### Meyers Cottage and Dry Creek Garden

Meyers Cottage was a popular summer home of Edith, Mildred, and Jeanette Meyers, three sisters from Alameda who were very involved in local charities and fundraisers during the early and mid-1900s. The garden is open to the public Thursdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The



Dry Creek Garden

adjacent parking lot is open all week until dusk. Read more about the Meyers' sisters and the cottage at ebparks.org/parks/garin/.

#### Activities

# Public Interpretive Programs and School Group Programs

Coordinated through the Coyote Hills Regional Park Visitor Center in Fremont.

Information: (510) 544-3220 or ebparks.org.

#### **Garin Barn Visitor Center**

Open weekends in the summer from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. (hours subject to change).

#### **Fishing**

Jordan Pond has naturally occurring largemouth bass, bluegill, and sunfish. For fishing activity, see ebparks.org/anglersedge.

Anglers aged 16 or older must have a state fishing license.

#### **Picnic Reservations for Groups**

Several picnic areas near the Garin Avenue park entrance are available for use by families and larger groups. Call 1-888-327-2757, option 2 to reserve at least 14 days before your event date.

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# Ours to Explore, Enjoy and Protect

Please enjoy the Regional Parks safely and help protect and preserve the parklands by complying with park rules and regulations.

#### **Safety and Etiquette**

- Stay on trails. Shortcuts are dangerous and damage natural resources.
- Bring plenty of water to prevent dehydration.
- Be prepared for sudden changes in weather conditions.
- Trails can be slippery, rocky, and steep. Proceed carefully at your own risk.
- Keep the parks beautiful. Pack out what you pack in.
- Inform someone where you are going and when you will be back.
- Save our 24/7 Dispatch Center numbers on your cell phone: Emergency (510) 881-1121; Nonemergency (510) 881-1833.

#### **Rules**

- Dogs must be leashed in parking lots, 200 feet from any trail or park entrance or as posted, in picnic areas, developed areas such as lawns and play fields, on some trails, and where grazing animals are present. Dogs must be under voice control at all times. Clean up after your pet; bag it, bin it.
- Bicycles are permitted on designated trails only.
   Bicyclists yield to pedestrians.
- · Horses have the right-of-way on trails.
- State law requires that all bicyclists under age 18
  wear an approved helmet while riding on trails
  and roadways. Equestrians and bicyclists are also
  strongly encouraged to wear helmets at all times.
- The following are prohibited:
  - Wading and/or swimming in undesignated areas
  - Feeding or approaching wildlife
  - Smoking/vaping
  - Drones

Visitors are responsible for knowing and complying with park rules (Ordinance 38). See ebparks.org/rules.



Garin Regional Park
1320 Garin Avenue, Hayward, CA 94544

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550 May Road, Union City, CA 94587

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# Garin/Dry Creek Pioneer Regional Parks

Year opened: Garin: 1968. Dry Creek Pioneer: 1979

Acres: Garin: 4,220. Dry Creek Pioneer: 1,626

**Highlights:** Garin Barn Visitor Center and blacksmith shop, Meyers Cottage and Dry Creek Garden, Ukraina Historical Site, Bay Area Ridge Trail, hiking, biking, picnicking, kite flying, fishing.



arin/Dry Creek Pioneer Regional
Parks are two adjoining parks from
former 19<sup>th</sup> Century ranches. The Park
District has preserved the history of the parks and
expanded both over the years with ecologically
and historically significant ridges, trails, and open
spaces. The combined parks now encompass over
5,800 acres of open space and more than 35 miles
of trails through narrow valleys and rolling hills

### Garin Regional Park

Garin Regional Park has areas for kite flying, birdwatching, barbecuing, picnicking, and fishing at picturesque Jordan Pond. Visitors can learn about ranching and farming history through interpretive signage and antique farming equipment on display. A red barn visitor center with a blacksmith shop and exhibits is open weekends in the summer. The park has a heritage apple orchard and hosts the popular Garin Apple Festival each fall.

## Dry Creek Pioneer Regional Park

Located to the south, Dry Creek Pioneer Regional Park is the former ranch and summer home of sisters Edith, Mildred, and Jeanette Meyers who donated 1,200 acres to the Park District in 1978 to

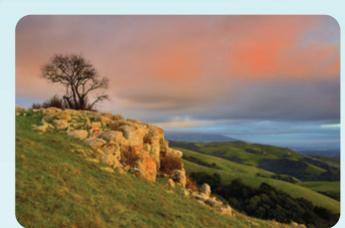
form the park. Together, with the cottage and garden bequeathed in 1995, the Meyers gift stands as one of the largest donations to the Park District. There are several popular loop trails and major trail connections to other parks along with the restored Meyers' Cottage and Dry Creek Garden. While the cottage is currently used as a private residence, the two-acre garden is open to the public Thursdays through Sundays. The garden is home to nearly 200 native, rare, and exotic plants, with something

in bloom just about every day of the year.

# Bay Area Ridge Trail/ Walpert Ridge

In 2012, the Park District added 990 acres of land to these parks with the protection of ecologically significant and visually stunning Walpert Ridge. There is now a Bay Area Ridge Trail connection

from Dry Creek Pioneer park to Five Canyons Open Space in Castro Valley, through Garin Regional Park. More information and a current map to the Bay Area Ridge Trail can be found at ridgetrail.org.



Views from Dry Creek Pioneer Regional Park



