

## Meopham Judson's Pavilion – Start 06:00

The 2025 Oasts and Coasts 300Km Audax event starts and finishes at Meopham Judson's Pavilion. The route will take you over the Ashdown Forest to Battle, on to Rye, across the marsh to Hythe, around the Kent coast to Herne Bay with a gentle climb over the Downs and across the Medway to the finish.

The route includes a number of climbs for you to enjoy with spectacular views of Kent Castles, the White Cliffs of Dover and la Manche including cycle paths to avoid busy roads around Folkestone and Deal.

Please be aware of walkers, children and dogs particularly on the Lower Leas Coastal Park after Hythe.

Fingers crossed for a westerly wind!

This is a scenic event, suited to experienced riders you will encounter a number of lumps, bumps and exposed coastal roads. You may ride any suitable pedal cycle, with or without mudguards, efficient lighting and bright, reflective clothing is essential, particularly for the dark lanes from Faversham to the finish.

**Start:** The event starts and finishes at Meopham Judson's Pavilion on the A227 approximately 600M south of Meopham Station (opposite Bartellas Restaurant DA13 OJE). The hall will be open from 05:15AM for tea, coffee & biscuits. Please arrive at least twenty minutes before the start to check in and collect your Brevet Card.

**Finish:** Refreshments will be available at the finish from 18:30 hours.

**Parking** is available in for a limited number of cars, if the car park is full, please park sensibly elsewhere.

**Road Surfaces:** It is likely that you will encounter poor rutted road surfaces and potholes anywhere along the route. Please be aware of these and other road hazards and alert those riding behind you.

**Controls:** There are café controls or other commercial establishments where you will be able to purchase refreshments

- Farningham – please obtain stamp from controller (stamp only – no refreshment options)
- Framfield – Church Hall catered control obtain stamp from controller
- Battle – free control please obtain receipt as proof of passage
- Hythe - free control please obtain receipt as proof of passage
- Deal – obtain a receipt from any café or from the Premier Store
- Herne Bay - Macari's Coffee Lounge and Ice Cream Parlour collect stamp from counter
- Hollingbourne – Information Control **\*\*top of hill\*\*** answer question on Brevet Card
- Blue Bell Hill – Shell Garage please obtain receipt as proof of passage

E-Brevet Permitted

**Event Code 25-545**

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## **06:00AM Start Meopham Judson's Pavilion Judson Field**

- 0 Forward to A227 where
- 0.1 R & L into Melliker Lane
- 0.6 R @ T \$ LONGFIELD (B260) forward over all MRABs
- 5.2 Continue thru Longfield under railway bridges
- 6 Left no \$ into Canada Farm Road cont to HORTON KIRBY
- 10.5 SO Xrds \$ FARNINGHAM into Eglantine Lane
- 12.1 **SO A20 to Check Farningham**

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- 12.2 L@T (A225) \$ EYNSFORD continue to OTFORD
- 21.1 2nd exit at (Duck Pond) RAB 6'6" into High Street
- 23.6 R \$ Bromley (cross over M25) shortly
- 23.7 L@T \$ Dunton Green
- 24.4 2nd exit at RAB \$ (B2211) BRASTED
- 28 R @ TL by White Horse PH continue to BRASTED
- 29.4 L \$ TOYS HILL into Chart Lane
- 34.9 L into South Brook Lane
- 35.6 SO Xrds into Roodlands Lane
- 37.3 L@T \$ HEVER
- 37.5 Second Right \$ HEVER into How Green Lane
- 39.2 R@T \$ HEVER into Hever Road
- 41.1 L@T \$ Markbeech into Uckfield Lane
- 43.4 SO @ Xrds into Cow Lane by Kentish Horse PH
- 44 R@T \$ COWDEN STATION
- 45.5 L @ Xrds \$ HARTFIELD (B2026)
- 47.9 L and R \$ HARTFIELD into Edenbridge Road
- 51.1 R@T \$ Forest Row (through Hartfield village)
- 51.7 L \$ MARESFIELD (B2026) into Jib Jacks Hill
- 62.6 L@T \$ MARESFIELD
- 64 1st exit (straight on) at MRAB in High Street
- 64.7 2nd exit at Budletts RAB \$ Uckfield North
- 68 L@TL \$ FRAMFIELD
- 71 **CONTROL (St Thomas à Becket Church Hall, Framfield)**  
**Catered Control – Obtain Stamp from Controller**

Right from control continue thru Framfield (B2102)

