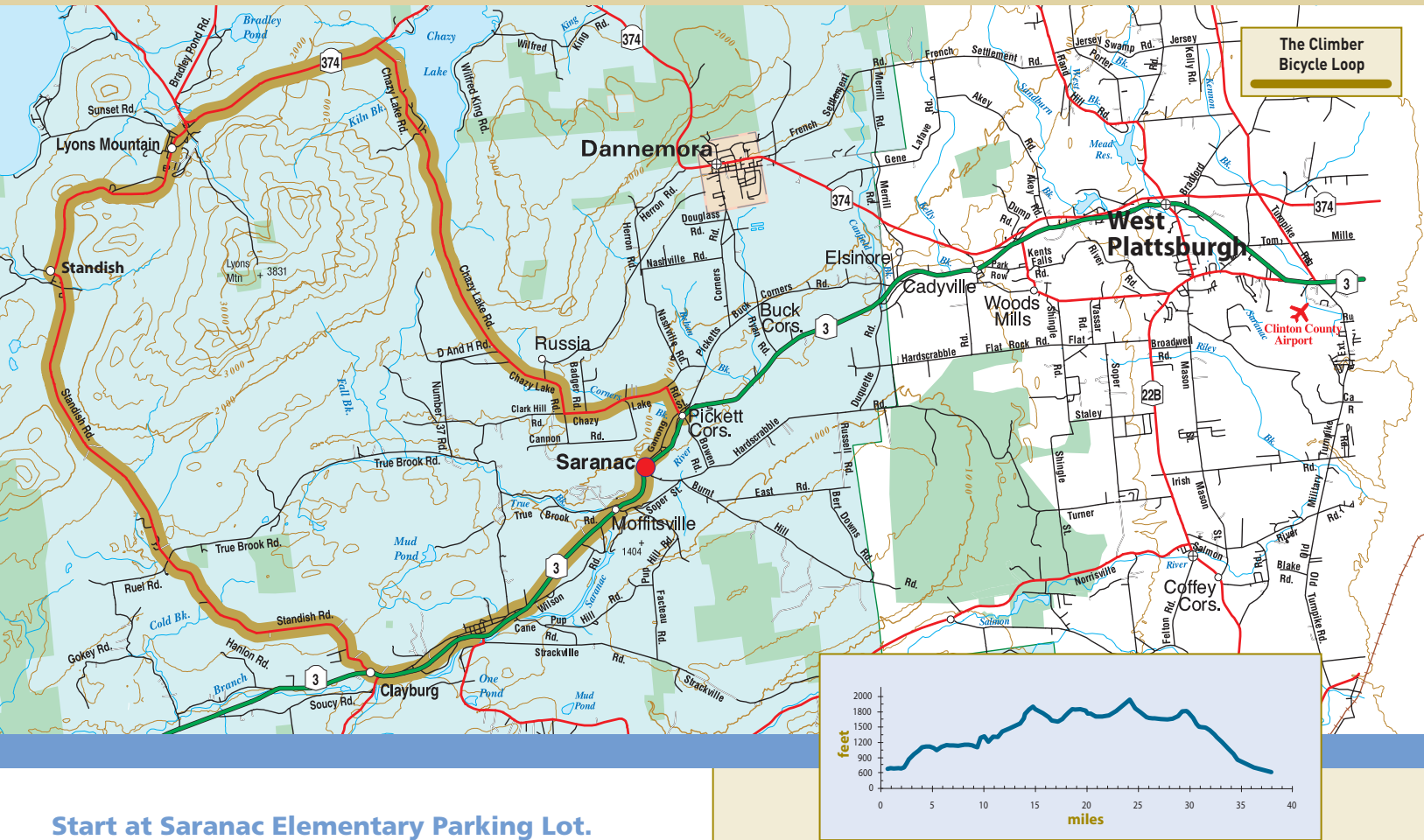


The Climber Bicycle Loop

A difficult 38.0-mile route through Saranac, NY.



Start at Saranac Elementary Parking Lot.

mile

- 0.0** ● L out of Saranac Elementary parking lot.
- 0.2** R on Route 3.
- 7.7** R on Standish Road at Clayburg (last store until Lyon Mountain).
- 12.3** High Banks - True Brook Road to the right is a rough short cut return.
- 18.1** Road turns right in Standish.
- 22.3** R on Route 374.
- 28.0** R on Chazy Lake Road.
- 35.4** L at intersection with Clark Hill Road (still Chazy Lake Road).
- 37.7** R on Ganong Drive.
- 38.0** Saranac Elementary School.

