

Updated April 14, 2014

BAY AREA RIDGE TRAIL COUNCIL

18 TH ANNUAL

Ridge to Bridge

Saturday, April 26, 2014

*

Read this before you start!

- Please check in at every rest stop/water station, and record the time legibly.
- Tricky spots are numbered ▲ on this sheet. Don't get lost! Read both the map and directions to be sure of the route.
- The **Ridge Trail** route is marked by blue signs like this:
- Drink plenty of water throughout the day!
- You may set your own pace, or stay with the guides.
- \bullet The sweep is the last person in the group. Do not get behind the sweep s/he is responsible for ensuring that everyone is accounted for.
- If you must leave during the event, you must let the guide or sweep person know! (Also try calling the event coordinators' cell phones).

Sunrise: around 6:15 AM Sunset: around 8:00 PM Dark: around 8:40 PM

MILES DIRECTIONS ELEVATION to End Route follows Bold trail names In Feet Section 1 (6.3 miles) – 26-mile hike start
Starts at Bolinas–Fairfax and West Ridgecrest Roads, on Bolinas Ridge

- 25.7 Start south on the Coastal Trail. Dip into a 1,520' wooded gulch, over a hill, then across a grassy slope.
- 23.7 Leave GGNRA and enter Mt. Tamalpais State Park. The Coastal Trail ends at a junction with McKennan Trail.
- ▲ Continue on right shoulder of West Ridgecrest Blvd. to Coastal Trail.
- 23.5 Angle right on Coastal (AKA Bob Cook) Trail.
- 22.5 Cross Willow Camp Fire Road. 1,595'
- 20.8 Matt Davis Trail comes up on right. Angle left (south) on Coastal/Matt Davis Trail.
- The Matt Davis Trail descends west to Stinson Beach.
- 19.2 Carefully cross Panoramic Hwy to Pantoll 1,500' Ranger Station. *Our rest stop and toilets are 1 mile ahead.*

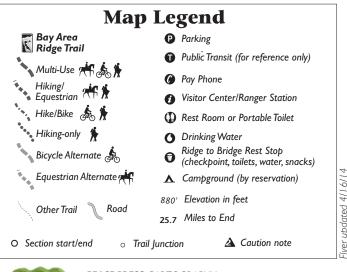
Section 2 (10.4 Miles) – 20-mile hike start Starts at Pantoll Ranger Station and Panoramic Hwy.

19.2 From Pantoll, follow paved Coastal Fire Road south. Pass junction with Steep Ravine Trail on right. Turn left along the Old Mine Trail.

Rejoin Coastal Fire Road; continue straight.

1,400'

- 18.2 Please check in at our "Cardiac Hill" rest stop (snacks, water, and toilets). 150 yards ahead, Coastal Fire Road becomes Deer Park Fire Road.
- 18.1 As Deer Park Fire Road turns left, we leave the Ridge Trail. Go straight on the Coast View Trail, a multiuse, single-track trail which descends toward the coast.
- 15.8 Turn left on **Heather Cutoff Trail** which descends east with many switchbacks.
- 14.5 In Santos Meadow, turn right on unsigned **Heather** 65' Cutoff Spur Trail. Go around the left side of the horseriding arena, then across a mowed pasture into Muir Beach Volunteer Fire Dept.'s funky picnic area. Cross Redwood Creek on the footbridge and turn left up a driveway.
- 14.3 Across Muir Woods Road, go up **Heather Cutoff Spur Trail** to junction; stay left (upstream) on **Redwood Creek Trail**.
 - At next 3 junctions, stay right on **Redwood Creek Trail**. You'll cross Redwood Creek twice on footbridges.
- 13.5 Turn right on **Miwok Trail**, which climbs south through coastal scrub and grassland.
- 1.8 Atop Dias Ridge, turn left on **Dias Ridge Trail.** 729 Hike 0.1 mile east.





- $\bullet \textbf{The Walker's Map of San Francisco} \ (with \ \text{Angel Island}, \ \text{Marin Headlands} \ \& \ \text{San Bruno Mtn.})$
- Trails of Northeast Marin County (China Camp, Big Rock Ridge, Mt. Burdell)
- Trails of Mt. Tamalpais, Muir Woods & Marin Headlands
- We are updating the classic **Olmsted Map of Mt.Tamalpais!** Available Summer 2014!

MILES

to End

15-Mile Hike Start

Starts at Golden Gate Dairy Stables in Muir Beach, off Hwy 1

14.9 Start east up single-track Dias Ridge Trail. (This is the bicycle route of the Ridge Trail–it will eventually link north to the Coast View Trail). Be alert for bicyclists.

The trail climbs past a rock outcrop, through coastal scrub and grassland, then atop Dias Ridge.

North Miwok Trail, used by the 26- and 20-Mile 729' 11.9 Hikes, enters on left. Stay straight for 0.1 mile until...