74 L@T \$ HEATHFIELD into Lewes Road

78 R@T \$ HEATHFIELD (A267) continue thru Heathfield

81.2 R \$ BATTLE (B2096) into Battle Road (to Netherfield)

93.8 L \$ Mountfield into Netherfield Road

98.1 R@T \$ BATTLE

98.5 First exit at RAB \$ (Battle) Town Centre

**98.8 CHECK (obtain receipt from Battle town centre)**

*Several shops & cafes located along main thoroughfare*

99.3 L @ MRAB into Marley Lane

102.5 R@T \$ SEDDLESCOMBE (A21)

103.3 L \$ SEDDLESCOMBE (B2244)

104.3 R \$ BREDE into Brede Lane

106.1 Keep right at green triangle \$ BREDE

109 L@T \$ Broad Oak (A28) into Cackle Street

110.3 R @ Xrds \$ RYE

119.1 Second exit at MRAB (RYE)

120.3 Over railway Xing, follow one way system

120.6 Bear Left by Cinque Ports PH \$ Town Centre

120.8 Straight over MRAB and left \$ Other Routes

121.3 L@T (A268) and over railway bridge shortly

121.4 R \$ APPLIEDORE into Military Road

130.6 R@T \$ BRENZETT (B2080)

136.6 2nd exit @ RAB \$ Ashford

136.7 1st exit @ RAB \$ Hamstreet (A2070) where shortly

136.7 R \$ IVYCHURCH (to pass aeronautical museum)

139.1 L@T \$ Ashford and shortly

139.2 R over small bridge (two cottages to your left & ditch to right)

142.9 R@Xrds \$ NEWCHURCH

144.7 R@T \$ St Mary in the Marsh (NEWCHURCH) sign bent

145 L \$ Hythe into The Street (church on the right)

147.7 L@T \$ Ashford and immediately

147.8 R \$ HYTHE

153.6 R \$ HYTHE into Burmarsh Road after bridge by green triangle

156 L@T no sign (A259) into Hythe

157.5 L@TL by Mick's Tackle and shortly left

**157.6 CONTROL Hythe Free Control obtain receipt**

*Hythe Coffee Shop at miniature railway – can be busy with families*

*Several options in Sandgate after seafront*

Left from control to traffic lights and shortly

- 157.6 R @ TL \$ Folkestone (A259) into Military Road
- 158 R \$ Stade Court Hotel (over bridge) into Stade Street
- 158.5 L \$ Swimming Pool into South Road
- 158.8 R@T into Princes Parade along sea front
- 160.2 R@T (A259) to SANDGATE into Sandgate Esplanade
- 162 R by Royal Norfolk Hotel into Lachlan Way
- 162.3 Bear left - Cycle Way 2 - and climb up to
- 163.8 Lower Leas Coastal Park thru Toll House gates
- Continue thru park with care to Marine Parade & follow one way system
- 164.7 L into Marine Terrace and shortly
- 164.8 R \$ All Routes pass Harbour Minimart into Lower Sandgate Road
- 165.2 R after traffic lights into Tram Road and immediately
- 165.3 R into Radnor Street under bridge and immediately
- 165.3 L \$ Cycle Way 2 into North Street
- 165.4 R into The Durlocks by the Lifeboat PH
- 165.7 R@Xrds into Wear Bay Road
- 167.4 R into Standbury Crescent \$ Cycleway 2 cont to end
- 167.7 Take Cycleway 2 into Dover Road up to end of cul-de-sac
- 167.8 R on Cycle Way 2 alongside Dover Hill (B2011)
- 167.8 Cross B2011 (or stay on path) to climb pass Valiant Sailor PH
- 168.9 R \$ Lighthouse Inn into Old Dover Road
- 170.6 R@T into New Dover Road (B2011)
- 171.0 R onto Cycle Way 2 \$ Dover cont on cycleway
- 175.0 R into Old Folkestone Road cont to RAB
- 176.5 Follow cycleway alongside A20

- 177 R at TL into Union Street to Marina
- 177.3 L into Esplanade to Waterloo Crescent
- 177.5 L \$ Walmer pass India Campaign Memorial to underpass
- 177.8 R Fishmonger Lane SO thru shopping car park
- 178.9 L into Maison Dieu Rd and shortly
- 178.0 R @ TL \$ Dover Castle (and enjoy castle views to right)
- 178.4 R \$ White Cliffs into Upper Road to ST MARGARETS AT CLIFFE
- 184.5 L@T (High Street) to pass Hope Inn (now closed)
- 184.7 R by Red Lion PH into Kingsdown Road Cycle Way 1 \$ Deal
- Cont along cycleway, watch out for walkers & two **LARGE BOLLARDS**
- 188.4 L@T and continue to sea front on your right
- Follow Cycle Route 1 keep sea front to your right pass Walmer Castle*
- 193.1 R into Ranelagh Road (**easy to miss**) to sea front where
- 193.3 L@T \$ Cycle Way 1 \$ Sandwich and continue along sea front
- At end of Seafront (The Marina) continue into Godwyn Road
- 195.1 Control (obtain receipt) from Premier Store King Edward Rd**