When cycling, please follow these guidelines:

1. WEAR A HELMET and cycling gloves.
2. Ride with the flow of traffic.
3. When using travel lanes, follow motor vehicle laws. Obey all traffic signs and signals. Do not cut corners.
4. Use clear hand signals when making turns or stopping.
5. Ride in a straight line at least 3 feet from parked cars or curbs.
6. If you must ride at night, use lights and reflectors.
7. Ride defensively! Be aware of motorists' actions.
8. Be aware of train tracks and other road conditions.
9. Ride single file.
10. Carry items in panniers or a handle-bar pack.

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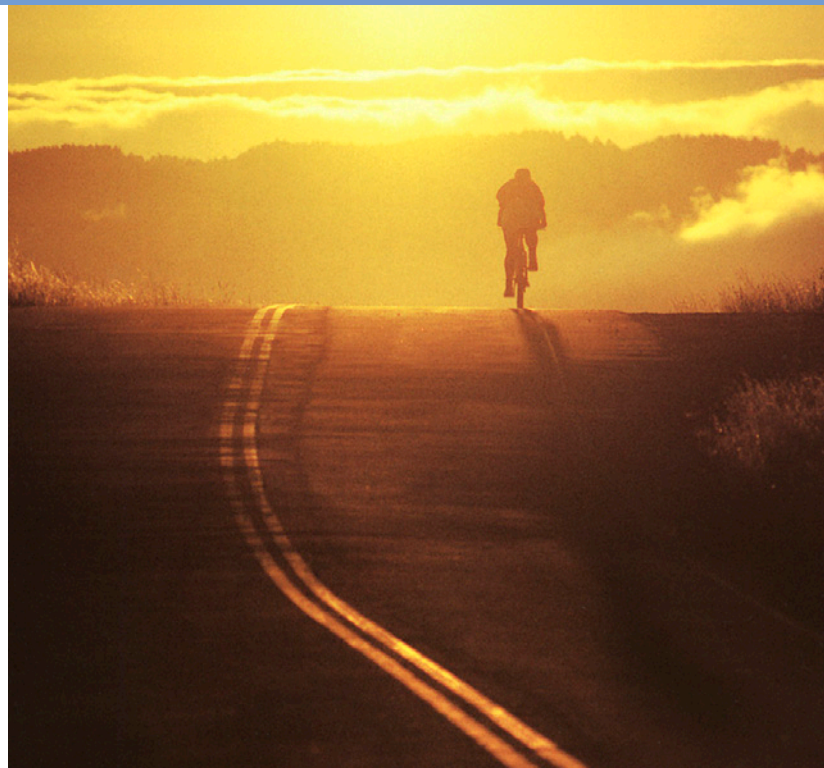
Route Description

This route involves some strenuous climbing around 3,820' Lyon Mountain, the highest point in Clinton County and through some of the most sparsely settled areas in the county. Shortly after the Saranac Town Hall the first climb Russia (pronounced Roo-sha) Hill begins, a 1 mi. climb. About halfway up the hill there is a 1/4 mile dirt road leading to a parking lot at the top of High Falls Dam with a nice view. The last store for 15 miles is in Clayburg about 1/4 mi. before the Climber turns onto Standish Rd. and starts the major climb. In Standish the route takes a sharp right turn toward the hamlet of Lyon Mtn. and climbs for about 3/4 mi. to the high point, 1989 ft. Just before entering Lyon Mtn., there is a public spring.

Chazy Lake can be seen at a number of points south of Rt. 374. and at mile 33 the trip becomes all downhill. There is a great view of the Saranac Valley just before Nashville Rd. where Chazy Lake Rd. turns right for the downhill to Pickett's Corners.

Safety Guidelines

Motorists and bicyclists share scenic roads. Use caution on narrow, winding or unpaved roadway. Follow traffic laws and ride safely. Bicycles are vehicles by law and have the right to use public roads. You are responsible for operating your bicycle under all conditions.



An Adirondack sunset/PHOTOPIA: Shaun Heffernan

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