

The Sun Country Striders  
 Welcomes You to  
 Santa Rosa, New Mexico



**Guadalupe County**  
 AVA Sanctioned Year Round Event

This walk is composed of 5 and 10km routes and will be available in 2024 only. Santa Rosa is the county seat of Guadalupe County. The 5k walk passes the historic downtown area, the Blue Hole swimming pool. The 10k route continues to Santa Rosa High School and Power Dam Falls.

**Walk Registration:**

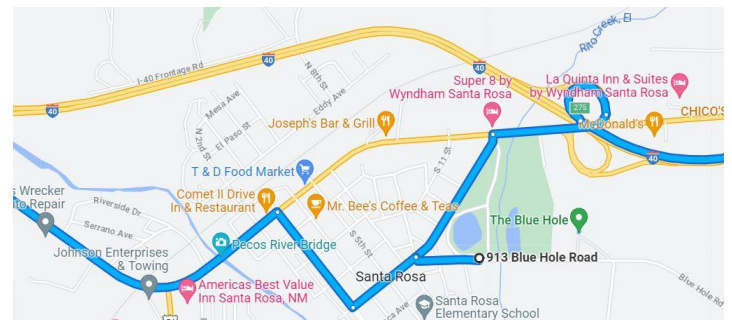
Please use the Online Start Box (OSB) to register and complete the event or contact the POC for remote registration. The directions and stamps will be available during the Sun Country Striders Week of Walking April 11-16, 2024 from the POC at selected sites. If wishing to do the walk on the way to the events, contact the POC.

**Walk Completion and Walk Credit:**

Once you have completed the walk, please login to your Online Start Box account click on the "My Start Box" tab, then the "Finish Table" tab, then click on "Go to Finish Table" button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk as well as select applicable AVA Special Programs to generate stamped "virtual" insert cards that you may choose to print out.

**Driving Directions to Start Point:**

The walk starts at the Blue Hole parking lot at 913 Blue Hole Rd in Santa Rosa. From I-40, take the Route-66 exit to Santa Rosa. From the west, turn right (south) on 3<sup>rd</sup> St, then left on Lake Dr to LaPradira/Blue Hole Road. Right on the road to the parking lot on left at the city park. From the east, take the Route-66 exit to Lake Drive, then south (left) on Lake Dr to LaPradira/Blue Hole Rd. Left on road to the parking lot on left at the city park.



Restrooms available at the start and at various businesses in the area.

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**SANTA ROSA - GUADALUPE COUNTY – 5/10K**

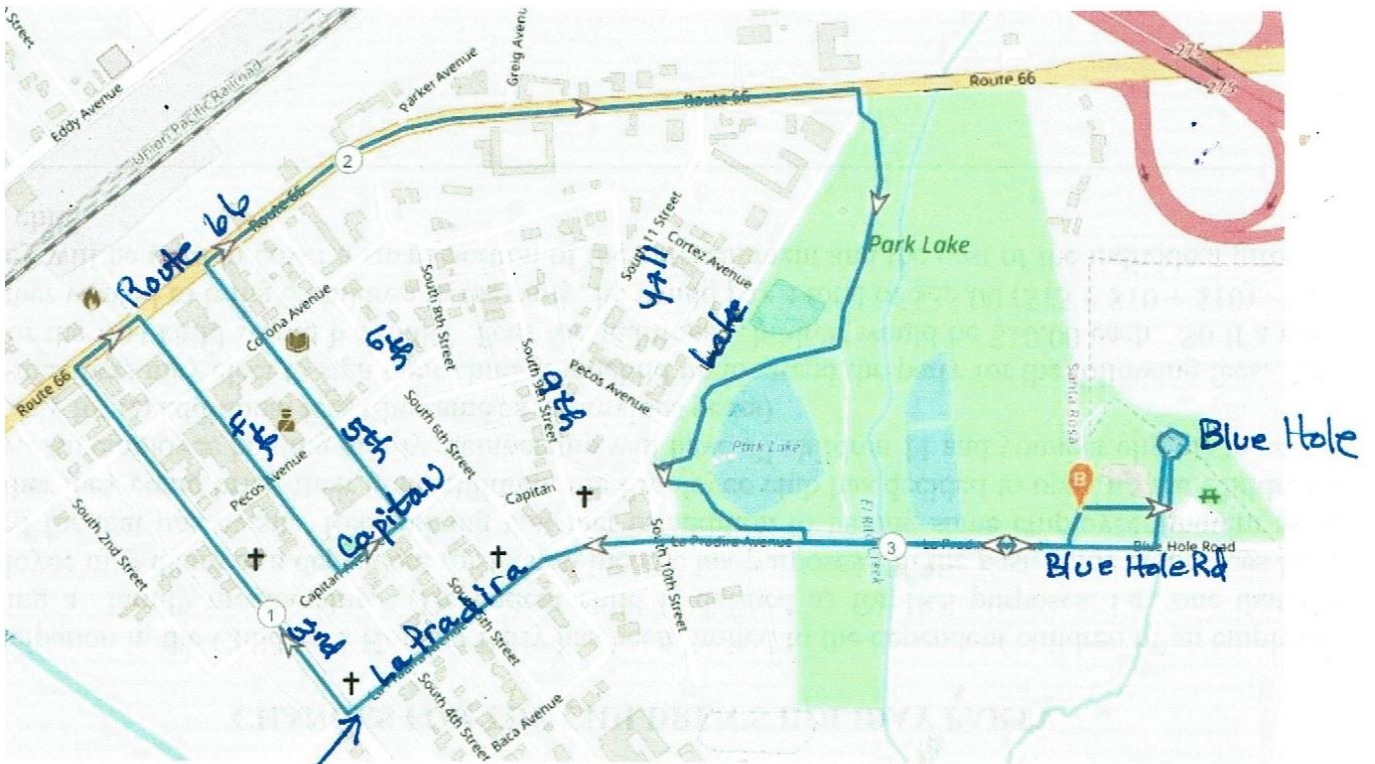
Walk starts at the Blue Hole parking lot at 913 Blue Hole Road in Santa Rosa. From I-40, take the Route-66 exit to Santa Rosa. From the west, turn right on 3<sup>rd</sup>, then left on Lake Dr, and finally right on LaPradira/Blue Hole Road. From the east, turn left on Lake Dr, then left on LaPradira/Blue Hole Rd. Continue to the parking lot on the left.

