On July 30, the former Marin County Transit District unveiled a new name and new logo, Marin Transit, which adorn new articulated buses along with GGT’s signature look and logo. The “accordion” buses also include racks for up to three bicycles at the front of each vehicle. The new buses cost $6.6 million and were purchased using 80% Federal Transit Administration and 20% Marin County Transit District funds.

The new 60 foot-long, 57-passenger buses arrived in July 2007 and will enter into service in September. In 2003, GGT began using articulated buses on Marin Transit Local Routes 35 and 36, serving San Rafael’s Canal Area. Because of the articulated buses’ higher passenger capacity, they are more efficient to use on the higher ridership routes. The new buses will be used on Routes 35 and 36 as well as Route 45, which link Marin City and the Canal neighborhood with the San Rafael Transit Center and the Northgate Mall.

Following an absence of nine months, the newly refurbished M.S. Marin returned to serve the Sausalito-San Francisco route on Saturday, July 28, 2007. After 30 years of service, the vessel underwent a major rehabilitation of all customer amenities, including new interior and exterior seating, paint, deck coverings and carpeting, ceilings and wall paneling, lighting, PA system, restrooms, refreshment stands, security cameras, windows, bicycle racks (which accommodate at least 70 bicycles), modern handicap lift, and generator and electrical systems.

The M.S. Marin was the first of Golden Gate Ferry’s three high-capacity (715 passengers) Spaulding vessels and entered into service between Larkspur and San Francisco on December 11, 1976.

Golden Gate Ferry ridership has been steadily increasing and recently exceeded 2 million annual riders for the first time since 1979.
Thanks for Your Patience During the San Francisco Ferry Terminal Berth Repair

Thank you for your patience while one of the Golden Gate San Francisco Ferry Terminal berths was being repaired. The damage occurred in June when a Vallejo Ferry vessel collided with the inner berth fendering, damaging the guide pile. Due to the extent of the damage, Golden Gate Ferry discontinued use of the berth. Thanks to all our ferry customers for their continued patience while repairs were made.

Pardon Our Dust As We Make Improvements

Construction Projects Underway at Larkspur Ferry Terminal

Construction projects are in the works at the Larkspur Ferry Terminal. Please bear with us as these upgrades are made.

- A new secured delivery and storage building is being constructed near Berth 3 on the north side of the Golden Gate Larkspur Ferry Terminal (LFT). The new metal building will ensure that delivery of Golden Gate Ferry concessionaires’ supplies are properly inspected and securely stored prior to being place aboard vessels.

- The existing fuel line at LFT is being replaced with more a modern system. The fenced area on the sidewalk between the Terminal and administration building is being used to assemble the new pipe and ready it for installation.

- The LFT’s administration building is having its HVAC system modernized. A new conference room and interior walls are being added. A new fire exit stairway will also be installed.

Additional Transit Security Grant Funds Received

Several transit security enhancement–related projects have received grant funds to be completed in the coming fiscal year. Funds totaling $728,000 were awarded to the District by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to support physical security enhancements at Golden Gate Transit and Golden Gate Ferry facilities. Funds were also included for a collaborative security training exercise with the San Francisco Bay Area public and private ferry operators and federal, state and local law enforcement agencies.

COMING SOON!

A New Bus Stop on Folsom at Second!

This Fall, keep your eyes open for a new Golden Gate Transit bus stop in San Francisco on Folsom Street, far side Second Street. Plans are underway to extend the boarding island in that location to accommodate buses.

NEW MIDDAY ROUTE 91
SAN FRANCISCO BY BUS AND BOAT
SAN RAFAEL TRANSIT CENTER TO LARKSPUR FERRY
TRIP PLANNING 311 WWW.GOLDENGATE.ORG

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**Frequently Asked Questions**

**Q**: Why do I need to tag off when using my TranLink Card on the bus?

**A**: Customers should tag off when they disembark a GGT bus for a variety of reasons. Most importantly, it ensures that the proper fare is deducted from your card. For example, if you board in San Francisco and get off in Mill Valley without tagging off, you’ll be charged $6.72 (the maximum fare), whereas the fare should be $2.88 if you do tag off.

If you’re transferring to another GGT bus and you don’t tag off the first bus, you will be charged the maximum fare for the first bus ride, PLUS an additional fare for the second bus ride.

And finally, you need to tag off to ensure that our transfer agreements with other TransLink transit agencies (i.e. AC Transit) are honored.

If you think your TranLink card was charged incorrectly, call the TransLink Customer Service Center at 1-877/878-8883 (711 TDD) or visit www.translink.org.

**Q**: When I call 511, I hate waiting for the voice prompts. Is there a faster way to reach Golden Gate’s Customer Service Department?

**A**: There IS a faster way to maneuver your way through the 511 system. Once you begin hearing the voice prompts, immediately say “Golden Gate Transit.” Once the second prompt begins, say “operator.” You can interrupt the recorded voice at any time.

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**Commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge**

The Fifth Annual Golden Gate Bridge Collectible Ornament and *The Golden Gate Bridge, Report of the Chief Engineer, Volume II*

**OR**

Get started at 511.org or call 511. Smart Card. Smart Travel.
NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

Bus Service Adjustments

Effective Sunday, September 9, 2007

Golden Gate Transit schedules are adjusted quarterly to ensure system efficiency.

Routes 4, 17, 19, 24, 26, 49, 51 and 54
Schedules have been adjusted up to 7 minutes.

Route 8 In response to customer feedback, northbound 4:29 pm trip now departs at 5:25 pm. See Routes 4, 18 or 24 for additional service from San Francisco.

Route 9 Schedule modified to meet new Tiburon (Blue & Gold) Ferry schedule. This is a temporary change. Call 511 for updates.

Route 52 Several southbound trips adjusted to operate 5 to 8 minutes earlier.

Route 58 Southbound 5:57 am trip added (effective July 2).

Route 60 Southbound 6:30 am trip scheduled to arrive at the San Francisco Financial District at 7:11 am.

Routes 70/71/80 Schedule revisions. Extra Route 70 trips added. Extra Route 71 weekend trips added (effective July 8). Weekend southbound 403 am and 4:59 am trips will serve Lincoln & Wilson (San Rafael).

Route 72x Northbound 3:06 pm trip departing San Francisco Financial District added.

Route 74 Southbound trips adjusted 7 to 16 minutes later.

Route 75 Schedule revisions to last two southbound trips.

Route 151 Route canceled.

Ferry Passenger Advisory Committee (FPAC)

NOW RECRUITING

Ferry commuters (especially those commuting on Sausalito Ferry) are needed to join FPAC, which serves an advisory role on GGF operations, schedules and activities.

FPAC meets the first Wednesday of each month in San Francisco from noon to 1:15 pm.

If you’re interested in joining, please email pac@goldengate.org or call 511 (say “Golden Gate Transit,” then “operator”).

Holiday Service Calendar

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Golden Gate Larkspur Ferry Expanded Holiday Schedule

DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING

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GO MINERS!

CATCH THE WINNING DRIVE ON GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT

ROUND TRIP FARES

$19 from Larkspur
(Larkspur Ferry Terminal)

$23 from Santa Rosa
(Piner & Industrial)

$25 from Sonoma
(Broadway Market)

For schedule or to buy tickets, visit www.goldengate.org or call toll-free 511 (say “Golden Gate Transit,” then “operator”) 711 (TDD)

Find unique holiday gifts online at www.goldengate.org