



NW Tulip Trekkers  
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Whatcom Lake/Chanterelle Trail, Bellingham WA- Whatcom County  
Sanction #Y1119



City / State: Bellingham, WA

Event Name: Bellingham NE/Whatcom Lake / Chanterelle Trail

Event Type: Year Round Walk – Y1119 Distance

Trail Ratings: 5/10K – 1B, 8/11K - 3 B

Description: Walk along Lake Whatcom to some waterfalls and a covered bridge on a flat trail or walk through different stages of forest on a well-maintained trail, some wooden bridges, moderate switchbacks and view at the top of Lake Whatcom, Bellingham & Whatcom County. Chanterelle overlook is a great place for a picnic or a snack after walking/hiking up the approx. 1000 ft. elev. gain in 2.4 miles. Bring your binoculars for the view.

Amenities: Strollers: no | Wheelchairs: no | Pets: Yes | Restrooms: Yes (vault toilet in parking lot)

Awards & Fees: IVV Credit Only

OSB Start point/driving directions: From I-5 north or south take exit 254 Iowa St. If going north, turn right on Iowa (head east), If going south, turn left on Iowa (head east). Take slight left onto Yew St., right on Alabama St. up steep hill, left on North Shore Dr. (blinking light) for 7 mi. Continue over the

bridge and around the corner, turn left onto Wickersham Truck Trail into Access 2 Lake Whatcom trailhead parking lot. Start point Longitude & Latitude coordinates: 48.730254, -122.308597. Walk to trailheads.

E-Mail Contact: [nwttclub@gmail.com](mailto:nwttclub@gmail.com). Please use the Online Start Box (OSB) to register and complete the event. The sponsoring club only receives credit for an OSB participation when an OSB registration has been completed online by entering your participation date, distances, and any special programs using the OSB. WALK COMPLETION AND CREDIT: Be sure to log back into the OSB system to finish/complete your online registration after doing the event. The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant's Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info including the date the event was walked, the distance walked, and the selection of applicable special programs that person is participating in. Nevertheless, a fee for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the user's Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded. Later, any PDF fees are credited back to a user's Event Bank when he/she submits the event completion info as a paying for credit participant. Note, however, the coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 60 days.

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These are the directions for Chanterelle Trail 8 and 11k –  
rated 3B

1. Facing the vault toilet walk **RIGHT** to the upper parking lot, the Chanterelle Trail head and walk starts on the **LEFT** behind the sign.
2. The trail will start in a steep incline but will become a more steady relaxed incline in .4 mi.
3. **RIGHT** at Chanterelle trail marker (Y).
4. **Carefully CROSS** the gravel road at the stop sign then continue on the Chanterelle trail.
5. You will cross the gravel road two more times both crossings will have a stop sign. At both, continue on the Chanterelle trail across the road.
6. **RIGHT** at trail marker to Chanterelle Overlook. The trail turns to gravel.
7. *Enjoy the view.*
8. **RETURN** the way you came, it's all downhill to the parking lot and vault toilet. (8K)
9. **WALK** to the left side of the larger lower parking lot, you'll find a gravel trail.
10. **FOLLOW** the gravel trail past the kiosk down the gentle trail.
11. **LEFT** at the trail intersection (*Hertz trail*) toward the covered information signboards.
12. **WALK** with the lake on your right.
13. Just before the wooden bridge (*1 mile marker just past bridge*) look to your left and up for a waterfall.
14. The bridge is the turn around point.
15. **RETURN** the way you came, to the parking lot and finish of the walk.