Section 2 (continued)

- 11.7 Hikers turn south (right) on Miwok Trail. If you don't turn right you will end up on Panoramic Hwy. A
- 11.3 Cross Shoreline Hwy (Hwy. 1) then the roadside path to a eucalyptus grove and **rest stop.** Check in and drink up! Continue south up Miwok Trail fire road below the east shoulder of Coyote Ridge.
- Ignore a narrow trail up the first ridge on your right. A
- 10.5 Pass Coyote Ridge Trail fire road, stay left (east) 930' on Miwok Trail fire road.
- 10.2 Hikers angle right on single-track Miwok Cut-off Trail. (The main Ridge Trail route stays left on Miwok Trail fire road, which makes a long descent then climbs briefly behind yonder summit). â
- Rejoin **Miwok Trail** at a junction with Countyview Fire Road. Stay right on **Miwok Trail**, which soon becomes a single-track trail as it descends southwest to Tennessee Valley.
- 9.1 Stay right at unsigned junction with Rhubarb Trail (left) just before crossing a small creek.
- Tennessee Valley Trailhead is a **rest stop/lunch.** 200' **Check in here!** Toilets, water, pay phone, a little shade. 8.9

Section 3 (5.2 Miles) Starts at Tennessee Valley Trailhead

- Start from SE corner of parking lot up wide, 200 graded Marincello Trail (built in the 1960s as an entrance to the citizen-defeated Marincello subdivision).
- At the crest, the Bobcat Trail enters from the 900' right. See the Golden Gate Bridge ahead! Descend straight ahead (south) on the **Bobcat Trail**. Pass a side road to Hawk Camp on right, and a grassy saddle with power lines overhead.
- Zigzag at the tricky "Five Corners" junction 6.5
- turn left (east) then right (south) up Alta Fire Road.
 Don't stray straight (south) down Bobcat Trail, nor left on Rodeo
 Road (which dead-ends at U.S. 101 with side trails to Marin City a and Oakwood Valley). In a eucalytus grove, pass the Morning Sun Trail (left).
- Alta Fire Road ends at a white metal gate to Wolfback Ridge Road. A sign says: "HIKERS TURN RIGHT. 5.8
- Turn sharp right uphill a few steps on the paved Â service road, then left on the footpath. Cross the Rodeo Valley Trail fire road (the Ridge Trail's equestrian route) and continue straight on the SCA Trail,* which contours south below the ridgetop. (*built by the Student Conservation Association).
- SCA Trail ends at a "T" junction with a view of 4.8 Trail/Marin Gate Bridge. Descend left on Coastal Trail/Marin Gate Trail towards the bridge. Don't go right on the Coastal Trail, which climbs west over Slacker Hill and descends west to Fort Cronkhite.
- Cross Conzelman Road & continue down Coastal Trail.
- One final switchback brings you to the Northwest Parking Lot of the **Golden Gate Bridge!** 3.3 Rest stop with water and snacks. Please check in.

Thanks to our Sponsors!















Section 4 (3.8 Miles)

Starts at North end of Golden Gate Bridge



- At the SE corner of the NW Parking Lot, go 200' down the stairs, under U.S. 101, and back upstairs to North Vista Point. Turn left. There are **restrooms** at the center of the parking lot (a side trip-use crosswalk).
- Opposite the restrooms, turn left down the stairs or ramp to the east sidewalk of the Golden Gate Bridge.

Golden Gate Bridge safety: Be alert for pedestrians, photographers, and tourists! And bikes (just at the south end). Don't walk more than 2 abreast. Look over your shoulder when passing, to be sure you're not stepping into harm's way. Take your time and have fun!

At the south end of the Golden Gate Bridge, we leave the Ridge Trail and join the Presidio Promenade. *But first we* 1.5 A make a short detour around some trail construction:

Take first left to **Vista Point** on a beige path alongside an asphalt bike path. Cut right over the Vista Point, and down the stairs on the back side; follow a level path toward the lower toll plaza.

- Emerge at Lower Toll Plaza (snack bar, bus stop, statues, etc.). Restrooms are a side trip across the busy street. Follow detour signs to left of red Golden Gate Pavillion gift shop. Descend northwest on sloped path.
- Turn sharp right on **Presidio Promenade** bike path. Follow beige hiking path on shoulder. Continue east past trails to Battery East and Fort Point, and parking lot.
- 1.2 Stay on bike path parallel to Lincoln Blvd.. Cross Long Avé. and Crissy Field Ave. Don't stray left down Crissy Field Blvd; we stay high.
 - The **Presidio Promenade** goes under Doyle Drive/US 101 then leaves Lincoln Blvd. You pass a Park Police horse corral and historic stables, cross McDowell Rd. (look both ways) and climb back to Lincoln Blvd.
- Continue on **Lincoln Blvd.** sidewalk along a temporary construction fence. The Presidio National Cemetery is on your right. In one block, stay right on 0.5 the Sheridan Ave. sidewalk.
- 0.1Cross Montgomery and proceed straight 1 block.
- The Main Post Parade Ground is our final stop. Please sign out and pick up your T-shirt before heading home! Congratulations – you made it!

If you are in need of refreshments, the bowling alley snack bar on Moraga at Montgomery stays open until 2 AM.



Updated April 16, 2014

Samuel P. Taylor State Park:

Golden Gate Nat'l Recreation

Area (GGNRA), US Park Police

North District Ranger Station

(415) 331-1422/(415) 331-3812

Muir Woods (415) 388-2596

Event Coordinators (Cell Phones)

Karen Kidwell (415) 250-0143 Tracy Corbin (415) 722-6592 Emily Bauska (503) 438-0325

Park Agencies along our route: Mt. Tamalpais State Park, Pan Toll Ranger Station:

(415) 388-2070/ (415) 388-2952/ (415) 388-3215)

Emergency: 911

(415) 488-9897

Emergency: 556-7940 General Info: (415) 331-1540.

If you are absolutely unable to finish, we will transport you from one of the **rest stops**. We have one roving person who will visit the stops (you may have to wait until the rest stop closes).