

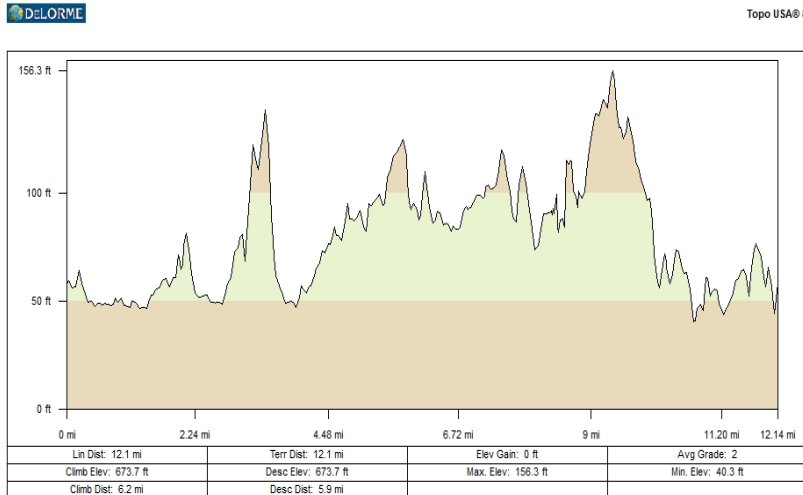
Bike Tour of the Neponset Trail and Mother Brook

10:00 am, Saturday, November 13, 2010

Mother Brook is the oldest industrial canal in North America. A tributary of the Neponset River, its headwaters were connected to the Charles River in Dedham in 1650, and the additional volume was used to power some of the earliest mills in Massachusetts. We'll start at the intersection of the Truman Parkway and Fairmount Ave. in Hyde Park, a bit downstream from the end of Mother Brook. First, we'll ride on part of the new section of the Neponset Trail which opened last summer. Then we'll head upstream through Readville and past one of the most beautiful old mills around Boston in East Dedham. We'll follow Mother Brook through Dedham, turning around at the dam on the Charles across the VFW Parkway from the Dedham Mall where Mother Brook has begun since 1650. On the way back to the starting point, we'll check out a possible rail trail in Dedham and use one of the lesser known paved paths through Stony Brook Reservation.

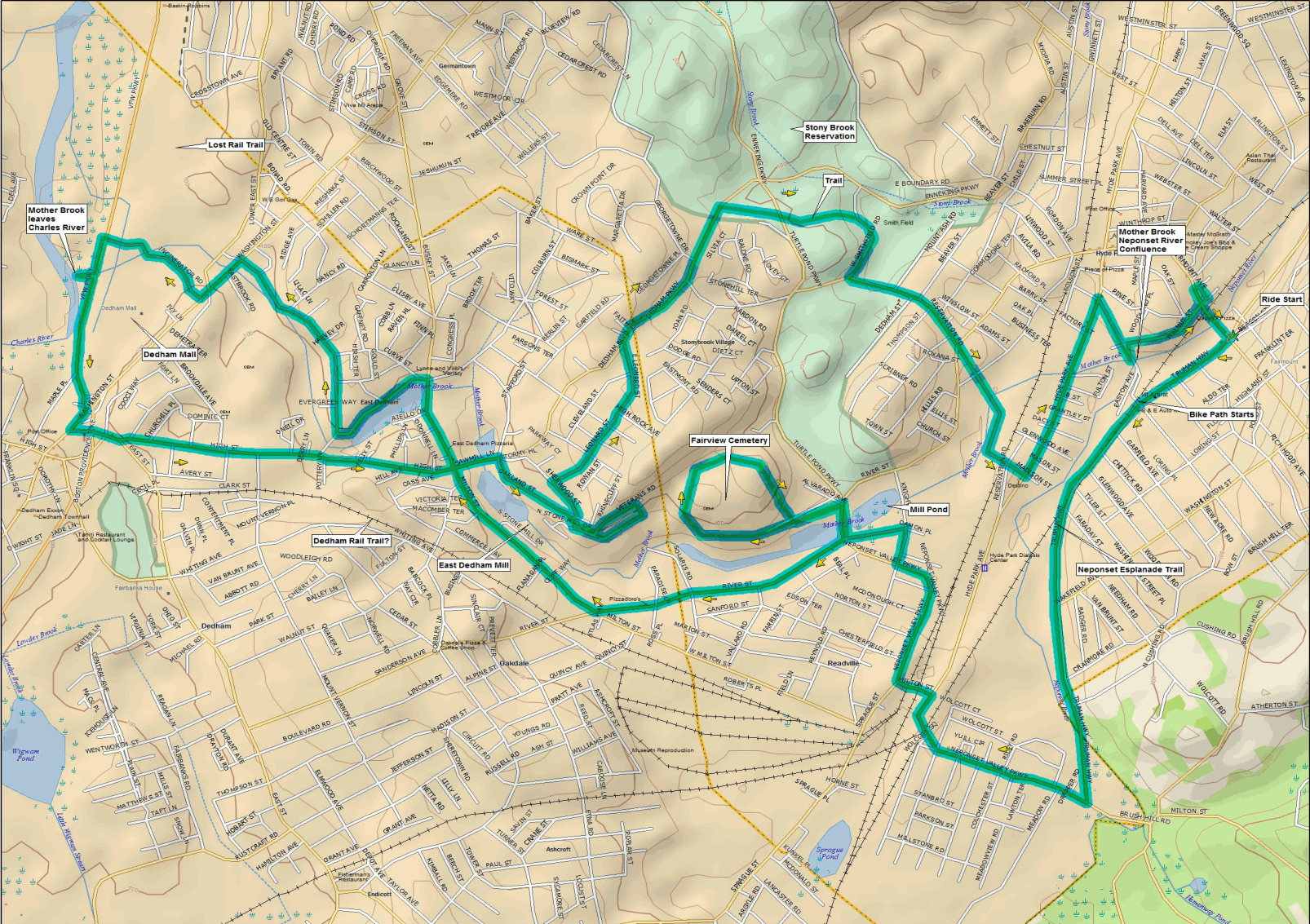
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Ride info online at <http://www.masspaths.net/rides/MotherBrook2010.html>

