1. Start south along King's Parade, 10m elev

R at T into Silver Street, over River Cam and past rising bollards

L at tfl, SO at rdbt, grass on LHS

Follow 90deg right at tfl into Barton Road

Continue beyond city limits; could use bike path on RHS, to

(2.4 miles)

2. SO at big rdbt, over M11, SO at 2nd rdbt

R onto B1046 SP COMBERTON

Continue through BARTON, COMBERTON, Greenwich Meridian just before TOFT

SO (R/L) across A1198 and into LONGSTOWE, Continue on B1046

pass water-tower, 79m elev

on downhill just before Little Gransden, suddenly:

Sharp L onto C-road SP GAMLINGAY.

(13.5 miles)

3. SO at Xrds in GAMLINGAY; after 180 metres Follow curve to left Follow through Xrds on left bend, cross from Cambs to Beds before... R at T, Follow left in EVERTON, into trees, Follow downhill and left to

(21.1 miles)

4. R at T onto B1042, SO thru first mini-rdbt, cross big rly on bridge, imm...

L at new mini-rdbt, past SANDY station, 23m elev, Continue 0.67 mile to A1

[T*sco: soon after stn (Mon-Sat 07-23h, Sun 10-16h), has toilets]

R at T (care!) onto A1 (SP North), imm filter L (Orchard Road)

Follow 90deg right, 460 metres to

L at T ("unsuitable for heavy goods vehicles")



0.54 mile to R at T (no SP) onto B658

200 metres to LSP HATCH

Pass through HATCH, THORNCOTE GREEN, NORTHILL, ICKWELL; climb to R at triangular T SP OLD WARDEN, Follow thro OLD WARDEN, SO (SP Shefford).

(27.1 miles)

5. Follow 90deg left (SP Ireland), 0.78 mile, pass old rly station Follow right under (marvellous skew rly) bridge, trees on LHS

SO across A600

L on downhill after 280 metres, road-name STANDALONE WARREN

Climbs under trees through HAYNES CHURCH END, 100m elev, down to

L at T onto A6, 110 metres, R, Follows left past turning on RHS, to

R (on uphill) SP MAULDEN, road-name Limbersey Lane, in HAYNES WEST END

Continue thro reverse curves, then sharp left on downhill

R at T SP AMPTHILL in MAULDEN, climb past pub, over crest to rdbt:

2nd exit (1 o'clock), Continue into AMPTHILL, approach double-mini-rdbt.

(35.6 miles)

6. [Toilets and Water (Mon-Sat 08-17h, Sun 10-17h): R imm before zebra crossing, Follow 1-way road] [Waitrose: R at first mini-rdbt and stop on R after 120 metres (M-F 08-21h, Sat 20h, Sun 11-17)]

L and L (SP Flitwick, Public Library), Continue

[Fish & Chip & Kebab shop on LHS (apparently open until 22h, 23h Fri-Sat)]

[Pub "The Old Sun" on LHS (Sun-Thu noon-2330, Fri-Sat noon-0030)]

[Cottage Bakery on LHS (Mon-Fri 0730-1630, Sat 0730-13h, Sun closed)]

SO over 2 mini-rdbts, then downhill to larger rdbt ("One-o-One"):

[Water, toilet, shop: SO (2nd exit) from One-o-One & next R into Shell petrol station (24h/7d); snacks, cash-machine, toilet (door is locked at 22h, then no toilet, window service only); Flitwick railway station is 1 mile up this road]

R at One-o-One rdbt, 160 metres

L at 2nd rdbt SP STEPPINGLEY and under rly (tfl)

SO at 2x new mini-rdbts, SO at rdbt, Follow up thro STEPPINGLEY and over M1.

(38.9 miles)

7. Follow the road up into WOBURN PARK, over cattle grid, summit at 141m, down, half-way point, 2 cattle grids, church

SO (L/R) at Xrds in WOBURN, crossing A4012

Climb over crest, then 550 metres to

R SP LITTLE BRICKHILL, into Buckinghamshire in forest, over A5 on bridge

into LITTLE BRICKHILL, R at rdbt, 250 metres to (Look!)

L before zebra crossing SP GREAT BRICKHILL, drop 45m and climb to 161m elev

L at oblique T on downhill (Give Way, go straight ahead)

down Partridge Hill on good C-road, steep towards bottom but no surprises.

(48.4 miles)

8. At 72m elev cross river Ouzel, and Grand Union Canal; at Xrds

L/R across C-road (old A4146), climb up over rly and bypass into SOULBURY

R (concealed turning behind crest) onto B4032 SP STEWKLEY

L (SP Wing) at triangular jet in STEWKLEY, then 750 metres to...

R SP DUNTON opposite Carpenters Arms pub, becomes straight downhill

Follow right and thro LITTLECOTE, DUNTON, past barn (moiré fringes!)

L at T onto A413, a short climb and then down into WHITCHURCH where R at mini-rdbt SP PITCHCOTT.

(56.8 miles)

9. Follow to 158m summit, PITCHCOTT, down Pitchcott Hill, under pylons R at Xrds SP QUAINTON (well off the quick part of hill)

[Coffee-shop: R in Quainton into The Green (Tue-Sat 08-17h, Sun 09-15h, Mon closed, BH 10-14h)]



L in QUAINTON (SP Waddesdon) into Station Road

cross Great Central Railway (disused main line, preserved station visible)

R at T onto A41, 0.63 mile (past motorbike showrooms) to rdbt...

L 1st exit SP ASHENDON, through WESTCOTT, and climb from 85m to ASHENDON

R 210 metres after church (SP Dorton) very near to 156m summit

Down Ashendon hill, 45mph+ and 1-in-7 mid-way, down to 70m.

(67.6 miles)

10. Past old rly stn on left (was a bridge over road), Follow 90deg left

R after 0.67 mile (SP Brill), over rly and climb up to Xrds

SO, more climb to 153m and another Xrds

SO, down to sharp 90deg right at Touchbridge Cottage, Continue to

R at T onto B4011; 350 metres to...

L SP BOARSTALL, Follow thro twisty section, over M40, into Oxfordshire

R SP OXFORD on left curve in HORTON-CUM-STUDLEY, down Horton Hill

Follow sharp godeg left curve SP OXFORD

climb 64m to 129m (Woodperry Hill), past TV mast (Beckley) to

(77.8 miles)

11. R at T onto B4027 (SP Islip), 1 mile to

filter L SP ELSFIELD

Follow big bends to right and left, ELSFIELD, speed humps, church, down to

L at T, cross Oxford ring road on bridge, OXFORD, 60m elev

L at tfl-T and imm R at tfl into Marston Road, Continue

SO/R at tfl jct by Park, soon SO at next tfl (care, buses creating pinch point!)

at large rdbt "The Plain", take 4th exit (1 o'clock), over Magdalen Bridge

Past tower, SO at tfl, and Continue up The High to Stop at Carfax. (83.9 miles)