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11-27-22 | COCOA VILLAGE, FLORIDA

6:00 AM START TIME: MARATHON and NORTH HALF ~6:20 AM START TIME: SOUTH HALF





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#### **Beneficiaries: Water Station Host Organizations**

Running Zone Foundation and Space Coast Runners are proud to announce this year's beneficiaries.

Listed in order of appearance on course (starting with full marathon) and ending with the southernmost station on the course of half marathon, as well as additional organizations helping in other areas.





Space Coast Crew is a non-profit organization established in 1996 to promote the sport of rowing in Brevard County. This program draws students in grades 7 to 12 and hosts rowing camps, clinics and an adult rowing program. Rowing is a wonderful way to improve your health being while enjoying the natural beauty of Florida's waterways.





Coastal Boxer Rescue of Florida is a not for profit organization dedicated to rescuing abused, abandoned and neglected boxers and securing them forever homes. Covering the east coast of Florida, from Volusia County to Miami-Dade County that is 100% operated by committed volunteers dedicated to the successful re-homing of boxers. They do not have a central shelter or location; all of our dogs are housed with the dedicated foster homes of CBR.





Boy Scouts of America, Troop 338 is located in Cocoa Beach, FL. They are consistently engaged in varied camping activities and outings, hold weekly meetings, attend high adventure trips, serve the community, and help Scouts advance to the rank of Eagle. This is a boy run troop emphasizing leadership, citizenship, community pride and awareness, thereby providing the next set of leaders in our community, nation and the world.





Melbourne High School Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams appreciate all the support we have received from Running Zone over the years. Events like this not only help us with our fundraising needs, they also give our athletes the opportunity to get involved with and support others who love the sport. We look forward to seeing you on the road. Get in those miles!

#### **BENEFICIARIES: WATER STATION HOST ORGANIZATIONS | 7**





Satellite High School Cross Country and Track Boys cross country team was state runner-up in 2017 and 2018. They were State champions in 2019. The boys were Cape Coast Conference Champions as well as district champions 6 years concurrently and regional champions the last 5 years. Girls cross country top 10 at state the past 4 years. Conference champions 4 of last 6 years. District champs 5 of 6 years. Boys track conference and district champs, top 5 at state. Over 100 athletes in track each year the past 5 years. The track program now supports 18 sporting events with the inclusion of Javelin. Funds go to help maintain the rubber track and track supplies.





Space Coast Parrot Heads is a tax exempt organization dedicated to preserving and improving the environment and the community. It is a volunteer social organization with community and environmental concerns. The club strives to be a source of enjoyment, relaxation and fellowship and to provide a variety of activities for people with the tropical spirit personified by Jimmy Buffett music. The goal of SCPHC is to leave the world a little better than we found it and have a good time doing it!





Rockledge High School Wrestling is a Varsity and Junior Varsity sports team that young men and women participate in. We believe that to be a good athlete you must first be a good student.





Boy Scouts of America, Troop 488 is located in Titusville, FL. It focuses on building character through personal faith, leadership and citizenship by participating in numerous campouts, community service efforts, normal weekly meetings and special events like Eagle projects. Each scout personally grows through his efforts to achieve rank advancement on the path to Eagle scout and in the completion of requirements for merit badges. Troop 488 is building the men of tomorrow.

#### **RACE WEEK SCHEDULE: MISSION CONTROL**

#### **EARLY PACKET PICKUP**

#### **LOCATION: RUNNING ZONE 3696 N Wickham Rd, Melbourne, FL 32935**

Monday, November 21st: 10:00 am - 6:30 pm Tuesday, November 22nd: 10:00 am - 6:30 pm Wednesday, November 23rd: 10:00 am - 6:30 pm

Friday November 25th: 10:00 am - 6:30 pm

#### **SATURDAY ACTIVITIES - NOVEMBER 26TH**

#### LOCATION: COCOA RIVERFRONT PARK 401 Riveredge Blvd., Cocoa, FL 32922

**9:30 am - 5:00 pm** Health and Fitness Expo at Cocoa Riverfront Park (Race Site)

9:30 am Packet Pick-up opens at Cocoa Riverfront Park (Race Site)