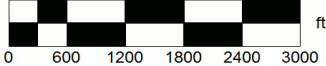


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Miles	Turn
0.0	R. on Truman Parkway
0.2	Bear R. onto bikepath
0.9	Follow Truman Parkway: Bikepath ends at Martini Shell
1.1	R. on Neponset Valley Parkway
1.4	Bear right at light (under Amtrak and commuter rail)
1.5	Bear R. on Hyde Park Ave.
1.6	L. on Milton St.
1.7	R. on Neponset Valley Parkway
2.0	L. on Neponset Valley Parkway
2.1	R. on Readville St.
2.2	L. on Readville St. at Knight St.
2.3	R. on River St. (Cross Mill Pond of Mother Brook)
2.4	L. on Fairview Ave. into Fairview Cemetery (Ride along Mother Brook and up hill)
3.4	R. on River St. back across Mill Pond
3.5	R. on River St.
4.2	R. on Milton St. at light
4.5	Pass East Dedham Mill on right
4.7	Cross High St./Sawmill Lane at light
4.9	L. on Curve St. (mill pond on left)
4.9	L. on Colburn St.
5.2	R. on Maverick St.
5.4	Straight on Curve St.
5.7	L. on Washington St. (Dangerous intersection)
5.9	R. on Dedham Mall Road
6.1	R. across Mother Brook at stop sig
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6.2	Cross Providence Highway at light
6.3	R. into parking lot (View dam where Mother Brook starts)
6.3	R. on Providence Highway
6.6	R. on Washington St.
6.8	L. on High St. at light
7.0	R. on High St. at light
7.0	Straight on High St. at light
7.8	Straight on Sawmill Lane at light (great view of East Dedham Mill across pond)
7.9	R. on Oakland St.
8.1	R. on Veterans Rd. (follow around loop)
8.6	Straight on Sherwood St.
8.7	R. on Leonard St.
9.2	R. on Dedham Parkway
9.6	R. on paved path through woods
9.7	Cross Turtle Pond Parkway
9.9	R. on Smithfield Rd.
10.1	L. on Reservation Rd.
10.4	Cross River St.
10.8	Cross Mother Brook (Skateboard and BMX Park on left)
11.1	Go over Amtrak main line to New York
11.2	L. on Hyde Park Ave.
11.7	R. on Dana Ave.
11.9	Stop on bridge over Neponset River (Mother Brook/Neponset confluence on right)
11.9	L. on Walnut St. (Watch for mural on Fairmount Ave. overpass)
12.1	L. on Nott St.
12.2	L. on Fairmount Ave.
12.4	End at Fairmount Ave.



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