

BAY TO BREAKERS 2009

May 15 through 18

“The Great Hash Crash”

For those new to San Francisco, Bay to Breakers is an annual footrace whose name reflects the fact that the race starts at the northeast end of the downtown area a few blocks from The Embarcadero (adjacent to the bay) and runs west through the city to finish at the Great Highway (adjacent to the Pacific coast, where breakers crash onto Ocean Beach). The race is 7.46 miles. It started in 1912 as a way to lift the city's spirits after the disastrous 1906 San Francisco earthquake. It is the longest *consecutively* running footrace in the world. We all know that we need something to lift our spirits during the disastrous state of the economy.

The San Francisco Hash House Harriers (SFH3) make a weekend out of Bay to Breakers and hashers come in from all over the country to enjoy events each day from Friday through Monday, and includes a “street party” and picnic on the Bay to Breakers course on Sunday. Each year, the SFH3 chooses a theme, hence The Great Crash Hash this year. Around 150 people attend for the whole weekend.

FRIDAY

Our Friday night event, “Black Friday” (wear black!!!) begins with a prelube at Hash Central, The Andrews Hotel in Union Square. The pack then ambles via a pub crawl, or runs to the Fort Mason Center near Fisherman's Wharf (a sag wagon is provided for change of clothes). The pack will be served dinner and there will be kegs tapped and ready to go! A DJ and dance floor will insure that you become legless by the end of the night.

SATURDAY

Saturday afternoon our skilled hares will set trails, one of which is the infamous ballbuster. The trail will lead to our Saturday night venue, the Jeremiah O'Brian, one of two remaining fully functional Liberty Ships (of the 2710 built and launched during WWII) which is moored at Pier 45 in Fisherman's Wharf. The theme is “Party Like It's 1929” so depression era themed clothing is encouraged! Once on the ship you will find dinner, a keg and a DJ.



SUNDAY



Sunday we will all meet up at a designated meeting spot downtown. Following through with our theme, the pack is encouraged to wear pink slips and carry signage of some sort (“I keep my hair short to avoid tearing it out over the economy!” “Free Speech for All, Even Douche Bags” “WTF”, “Will Trade Stocks for Beer”, etc). We will have beer checks on course at hashers homes. These hashers were considerate enough to live on the race route and offered to have kegs available for our use! Instead of ending at the race finish, we will head over to a patch of green that we reserve in the park for our post B2B barbecue. You will be greeted with MORE beer and an excellent barbecue.

MONDAY

Assuming you're still alive at this point, please join us for the annual Pink Tutu Run!

All this fun, including dinners, Sunday's BBQ and all the beer you can drink for a mere \$109.69, including a goody bag with tech shirt!!! Sign up now: <http://www.baytobreakershush.com>