

Facilities and services

Cycle repair/hire* shops	Vets	
Burnley Burnley Cycle Centre 01282 433981	Oldham J N MacDonald 0161 624 7102	
Rawtenstall Ride On* 01706 831101	Todmorden Holborow & Tapsfield-Wright 01706 814770	
Rochdale Chris Paulson Cycles 01706 633426	Keighley Aireworth Vet Centre 01535 602988	
Hebden Bridge Blazing Saddles* 01422 844435	Halifax Hird & Partners 01422 354106	
Todmorden Vale Cycles 01706 816558	Clitheroe Mearley Veterinary Group 01200 423763	
Burnley Pendle Cycles 01282 778487	<th>Weather</th>	Weather
Burnley On yer bike 01282 438855	National free 0870 600 4234	
Hebden Bridge D C Mansfield 01422 884397	Lancashire Weathercall 09068 500416	
Todmorden Harry Ingham 01706 812148	West Yorkshire Weathercall 09068 500417	
Farriers	Public houses	
Bacup Sam Sagar 07974 155645	Littleborough The Moorcock Inn Grid ref: 953 173 01706 378156 The Wine Press Grid ref: 938 154 01706 378168 The Summit Inn Grid ref: 946 188 01706 378011 King William IV Grid ref: 927 171 01706 372265	
Bacup P K Lamb 01706 878671	Burnley The Ram Inn Grid ref: 875 285 01282 418921 Bay Horse Inn Grid ref: 875 323 01282 437494 The Crooked Billet Inn Grid ref: 876 324 01282 429040	
Whitworth Colin Thompson 01706 853884 / 07977 883375	Hebden Bridge Pack Horse Inn Grid ref: 952 316 01422 842803 The New Delight Inn Grid ref: 964 283 01422 846178 Fox and Goose Grid ref: 986 273 01422 842649 The White Lion Grid ref: 992 268 01422 842197	
Whitworth Alec Thorpe 01706 852730 / 07973 443116	Rawtenstall Hargreaves Arms Grid ref: 836 248 01706 215523	
Lancashire Raymond Kay 01254 813095	Rochdale The Hare & Hounds Grid ref: 913 166 01706 372877	
Halifax B Thorne 01422 372279	Todmorden The Shepherds Rest Inn Grid ref: 954 232 01706 813437 Top Brink Inn Grid ref: 956 235 01706 812696	
Please note that it can be difficult to obtain the services of a farrier at short notice and it is recommended that long distance riders carry a protective 'equiboot' for their horse in case of emergencies.	<th>Getting to the Loop</th>	Getting to the Loop
<th>Emergencies</th>	Emergencies	The railway stations closest to the Mary Towneley Loop, at Smithy Bridge, Littleborough, Walsden, Todmorden and Hebden Bridge, are all served by direct trains from Leeds and Manchester (Victoria).
In an emergency dial 999 There are Accident and Emergency units in Rochdale, Halifax and Blackburn.	Bus services operate from Burnley/Bury to Water, Whitewell Bottom and Waterfoot on the Loop; from Rawtenstall to Water/Lumb; from Rochdale to Walsden, Wardle and Waterfoot; from Todmorden to Holme Chapel, Walsden and Lumbutts (for link to Mankinholes); from Hebden Bridge to Blackshawhead (for Jack Bridge).	
<th>Horse transport</th>	Horse transport	Other services exist, please check for details before travelling:
Manchester Boothroyden Horse Transport 0161 653 6483	www.traveline.org.uk Tel: 0871 200 22 33 Journey planner for journeys by bus, train, coach	
Huddersfield R&R Horse Transport 01484 866620 / 07977 272823	www.nationalrail.co.uk Tel: 08457 48 49 50 For national train information	
Rochdale Martin Dewar 01706 377347 / 07901 521171		
Hebden Bridge Willow Royd Transport 01422 884095		
<th>Saddlers/repairs*</th>	Saddlers/repairs*	
Milnrow Bridge Saddlery 01706 645146		
Rochdale Naylors Equestrian 01706 631909		
Rochdale Victorian Saddlery 01706 644490		
Rossendale M Miller 01706 853843		
Hebden Bridge Moody Mares 01422 886060		
Todmorden Fetlocks and Ponytails 01706 819100		
<th>Tourist Information centres</th>	Tourist Information centres	
Rochdale Rochdale TIC 01706 924928		
Burnley Burnley TIC 01282 664421		
Hebden Bridge Hebden Bridge & Canal VIC 01422 843831		
Todmorden Todmorden TIC 01706 818181		
Littleborough Hollingworth Lake Visitor IC 01706 373421		



A guide to using the route

The Mary Towneley Loop is a section of the Pennine Bridleway National Trail for horse riders, mountain bikers and walkers. It follows bridleways and byways or short sections of public road.

You will see the following coloured waymarking symbols on the Trail:

Footpaths linking onto the Trail are available for walkers only.

- Take warm and waterproof clothing and always allow for the worst weather.
- The Trail is steep and tough in places, so you need to be fit and prepared (horses and dogs need to be fit too!).
- In hot weather protect yourself from the sun and carry additional water. A collapsible bucket is also useful to draw water for horses.
- Be aware that some surfaces can become slippery in wet weather.
- Carry a map, food and water, and tell someone your plans.
- Cyclists should wear a helmet and carry a tool kit and spares.
- Horse riders should wear a helmet and reflective clothing.
- Carry some form of identification in case of emergencies.
- Please note that mobile phone coverage is not available for the whole of the Trail.
- It can be difficult to obtain a farrier at short notice and it is therefore recommended that horse riders carry a protective *Equiboot*.

To avoid accidents and help conserve the Trail

- Pass other users and livestock with care and **cyclists warn others of your approach** before passing them.
- Cyclists must give way** to horse riders and walkers.
- Fasten any gates that you open.
- Stay on the route, don't contaminate water and take your litter home.
- Be aware that vehicles have a legitimate right to use some sections of the route.
- Ride at a safe and controlled pace especially where your view is restricted.
- Walking, cycling or horse riding groups should not take up the whole width of the path and should leave space for others to pass.