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Stop by Ardenwood Historic Farm for a day feeding the goats, checking the chicken coop for fresh eggs or hauling in the hay harvest. Keen eyes may also spot hidden treasures, such as this varied thrush. Renowned among local bird-watchers, the Farm is the site of an annual bird count at the end of each year.



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3	4	5	6	7	8	9 NEW 9
10	=	12	13	14	15	FIRST 16
17	MLK Jr. Day of Service MLK Jr. Regional Shoreline Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday	19	Trails Challenge 23 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary	21	22	FULL 23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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# February

Stroll along the shores of the Antioch/Oakley Regional Shoreline, where anglers find they are welcome 24 hours a day (state fishing license required for ages 16+). Fish, picnic or fly a kite while enjoying views of the San Joaquin River and the Antioch Bridge.

East Bay Regional Park District

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	well to the Monarchs lenwood Historic Farm	Chinese New Year Lunar New Year	9 Mardi Gras	I O  Ash Wednesday	11	I2	13
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### March

Sycamore Valley Open Space Preserve offers a tranquil and rugged landscape for hiking, biking and horseback riding. The preserve's two units – Sherburne Hills and Short Ridge – total nearly 700 acres. Watch for red-tailed hawks, bluebirds and quail, among other local fauna.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		LAST	2	3	4	Hazel-Atlas Mine Open House Black Diamond Mines
6	7	NEW 8	9	10	11	12
Johnny Appleseed Day Ardenwood Historic Farm Daylight Saving Time Begins	14	FIRST 15	16	St. Patrick's Day	18	Outdoor Movie Night Kennedy Grove Alameda Egg Scramble Crab Cove
Palm Sunday First Day of Spring	21	22	<b>23</b>	24	25 Good Friday	26
Easter Sunday	28	29	30	César Chávez Day	February 2016  S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6  7 8 9 10 11 12 13  14 15 16 17 18 19 20  21 22 23 24 25 26 27  28 29	April 2016 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30





Pack a lunch and bring a friend to explore Round Valley Regional Preserve, on foot, bike or horseback. Round Valley's 1,911 acres of varied terrain support a wide variety of plants and animals – including the endangered San Joaquin kit fox. Due to the sensitive wildlife habitat, dogs are not allowed in the preserve.



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						Sunol Wildflower Festival Sunol
10	II	12	FIRST 13	14	Emancipation Day Observed	16
Sheep Shearing Day Ardenwood Historic Farm	18 Tax Day	19	20	PULL 21	22 Earth Day	Earth Day 23 MLK Jr. Regional Shoreline Alameda Earth Day Crab Cove/Crown Beach Outdoor Movie Night Lake Chabot Passover Begins
24	25	26	27	28	Arbor Day Passover Ends	30





Briones Regional Park's hilly trails and secluded canyons are favorites for running and hiking, as well as for picnics and nature study. From Briones Peak, relish panoramic views of Mt. Tamalpais to the west and Mt. Diablo to the east. Wildflowers are typically plentiful in the spring.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	2	3	4	Remember to Register for Day Camps! Various Parks Cinco De Mayo	6	7
Hazel-Atlas Mine Open House Black Diamond Mines Mother's Day	9	10	=	12	FIRST 13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	Tidewater Aquatic Center Open House MLK Jr. Regional Shoreline
22	23	24	25	26	27	28  Visitor Center Opens  Del Valle  Campfire Season Begins  Anthony Chabot  and Del Valle
<b>29</b>	Free Day Ardenwood Historic Farm Open Houses Tilden Nature Area and Crab Cove Memorial Day	31			April 2016  S M T W T F S  1 2  3 4 5 6 7 8 9  10 11 12 13 14 15 16  17 18 19 20 21 22 23  24 25 26 27 28 29 30	June 2016  S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4  5 6 7 8 9 10 11  12 13 14 15 16 17 18  19 20 21 22 23 24 25  26 27 28 29 30



#### June

Swimming and fishing are favorite pastimes at this 101-acre urban oasis between Hayward and Castro Valley. First-come, first-serve picnic sites, as well as reservable group sites, are available. Watch for turtles, ducks, frogs and deer.



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Butterfly & Bird Festival Coyote Hills	Ramadan Begins	Tuesday Twilight Series Begins Various Parks	8	9	Concert at the Cove Crab Cove	Sand Castle and Sculpture Contest <i>Crab Cov</i> e
Second Sunday Campfire Program Big Break Historic Hay Harvest Ardenwood Historic Farm	13	<b>I4</b> Flag Day	15	16	17	18
Historic Hay Harvest Ardenwood Historic Farm Father's Day Juneteenth	First Day of Summer	21	22	23	24	25
26 Historic Hay Harvest Ardenwood Historic Farm		28	29	30		





With more than 70 miles of trails, Anthony Chabot Regional Park is a favorite destination for hikers, bicyclists and equestrians. It also offers one of the District's most popular family campgrounds, with more than 50 drive-in campsites, 10 hike-in sites and 12 RV sites, all less than a 30-minute drive from downtown Oakland.