**5:00 pm** Packet Pick-up closes at Cocoa Riverfront Park (Race Site)

5:00 pm Special Dinner being offered at Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront

#### **RACE DAY SCHEDULE - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH**

#### LOCATION: COCOA RIVERFRONT PARK 401 Riveredge Blvd., Cocoa, FL 32922

**4:00 am** Bus pickup starts at host hotels (two times - 4:00 am and 4:45 am)

4:15 am Race Site and Bag Check Opens

5:45 am Gear Check Closes

6:00 am Marathon and North Half Marathon Start

6:20 am South Half Marathon Starts

7:45 am Buses start to return participants to host hotels

1:00 pm Course Support Ends

**2:00 pm** Last shuttle bus returns to host hotels

#### **RACE LOCATION**

The 51st running of the Space Coast Marathon will take place along the beautiful Indian River in Cocoa and Rockledge, Florida. Race Central is located at 401 Riveredge Blvd., Cocoa, FL 32922. See Race Central Area Map and Space Coast Marathon & Half Marathon Course Map enclosed.



#### **PACKET PICK UP**

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

\*\*PHOTO ID REQUIRED\*\* Please have your race number and your Drivers License or Photo ID when picking up your race packet. If you are picking up a packet for another person, You MUST have a picture or physical copy of their photo ID. No exceptions. This includes anyone that signed up for the virtual option.

\*\*\*THERE IS NO RACE DAY PACKET PICK UP. PLEASE MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOURSELF OR SOMEONE ELSE TO PICK UP YOUR PACKET PRIOR TO RACE DAY

#### PARTICIPANT PACKET CONTENT

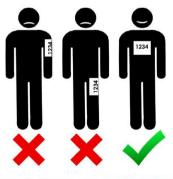
During Packet Pick-Up, you will receive the following items:

- 1. Bag Check Label Sticker with your race number on it
- 2. Safety pins
- 3. B-Tag Timing Chip (stays on the back of your race number)
- 4. Official Technical Race Shirt
- 5. Official Bib Number bibs will be customized with your first name on the front if registration finalized before October 26th.
- 6. You will be given the option to pick up a bag for gear check. This is a CLEAR drawstring bag for security purposes.

#### **CHRONOTRACK B-TAG TIMING (BIB TAG)**

Do NOT remove the B-Tag from your race number. Please leave the B-Tag on the back of your race number and pin your race number on the front of your shirt or shorts. The marathon course and both half marathon courses are USATF certified courses. You can use this beautiful flat marathon course as a BOSTON QUALIFIER.

#### WANT TO GET YOUR RESULTS?



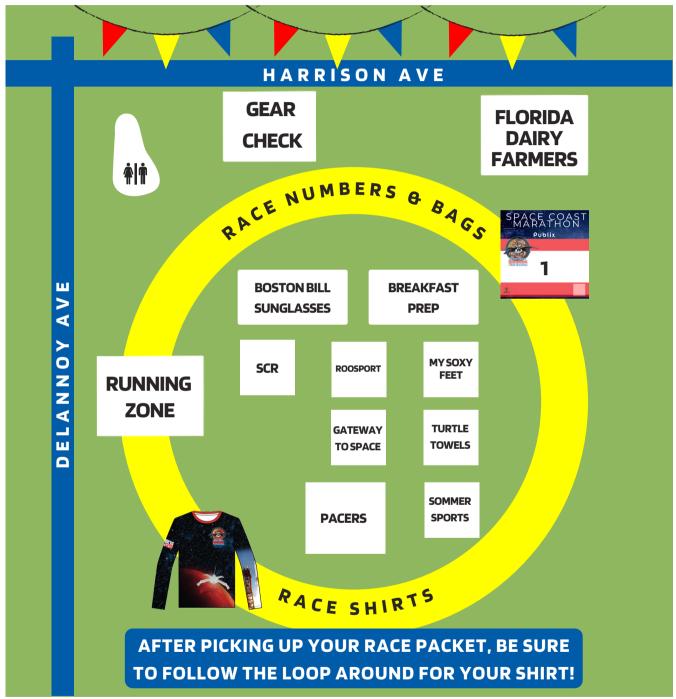
**WEAR YOUR BIB CORRECTLY!** 

#### PARTICIPANT PACKET PICK-UP VERIFICATION

Please be sure to verify the information on your packet label is accurate. If not, please see a member of Running Zone Race Management staff to have the information corrected. You can also contact Running Zone by emailing events@runningzone.com.

