

Cycle Route No. 1 from the Township of Rideau Lakes **Delta - Stone House Cycle Route**

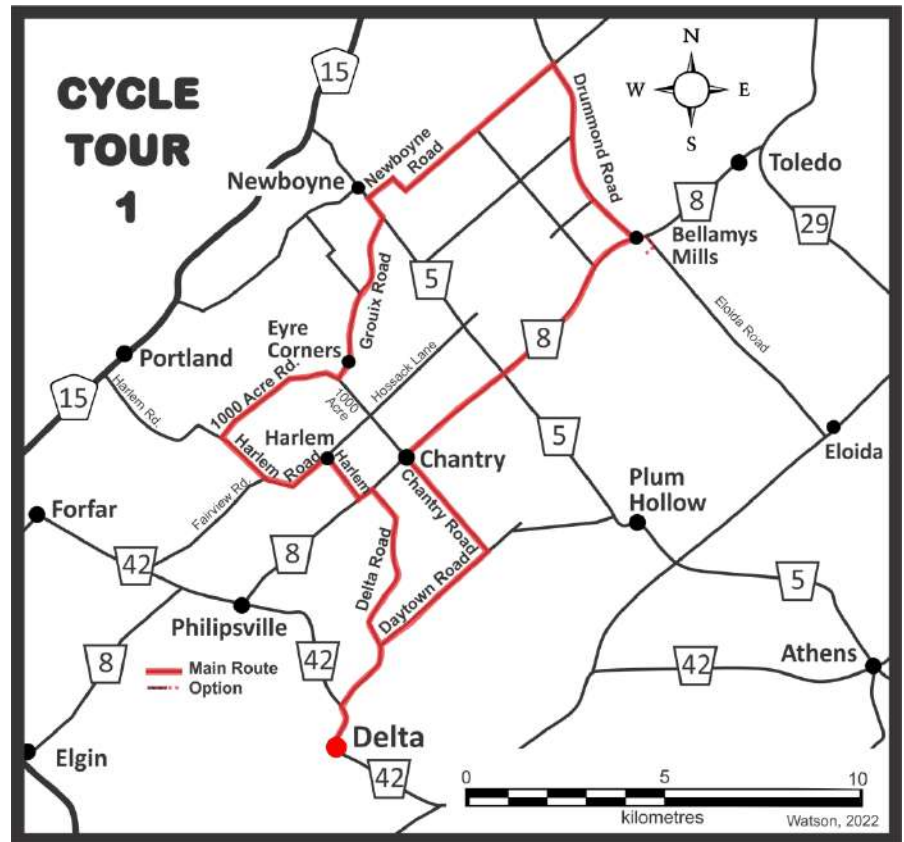
A Loop Route of about 50 km. with about 50% gravel roads.

Distances are approximate and will vary with vehicle. GPS co-ordinates are in Latitude and Longitude.

Km. 0.0 (44°36'37"N 76°07'20"W)
Start at the historic **Old Stone Mill in Delta**. Note the many fine heritage homes in this community founded on the headwaters of the Gananoque River over 2 centuries ago and annually hosts the famous Delta Fair, second oldest agricultural fair in Ontario.
Head north on Main Street - County Road #42 for 1.0 km toward the Daytown Road.

Km. 1.0 (44°37'01"N 76°07'14"W)
Turn right onto Daytown Road (hard surfaced) toward Delta Rd.

Pass the old Delta Cheddar Cheese Factory, one of many that once dotted Leeds County. Travel through the typical mixed forest of our mid-latitude and note the maple sugar bush of the Curtis Farm.



Km. 2.7 (44°37'50"N 76°06'32"W) **Turn left onto Delta Rd.** (loose surface) toward County Rd. #8. Note several fine heritage farm houses. (Delta Rd. ends; no sign post, only a "Stop" sign)

Km. 7.6 (44°40'09"N 76°06'44"W) **Turn left onto County Rd. #8** (hard surface) a short distance toward Harlem Rd.

Km 8.1 (44°39'59"N 76°07'00"W) **Turn right onto Harlem Rd.** (hard surf.) toward Thousand Acres Rd. Pass Wykes Boat Works, famous for their meticulous restoration of vintage boats.

Km 9.4 (44°40'33"N 76°07'29"W) the road curves as you enter **Harlem**. At the intersection with Hossack Lane **bear hard left to stay on Harlem Rd.** Harlem once had a church, a cheddar cheese factory, a store and post office and a mill powered by the scenic waterfalls on Cooligan Creek. Pass several vintage farmsteads.

Km 12.9 (44°40'43"N 76°09'36"W) **Turn right onto Thousand Acres Rd** (loose surf.) toward Groulx Rd. Notice the snake rail fences and several fine heritage stone homes. Cross over Cooligan Creek and under a major power corridor.

Km. 16.6 (44°41'35"N 76°07'18"W) **Turn left onto Groulx Rd.** (loose surface) toward County Rd. #5.
(Groulx Rd. ends; no sign post, only a Stop Sign)

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Km. 20.8 (44°43'41"N 76°06'28"W) **Turn left onto County Rd. #5** (hard surface) toward Newboyne Rd. See some of the very extensive Cooligan Marshes, several thousand acres of wildlife habitat and source of Colligan Creek, waterpower for several mills of the past.

Km. 21.4 (44°43'56"N 76°06'45"W) **Turn right onto Newboyne Rd.** (unpaved) at the Newboyne School, Pass stately St. Peter's Anglican Church, still the focus of this community founded by Irish Protestants who established prosperous heritage and modern farms. Pass the Townline Rd. toward Drummond Rd.



Km. 27.5 (44°45'46"N 76°03'12"W) **Turn right onto Drummond Rd.**(loose surf.) toward County Rd. #8.

There is no sign for Drummond Road. But this intersection is across from the house and farm at #182 Newboyne Road. This scenic gravel road is a classic shaded country lane.

Drummond Rd. ends with only a "Stop" sign at this "T" intersection. You will see Bellamy Lake on the south side of County Rd. #8.

Km. 32.3 (44°43'32"N 76°01'42"W) **Turn right onto County Rd. #8** (hard surface) toward Chantry Rd.

Option: 0.7 Km. diversion. Turn left onto County Rd. #8 toward Lake Eloida Rd. Right onto Lake Eloida Rd to Stop Sign. Then Right into Kitley Comm. Park. Modest summer admission for a picnic area, swimming, canteen and washrooms.

Back onto **County Road #8**, peddle westward past Bellamy Lake. Cross County Rd. #5 and travel on to Chantry. Once called "The Centre" of Bastard Township, now Chantry is the site of the offices of the Township of Rideau Lakes.

Km. 40.4 (44°40'32"N 76°06'06"W) In Chantry, **turn left onto Chantry Rd.** (loose surface) toward Daytown Rd. (NOT Day Road).

Km. 43.8 (44°39'08"N 76°04'31"W) **Turn right onto Daytown Rd.** toward Hwy. #42 and Delta.

Km. 49.5 (44°37'01"N 76°07'14"W) **Left onto Highway #42** towards centre of Delta.

Km 50.5 (44°36'37"N 76°07'20"W) **Back into Delta Centre.**

Historic Old Stone Mill, a National Historic Site: www.deltamill.org
Lower Beverley Lake Park, Family Camping and Cottages:
www.beverleylakepark.com

Delta Fairgrounds, the site of the famous Delta Fair, grocery store, food vendors, post office and LCBO.

Come back to Delta to enjoy our famous community events: spring Maple Syrup Festival, summer Delta Fair, Fall Harvest Festival, and Village Lights during the Christmas Season.



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