



Interlaken Trailblazers Volkssport Club
Ferndale Y1005
5K/6K/8K/11K/12K Rated 1B
Emergency Dial: 911



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City / State: Ferndale, WA

Event Name: Ferndale- Parks, River, Town
Event Type: SEASONAL, - Y1005
Distance - Trail Ratings: 5/6/8/11/12km – 1B

Description: This walk consists of 2 Loops. Choose your distances by combining the two loops. Walk thru downtown, Pioneer, Hovander Homestead, Tennent Lake parks and along the Nooksack River. Enjoy murals, historic buildings and views of Mt Baker as you walk through Ferndale's parks and downtown. Wonderful boardwalk walk through Tennent Lake (closed hunting season).

Amenities: Strollers: none | **Wheelchairs:** None | **Pets:** Yes
Restrooms: Yes

Start Point / Driving Directions: Centennial Riverwalk Parking 1st Ave & Maple St. From I-5 North or South take Exit 262 Ferndale, RIGHT on Main St. Continue 1 mile. Cross bridge over river then LEFT at next street. (1st Ave). In .1 mile LEFT into Riverwalk Public Parking. Street parking is also available nearby.

Start point Latitude & Longitude coordinates:
 48.8445152, -122.5908611

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**From Centennial Riverwalk parking lot ascend the stairs toward the Totem Poles.
Loop 1 Hovander Park 6km/8km**

- 1) **LEFT** on the main trail to the Flagpole and Main Street. (Restrooms Behind trees)
- 2) **RIGHT** on Main St to cross the Nooksack River Bridge.
- 3) Sharp **RIGHT** after crossing the bridge, walking towards the river onto a gravel road.
- 4) **RIGHT** between 3 trail marker posts.
- 5) **CONTINUE** thru the Boat launch parking lot and join the trail at the Kiosk and continue on the trail.
- 6) **LEFT** at the signpost "Group Picnic Shelter," restrooms are straight ahead.
(You have Entered Hovander Homestead County Park. Explore this interesting County Park)
- 7) **VEER RIGHT** past the Restrooms and keeping the house & barn on your left,
- 8) Past the barn, **VEER LEFT**, then **RIGHT** between the pens on the gravel trail.
- 9) **LEFT** at "T". (Nielson Rd. not marked)
- 10) **RIGHT** thru Tennant Lake parking lot and fragrance gardens. Follow the trail through the gardens. (3.5km)
*(If not taking the Tennant Lake Trail for the added 2km, go to #15. As the season allows (**see NOTE**) follow #11 - #14. This will add 2km to your walk.*
- 11) **RIGHT** on trail that will become a boardwalk.
- 12) **RIGHT** on all 4 "Y" trail intersections. Walk to end of observation area (handicap access) and return on boardwalk.
- 13) **RIGHT** at the "Y" back to Tennant Lake interpretive center.
- 14) **BONUS:** If open, climb stairs to top of observation tower for an awesome view.
- 15) Return to the Tennant Lake Parking lot.
- 16) Exit parking lot and turn **RIGHT** on Nielson Rd. (unmarked) past Hovander Park entrance and continue on Nielson Rd.
- 17) **LEFT** on River Lea Road (unmarked), see STOP sign on your right.
- 18) **CONTINUE STRAIGHT** past "Group Picnic Parking Lot" sign.
- 19) Just past "Dogs on Leash" post go up a faint trail to the gravel River Trail. (4km/6km)
- 20) **RIGHT** on the trail retracing your walk.
- 21) **CONTINUE** on the trail back to the parking lot by the Nooksack River Bridge.
- 22) **LEFT** on Main St.
- 23) **CROSS** the bridge.
- 24) **LEFT** on Centennial Riverwalk Trail.
- 25) **RIGHT** at the totem poles and back to the Centennial Riverfront Parking lot.

We hope you enjoyed this walk.

