

2025 Bike the Creek Rider Briefing – Caledon Town Ride – 7:40am (start 7:45am)

- Welcome to **Caledon Town Rider Briefing for 65km & 50km shortcut routes**.
- Both routes for confident experienced cyclists who are familiar with riding on roads.
- Allow 3½ - 4½ hrs including stops. Expect average 15-19km/hr. You will be riding very slowly on trails, may only pick up the pace on roads. You will be on approximately 96% paved trails & minor roads, 4% unpaved hard packed trails. Elevation gain 303m, Max Grade 4.8%
- If you want to switch to a shorter ride, return to registration, as these rides leave later.
- You should have checked-in at the registration table inside the recreation centre.
- You should have a **RED** tag for your bike handlebars.
- There will be many walkers on the trails today. Walkers have the right of way.
- Keep right on trails except to pass slower cyclists and walkers. **THIS IS NOT A RACE!**
- Ring your bell and pass cautiously on the left. Be cautious on gravel.
- Follow at a safe distance and pull off the trail if you need to stop.
- Be careful on narrow trails, blind curves and hills – slow down & ring your bell!
- Obey traffic laws, signs and lights. For a medical emergency, call 911. For other emergencies, call number on the back of handlebar tag.
- Options for mechanical breakdown are: call family, friend or CAA if you have a membership.
- Wear a helmet; it's required for all Ontario cyclists under 18.
- There is a signed **50km short cut** at Olde Baseline Rd & Kennedy Rd. Take this if past the **11:00am deadline**, or you will miss lunch. Take it if you don't like bigger hills.
- Ride with GPS is recommended. Free download, no data needed. Guided navigation cues.
- Wear **sunscreen** and **drink plenty of water**.
- Indicate your intentions with: LEFT, RIGHT turns, SLOWING or STOPPING
- You will be sent off in small groups in a staggered start.
- When you are told to leave, take the trail to the bottom of the hill and turn **LEFT**.
- Follow white pavement stencils marked "BtC" on the RIGHTHAND side of the trail.
- Follow **RED** dots, arrows & squares that match your handlebars! Look for temporary signs.
- Look ahead for the next stencil. Ignore old stencils blacked out & stencils on left side of trail.
- Listen to and obey volunteers and Peel Regional Police on the route. Follow bike route signs.

Route:

- Be careful on steep hill and curve into Terra Cotta. Gravel may be present on paved surfaces
 - Stop and enjoy pavilions: Inglewood Historic and Southfields pavilions. Refill water bottles.
 - Check out restored wetland at Loafer's Lake Park. Return to Jim Archdekin.
 - Park your bike in **Bike Valet** beside registration entrance.
 - Remove and hold onto your handlebar tag – it's your lunch and prize draw ticket!
 - Visit **Sierra Club Peel Waste pavilion**, where they will help you sort your garbage. This is a zero-waste event. Visit the booths to play games, learn skills and have fun!
 - **Lunch** from 11:15AM – 1:00PM for those preregistered.
 - Finale program and **Prize draw** at 12:15PM-12:45PM. All riders back by 12:30PM.
 - Event finished by 1:30PM. Thanks for coming and have a wonderful day!
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