194. Maximum speed is 17 KPH. Minimum speed is 8.5 KPH

ABBREVIATIONS:

TL = Turn Left TR = Turn Right PB = Public Bridleway
 SO = Straight Over CT = Cycle Track X-roads = Cross Roads
 TJ = T Junction SP = Signpost

DIRECTION PART 1	DIST. Km	TOTAL	DIRECTIONS PART 2	DIST. Km	TOTAL
From start to park exit.			Continue		
TL onto cycle track	0.5		TL onto PB (Hall on right)	1.1	19.7
SO Chells Way, take care when crossing.	1.1	1.6	TR up Bank	0.5	20.2
Stay on CT cross road and join track.	0.1	1.7	Bear R at Jnc.	0.3	20.5
Cont. just before road where TR onto PB.	0.2	1.9	TR at road TJ (Hare Street) (tea room on left)	1.4	21.9
At road TL	0.4	2.3	Through Dassels		
TR at TJ	0.1	2.4	TL onto PB (sp Bozen Green)	2.6	24.5
TL at PH in Aston End. Then join PB	0.3	2.7	TR at TJ	1.1	25.6
TR at TJ on PB.	0.7	3.4	Bear Right at TJ	0.1	25.7
Bear LEFT	0.4	3.8	TL at TJ then TR up Bank	0.2	25.9
Bear RIGHT	0.2	4.0	Join Road TR at Road	0.8	26.7
TL through 3 GATES bear LEFT after 1st GATE	0.2	4.2	TL at 2nd PB	1.1	27.8
After 3rd gate Cross Stream	0.3	4.5	TR at PB sign (brow of hill)	1.0	28.8
TR at road then shortly TL onto PB	0.1	4.6	TR onto Rough Road	0.4	29.2
TR at road	0.8	5.4	TL at road	0.4	29.6
TL onto 2nd PB	0.9	6.3	TR onto PB through 2 gates	0.3	29.9
TL onto road	0.7	7.0	TL & Immed. R at road onto PB (through gate)	0.7	30.6
SO at X-roads in Bassus Green	0.2	7.2	SO down Bank (leave field at bend onto hedged lane)	1.1	31.7
TL at barn then TR onto PB	0.4	7.6	TR at Road Busy A120	1.1	32.8
TR over Horse Control	0.9	8.5	TL (Standon) High Street	0.4	33.2
TL at 2nd PB then	1.0	9.5	TR on bend Paper Mill Lane	0.5	33.7
TL at TJ	0.4	9.9	TL onto PB by ford	0.4	34.1
TR onto road at Moor Green	0.6	10.5	TR at TJ (road)	1.9	36.0
Shortly TL onto PB	0.2	10.7	SO at bend	0.3	36.3
TR at TJ on PB	0.8	11.5	SO at bend join PB (2nd Left)	0.5	36.8
TL	2.2	13.7	TL at road (uphill)	1.5	38.3
TL onto Road	0.7	14.4	TR (Rush Green)	1.3	39.6
TR onto PB	0.6	15.0	TL	0.7	40.3
Bear Right	1.1	16.1	Bear Right onto PB	0.2	40.5
TR at Road	1.1	17.2	Just before TR at Road STOP for		
Bear LEFT at FORK	0.4	17.6	INFO CONTROL SEE CARD	1.0	41.5
TR at TJ (Buntingford)	0.8	18.4			
TL into Owles Lane	0.2	18.6			
INFO CONTROL SEE CARD		18.6			

