

Other recommended rides.....

These suggestions are to give you alternatives to the rides that have detailed route sheets perhaps for an early or late staying visitor or for your chosen 'rest' day! Using the OS maps (combined with bits of the route sheets) should mean you can successfully navigate yourselves around.

Gentle

If you have not visited these attractions on previous rides then they are worth trying!

- Bangor and North East routes – Bangor Pier (small charge)
- Caernarfon and South routes – Parc Glynllifon (small charge for grounds visit, play area and craft shops free.)
- Ynys Môn / Anglesey East – Penmon Point, Telford Centre in Menai Bridge (small charge)
- Ynys Môn / Anglesey West – Marquis of Anglesey's Column (small charge)
- Slate Museum Llanberis (Velocio) - free

Other destinations – Penrhyn Castle, Greenwood Forest Park, Plas Newydd, Pili Palas Nature World, Little Railway rides (Caernarfon, Llanberis - Lake and Mountain), Electric Mountain, Anglesey Sea Zoo, Plas Cadnant Hidden Gardens and many more are considerably more expensive! Details for most of these are in your welcome pack or from the reception area in the Marquee.

Touring

Up to Ogwen gives a fantastic ride into the mountains – returning more or less the same way. Using the Bangor and North East touring route description follow it through to Porth Penrhyn and then use the Lon Las Ogwen path (signed – and basically UP the valley!) Pass through Tregarth, bypass Bethesda and on through the slate quarries. The old road, (Sustrans 82) travels up Nant Ffrancon to the new Ogwen Centre. GR 649603 - information, toilets and cafe in a very special place. Walk into Cwm Idwal if you have time! Returning along the A5 is not usually too bad and is certainly fast. Just on the approach to Bethesda the B4409 takes a left, over the bridge (GR 610678) and into Tregarth where you can pick up the cycle path that will return you to the Port and through Bangor to Treborth.

Challenge

Up and over several passes this is a spectacular mountain ride but uses the only roads through which can be busy. Using the Bangor and North East touring route description follow it through to Porth Penrhyn and then use the Lon Las Ogwen path (signed – and basically UP the valley!) Pass through Tregarth, bypass Bethesda and on through the slate quarries. The old road, (Sustrans 82) travels up Nant Ffrancon to the new Ogwen Centre. GR 649603 - information, toilets and café. From the Centre continue along the A5 to Capel Curig (with more services) and then turn right along the A4086 to the Pen y Gwryd Hotel. It is worth going in here to experience the mountain atmosphere and spot the Everest signatures in the bar! From the Hotel continue up the A4086 to Pen y Pass (more services). From here sweep down through the Llanberis Pass (faster than the hill climb that comes up here!) and through to Llanberis. Follow back lanes and paths back to Treborth as detailed on the Velocio Route sheet.