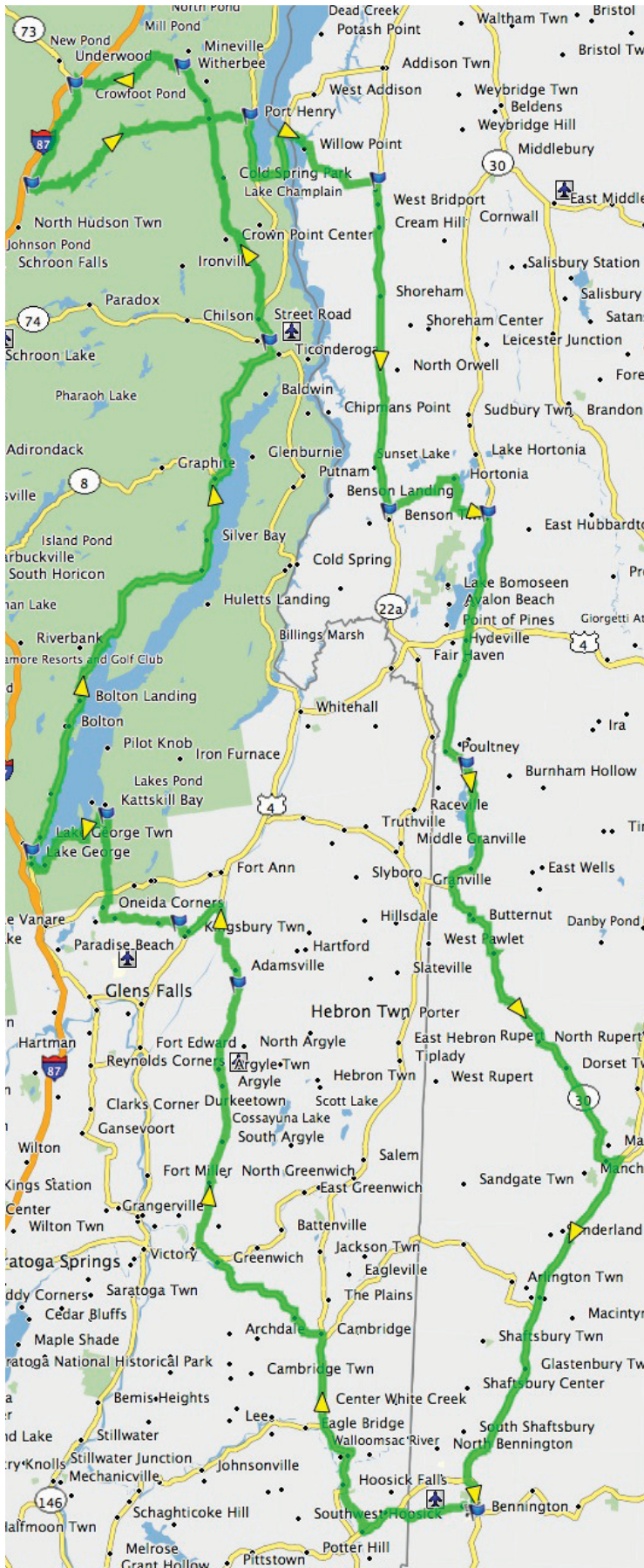


# Bennington Triumph Bash Adirondacks Ride

(Loop of about 270 miles)



Start out from Hemmings Motor News in Bennington (set your trip meter to 0, because all mileages described here are cumulative). Head west on Rt 9 for 0.7 mile, then turn right onto West Rd and follow this onto Rt 22 north.

Remain on Rt 22 to the town of Cambridge, NY, at 20 miles on your trip meter. Turn left onto Rt 372 (Main Street).

Remain on Rt 372 until you've merged onto Rt 29, then turn right onto Rt 40 (30.6 miles on your trip meter).

Follow Rt 40 to the town of Argyle (about 40 miles on your trip meter), and where Rt 40 make a sharp turn to the right, continue straight onto Rt 197, then about a mile later, turn right onto County Road 43. Remain on CR 43 until it ends at Rt 149; make a left onto Rt 149. Pay attention to the signs; just after you cross the railroad tracks, Rt 149 will turn off to the right. Stay on 149 until it merges with Rt 4.

Make a left onto Rt 4, then a couple miles or so later, make a right onto CR 36. About two miles later, turn right onto CR 35 (Vaughn Rd). Remain on CR 35 until you get to Rt 9L (Ridge Rd); make a right.

Remain on Rt 9L as it winds along the southern shore of Lake George. When you get to Rt 9, make a right.

On Rt 9 you'll pass by one of the only remaining Howard Johnson's restaurants in the world. This is a good opportunity to stop for an early lunch and experience this blast from the past.

Continuing a short distance up Rt 9, bear right onto Rt 9N. Follow 9N along the length of Lake George to the town of Ticonderoga, around 112 miles on your trip meter.

A few miles past Ticonderoga, bear left onto Country Road 7. Watch for sharp corners and sudden stops—in particular, about half a mile after continuing on CR 7 through an intersection with CR 47, there's a rise with a stop sign obscured on the other side. This is just after a set of twisties, so it's easy to ride into it with a little too much spirit.

Continue north on CR 7 to the town of Moriah Center; bear left onto CR 70 (Witherbee Rd). Just past the town of Witherbee, make a left onto CR 6 (Tracy Rd). This road is something of a local secret, with 7 miles of fantastic twisties. Please keep your speed down until you're past the short populated section at the beginning, and after that, ride cautiously. A few of the curves are tighter than they look, and the road winds through a wooded area that may harbor moose and deer. Also, this road is only a few miles from a state police barracks, and they occasionally patrol it because they know it's a popular road with motorcyclists.

CR 6 ends on Rt 9; make a left. Follow Rt 9 for about 6.5 miles, then turn left onto CR 4 (Ensign Pond Rd). This is another wonderfully twisty road; ride cautiously and watch for cracks in the pavement and sand/gravel in the corners. After a little over 9 miles, turn right onto CR 42 and follow this until it ends on Rt 9N in the town of Port Henry. Make a right and follow 9N for about 3.5 miles, then make a left onto Bridge Rd—be careful, as this turn comes up somewhat unexpectedly.

Follow Bridge Rd past Crown Point State Historic Park (stop off if you like) and over the bridge back into Vermont. Immediately after the bridge, turn right onto Rt 125.

Follow Rt 125 east. 125 joins Rt 22A in the town of Bridport—turn right onto 22A. Follow 22A for about 20 miles, then turn left onto Rt 144. Follow Rt 144 for about 4.5 miles, then turn right onto Hortonia Rd. Follow this to Rt 30, then make a right.

Remain on Rt 30 past Lake Bomoseen and Lake St Catherine until you get to Manchester, then follow the signs to Rt 7 and take 7 south back to Bennington.