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DIRECTIONS PART 3	DIST. Km	TOTAL	DIRECTIONS PART 4	DIST. Km	TOTAL
TR at TJ then Right again		41.6	From CHECKPOINT cont. in same direction		
SO join PB (premitted)	0.3	41.9			
TL at road	1.5	43.4			
TR onto PB (bear left at bottom of hill)	0.4	43.8	Bear Left at Y and join PB	0.2	55.4
TR at TRACK crossing Ford (bridge)	0.8	44.6	At road SO rejoin PB	1.1	56.5
Join Road		44.6	Bear Right (then through gap in hedge and cross field)	0.1	56.6
TL immed. TR at OLD A10 (Marshalls Lane, High Cross)	2.0	46.6	TL at gap in hedge down horse ramp	0.4	57.0
TR onto PB (bear right at join)	0.5	47.1	At busy road SO	2.4	59.4
TL at road	1.8	48.9	TL after crossing road, inside Copse	0.1	59.5
TL onto PB (just past Golf C.)	1.8	50.7	TR at Track/Road	0.6	60.1
SO at road	0.6	51.3	TL at road then TR at roundabout in Watton-at-Stone	0.2	60.3
TL at Church	0.5	51.8	Cross Railway bridge then TL	0.5	60.8
Bear RIGHT onto PB then	0.9	52.7	TR	0.2	61.0
Bear right again	0.3	53.0	TL onto PB (may still be overgrown TAKE CARE)	0.4	61.4
TL at TJ then Right through small gate	0.8	53.8	At road TR	0.5	61.9
Cross Bridge over ditch, TR through gate	0.3	54.1	Join track at Perrywood Farm	0.4	62.3
TL after gate then bear left through hedge (join road)	0.3	54.4	Bear Right onto PB	0.5	62.8
Through Houses to Xroads SO to CHECK POINT at LORDSHIP ARMS Benington.	0.8	55.2	Rejoin Track	0.7	63.5
			TL onto PB signed Bramfield 1 (may be fallen tree on path GO ROUND DO NOT BEAR LEFT HERE)	0.1	63.6
			Bear Left at Y by fenced off bomb hole	1.1	64.7
CONTROL OPENS 11:15			At road SO and join Farm track	0.6	65.3
CLOSES 14:20			Join road SO	0.8	66.1
			TR onto PB	1.3	67.4
			At road TR	1.3	68.7
			TL onto PB	0.1	68.8
			TR at TJ	1.1	69.9
			TL just as entering wood	1.5	71.4
			At road TR	0.5	71.9
			In Tewin bear RIGHT at Y		71.9
			TR at TJ to CHECKPOINT at ROSE & CROWN P.H.	0.7	72.6
			CONTROL OPENS 12:10		
			CLOSES 16:30		

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DIRECTIONS PART 5	DIST. Km	TOTAL	ABBREVIATIONS
From Checkpoint join PB at side of PH (Back Lane)		72.6	<p>You will pass through <u>PLACES</u> marked in <u>underlined</u> & Bold. Continue straight on unless directed to do other wise otherwise</p> <p>TR = Turn Right TL = Turn Left SO = Straight Over PB = Public Bridleway/Byway CT = Cycle Track TJ = Tee Junction X-roads = Cross Roads PH = Public Hose Sp = Signpost</p> <p>Don't forget to get your card signed and timed at each Control</p> <p>The route can be checked on O.S. Landranger Map 116 & 167</p> <p>Please use the MAIN carpark on left as you enter Fairlands Valley Park</p> <p>EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS</p> <p>Costello's Café Tel: 01438 748458 Bob's Mobile 07960 910109 Rose's Mobile 07932 567007</p>
TL	0.6	73.2	
TR at TJ	0.3	73.5	
TR at Road after pond	1.6	75.1	
TL onto PB	0.3	75.4	
SO at road	1.6	77.0	
Stay on road at TJ cross road onto PB	0.6	77.6	
SO in Datchworth join road	0.9	78.5	
TL at X roads	0.1	78.6	
TL at TJ	0.8	79.4	
SO sharp right in Road and join PB	1.3	80.7	
TR at Road after Pond	0.8	81.5	
TL onto PB	0.1	81.6	
Join Road then TL at TJ	0.6	82.1	
TR just before 2nd roundabout			
Immediately TL onto CT	1.2	83.3	
TL at TJ by Football Ground	0.8	84.1	
Under bridge TR			
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Follow CT through Park TR at TJ	1.1	85.3	
TL under bridge then TR	0.3	85.6	
TL into Park entrance to Finish	0.4	86.0	
Arrivee Fairlands Valley Park		86.0	
COSTELLO'S CAFÉ	86.0		
86.0Km/53.7 miles			
CONTROL OPENS 13:00			
CLOSES 18:00			

Please enjoy your ride today. Thank you for taking the time to take part in this event.
 No refreshment stops are provided on the route but you will pass various Pubs and Village Stores.
 Do be aware if the weather is good and it is lunch time some pubs may be very busy and it will take time to get served, it would be beneficial to work this into the time you have allowed yourself to reach the next control or finish. As organisers we can not recommend where to stop for refreshment as we have no control over the establishments you may use.

We would hope that you will use the facilities at Costello's at the start and finish as with out their help and co-operation this event would be more difficult to stage. Again thank you for taking part and enjoy your day.