

Cyclesolihull Routes

Cycling is a great way to keep fit whilst at the same time getting from A to B or exploring your local area.

This series of routes, developed by Cyclesolihull will take you along most of the network of quiet lanes, roads and cycle paths in and around Solihull, introducing you to some places you probably didn't even know existed!

The routes have been carefully chosen to avoid busier roads so are ideal for new cyclists and children learning to cycle on the road with their parents.

You can cycle the routes alone, with family and friends, or join other people on one of the regular Cyclesolihull rides.

Route Lengths and Route Numbers

There are over 50 routes in this series which are grouped by distance using a route letter:

T (Taster) routes are about 5 miles.

S (Short) routes are about 10 miles.

M (Medium) routes are about 15 miles.

L (Long) routes are about 20 miles.

XL (Extra Long) routes are about 25 miles.

The route number indicates the starting point – for example routes S2, M2 and L2 all start from Knowle. There are over twenty different starting points. A full list is available from www.cyclesolihull.org.uk.

This is one of a series of cycle route leaflets produced by Cyclesolihull which is a voluntary organisation which aims to encourage people in the Solihull area to cycle more. Cyclesolihull organises free cycle rides, promotes routes like this one and provides information about cycling.

CSL2-0519

Cyclesolihull Rides

Cyclesolihull offers regular opportunities to join with others to ride many of the routes in this series of leaflets. The rides are organised by volunteers and typically attract between 10 and 20 riders. To get involved, just turn up and ride!

Sunday Cycle Rides take place most Sunday afternoons at 2 pm from April to September and at 1.30 pm from October to March. One of the routes will be followed with a mixture of route lengths being ridden during each month. In autumn and winter there are more shorter rides to reflect the reduced daylight hours. One Sunday each month in spring and summer the ride is a 5 mile **Taster Ride**. This is an opportunity to try a Cyclesolihull ride without going very far and is an ideal introduction to the rides, especially for new cyclists and children.

Evening Explorer Rides are on a midweek evening from early May to mid-August starting at 7 pm. These rides all follow the shorter "S" routes so are about 10 miles long.

Saturday Stretcher Rides take place weekly on most Saturdays, starting at 9.30 am. They are about 30 long, are at a faster pace and do not follow a fixed route, so are suitable for more experienced cyclists.

All Cyclesolihull rides have an en-route refreshment stop of 20-30 minutes at a family-friendly pub or tearoom.

For ride dates, routes and starting points download the current Ride Programme from:

www.cyclesolihull.org.uk

or pick up a copy on one of the rides.



L2

long route from
Knowle

CycleSolihull

Explore your borough by bike



21 miles via Beusale, Hatton
& Little Shrewley

Have fun and get fit exploring your local
area with this self-guided cycle ride.

Route L2 Knowle to Beausale and Hatton

Distance: 21 miles (120-160 minutes). **Start:** Knowle Parish Church in the centre of the village B93 OLN SP183767.

Route Summary: A pleasant ride along quiet lanes with the chance to visit **Hatton Country World**. There is a short section on the busier A4177 near Honiley.

Refreshments: In addition to shops and cafes in Knowle, there is a cafe in Hatton Shopping Village next to Hatton Country World.

Parking: There is a free car park behind the church (the vehicle entrance is at other end of the High Street next to the Greswolde pub).

The Route

A From outside **Knowle Parish Church** go L down **Kenilworth Road**. Cross over the **Grand Union Canal** and after 0.5 miles turn second R into **Cuttle Pool Lane**.

B At the end of the lane turn R into **Chadwick Lane** and bear next L into **Old Green Lane**. At the next junction go SO towards the ford.