Special Programs: Town Hall, Veterans

These walk directions and maps may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.

1. From the parking lot, walk toward the convention center (restrooms may be available), then go around the building to the Blue Hole, a natural spring with an outflow of 3000 gal per minute. The spring is a constant 61 degrees and is used for swimming and SCUBA diving training and certification.
2. After visiting the Blue Hole, return to Blue Hole Rd and turn right (toward town). Continue on Blue Hole (becomes LaPradira) about 1/3 mile to a triangular intersection.
3. **LEFT** on LaPradira/Lake 3 blocks to 3<sup>rd</sup> St.
4. **5k ONLY: RIGHT** on 3<sup>rd</sup>. Then **Go To Step 10**
5. **10k ONLY: LEFT** on 3<sup>rd</sup> about ¼ mile to the Santa Rosa High School Complex. **RIGHT** toward the entrance to the Lion statue, then return to 3<sup>rd</sup>.
6. **CONTINUE** on 3<sup>rd</sup> passing the historic Santa Rosa of Lima Cemetery on the left. Continue another ¼ mile to the entrance to the Power Dam Park and sports complex.
7. **RIGHT** into the park and stay to the right. Continue to the end of the road at the dam.
8. Follow the road back to 3<sup>rd</sup> St.
9. **LEFT** on 3<sup>rd</sup> back to LaPradira (5/10k split). Continue on 3<sup>rd</sup>.
10. **5k rejoins here: Continue** 4 blocks to Route-66.
11. **RIGHT** on Route-66 1 block to 4<sup>th</sup> St (no sign).
12. **RIGHT** on 4<sup>th</sup> 3 blocks to Capitan.
13. **LEFT** on Capitan 1 block to 5<sup>th</sup> St.
14. **LEFT** on 5<sup>th</sup> 3 blocks to Route-66.
15. **RIGHT** on Route-66 about ½ mile to Lake St.
16. **RIGHT** on Lake, then veer **LEFT** into the park.
17. **RIGHT** on trail/road thru the park passing a small pond on the right and continuing to the larger pond.
18. **RIGHT** on trail around the larger pond and then follow trail back toward the Blue Hole.
19. **CROSS** the creek and pass a rectangular pond.
20. Just past the rectangular pond, veer **LEFT** to the end of the pond. Turn **LEFT** to the west side of the pond, then **LEFT** again back to the parking lot.
21. Cross the parking lot and return to your car. **END of walk.**

**Event related assistance:  
Helen Hull: 972-530-1026**



5/10K split

Santa Rosa – 5k



Santa Rosa – 10k extension

