

CHARLIE WESTLAKE 'SPORTIVE' BIKE RIDE (50 km / 31 miles)

Organised by Bury CTC with Bury Clarion. Time allowed: 4 hours

THIS EVENT IS NOT A RACE OR SPEED COMPETITION. STOP AT CONTROLS.

START CASTLE LEISURE CENTRE and join A58 direction Bolton.

After *Blockbuster Express*, turn R at TL on to Ainsworth Rd. (B6196) to **AINSWORTH**.

Follow the bend R, along Arthur Lane and down to **Harwood** and **Bradshaw Chapel**.

As the road rises turn sharp R at the TL (**care**) on to the B6391.

At the TL at the **A666 T JUNCTION** turn R to join the A666 direction Blackburn.

In **Egerton** turn L onto minor road (Longworth Road) signed 'Delph Sailing Club'.

At **Belmont Reservoir** (16 km) **CONTROL (10.15 to 11.00)**.

Turn R to Belmont summit and turn R onto minor road signed 'Tockholes'.

Descend through **TOCKHOLES** (care-speed humps).

After crossing motorway, turn R at the X at the **BLACK BULL** pub (24 km).

After a short climb, descend (**10% - great care**) to the X at **Earcroft**.

Cross the A666 (**care**) on to Sandy Lane and continue down to mini roundabout (27.5 km).

Turn R and steep climb (1 in 8 - 12%) to **LOWER DARWEN**.

SO at TL to big roundabout at **Guide**. With care go across to B6231 signed 'Oswaldtwistle'.

At **BRITANNIA ROUNDABOUT** (31 km) Britannia pub **CONTROL (10.45 to 11.45)**.

TURN RIGHT onto the B6232 and go over the **ROUNDHILLS** (35 km) then descend to the road bridge at the bottom. The roads bends left then you turn R at TL towards Haslingden.

In **HASLINGDEN** (40 km) SO at TL and descend to first roundabout where SO. Go straight ahead at next roundabout following the cycle route signs 'Edenfield', and descend to **EWOOD BRIDGE** (43 km) then climb to TL where turn R into **EDENFIELD** (45 km).

Fork L at the mini-roundabout onto the A680 direction Rochdale and climb to **OWD BETTS** pub (49.5 km) **FINISH CONTROL (12.15 to 13.30)**.

(If you are unable to finish, please ring 07963 701799)

Note: TL = TRAFFIC LIGHTS SO = STRAIGHT ON
R = RIGHT L = LEFT X = CROSSROADS