



Getting to Emitremmus

Including Advice on Parking

Please do not park in the small car park by Costello's Café

There are cycle routes into the park from Six Hills Way, Fairlands Way, Telford Avenue, Shephall View, and from Broadhall Way and the showground.

If you cannot cycle to Emitremmus please try to lift share or come by train.

Come to the café by the Sailing Centre in Fairlands Valley Park. Please try to arrive at least twenty minutes before your ride. You will find us in the Sailing Centre's training room, Costello's Café or on the patio. The entrance to the park is off Six Hills Way, Stevenage. The Ordnance Survey grid reference is TL255242 (Landranger 166). Alternatively search for SG2 0BL on a street map website.

Train to Emitremmus

The event HQ will be in the training room near Costello's Café at Fairlands Valley Park Sailing Centre, SG2 0BL. That is less than two miles from Stevenage Railway Station, SG1 1XT.

There are lifts from the platforms up to the bridge at the station to the south of the stairs. If using the lift, turn RIGHT on exiting the lift, if using the stairs, go through the ticket barriers and turn LEFT in the direction of the Town Centre. Shortly turn LEFT and walk down the ramp (odd design, part ramp, part steps). At the bottom of the ramp turn LEFT and walk across the taxi and drop off / pick up area towards the cycleway which you will see between you and the railway. You will be looking at platform one.

Get on bike. Turn LEFT (south) on cycleway with the railway on your rhs. Shortly down slope and at cycleway T-junction turn LEFT (east) onto another cycleway. You will now have Six Hills Way on your rhs. Continue forwards passing the town centre on your left and Asda on your right.

Climb hill to pass Fairlands Valley Park then LEFT into the park access road. Cycle the whole length of the access road until you come to Costello's Café car park. Dismount, walk through the gates at the bottom of the car park and find us in the café and on the patio.

To avoid rushing I suggest that the latest train you should consider from Kings Cross is at 0852. There are also trains from Finsbury Park (latest 0858), Peterborough, Cambridge and Hertford which should get you to the start on time.

At the moment I do not see any planned disruptions to trains on the main route through Welwyn Garden City after 0800 but the Hertford loop line may be more difficult. In any event please check the National Rail website <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/> or with the train operator near the day for any changes due to engineering work, etc.

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Driving to Emitremmus and Parking

If you have to come by car please do not park in the small car park near the café. That will be needed by others including volunteer ride makers taking equipment to controls and those who have nothing to do with our event during the day.

For the main car park please drive up Six Hills Way east from the direction of the town centre turn LEFT into the park access road then shortly turn LEFT into the car park.

Please do not park on the access road – hundreds of cyclists will need to use it. The park has asked us to please not cycle down the footpath between the car park and the café, use the access road to the sailing centre – or walk.

That car park can get very full. Alternative parking is available at the showground car park at the extreme southern end of Fairlands Valley Park. Access is from the A602. It is a short cycle ride from there to the start. Ride north on the cycleway which you will find on the west side of that part of the park. When you reach the bollards near Six Hills Way turn RIGHT downhill. At the bottom of the hill turn LEFT through the underpass and immediately RIGHT up the climb to the park access road.

There is also a medium sized car park off Fairlands Way (A1155) at the north end of the park. Search on SG1 1NU and you will be close. After a short walk there is a cycleway through the park to the start. That section will be used in the last kilometre of the ride.

In general please be considerate.

Finally please note that the main contact numbers “mission control” on the day will be 0778 781 6434 (Penny) and myself (0793 968 7509). It would be useful if you could please let us know if you are not going to start or finish. In particular please check in at the finish if you ride. Let’s not have our ride maker volunteers worrying and waiting around at the finish for you if you are not coming. For obvious reasons text rather than talk will be best most of the time during the ride.



On behalf of the Emitremmus Ride Makers team

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