#### **HEALTH AND FITNESS EXPO VENDOR MAP**

Saturday, November 26, 2022 | 9:30 am - 5:00 pm Race Site: 401 Riveredge Blvd., Cocoa, FL 32922



#### **RUNNERS DIGITAL EVENT BAG**



Don't forget to claim offers in the Digital Event Bag sent through the email provided on your race registration. Digital Event Bags will be emailed on Monday, November 21st.

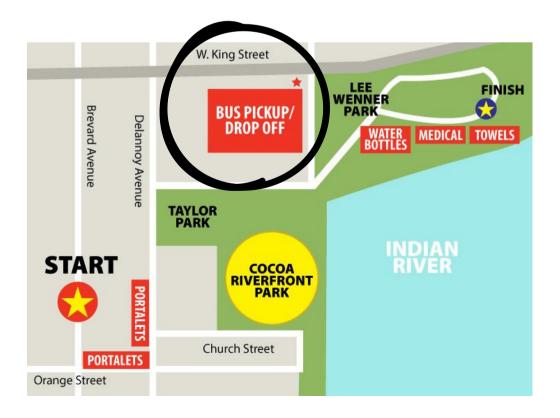
#### **Race Day: Launch**

#### TRANSPORTATION: Getting To The Launch Pad - The Crawler

SUNDAY: We will be providing free bus service on Sunday from the host hotels to/from the race site on Sunday morning. If you are staying at any of our host hotels or live near any of our host hotels, you can utilize the" shuttle" service in lieu of driving to the race site. Family members and friends are welcome to utilize the buses as well!

THE TIME ONLY GUARANTEES TWO TRIPS, ONE AT 4:00 AM AND THE SECOND WHEN THE BUS RETURNS TO THE HOTEL, APPROXIMATELY, 4:45 AM. IF YOU DON'T WANT TO BE RUSHED, BE ON THE 4:00 AM BUS!

With the number of buses running this year, we have separated the bus schedule into zones. Please remember your zone letter for your return trip. Breaking out the buses into zones will expedite your trip back to your hotel. Each zone will be indicated in the front or side window of each bus. Please make sure you are boarding the correct zone! Please review the map below for the bus drop off and pick up site.



#### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH - BUS ZONES/OFF-SITE PARKING**

Buses will be available from the following host hotels, listed below, to Cocoa Riverfront Park (race site):

#### **ZONE A: (HOTELS NORTH OF RT. 520 on A1A)**

- Radisson Resort at the Port, 8701 Astronaut Blvd., Cape Canaveral, FL 32920
- Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 5575 N. Atlantic Ave., Cocoa Beach, FL 32931
- Country Inn & Suites, 9000 Astronaut Boulevard, Cape Canaveral, FL 32920
- Springhill Suites, 655 West Central Boulevard Cape Canaveral, Florida 32920

#### **ZONE B: (HOTELS SOUTH OF RT. 520 on A1A)**

- Hampton Inn, 3425 N. Atlantic Ave., Cocoa Beach, FL 32931
- Courtyard Marriott, 3435 N. Atlantic Ave., Cocoa Beach, FL 32931
- Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront, 1550 N. Atlantic Ave., Cocoa Beach, FL 32931
- Beachside Inn & Suites, 3901 N. Atlantic Ave., Cocoa Beach, FL 32931

#### **ZONE C: (OFF-SITE PARKING)**

Merritt Square Mall, 777 East Merritt Island Causeway, Merritt Island, FL 32952

#### **RETURN TO HOTELS/OFF-SITE PARKING**

All buses will return participants to their hotel or parking area based on your applicable zone. Please remember your bus' zone when boarding (Zone A, B, C)

**RETURN TRIPS: 7:45 AM UNTIL 2:00 PM (last time bus leaves race site)** 

#### **PARKING**

We are providing additional off-site parking at Merritt Square Mall and at various locations in Cocoa.

