

Cycle Route No. 6 from the Township of Rideau Lakes

Delta - Rideau Ferry

A Loop Route of about 77 km. with some loose surface roads.

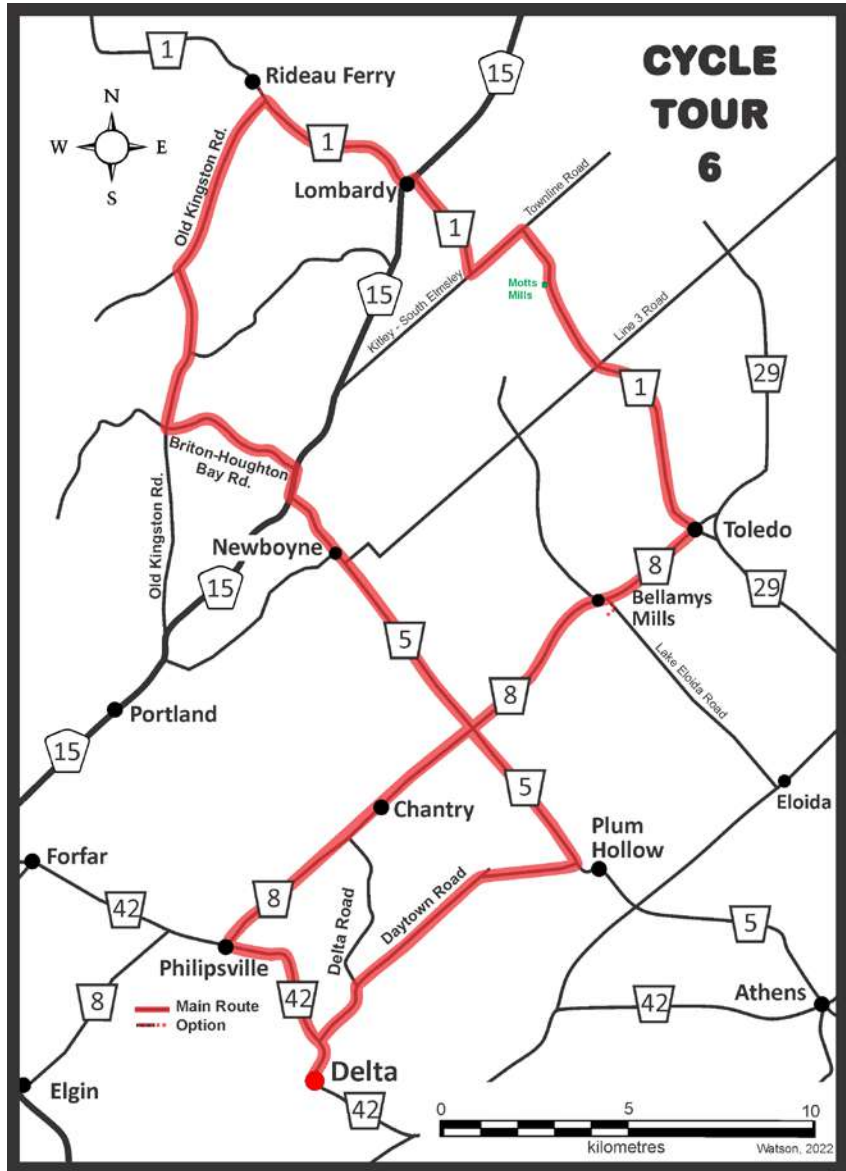
Distances are approximate and will vary with vehicle. GPS co-ordinates are in Latitude and Longitude.

Km. 0.0 (44°36.600'N. 76°07.330'W.)
Start at Delta's historic Old StoneMill. Note the many fine heritage homes in this community founded on the headwaters of the Gananoque River System over 2 centuries ago by Elder Abel Stevens and his family and friends from Vermont.

Head north on Main Street - County Road 42 Note the red iron colour of some of the rock cuts in sedimentary rock layers from the early Cambrian times. Follow County Road 42 into Philippsville.

Km. 5.0 (44°38.472'N. 76°09.258'W.)
Turn Right onto County Rd. 8 in the hamlet of Philippsville toward County Rd. 5. Pass the tiny community of Chantry, once called "The Centre". Now it is the Municipal headquarters of the Township of Rideau Lakes

Km. 14.1 (44°41.708'N. 76°04.189'W.)
Turn Left onto County Rd. 5 toward Hwy. 15. Pass several vast areas of marsh, a rich habitat for wildlife. Here is located the farming community of Newboayne with its beautiful St. Peter's Church off to your right.



Km. 21.7 (44°44.930'N. 76°07.834'W.) **Turn Right onto Hwy. 15** toward Britton-Houghton Bay Rd. (County Rd. 38) CAUTION; Hwy. 15 can be very busy

Km. 22.5 (44°45.345'N. 76°07.656'W.) **Turn Left on Britton-Houghton Bay Rd.** toward Old Kingston Rd. Follow this winding road through hilly countryside typical of the Frontenac Axis, a branch of the Canada's pre-Cambrian Shield. Note the different designs of rail fences.

Km. 26.6 (44°45.974'N. 76°10.324'W.) **Turn Right onto Old Kingston Rd.** toward community of Rideau Ferry. Once cleared for fields and farms, nature is now reclaiming much of this landscape with mixed forest and habitat for white-tailed deer and beavers (and cottagers).

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Km. 36.1 (44°50.671'N. 76°08.248'W.) **Turn Right at Rideau Ferry Village** onto County Rd. 1 toward Lombardy and Hwy. 15

Option: Turn left, cross the bridge over the Rideau Canal, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Shops & food vendors can be found in Rideau Ferry.

Also see the amazing Canadiana Antiques between Rideau Ferry and Lombardy. Lombardy has a diner and a number of heritage buildings.



Km 41.1 (44°49.381'N. 76°05.442'W.) **Turn Left onto Hwy. 15** for about 100 metres. Caution: Hwy. 15 is a busy rd.)

Km. 41.2 (44°49.499'N. 76°05.361'W.) **Turn right back onto County Rd. 1** and follow its jogging pavement toward Toledo. Pass Motts Mills Conservation Area – good picnic site.

Km. 55.6 (44°44.410'N. 75 59.724'W.) **Turn Right onto County Rd. 8** from County Rd. 1 in downtown Toledo. No. Not Toledo, Italy or Toledo, Ohio! This is Toledo, Ontario with a convenience store. Follow County Rd. 8 around Belamy Lake and travel the straight road toward County Rd. 5

Option: at 0.7 Km., turn left on Lake Eloida Rd. to Stop Sign. Then Right to Bellamy Park Modest summer admission for a picnic area, swimming, canteen and washrooms.

Km. 63.1 (44°41.700'N. 76°04.178'W.) **Turn Left onto County Rd. 5** toward Plum Hollow. This is typical landscape of the St. Lawrence Lowlands sedimentary plain. Descend the gentle grade into the scenic valley of Plum Hollow Creek

Km. 67.5 (44°39.664'N. 76°01.990'W.) **Turn Right onto Daytown Rd.** (unpaved) toward Delta Road.

Km. 74.3 (44°37.825 76°06.529'W.) **Turn Left onto Delta Rd.** (paved) toward Highway 42.

Km. 76.2 (44°37.014'N. 76°07.242'W.) **Turn Left onto Highway 42** into Delta.

Km 77.0 (44°36.600'N. 76°07.330'W.) **Back into Delta**

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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