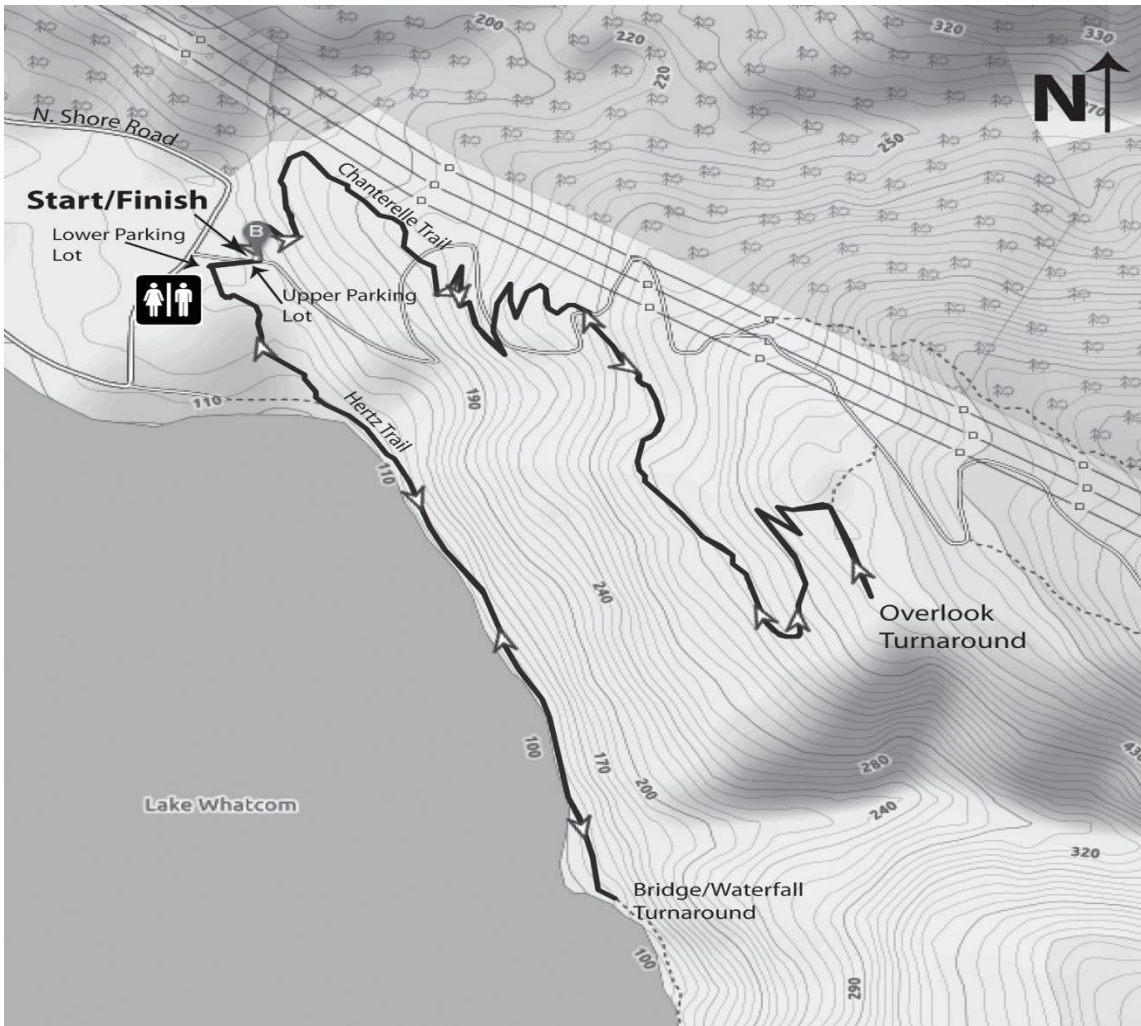
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These are the directions for N Lake Whatcom

5 and 10k , Rated 1B

1. From the parking area, follow the gravel trail down the hill.
  2. At the trail intersection, turn **LEFT** toward the covered information signboards.
  3. Walk with the lake on your right.
  4. Just before the wooden bridge and 1mile marker, look to your left and up for a waterfall. Don't worry if you miss it you can catch it on your way back.
  5. **5K walkers** should turn around at the 1 ½ mile marker.
  6. The North Lake Whatcom trail is 5.05K long ending at a high fence covered with wire where you turn around and retrace your steps. Lake Whatcom Trail has markers every ½ mile.
- . We hope you enjoyed your walk.

