

## **BRADFORD HILLS**

Difficulty:	Moderate
Distance:	32 km
Vertical Metres:	390 m
Type:	Road

The approximate distance from the start to each point is shown in km as [2.7].

### **Detailed Route:**

Starting from the Maldon Post Office on the corner of High and Francis Street, head North West up High Street past the School on your left and the Bowls Club on your right. Ignore the sign to Bendigo and head out of Maldon following the signs to Bridgewater and Cairn Curran (C282).

At the first major intersection [2.7] where you will see the sign to Tarrangower Prison, turn right following the signs to the Cemetery. Follow that road past the Prison entrance on your left and the cemetery further on to your right.

You will come to a Y intersection [3.8]; take the left fork following the Maldon-Shelbourne Road. Continue along the bitumen road until you arrive at a crossroad [9.9]. Take a right turn, following the signposted Bradford Hills Road. Cross the Bradford Creek (being aware of the poor surface) and follow the bitumen until a Give Way sign where you will turn left onto Almond Tree Road [13.9]. Follow Almond Tree Road until the bitumen ends at the boundary between Mount Alexander Shire and City of Greater Bendigo [16]. This is the turnaround point\*.

Return by retracing your path back to Maldon [32].

*\* As an alternative to retracing your path, if you are prepared to ride on a short amount of relatively well-groomed gravel, you can turn right at the turnaround point of this ride and take the short distance on gravel across to the main Bendigo-Maldon Road, turning right when you meet the bitumen and following the road back to Maldon. Be aware that this road can carry significant amounts of (sometimes heavy) traffic.*