#### **BUSES TO AND FROM MERRITT SQUARE MALL**

Merritt Square Mall is approximately 2.5 miles east of the race site on Rt. 520. Please follow the signs and volunteer directions as we have designated spots for our event. Bus service from the Mall parking area will begin at 4:00am and return trips from the race site will begin at 7:45am.

Address: Merritt Square Mall, 777 East Merritt Island Causeway, Merritt Island, FL 32952

#### COCOA

Designated parking areas in Cocoa are:

- Cocoa Library, 308 Forrest Ave., Cocoa, FL 32922
- City of Cocoa City Hall, 65 Stone St., Cocoa, FL 32922
- Parking lot on corners of Factory St. & John Garren Lane, Cocoa, FL 32922
- Public parking lots on Oleander St., & Florida Ave., Cocoa, FL 32922
- Lot on south east corner of Florida Ave. and Rosa L Jones Drive (.4/mile)

\*If you plan to park at one of these lots, please plan to arrive no later than 4:30AM

#### MAPPING DIRECTIONS

#### **Driving Directions to the Race Site**

Race Site Address: 401 Riveredge Blvd., Cocoa, FL 32922

**From Orlando:** Travel FL-528 East towards Cocoa to Rt. 520 East. Cross US 1 and continue on Rt. 520 East. Turn right on Florida Ave. Reference the Parking Locations Guide enclosed for further details about parking areas in Cocoa Village.

**From Daytona Beach on Interstate 95 S:** Follow I 95 South to Rt. 520 East. Cross US 1 and continue on Rt. 520 East. Turn right on Florida Ave. Reference the Parking Locations Guide enclosed for further details about parking areas in Cocoa Village.

**From Miami on Interstate 95 N:** Follow I 95 North to Rt. 520 East. Cross US 1 and continue on Rt. 520 East. Turn right on Florida Ave. Reference the Parking Locations Guide enclosed for further details about parking areas in Cocoa Village.

**Please Note:** All participants staying at Partner Hotels will have transportation via bus to/from the race site. The last time of bus ride back to the hotels is at 2:00 pm leaving from the race site. If your race is planned to finish after check out, please talk to the hotel regarding their policies.



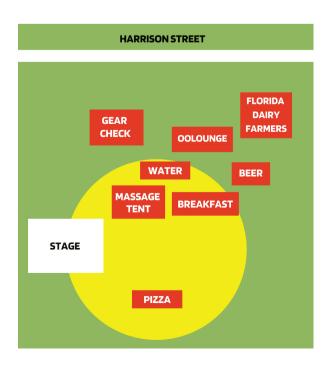
#### **Space Coast Marathon & Half Marathon Site Map**

Race Site: 401 Riveredge Blvd., Cocoa, FL 32922

#### **RACE SITE**



#### **RACE CENTRAL**



#### **Race Start Area: Launch Pad**

#### **START CORRALS**

MARATHONERS & NORTH HALF MARATHONERS START TIME 6:00 AM CORRALS (A, B, C, D)

SOUTH HALF MARATHONERS -START TIME 6:20 AM CORRALS (E, F, G, H)

The full marathoners and the north half marathoners will be in the first start and are assigned Corral A through Corral D. The north course will start at 6:00 am and will be lined up along Brevard Ave.

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Locations

**ABCD NORTH Course & EFGH SOUTH Course** 

The south half marathoners will be in the 2nd start and are assigned Corral E through H. The south half marathon will start at 6:20 am. Corral E through H will be staged along Harrison Ave. and will be moved to the start area on Brevard Ave. as soon as the first start (Marathoners and North Half Marathoners) have left the start area.

We will provide an online link to the Participant Lookup in RunSignUp, our registration platform, to look up your race number as well as your start corral. Your start time will also be printed on the back of your race number. Your start corral will be assigned based on your expected finish time submitted during registration.