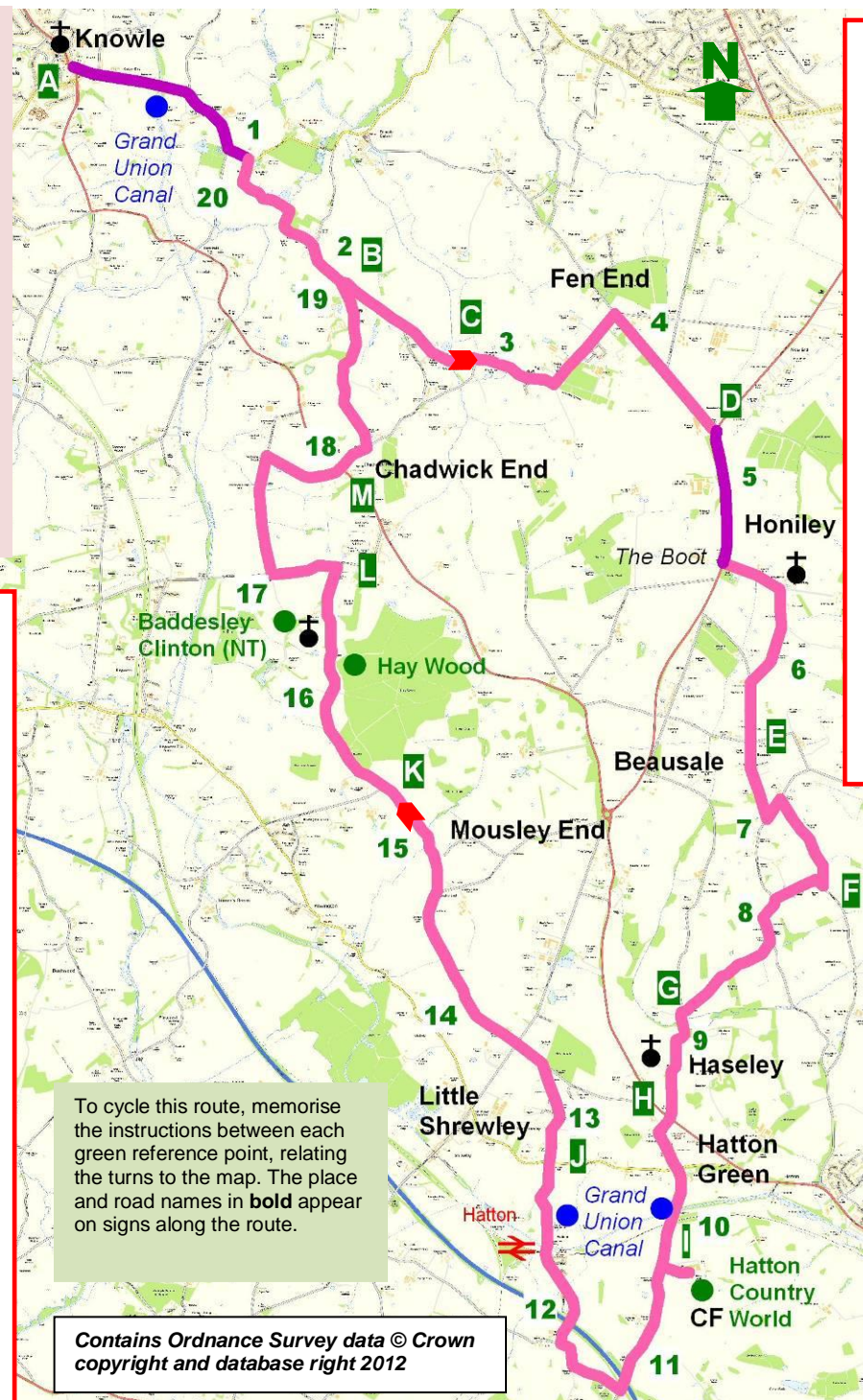
C At the end of the lane turn L into **Oldwych Lane**. Follow the road to the crossroads and turn R towards **Honiley**.

D At the end of the lane turn R on to the **A4177** (caution this is a busier road). After 0.75 miles turn L into the narrow lane opposite **The Boot** restaurant. Follow the lane around to the R, passing **Honiley Church** in the distance. At the end of the lane turn L.

E At the crossroads in **Beausale** go SO towards **Warwick**. At the end of the road turn L and then first R into a narrow lane.

F After 0.5 miles turn first R and at the end of this lane turn L in **Beausale Lane**. After 0.25 miles turn first R.

G At the next junction follow the road L past



Contains Ordnance Survey data © Crown copyright and database right 2012

Haseley Mill. Continue past **Haseley Church** to reach the A4177.

H At the **A4177** go SO towards **Hatton Green**. At the next crossroads go SO again towards **Norton Lindsey**. Cross the **Grand Union Canal** and turn first L to visit **Hatton Shopping Village & Country World**.

I Leaving **Hatton Country World** turn L. After 0.6 miles go over the motorway and turn immediately R towards **Pinley**. Turn next R towards **Hatton rail station**, passing over the motorway, railway and canal.

J At the **B4439** go SO towards **Little Shrewley**. At the end of **Mill Lane** go L towards **Mousley End**, going SO at the next crossroads. Follow the narrow lane for 1.5 miles, heading towards **Chadwick End**.

K Ignore the next left turn and go SO towards **Chadwick End**, passing **Hay Wood**.

L At the end of the lane go L towards **Lapworth** and then first R opposite **Baddesley Clinton (National Trust)**. After 0.6 miles turn R into **Netherwood Lane**.

M Go SO at the **A4141** into **Oldwych Lane West** and then first L towards **Temple Balsall**. Follow the lane for 1 mile. Turn first L towards **Knowle**, retracing your outward route by turning L on reaching the **B4101**.

Key to Map

| | |
|------------|--|
| A B | Start and route reference point |
| 1, 2 | Mileage from start point |
| | Quiet road |
| | Busier road |
| | Significant hill climb (in direction of travel) |
| PH | Public House |
| CF | Café or tearoom |
| SH | Shop selling sweets, drinks etc |
| — | Notable church |
| | Access to canal or water feature |
| | Place of interest |

Abbreviations used in the route description:
L left, R right, SO straight on.