

2010 Bike Ride to Reach Fair

All Welcome!

This May Bank Holiday why not bring your family and friends on a leisurely free bike ride taking in Reach Fair, and optionally on to Wicken Fen and Ely.

Start from Midsummer Common, Cambridge.

3rd May 2010 between 9.30am and 10.30am



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Park & Ride
(toilets)

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Swaffham Prior

Reach

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On Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May join our big bike rides from Cambridge into the fenland countryside. There's a short ride to the village of Reach, stopping for the village fair, or a longer ride through Wicken Fen to Ely. Both rides start together in Cambridge and will go at a leisurely pace following National Cycle Network Routes 51 and 11.

Reach

The ride takes place on the day of the historic country fair in the village of Reach at the end of Devil's Dyke. We'll arrive in time to witness the opening of the fair by the Mayor of Cambridge at noon. This tradition goes back over 800 years, and is accompanied by the throwing of pennies for the poor villagers. There are stalls, fairground rides, a maypole, morris dancing and food and drink tents. It's perfect for a family day out. The ride back to Cambridge will leave in the mid afternoon - the ride leader will arrange a time with the group to meet before starting back.

Ely

For those wanting a longer ride, the stop at Reach will be just enough for lunch. We shall then carry on through Wicken Fen, expecting to arrive in Ely in the mid afternoon. At Ely there will be time to enjoy the sights and more refreshment, before getting back on our bikes and returning to Cambridge. Bring bike lights. Alternatively return by train, subject to limited availability of space for bikes.

The Ride

Come prepared for stunning views of open country, wild horses near Wicken Fen and changeable weather. Bring water, snacks, a bike lock and money to buy food. The pace will be leisurely: the riding time to Ely is expected to be four hours each way. These rides are organised by Cambridge Cycling Campaign and are supported by Cycle Cambridge and Bike Week. They are open to everyone, and this includes accompanied child cyclists who are strong enough to ride for around 20 miles (the return distance to Reach). The return distance to Ely is 50 miles. Both rides will be accompanied by marshals who are able to help with simple bike problems. You are of course free to ride independently. This is a ride just for fun, there is no charge and there is no sponsorship. Both rides start and finish in Cambridge.

Details

from 9am	Gather outside the Fort St. George pub on Midsummer Common
from 9.30am	Groups led by a marshal depart towards Stourbridge Common
10.30am	Last group departs
10:45am	Final pickup at Newmarket Road Park+Ride
around Noon	Arrive in Reach

A marshal will tell you the time and place to meet for the rides back to Cambridge or on to Ely.

Returning from Reach

Groups return from 2pm, listen for announcements.

On to Ely and Back

Leaving Reach at around 1pm, there will be a short stop at Wicken Fen, arriving in Ely at around 3:30pm. We expect to be back in Cambridge before 9pm.

More information

For the latest on the ride visit www.camcycle.org.uk
email contact@camcycle.org.uk or leave a message on 01223 690718.