Overall awards will be based on gun time for each event and the masters and age group awards will be based on net time.

Thank you in advance for adhering to our corral assignments. We hope you have a great experience and thank you for participating in our event.

#### START INFORMATION

If you are participating in the South Half Marathon, please do not start prior to 6:20 am. The start area will be blocked off for the south course until 6:20 am.

All participants heading north need to start before we change the start area to head south.

Please stay in your assigned corral until you are instructed to start moving towards Brevard Ave., the start area for the race.

#### **GEAR CHECK**

During packet pickup clear draw string bags are available to store your belongings during the race. Please use the custom label provided to you when you picked up your packet and attach it to your draw string bag. The Gear Check area is on the north end (right of the stage if you are facing the stage) of the Pavilion in Riverfront Park. (Refer to map on page 3)

Gear Check opens at 4:15 am and will close at 5:45 am. As part of our security protocols, **ABSOLUTELY NO BACKPACKS OR COOLERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** 

#### **INFORMATION SERVICES / LOST & FOUND CENTERS**

Any questions on race morning can be answered at the Gear Check/Information Center located on the north end of the Pavilion in Riverfront Park. (Refer to map on page 14)



#### **SPACE COAST MARATHON & HALF MARATHONS**

6:00 am Marathon and North Half Marathon Start

6:20 am South Half Marathon Starts

Race Site: 401 Riveredge Blvd, Cocoa, FL 32922







#### **PACE TEAMS: Constellations**

As a benefit to the Marathon and Half Marathon participants, Pace Teams will be there for you. We will be offering pace groups led by experienced pacers for a wide variety of times including many of the Boston qualifying standards. We hope you will find this support useful as you strive to achieve your marathon and half marathon goals. A pace team is a group of runners, led by an experienced leader, who run together in the marathon/half marathon.

The pace leader runs a steady pace and keeps track of that pace so that the group can achieve their goal of finishing the marathon/half marathon at a particular time. There are wonderful benefits of running with a pace group. You'll be supported by a cheerful leader and will be side by side with other runners sharing the same goal as you.

**What Pace Groups are offered?** We will have Pacers for both the full marathon and half marathon. Look at the times and the lineup Pace Teams available on marathonpacing.com The lineup for Pace Groups follow as goal time/minute per mile pace. Additional groups may be added, so be sure the check at the Pace Team booth at the Expo.

**What pace group should I be in?** The best way to select the proper pace group is to know your average pace per mile. You can utilize a recent race during the past year. If you have never participated in an organized race, you can determine your pace by using your times from your training sessions.

What does it cost to run with the Pace Team? The Pace Team is FREE!

**How do I sign up to run with the Pace Team?** The Pacers will be inside the Publix Health & Fitness Expo on Saturday from 9:30 am until 5:00 pm.

**How will the Pacers be running the race?** Every pace leader will be holding a steady pace throughout the marathon/half marathon. These "even splits" are the best way to achieve your peak performance in the race.

Where will my Pace Leader be on race morning? We will be assembling for the full marathon and the north half on Brevard Avenue about 30 minutes before the start of the race. The south half is being staged on Harrison Avenue and we will line up in the staging area and will position ourselves once the south half marathoners are moved up to the start area after the marathoners and north half marathoners have started.

#### **Course Information**

#### SPLITS, CLOCKS & MILE MARKERS: Speed Of Light

Half Marathon splits will be at the 10K mark along the course. The full marathon will be splits at the 10K, Half Marathon and 20 mile locations. Clocks will be displayed at each timing split site. Each mile will be marked along the course. North half and marathon mile markers will be RED. The south half marathon mile markers will be WHITE.

#### **AID STATIONS: Mission Support**

We will have 7 aid stations (3 on the north course and 3 on the south course) with water and Gatorade. There is an additional aid station near Mile 13 for the full marathoners. Gu brand gels will be available along the course as well.