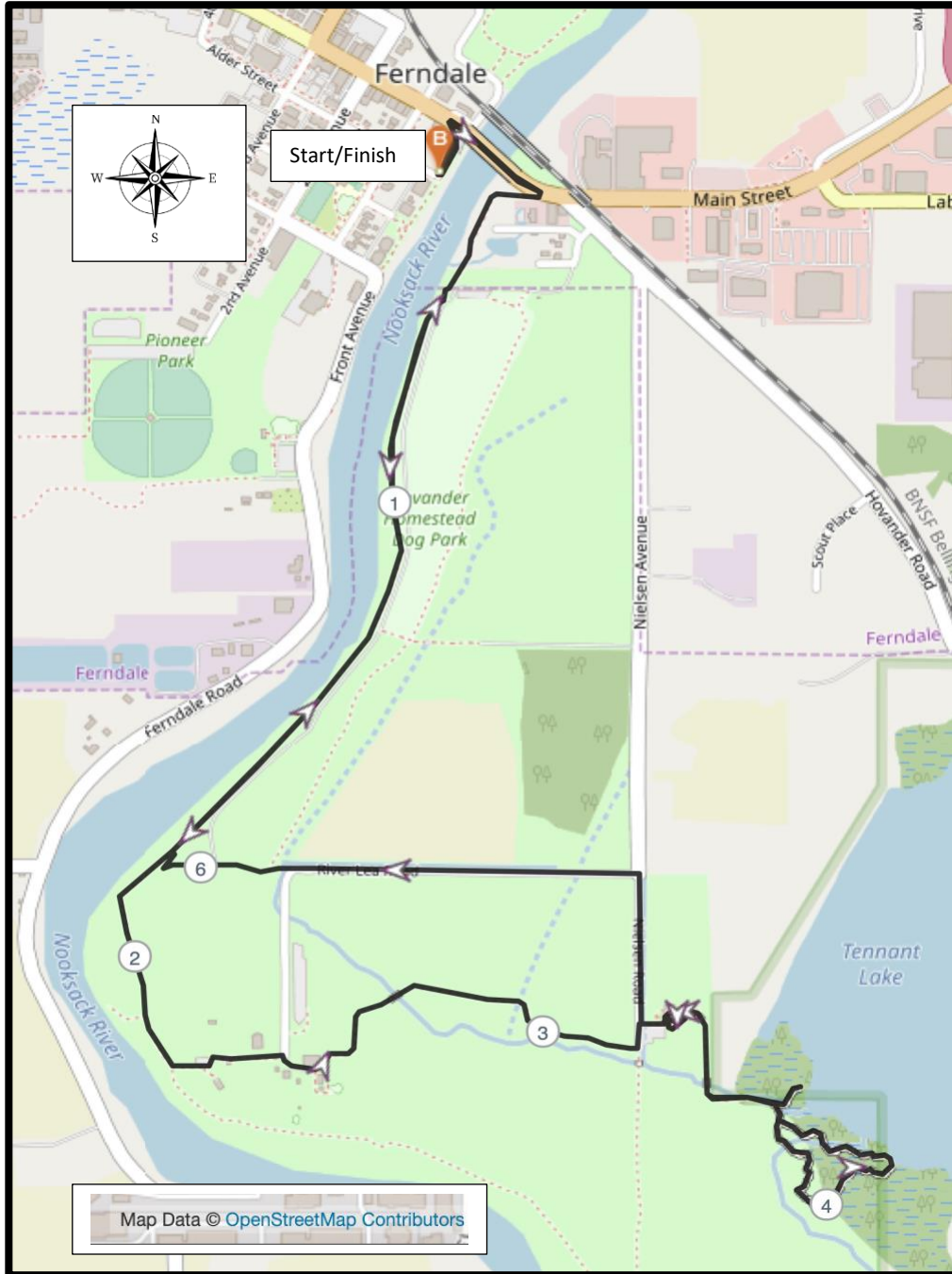
NOTE: *Tennant Lake Trail is closed for waterfowl hunting from early Oct. thru end of January and during flood season*



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LOOP 2 Town & Pioneer Park 5km Walk Directions

Start at Totem poles in riverwalk parking lot.

- 1) Walk up the stairs to the trail and **LEFT** on the trail. (Seasonal restrooms in plaza near Main Street)
- 2) **LEFT** on Main St to Crosswalk.
- 3) **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on Main St
- 4) Do not cross the bridge, Carefully **VEER LEFT** alongside of paved area (by two yellow poles) to a grassy area.
- 5) **LEFT** on unmarked street and walk under the railroad bridge
- 6) When street curves Left **VEER RIGHT** onto gravel trail.
- 7) **CONTINUE** on the trail (river on right) which will curve right at a parking area and pass a vault toilet.
- 8) When the trail curves away from the access road, **RIGHT** to exit at Washington St and Portal Way (unmarked.)
- 9) **CROSS** driveway and **CONTINUE** on Portal Way using a footpath on the right side of the street.
- 10) At Moser Lane/Willard St **LEFT** and continue to 2nd Ave
- 11) **CROSS** 2nd Ave and **LEFT** on the park path.
- 12) Sidewalk curves through Griffintown Park. Enjoy art and historic markers as you walk to the end of the park.
- 13) When path ends, **RIGHT** (Washington St unmarked) carefully crossing railroad tracks and continue to Crosswalk.
- 14) **LEFT** to **CROSS** Washington St
- 15) **RIGHT** to **CROSS** 3rd Ave.
- 16) **LEFT** on 3rd Ave to Main Street.
- 17) **CROSS** Main St and continue on 3rd Ave for 2 blocks to a "T" (Cherry St. unmarked)
- 18) **LEFT** on Cherry St to 2nd Ave
- 19) **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on 2nd Ave walking on the side of the building. **CROSS** driveway and continue on 2nd Ave.
- 20) After restrooms, the sidewalk curves **RIGHT**. Continue to end of parking lot.
- 21) **LEFT** at end of parking lot on the asphalt/gravel Trail. (Hanadori Trail)
- 22) **STAY ON THE TRAIL** as it winds through the park for over 1km.
- 23) At the maintenance facility, the trail exits to a parking area (seasonal gardens on your right near the maintenance facility).
- 24) **LEFT** at parking area passing restrooms and play area.
- 25) At street (Ferndale Rd. unmarked) **LEFT** to the end of the gravel area.
- 26) **RIGHT** to carefully **CROSS** Ferndale Road and climb onto the dike.
- 27) **LEFT** on the dike trail.
- 28) **CONTINUE** to Centennial Riverwalk Park
- 29) **LEFT** at totem poles and return to the parking lot (start/finish)

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Loop 2 Downtown and Pioneer Park 5km

