REMINGTON LOOP HIKE, Start 253 Remington Loop Dr., Danville Tuesday January 28, 2020 – 10am

Hike Leaders:

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Hike Description: This is a 5 mile lollypop hike. It is a good challenging hike with about 1000 ft total elevation gain (and loss). We have a 700 ft. elevation gain in the first forty five minutes to the top of the Las Trampas Ridge. We will take breaks along the way as needed to hydrate and briefly enjoy the views of Mt. Diablo and the San Ramon Valley. The hike heads up to the Las Trampas Ridge. At the top of the Las Trampas Ridge, we head north on the fire road trail and pass the "Bear Tree" and look forward to the "secret trail".

This portion is through a beautiful forest, but is steep and includes a short, tricky, rocky portion. This is the place for good soles and hiking sticks. We'll need to watch our feet for slippery, dry leaves. We will pass through the San Damiano Retreat, a lovely quiet place, and we will take a break to enjoy it's beauty. We then continue on a trail to a pump house and return to our starting point on the original trail. There are no bathrooms, but lots of trees. There's some minimal poison oak, so it's suggested you wear long pants. This is about a 3 hour hike.

- For those carpooling we will meet at the Walnut Creek theatre, third floor at 9:15, with departure at 9:30.
- For those driving directly, we will be meeting at 253 Remington Loop Dr. at 9:50 am.
- 10:00 am ready to start the hike.
- The hike sign in will take place at the start of the hike.

What to Bring:

Sturdy shoes (maybe your mud shoes), poles are highly recommended, hat, and water. There are no water facilities. Good humor when we glide through the mud.

Driving Instructions to the trailhead:

From Walnut Creek, take Hwy 680 South to Sycamore Valley Rd <u>WEST.</u> At the foot of the ramp turn right (West) Cross San Ramon Valley Blvd & continue on Sycamore Valley Rd West Continue on Remington Drive, then Remington Loop; one flows into the next Total distance from the bottom of the off ramp to the trailhead is .7 miles. Beware of stop signs, they are strictly enforced in Danville

Park on the street at the trailhead, along or across from house address #253 Remington Loop.

If you are driving on your own, be at the trailhead at 9:50

Lunch – Peets Brass Rail and Car Wash. 201 Hartz Ave, Danville, CA. Separate checks – ok. Sorry but there is no car wash. However, there is plenty of beer.