Bicycling Route Map

Scenic Bicycling Routes - Cycling through Town

YOUR IN TOWN CYCLING GUIDE



- **1. Victoria Park:** Beside the Rideau Canal, Victoria park offers a playground and wading pool. Camping with hydro, water and washroom facilities and recreation available.
- 2. Rideau Canal: The Rideau Canal, Ontario's first UNESCO World Heritage Site. Passing right through the Heart of Smiths Falls, the Rideau Canal maintains old style manual locks, providing beautiful passage to all types of boaters through Sensational Smiths Falls.
- Centennial Park: Three lighted fountains, beautiful flowers, and located beside the Rideau Canal, Centennial Park is the home of the 100,000 blooms.
- **4. Hydro Park:** An unsupervised elegant waterfront area with swimming and picnic areas. It is open from June to August.
- 5. Smiths Falls Bascule Bridge: This Scherzer Rolling Lift
 Bridge was built in 1912 to carry the Canadian Northern
 Railway line across the Rideau Canal. It is a National Historic
 Site of Canada.
- 6. The Railway Museum of Eastern Ontario: Built in 1912, the former CNR Station contains many fascinating railway vehicles and structures. Step up into the cuppola of a caboose, visit a travelling dentist's car or take yourself for a handcar ride. Open Mid-May to Mid-October.
- REAL Deal Store: The REAL Deal Reuse Store and Environment Centre is operated by the non-profit organization the Rideau Environmental Action League (REAL).
- **8. 91 Cornelia Street:** Government information and business centre
- 9. Community Hospital North Unit: Former St. Francis School. The hospital amalgamated with the South unit in 1977. Note: Site of Public Health Unit located on 25 Johnston Street.
- 10. St. Johns Anglican Cemetery: This tranquil cemetery offers insight into some of the Town's most prominent and interesting individuals. Stop in to admire the beautiful Chambers Family Mausoleum or to visit the final resting place of Smiths Falls' first female to attend university, Dr. Agnes Craine (1861-1937).



- **11. Historic Arch:** The Arch is what remains of the Rideau School that was built in 1911. In 1980 the school was demolished leaving only the arch to commemorate its heritage.
- **12. Smiths Falls Memorial Community Centre:** The original arena was built in honor of our war veterans and is the home of the Smiths Falls Bears. Skateboard park and tennis courts available.
- **13. Smiths Falls Public Library:** Built in 1903 through a grant from Andrew Carnegie, founder of the first billion dollar corporation, the Carnegie Steel Company, this is one of the last remaining Carnegie Library Buildings in the region.

14. Refreshment Area

- **15. Town Hall and Recreation Centre:** Tourist Information Site, Houses the Engineering, Building Department, Parks and Recreation Office, Chamber of Commerce, Council Chambers, Town Administration, Fire Station and Police Station.
- **16. Smiths Falls Community Theatre and VIA Rail:** Offers high quality theatrical and artistic experiences to people of all ages in a beautifully redesigned VIA Rail station. Train service is still available by booking online.
- 17. Senator Frost House "Elmcroft": This house at 89 Chamber Street was built for Senator Francis T. Frost in the 1890's. Originally designed in the Queen Anne revival style but altered over the years, Elmcroft reflected the Frost family's great wealth.
- **18. Industrial Park:** Features a wide variety of industry and service businesses.
- **19. Heritage House Museum:** Built in 1860, the Museum reflects the home of a prosperous Mill Owner and his family from 1860-1875. Known for its mirror image facade and two storey privy, changing exhibits also offer insight into Victorian life, the history of Smiths Falls, and local artistry. Tours available daily.
- **20. Lower Reach Park:** Features baseball diamonds, soccer fields, play structures, basketball and tennis courts, volleyball courts, fitness trails and picnic shelter.