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3	Open House NEW Crab Cove and Tilden Nature Area Independence Day Ardenwood Historic Farm Independence Day	5 Eid ul-Fitr	6	7	Concert at the Cove Crab Cove	Hazel-Atlas Mine Open House Black Diamond Mines
Second Sunday Campfire Program Big Break	FIRST	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	FULL 19	20	21	22	23
24 Historic Wheat Harvest Ardenwood Historic Farm	25	26 LAST	27	28	29	30
Historic Wheat Harvest Ardenwood Historic Farm						



The quarries that form the Quarry Lakes Regional Recreation Area date from the 19th century, when gravel from the banks of Alameda Creek was used to build western portions of the transcontinental railroad. Today, Quarry Lakes consists of four gorgeous lakes as well as large picnic areas, lawns, volleyball courts and miles of hiking and biking trails.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	FIRST	_	Concert at the Cove Crab Cove	Cajun-Zydeco Music Festival Ardenwood Historic Farm
Second Sunday Campfire Program Big Break	15	16	17	FULL 18	19	20 Outdoor Movie Night Ardenwood Historic Farm
21	22	23	LAST 24	25	26	27 Knap-in Coyote Hills
Knap-in Coyote Hills	29	30	31		July 2016  S M T W T F S  1 2  3 4 5 6 7 8 9  10 11 12 13 14 15 16  17 18 19 20 21 22 23  24 25 26 27 28 29 30  31	September 2016 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30



# September

Contra Loma Regional Park in Antioch is one of the Park District's most popular spots for swimming, fishing and picnicking. The sandy beach is perfect for kids, and the lake is stocked regularly with blue and striped bass, trout and other fish. For those who enjoy hiking, the park's 780 acres feature trail connections to Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve, Mount Diablo and points beyond.



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Historic Rail Fair Ardenwood Historic Farm	Open House Tilden Nature Area and Crab Cove Historic Rail Fair Ardenwood Historic Farm Labor Day	Rocky Ridge Visitor Center Closes for the Season Del Valle	7	8	Galifornia Admissions Day	Garin Apple Festival  Garin
Second Sunday Campfire Big Break	12	I3	14	15	FULL 16	Hazel-Atlas Mine Open House Black Diamond Mines Coastal Cleanup Crab Cove
18	19	20	21	22 First Day of Autumn	LAST 23	24 Tidewater Aquatic Center Open House MLK Jr. Regional Shoreline
Stone Age Olympics Coyote Hills	26	27	28	29	30 NEW	



#### October

Some of the Bay Area's best bird-watching can be found at Martin Luther King Jr. Regional Shoreline in Oakland. This 749-acre park, home to Arrowhead Marsh, is a major stopover on the Pacific Flyway for thousands of birds, including brown pelicans, terns, rails and ducks of all kinds. The Oakland Estuary is also a popular spot for kayaking, canoeing and sailing.



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31st Annual Harvest Festival Ardenwood Historic Farm	Columbus Day		Yom Kippur			
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16	17	18	19	20	21	<b>22</b>
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 NEW	31					
Diwali	Halloween					



## November

A 307-acre secluded oasis, Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline offers spectacular views of San Francisco, Mt. Tamalpais, Mt. Diablo, Angel Island and other landmarks. Visitors can picnic, hike to the top of Nicholl Knob, learn about the park's history as a railroad and shipping hub, fish, swim and relax. Bird-watchers will find an abundance of hawks, herons and other wildlife.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6	FIRST 7	8	9	10	11	12
Daylight Savings Time Ends		Election Day			Veterans Day	
13	FULL 14	15	16	17	18	19
Hazel-Atlas Mine Open House Black Diamond Mines	LAST 21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving Day	Return of the Monarchs Ardenwood Historic Farm	26
27	28	<b>29</b>	30	- mankagiving Day	October 2016  S M T W T F S  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29	S M T W T F S  4 5 6 7 8 9 10  11 12 13 14 15 16 17  18 19 20 21 22 23 24  25 26 27 28 29 30 31



### December

Crown Memorial State Beach has been a favorite Bay Area destination for swimming and picnicking since the 1880s. Once home to an amusement park, the 2.5-mile beach is now known for its bird sanctuary, restored sand dunes and Crab Cove Visitor Center, which highlights the flora and fauna of San Francisco Bay.



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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	Holiday Splendor at the Patterson House Ardenwood Historic Farm	Holiday Splendor at the Patterson House Ardenwood Historic Farm	15	16	17
18	19	Holiday Splendor at the Patterson House Ardenwood Historic Farm	Holiday Splendor at the Patterson House Ardenwood Historic Farm	22	23	24 Christmas Eve
25 Christmas Day Hanukkah Begins	26  Kwanzaa Begins	27	<b>28</b>	29	30	3 I New Year's Eve



Velcome to 2016 in the East Bay Regional Park District! We invite you to explore new trails, discover new programs and enjoy new adventures in our 65 regional parks.

In the past year we opened more than 1,500 acres of new land and miles of new trails, ranging from 990 acres in the Hayward hills to ½ mile of the East Bay Greenway in Oakland. In San Ramon, we added 362 acres to connect Dublin Hills Regional Park to Bishop Ranch Open Space Preserve. In Danville, a 232acre acquisition will expand Las Trampas Regional Wilderness. And in Hayward, the 990-acre Stonebrae property brings the total acreage of Garin and Dry Creek Pioneer regional parks to 5.744.

We expect to continue adding new lands and trails in 2016, preserving and protecting our beautiful East Bay landscape for generations to come. Come on out and explore these wonderful new acquisitions, and thank you for your support of the East Bay Regional Park District!

Robert E. Doyle General Manager



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