

## **NEW CASTLE ALTERNATE ROUTE 3**

The ride crosses two mountains, Johns Creek Mountain and New Castle Mountain. Traffic is low to moderate but can be heavy at times on SR 311. A ride for strong cyclists.

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

**DISTANCE:** 61.8 miles

**TERRAIN:** Difficult

### **MILE DIRECTIONS**

- 0.0 Leave the town park.
- 6.6 Level Green Baptist Church.
- 6.9 Pass SR 629 on left.
- 7.6 Left onto SR 662 (Happy Hollow).
- 9.5 Left onto SR 658.
- 13.2 Left to continue on SR 658.
- 20.5 Right onto SR 635.
- 21.3 Left onto SR 632.
- 23.5 Right onto SR 658.
- 28.2 Right onto SR 311 (south). Watch for traffic.
- 33.4 New Castle. Go right onto SR 42 (west).
- 36.5 Pass SR 624 on the right.

### **MILE DIRECTIONS (continued)**

- 44.6 Pass SR 625 on right.
- 49.6 Pass SR 624 on right.
- 51.9 Simmonsville.
- 52.8 Twin Oaks Store.
- 55.2 Level Green Baptist Church.
- 61.8 Return to baseball field parking lot.

For a leisurely paced Saturday ride, have lunch at the diner in the little town of New Castle. But don't have dessert because the climb up New Castle Mountain is a bear! The diner has public rest rooms.

