

**STEVENAGE START OF SUMMERTIME SPECIALS**  
**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2018**  
**120 Kilometre Route**

**Start Fairlands Valley Park 10:30**

*Please arrive by 10:00 to collect your brevet card.*

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The entrance to Fairlands Valley is off Six Hills Way.

Café grid ref. is OS 166 TL 254243.

If you come by car please leave it in the large car park near the entrance, not the smaller cafe car park which will be needed by others during the day.

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**ABBREVIATIONS:**

FWD Forward

SO Straight on

IMM Immediately

ph public house

rhs right hand side

lhs left hand side

sp signpost

T T junction

X crossroads

stgd X staggered crossroads

Y Y junction

RBT roundabout

△ Grass triangle in middle of T or Y junction

Continue on major route unless directed otherwise.

You should go through the towns and villages that are underlined e.g. WALKERN.

Intermediate distances are **APPROXIMATE**.

*(Route checked by Jim Borchers 11/03/2018)*



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*Start from the Sailing Centre in Fairlands Valley Park at 10:30 (BST).  
Please arrive by 10:00 to collect your brevet card. This is not a race. You must complete the ride at an average speed between 12.5 and 25 kph. Your brevet card must be timed and signed at every control. Ride safely and enjoy yourself.*

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From park LEFT onto Six Hills Way  
FWD at RBT sp Chells  
FWD at 2<sup>nd</sup> RBT keeping on Six Hills Way  
LEFT on 3<sup>rd</sup> RBT sp Chells Manor  
Follow Gresley Way then  
RIGHT at RBT(sp WALKERN) on B1037 (3.4 km/2.4miles)  
In WALKERN bear LEFT (sp Cottered B1037)  
RIGHT at stgd X sp ARDELEY, WOOD END.  
Continue through ARDELEY and WOOD END

**Take GREAT CARE at bottom of hill after Wood End, 2 DEEP potholes on lhs of road.**

Continue straight to GREAT MUNDEN

LEFT at X with Δ no sign post through NASTY  
Bear RIGHT (sp BUNTINGFORD and WESTMILL) to WESTMILL (18.2km/11.3 miles)

At ASPENDEN at Δ sharp RIGHT (sp BUNTINGFORD) and under A10(T).  
At T LEFT into BUNTINGFORD (no sp).  
RIGHT at mini-RBT onto B1038 sp Brent Pelham.  
At stgd X RIGHT (sp Braughing B1368) to OLD SWAN TEA SHOP on rhs.  
Go just past the front entrance.

**First control (through rear gate to left of tea room) at 27 km/16.8 miles**  
**Open from 11:35 until 12:40.**

LEFT out of control to retrace to stgd X where RIGHT on B1038 to GREAT HORMEAD, BRENT PELHAM and NEWPORT (27.4 km/17 miles). continue to BRENT PELHAM. (Keep on the main route in GREAT HORMEAD, the sign in the middle of the village has been turned)

At T with Δ RIGHT sp NEWPORT  
(Shortly after Brent Pelham the 60km ride stops following this route)

Through CLAVERING and WICKEN BONHUNT to NEWPORT (42.6km/26.5 miles).

In NEWPORT at T RIGHT on B1383 (sp Bps. Stortford, London).  
Shortly LEFT by garage (sp DEBDEN, Carver Barracks).

Continue to X where RIGHT by white-walled thatched cottage (sp DEBDEN).  
(46.6km/29 miles)  
Through DEBDEN, DEBDEN GREEN, CUTLER'S GREEN to THAXTED.

