

The Dream of All-Weather Trails in Wunderlich Park is coming true Phase 1 is done. Now on to Phase 2

All this winter, during the rainy days and sunny days, equestrians, pedestrians and runners have been enjoying the beautiful, smooth footing of the new All-Weather Trails in Huddart and Wunderlich Parks. Over the last three years, the equestrian community and the San Mateo County Parks Department have donated over \$100,000 to support the winterization of trails: 5.5 miles in Huddart Park and 1.4 miles in Wunderlich. In these three projects, the County was able to contribute “in-kind” services for hauling and purchase of the base rock. We were hoping to finish Phase 2 in Wunderlich Park this June. However, the County budget has been drastically cut, and “in-kind” services for this project reduced to zero. We now need to raise additional funds to complete Phase 2 in Wunderlich to fulfill the dream.

Phase 1 was completed in May 2011. The 1.4 miles in this phase were completed thanks to the generosity of the equestrian community, who donated \$18,450. The trails compacted over the summer and were open this winter. This created several Lower Loops:

- Bear Gulch Trail, from the Barn to the Loop Trail and on up to the Madrone Trail
- Alambique Trail – Barn to Loop Trail

Phase 2 is now scheduled for October - November 2012. This will open up the upper loop in the Park (map enclosed). We need your help for this phase.

- Bear Gulch Trail – Continue from the Loop Trail, to Redwood Flat, and then to the Meadows.
- The Redwood Trail from Redwood Flat to Salamander Flat will be left in its natural state.

The trails will be closed and allowed to settle in for the winter 2012 - 2013, and will then be open for year-round use next spring. The total length is 1.44 miles and will cost approximately \$27,470. We now have to raise the full amount because the County will be unable to contribute anything due to budget cuts. We have raised \$18,500 to date, so we are 67% of the way towards the goal.

What better way to escape momentarily from our difficult economic times than riding under a crisp winter sky, hearing the creeks bubble, and breathing the fresh mountain air? We believe the equestrian community will continue to support this project and will provide funding for it.

We need to have the funds by September 15 in order to get the work done this fall. Any additional funds will be used for future trail maintenance and improvements in Huddart and Wunderlich Parks. CHAPS - The Community Horse Advocacy Program for San Mateo County – a new organization supporting equestrian activities in the County, and the Mounted Patrol Foundation are working together to raise the funds for this project.

If you want to learn how the trails are built or other activities check out:

www.chapsmc.org or www.mountedpatrolfoundation.org

The Mounted Patrol Foundation is a 501(c) (3) organization, and tax-deductible checks should be made payable to CHAPS-MPF, with the notation Wunderlich trails, and mailed to:

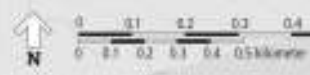
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Thank you for your support. Call Don Pugh at 650-851-8343, or email don@chapsmc.org with questions.

Wunderlich County Park

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	Hiking/guest trail		Restrooms
	Hiking/guest trail		Parking
	Hiking trail		Gate
	Multiple-use trail in nearby parks (bicycle, equestrian, hiking)		Other public land
	Bay Area Ridge trail		Private property
	Trail distance (miles)		



Open in winter
 All weather proposed Phase 2
 Phase 1 completed May 2001