*There are a number of cafes located along sea front (Beach Street)*

195.3 R@T \$ Caravan (Cycle Way 1) into Golf Road  
 195.4 L really straight on into CR1 \$ SANDWICH (Golf Road)  
 202.1 R really straight on \$ All routes  
 202.3 L into The Quay (car park & toilets to your right)  
 202.5 R@TL over bridge  
 202.6 1st exit @ MRAB (really straight on)  
 203.5 2nd exit @ RAB (straight on) \$ Discovery Park  
 204.9 R Immediately before RAB onto CR \$ 15 Ramsgate  
 207 Immediately after Gulf Garage cross carriageway at TLS and  
 207 R \$ Minister follow cycle route to 1st exit \$ Ebbsfleet Farm  
 207.7 Right on to cycle path (after Southern Water) over railway Xing  
 209.2 L@T \$ MINSTER  
 211.4 R@T \$ BIRCHINGTON  
 212.2 2nd exit @ RAB \$ ACOL  
 212.6 1st exit @ RAB \$ ACOL into Minster Road  
 215.8 R@T immediately Left at MRAB into The Square  
 217.5 L@T \$ Reculver Cycle Way cont to car park (Public Toilets)  
**218 Information Control – [Car Park Public Toilets]**  
 218.1 Take Viking Coastal Trail \$ RECULVER at end of car park  
**Watch out for THE Bollard cont on sea wall to RECULVER**  
 224.2 L@T by King Ethelbert PH pass café continue up lane  
 226.3 R@T (conifer hedge to your left) into Reculver Road  
 226.6 2nd exit @ MRAB (straight on) continue to BELTINGE  
 228.2 R \$ Sea Front (missing) into Sea View Road  
 229.6 R@ Xrds into Central Parade (along sea front to)  
**230.1 CONTROL Macaris Ice Cream Parlour Obtain Stamp**

231 Continue along sea front until Hamptons PH where after 200M  
 232.3 R onto Cycle way SP Whitstable Oyster Trail  
 235.1 L (before first beach hut) on footway up to Marine Crescent  
 235.3 R@T into Marine Crescent and follow one way to  
 235.5 Forward over Xrds into Saint Swithin's Road  
 235.7 Keep Right into Tankerton Road  
 236.6 Forward over RAB into Tankerton Road  
 Forward over all roundabouts to WHITSTABLE town centre  
 237.6 Forward over Traffic Lights into Harbour Street  
 238 L@T into High Street by Duke of Cumberland PH  
 SO @ Mini RAB and SO @ TLs under railway bridge  
 239.2 R \$ SEASALTER into Joy Lane  
 248.6 R @ Xrds \$ Faversham  
 250.4 1st exit @ RAB \$ All Routes (B2040) into Love Lane  
 251.1 R@T no sign (A2) pass Shell Garage  
 254.1 Forward over RAB \$ Teynham (A2)  
 254.8 L \$ NEWNHAM Faversham Rd thru NEWNHAM & DODDINGTON  
 At end of Doddington village immediately after flower bed traffic calming  
 262.8 R \$ HOLLINGBOURNE into Ringlestone Road  
 263.4 Bear Left (gravel in the road when we were there)  
 Follow all signs to Hollingbourne to pass (closed) Ringlestone Inn to  
 270.8 L @ Xrds \$ HOLLINGBOURNE *(info control shortly after)*  
**270.9 Information Control on left shortly after junction**  
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272.4 R \$ THURNHAM into Pilgrims Way

277.2 Forward over Xrds \$ DETLING by Black Horse PH

278.7 R@T (Cock Horse PH) and follow road to the left & shortly

278.8 R by white railings onto (Jade's Crossing) \$ North Downs Way

279.1 Over bridge and RIGHT (Pilgrims Way)

281.2 L@T \$ BOXLEY thru village negotiate SPEED HUMPS

282.7 R \$ SANDLING into Grange Lane

284.3 R@T no \$ pass pillar box (M20 to your left) and shortly

284.6 L \$ Chatham into Tyland Lane

285.2 R into Old Chatham Road

*Negotiate traffic cones keep right to cycleway*

285.6 Cycleway 17 \$ Rochester on right hand side

286.2 R into Pilgrims Way cycleway

286.2 L \$ Rochester (North Downs Way – Shell Garage)

**286.2 Control (obtain receipt) from Shell Garage**

286.2 Continue on North Downs Way and under dual carriageway

286.3 R@T no sign and shortly

288.4 L@T take care of parked HGV trucks to Lower Bell PH where

286.7 L@Xrds (descend hill with care - turning right shortly)

287.1 R \$ BURHAM on LH bend and continue thru Burham village

294.4 R@T \$ Borstal under M2 and channel railway bridges shortly

294.5 L \$ CUXTON on North Downs Way cross M2 bridge

295.8 R at end of bridge and up to A228 where

295.9 L \$ CUXTON cross over M2 and channel railway

296.2 1st exit RAB \$ West Malling (A228)

Descend Sundridge Hill – take care here this road can be busy

*GPX track continues on footway – take care of bollards – alongside main carriageway and roundabout, descend hill.*

297.4 Right after garage at bottom of hill into Bush Road

300.8 Continue thru village over lumps

301.1 Keep left \$ Meopham (do NOT turn right up hill & under railway)

301.9 R \$ Meopham (opposite Golden Lion PH) into HENLEY STREET

304 L@T no sign into SOLE STREE to pass Railway Tavern

305.9 R@T \$ Gravesend (A227)

306.7 Right opposite Bartellas restaurant

**306.7 FINISH at Meopham Judson's Pavilion**