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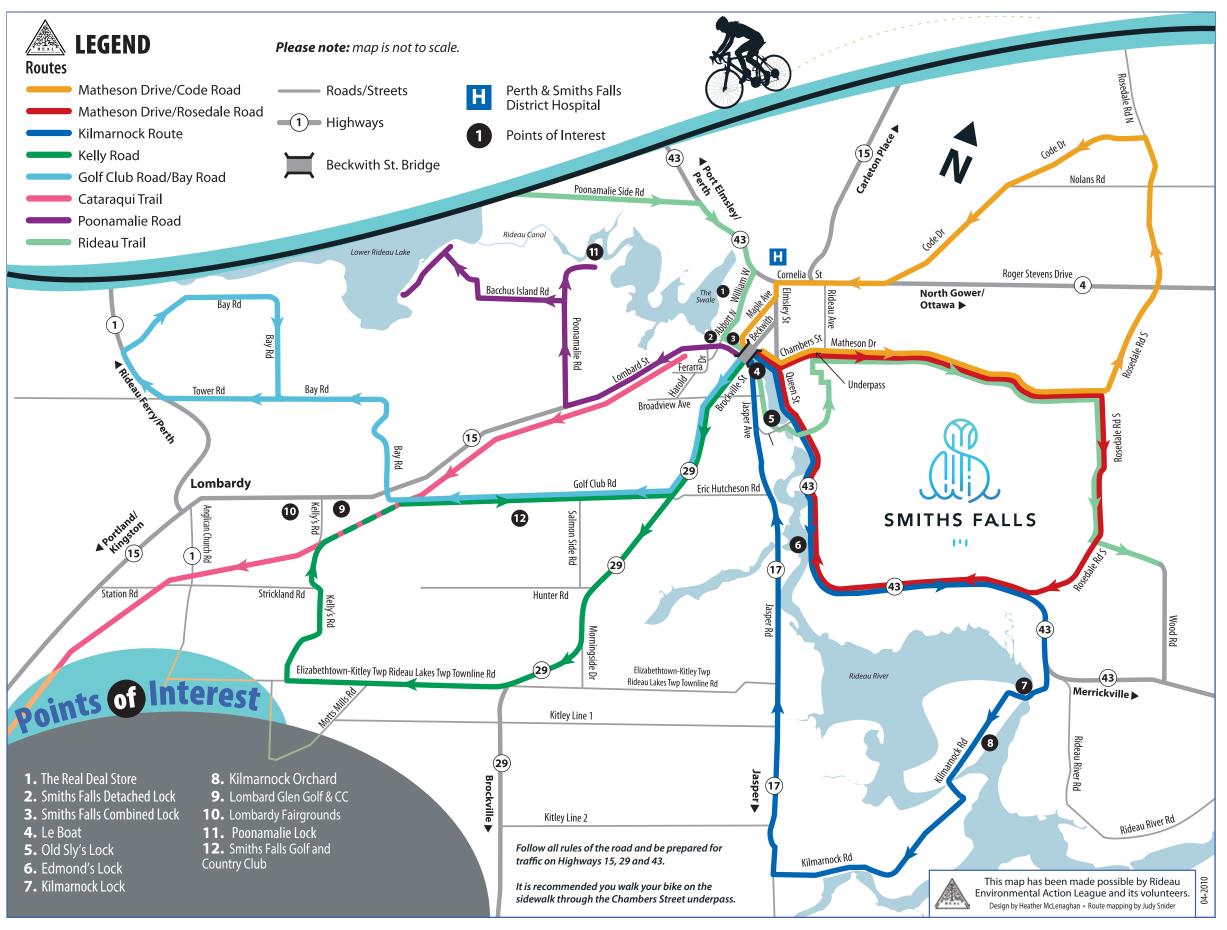
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Smiths Falls Area Cycling Routes - Leisurely Scenic Rides

Starting point for all routes is the Beckwith Street Bridge in Smiths Falls



Cataraqui Trail www.rideau-info.com/cattrail

Total distance: extends 80 km to Kingston on a former railway line, and is part of the Trans Canada Trail. *Route conditions:* dirt, gravel

<u>Directions</u>: Travel south on Brockville St., right at lights onto Broadview, then right onto Harold. At the "T" go left onto Ferrara, where you will see a trail marker. (Alternatively, from Beckwith St., head down Lombard St., and go left at the light towards the LCBO, and pick up the trail to the right of the access road.) Rough patches between town and Golf Club Road. The trail crosses Golf Club Rd., passes through Lombard Glen Golf Course, and crosses Kelly's Rd.

