

SPRUCE RUN ALTERNATE ROUTE 1

One of the more scenic rides in the area, the route follows roads around Spruce Run Mountain. Rural, low traffic except for a one-mile section with wide shoulders on US 460. The ride begins by following Sinking Creek, so named because the creek sinks underground before reaching the New River. The route continues on SR 730 with Spruce Run Mountain on the left. After reaching the New River, the route turns left onto SR 605 following Spruce Run and passing an old mill on the right. This variation adds 17.4 miles to the ride.

STARTING POINT: Newport town park baseball field located on SR 42, 1.3 miles east of junction with US 460

DISTANCE: 35.0 miles

TERRAIN: Easy

MILE DIRECTIONS

- 0.0 From the town park, proceed to the left (west) on SR 42.
- 0.1 Right on SR 601.
- 0.6 Pass covered bridge on right.
- 0.9 Left on SR 604.
- 1.7 Pass SR 603 on right.
- 2.3 Left onto SR 700.
- 2.6 Right onto SR 783.
- 4.1 Right onto US 460. Be alert!
- 5.1 Left onto SR 730.
- 7.4 Go straight on SR 730 to cross the New River at Eggleston.
- 16.1 Staffordsville. Turn around where SR 730 intersects old US 100. Retrace route.

MILE DIRECTIONS (continued)

- 24.8 Right onto SR 682.
- 25.0 SR 682 ends. Continue straight on SR 625.
- 26.9 Cross railroad track.
- 27.2 Left onto SR 605. Watch for dogs.
- 27.6 Pass SR 610 on right.
- 27.9 Pass SR 609 on right.
- 31.4 Pass SR 693 on left.
- 33.7 Cross US 460, continue on SR 42 east. Store on left.
- 34.1 Continue to right on SR 42, passing through Newport.
- 35.0 Arrive at the baseball field parking lot.

There is a store at mile 16.2.

