Konocti Challenge

**Route 1 | 102 miles**

0.0 START at Library Park, 3rd St parking area. Turn RIGHT on N Main St.
0.5 Turn LEFT on Clearlake Ave. Make the second RIGHT on High St which curves sharply to the right at 0.9m and becomes Lakeshore Blvd.
1.1 Lakeshore Blvd bends sharply to LEFT and provides bike lane.
5.8 Turn RIGHT at the Nice-Lucerne cutoff. Narrow section of road; proceed cautiously.
8.0 Turn RIGHT at Lakeshore Blvd Ext and make an immediate RIGHT to stay on Lakeshore. Follow the paved road as it winds left with the lake on your right.
10.8 Turn RIGHT on Hwy 20 past lakeside homes, resorts, vineyards, tasting rooms. Towns of Nice and Lucerne have county parks with restrooms and amenities.
21.1 After entering the village of Glenhaven, pass Indian Beach Resort on right. Continue east on Hwy 20, entering the town of Clearlake Oaks with boat launch areas and parks.
25.7 After passing the town of Clearlake Oaks, turn RIGHT on Sulphur Bank Dr which climbs slowly but steadily to a steeper segment till you reach the top of the hill at around 28.0m. Borax Lake is on the left at the bottom of the hill.
31.8 After stop sign, continue STRAIGHT on Arrowhead Rd.
32.2 Turn RIGHT on Park St then after the stop sign, continue STRAIGHT on Lakeshore Dr to Loop Clear Lake to your right and entering the City of Clearlake.

33.0 Pass Austin Park with restrooms and amenities. Bike shop on Olympic Dr across ballfields.
34.4 Turn RIGHT on Old Hwy 53; RIGHT at 36.1m to Hwy 53.
37.0 Continue STRAIGHT, passing Anderson Marsh State Historic Park on right, and approaching Hwy 29 at the stoplight, where Hwy 53 becomes Hwy 29 heading south.
38.2 After a brief climb, TURN LEFT on Clayton Creek Rd, heading south, parallel to Hwy 29.
39.3 Turn LEFT on Spruce Grove Rd. Scenic route with undulating terrain, passing oak grasslands and woods, meadows, ranches and vineyards. Caution on this narrow, winding road.
48.2 Turn LEFT on Hwy 29, passing the golf community of Hidden Valley Lake (access through Hartmann Rd in Coyote Valley east of Hwy 29 will lead you to grocery, shops and cafes).
54.2 Continue STRAIGHT at stop light as you enter Middletown. Hardware store & grocery on left. Consider refueling before taking on the grueling climb toward Cobb.
54.5 Turn RIGHT at Hwy 29, toward Cobb. Level for 4 miles before road climbs steeply, passing meadows, vineyards, ranches. Caution on narrow shoulders and blind curves.
62.8 As you approach a gas station on your right, turn LEFT on Bottle Rock Rd. (If you continue straight, .0m on Hwy 175, you can refill at Cob’s store on left.)
73.6 Turn RIGHT on Hwy 29. Caution on highway segment.
74.9 Turn RIGHT on Hwy 175 for your last big climb.
78.0 Turn LEFT on Red Hills Rd. You’ve ascended a bit before road gradually descends. Proceed cautiously around blind curves.

80.1 Continue STRAIGHT at stoplight, crossing Hwy 29, passing Kit’s Corner on left. Continue now on Soda Bay Rd, passing Konocti Harbor Resort on right, then the “Black Forest” on left.
86.9 At stop sign, bear LEFT to continue on Soda Bay Rd. In less than a mile, the road descends steeply past Riviera Heights. In another mile, a small market on left provides refreshments.
90.5 Pass Clear Lake State Park on right. Visitor center, camping, boating, biking, hiking, and water trails.
90.8 Turn LEFT on Clark Dr, crossing small bridge before the road makes three sharp turns: right, left, right.
92.8 Turn LEFT on Gaddy Ln. Slow down and prepare to get off Gaddy when it makes a sharp turn.
93.4 Turn LEFT on State St, following sign to Kelseyville. State St makes sharp turns to the right and left. Pass Kelseyville County Park on left.
93.9 Turn RIGHT to Main St thru downtown Kelseyville. Cross Kelsey Creek Bridge. Main St becomes Big Valley Rd.
94.8 Continue STRAIGHT thru intersection on Big Valley Rd.
95.3 Turn LEFT to stay on Big Valley Rd (continuing straight will put you on Finley East Rd.)
96.7 Turn RIGHT on Highland Springs Rd toward Soda Bay Rd.
99.0 Turn LEFT on Soda Bay Rd, which becomes S Main St at stop sign after cinema. Continue straight toward downtown Lakeport. Pass bike shop at NVN corner of 1st and Main St.
102.2 Turn RIGHT at 3rd St to return to parking area. Congratulations!
Cycling Safety Tips