Poonamalie Road

Total distance: 17.6 km (approx. 65 min)

Route conditions: paved, but with rough and dirt patches

<u>Directions:</u> Head southwest on Lombard St. (Hwy 15) past the auto dealers. Turn right on Poonamalie Rd. Go left at Bacchus Island Rd., ride to dead end and return to Poonamalie Rd. Turn left to continue towards lock station. There is a short walking trail on the opposite side of the lock. Return to Poonamalie Rd. and back into Smiths Falls.

The Rideau Trail www.rideautrail.org

Total distance: extends 387 km from Kingston to Ottawa

Route Conditions: trail meant for hikers, but follows paved roads and path through Smiths Falls **Directions:** Trail enters map from Poonamalie Side Rd., then right on to Hwy 43. Follow it south on William to Abbott St., and along the park path to Old Sly's Rd. Turn left on Lombard and turn left into Victoria Park, Passed the play structure. Continue down the path passing Le Boat, through Lower Reach PArk, and left onto Old Sly's Road. Cross the bridge, passing Old Sly's Lockstation. Then turn right onto Queen and left onto hershy Drive. Cross Lorne onto Alice, left on Third St., right on Rideau, left on King, right on Smiths Falls Ave., right on Chambers to pass through underpass, where it becomes Matheson. Turn right on Rosedale Road S. and left on Wood Rd. After one km the trail goes off road.

Kilmarnock Route (Loop)

Total distance: 24.9 km (approx. 80–90 min)

Route conditions: paved roadway

<u>Directions:</u> Go north over Beckwith St. Bridge and turn right onto Chambers St., then right onto Elmsley St. which becomes Queen St. and then the Merrickville Rd. (Hwy 43). Go right on Kilmarnock Rd., over the lock and past the apple orchard. Cross railway tracks at the end of the road and head right onto Jasper Rd. Go left at stop sign onto Jasper Ave. and follow it back to Beckwith St. (Alternatively, follow path along the river in Lower Reach Park back to Beckwith St.).

Kelly's Road (Loop)

Total distance: 21.9 km (approx. 75-80 min)

Route conditions: mostly paved road, with some dirt and gravel stretches

<u>Directions:</u> Head south on Brockville St. (Hwy 29) out of town, turn right on Townline Rd., turn right on Kelly's Rd. Keep right past bridge and Tudor Cres. to yellow posts marking crossing of Cataraqui Trail. Continue right on trail through Lombard Glen Golf Course to Golf Club Rd., and turn right onto Golf Club Rd. Go left at light to head back into town via Brockville St.

Golf Club Road/Bay Road (Loop)

Total distance: 28.8 km (approx. 100 min)

Route conditions: paved, with stretch of dirt road

<u>Directions:</u> Go south on Brockville St. past the County Fair Mall. Turn right at light onto Golf Club Rd. At stop sign, turn right and proceed to traffic light at Hwy 15. Go through light onto Bay Rd. At sharp curve, go left on dirt road, Tower Rd., to the Rideau Ferry Rd. Turn right and then go right again the other end of Bay Rd., and continue back to Golf Club Rd. and into town.

Matheson Drive/Code Road (N. Loop)

Total distance: 18.8 km (approx. 65 min)

Route conditions: mostly paved roads

<u>Directions:</u> Go north over the Beckwith St. Bridge, right at the light onto Chambers. Through the underpass Chambers becomes Matheson Dr. Turn left on Rosedale Rd. S. Cross Roger Stevens Dr. onto Rosedale Road N. Turn left on Code Rd. Continue to Roger Stevens Dr. Turn right and ride into town. Turn left at light onto Elmsley. Avoid angled parking on Beckwith by turning right onto Maple Ave., cross Main St. onto Old Mill Rd into the park.

Matheson Drive/Rosedale Rd (S. Loop)

Total distance: 18.4 km (approx. 60 min)

Route conditions: paved roadway

Directions: Go north over the Beckwith St. Bridge, right at the light onto Chambers. Through the underpass Chambers becomes Matheson Dr. Turn right at stop sign onto Rosedale Rd. S. At end of road turn right at stop sign onto Hwy 43. Continue into town, through lights at Old Sly's, turn left at light at Chambers, go left at Beckwith.