At T opposite Swan ph RIGHT (no sp) down hill past Church. (54.3 km/33.7)

LEFT before THAXTED village sign (sp THE BARDFIELDS) through LITTLE BARDFIELD to GREAT BARDFIELD

LEFT at T sp Finchingfield 2, Steeple Bumpstead 7  
Shortly RIGHT at Δ with War Memorial Cross sp Braintree 9, Waltham X 1

Continue to the second control about 750m outside village at  
KNEAD FOOD, THE BLUE EGG on lhs.  
**Second control at 63.2 km/39.3 miles)**  
**Open from 13:00 until 15:45.**

From Knead Food, RIGHT to retrace to GREAT BARDFIELD

**This is where the 160 km and 210 km riders stop following this route.**

In GREAT BARDFIELD LEFT at Δ no sp  
Shortly RIGHT opposite The Bell ph sp LITTLE BARDFIELD 1½, THAXTED 4  
Through LITTLE BARDFIELD to THAXTED  
In THAXTED at T, RIGHT sp Saffron Waldon B184  
LEFT opposite The Swan ph sp CUTLERS GREEN 1, Debden 4  
LEFT at stgd X with Δ and red telephone box in DEBDEN GREEN, sp HENHAM,  
Bishops Stortford (76km/47.2 miles)

Bear RIGHT through HENHAM to follow major route (sp Quendon).  
At Δ T RIGHT (sp Ugley Chequers, Quendon, Newport).  
Follow road under railway bridge and then LEFT at Δ (sp UGLEY, Quendon, Bishops  
Stortford) under motorway bridge to UGLEY (84.2 km/52.3 miles).

At T RIGHT onto B1383 (sp Newport, S. Walden).  
Shortly LEFT (sp RICKLING GN).  
Through RICKLING GREEN and RICKLING  
At X FWD sp BERDEN and PELHAMS  
At T RIGHT sp BERDEN and THE PELHAMS  
Through BERDEN to STOCKING PELHAM  
At stgd X RIGHT sp FURNEAUX PELHAM, Great Hornead  
At X by Brewery TAP ph LEFT sp Albury, Little Hadham  
At T RIGHT, sp Furneaux Pelham, BRAUGHING to BRAUGHING  
In BRAUGHING, RIGHT no sp just after Axe and Compasses VERY PINK ph on lhs  
go to lhs of Post Box and Telephone Box  
At X by church, LEFT to third control at Braughing Church Hall on lhs.

**Third control at 103 km (63.9 miles)**  
**Open from 14:35 until 19:05.**

LEFT from control.  
At T LEFT then at T IMM RIGHT no sp  
At T LEFT sp PUCKERIDGE (A10)  
LEFT sp PUCKERIDGE  
Through PUCKERIDGE to T with A120  
Cross A120 to go SO onto shared pedestrian and cycle path through gate and  
continue under A10. Take care of barriers near the end of the path.  
At road continue SO sp DANE END, LEVENS GREEN, Old Hall Green  
At T LEFT sp DANE END  
Continue through DANE END then RIGHT into Whempstead Lane (sp  
WHEMPSTEAD, BENINGTON) to WHEMPSTEAD.  
At stgd X RIGHT (sp BENINGTON, Walkern) through BENINGTON.  
Pass Bell ph then LEFT at Δ (no sp) passing St. Peter's church on rhs.  
At X RIGHT sp Walkern 2  
LEFT (sp Aston End) down steep hill past ford sign  
At T RIGHT (no sp).  
At T RIGHT (no sp) then LEFT (sp Equestrian Centre) into Short Lane.  
At T with Δ LEFT.  
At junction by Equestrian Centre SO into "no through road" (Tatlers Lane) (62.4  
km/38.8 miles).  
Go between concrete posts under Gresley Way and bear LEFT onto cycleway.  
At T RIGHT.  
Follow cycleway to cross Cromwell Road and Marlborough Road  
FWD to underpass, through underpass and LEFT on cycleway on rhs of main road  
(Six Hills Way).  
Continue towards Stevenage Town Centre on cycleway crossing Brittain Way. RIGHT  
into Fairlands Valley Park.

Continue FWD along road to Costello's and **FINISH**.

**Finish at 124 kilometres (77 miles)**  
**Open from 15:30 until 20:50.**

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