protect yourself

Wear a properly-fitted helmet. By law, bicycle riders under 18 years of age must wear a bicycle helmet while riding on a public road.

ride with traffic, learn & follow the rules of the road

Bicycle riders on public roads have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists, and must obey the same rules and regulations. Yield to all pedestrians and horse riders, and take caution when passing horse trailers.

be conspicuous, alert & communicate your intentions

Ride carefully—velocipedes waiting at stop signs, in driveways, or parking spaces may suddenly pull out in front of you. Be prepared to stop or take evasive action.

maintain control of your bicycle

Ensure your bicycle is in good working order by inspecting it regularly. Check your bike for tire pressure, chain, and brakes (close quick release wheel levers). Carry repair and emergency supplies.

More info: CA DMV Safety Tips for Bicyclists

www.cdmv.ca.gov/pubs/brochures/fast_facts/ffdc27.htm

Konocti Challenge

The Konocti Challenge (707) 349-0815 | www.konoctichallenge.com

The Konocti Challenge is a one-of-a-kind cycling experience and adventure for cyclists of all ages and ability levels!

Originally organized as “Pedal the Puddle” in 1990, the popular annual event is held the first Saturday of October. There are 4 routes to choose from, ranging from 20 to 100 miles, all including extensive SAG support, an end-of-ride BBQ on the lake shore, and entertaining rest stop antics by local non-profit organizations. Participants can ride through vineyards and pepper orchards, face a challenging 5,000 foot elevation climb, or have a relaxing family fun ride along the shores of Clear Lake.

All proceeds benefit the local and international projects of the Rotary Club of Lakeport. For details & registration, visit the website.

Konocti Regional Trails

The Konocti Regional Trails System (KRT) is a network of trails and community pathways on and around Clear Lake which: 1) highlights the region’s historic scenic beauty, diverse wildlife, natural landscapes, and cultural history; 2) enhances the visitor experience by providing an opportunity for recreation and appreciation of these unique assets; and 3) promotes community health and economic vitality throughout the region.

Named for Lake County’s iconic Mt. Konocti, KRT is a series of non-motorized trails designed to establish connections between major recreation destination areas and communities. Outdoor enthusiasts of all ages and interests will find opportunities for hiking, biking, horsback riding, birdwatching, and paddling.

KRT Bike Routes

The Konocti Regional Trails Bike Routes are a series of diverse cycling experiences ranging in activity level from short, moderate trips to rugged, long-range climbs. Each of the routes takes cyclists through some of Lake County’s most scenic vistas—from overlooking lake views and mountainous backdrops to rural farmlands and shaded forests.

1: Konocti Challenge | 102 miles
2: Around the Lake | 66 miles
3: Konocti 40 | 40 miles
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5: Kelseyville-Big Valley | 14 & 26 miles
6: Bottle Rock-Soda Bay | 38 miles
7: Red Hills-Lakeview | 25 miles
8: Cobb: Mountain Bike | 15 miles
9: Big Canyon-Middlewold | 8-33 miles
10: Guenoc-Berryessa | 69-81 miles
11: Clearlake-Lower Lake | 29 miles

KRT Bike Maps

For more maps, information and descriptions on outdoor activities such as hiking, biking, paddling and horseback riding, visit the KRT Website at konoctitraffic.com and lakecountycalifornia.com.

note

All phone numbers area code (707) unless otherwise listed.

NOTE: While the KRT follows many roads along vineyards and orchards, riders should be aware that crop spraying is done periodically.

bike shops

Main St. Bicycles
125 N Main St., Lakeport, 263-3344

Cycle Path Bike Shop
14106 Olympic Dr, Clearlake, 994-1200

For more information, visit KonoctiTrails.com