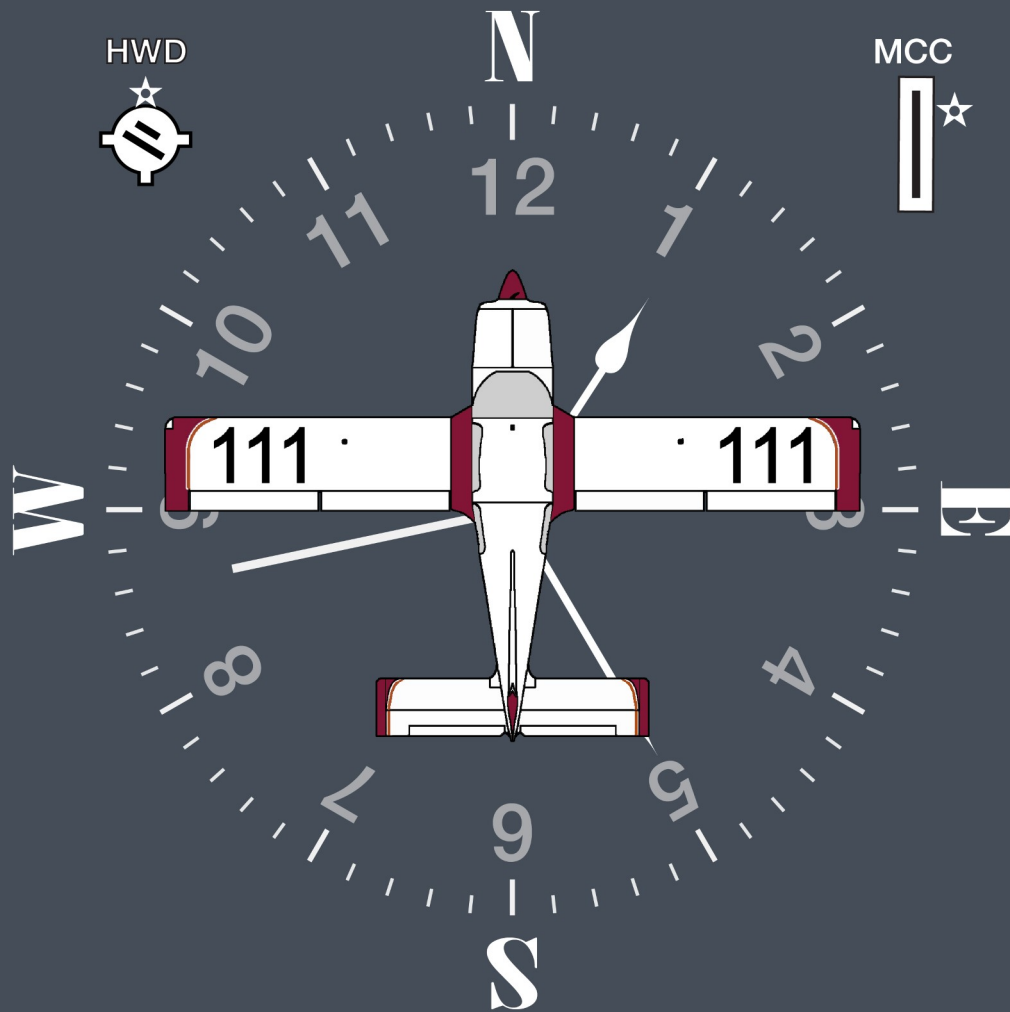


62nd HAYWARD AIR RALLY



**2026 Hayward Air Rally
Checkpoint Photos and Answers**

Checkpoint 1 – West Island



0332

Checkpoint 1

West Island

Elevation 7'
Overfly Above 2500'

Lat N 38° 01.4'
Long W 121° 46.9'

On the narrow island west of the Antioch Bridge, there is a charted 400' MSL group obstruction. This appears to be:

- A. Two black and white tower structures
- B. Two tower structures, one solid black, one black and white
- C. A single black and white tower structure**



0080

This checkpoint changed since I looked at it 2 years ago. The solid black tower is gone now.

Left: How it looked on 09 Mar 24

Right: Current Google Earth image still shows old tower.



Checkpoint 2 – Berryessa Peak



9330

Checkpoint 2

Berryessa Peak

Elevation 3057'
Overfly Above 4000'

Lat N 38° 39.9'
Long W 122° 11.4'
(GPS coords weren't provided)

On the ridge east of Lake Berryessa, there is a lookout tower charted at 3057' MSL. At this location there are:

- D. Several radio towers with a large fire lookout tower
- E. Several radio towers and a large satellite dish
- F. Several radio towers and some boxy ground level buildings

Checkpoint 3 – Richvale (07CL)



1327

Checkpoint 3

Richvale (07CL)

Elevation 36'

Lat N 39° 29.8'

Overfly Above 2500'

Long W 121° 46.2'

This airstrip

G. Is marked with both runway numbers and “R” at each end

H. Is marked with just an “R” at each end

J. Has no runway markings

Checkpoint 4 – Challenge (Optional Bonus)



Checkpoint 4 Optional Bonus

Challenge

Elevation 3695'
Overfly Above 4500'

Lat N 39° 28.5'
Long W 121° 12.1'

About 5nm east of Brownsville Airpark (2CL1), just south of the town of Challenge, is a charted lookout tower at 3695' MSL. At this location there is a large vertical panel installed near the lookout tower, facing northwest. The face of this panel appears to be

- K. Marked with a black B
- M. Marked with a black lightning bolt
- N. Marked with a colored solid circle
- P. Unmarked**

Checkpoint 5 – Nevada Union High School



0387

Checkpoint 5

Nevada Union High School

Elevation 2720'
Overfly Above 4500'
Note GOO 3158' 2.5nm SE

Lat N 39° 14.4'
Long W 121° 03.2'

At the high school on the north side of town, there is a squarish blue roofed building west of the tennis courts, and next to the baseball fields. This building has solar panels

S. Adjacent to two sides of the building (east and west)

T. Adjacent to all four sides of the building

W. On the south facing roof



The old Google Earth view doesn't show any solar panels at all!

Checkpoint 6 – Mystery



0363

Checkpoint 6

Mystery

Elevation 2899'
Overfly Above 4000'

Lat N 38° 31.8'
Long W 120° 37.4'
(GPS coords weren't provided)

Fly 13nm out from the Hangtown VOR on the 136 degree radial. At this location, there is

- X. A holding tank in a clearing next to the ridgetop road / truck track
- ☒ Y. A burn scar on the side of a ridge
- Z. A runway



This is the site of the 2025 Coyote Fire on Farnham Ridge. It's near the 2021 Caldor Fire, but recent enough that the 2024 Google Earth image doesn't show it.

Rally Checkpoints