#### **COURSE TIME LIMITS: Shorter Than A Light Year**

Course officially closes at 1:00 pm on Sunday afternoon. (7-hour time limit)

#### **Pacing Requirements:**

**Marathon**: A16 minute per mile pace must be maintained for all athletes in the full marathon. All participants must reach the crossing point from the north course to the south course by 9:30am or will be diverted to finish the north half marathon course.

**Half Marathon**: A 16 minute per mile pace must be maintained for all athletes on the north half marathon course. A 30 minute per mile pace must be maintained for all athletes in the south half marathon course.

**Walkers:** Walkers are encouraged to participate in The Space Coast Marathon & Half Marathon. As a courtesy to runner participants, we ask that walkers NOT BE MORE than two abreast so runners can easily pass. Please be mindful that some marathon participants are trying to qualify for Boston Marathon. Thank you.

#### PROHIBITED DEVICES: Not Suggested For Flight

For your safety, we ask you not to wear music listening devices because the course is open to residential traffic. Strollers, bicycles, dogs and other unauthorized vehicles are not permitted on the course.

#### CONTINGENCY PLAN, EVENT ALERT SYSTEM & CANCELLATION POLICY:

In the case of lightning, severe rain, wind or any other condition that affects the potential safety of the participants, spectators and volunteers, the event may be delayed and all participants will be asked to proceed to safety. The event will start if the weather clears (in the case of severe weather). In the case of light rain, the event will continue until safety becomes an issue. In the event unusual conditions necessitate the curtailment or cancellation of the event for the safety of participants, the Race Director shall have absolute authority to make changes in order to best serve the interests and safety of the participants of the event. In case of extreme weather, the race director shall determine if and when the event shall cease, resume or be canceled.

#### **SECURITY PLAN: To Ensure A Safe Event...**

- Travel light to the event
- · Don't bring anything you don't need
- Don't leave your bags unattended around the race site
- Please use the clear plastic gear check bags provided to you at packet pick up if you plan to check your belongings
- And most importantly, if you see something, say something!

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and patience.

#### **COURSE SAFETY: Intergalactic Safety**

The race course will be open to local residential traffic. Please run on the RIGHT side of the road (with traffic). Traffic at major intersections will be controlled by police officers but you MUST be vigilant.

Full marathoners and north half marathoners: If you are between miles 1 and 13 at 8:30 am (2 1/2 hours after the start) you MUST move to the NORTH- BOUND lane – the lane closest to the river. Local traffic will then utilize the SOUTHBOUND lane.

For the south half marathoners and the 2nd half for the full marathoners, at 10:00 am, (4 hours after the start), you MUST move to the NORTHBOUND lane -- the lane closest to the river. Local traffic will then utilize the SOUTHBOUND lane.

There will be police support and volunteers all along the course. PLEASE be aware of vehicular traffic. This course is used frequently by runners and cyclists. Be SAFE and please be COURTEOUS to our local residents.

#### **Medical Services & Support**

If anyone is in need of medical assistance, please notify any volunteer and they will help you in obtaining medical assistance. A first aid station will be available at two locations along the course (Brevard County EMS on the north course and Rockledge EMS on the south course). Coastal Health Systems ambulances will be on site during the event at the finish line, as well as City of Cocoa EMT's. The main medical tent

at the finish line is sponsored by Parrish Healthcare Orthopedics.

#### A NOTE FROM OUR MEDICAL DIRECTOR

Our Medical Director, Dr. Bryan Parry is a Board Certified Orthopedic Surgeon and is a fellow of American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons. He practices at Parrish Healthcare Orthopedics. He has served as medical director for the Space Coast Marathon for the past 9 years and is looking forward to helping at the upcoming race this November. He is an avid runner, having completed many marathons, ultramarathons and ultramarathon relays. He enjoys working with athletes because they often share his same passion for competition, health and wellness.





Even with proper training for the half and full marathons, you still may suffer from heat stress or become dehydrated. Here are a few tips to remember during the race:

- Make sure you are hydrated before the race with both water and electrolyte replacement fluid.
- Try to intake 4-6 ounces every 20 minutes during the race. You should drink electrolyte replacement fluid at least every other water station.
- · Medical research has shown that non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) like Advil, Motrin (ibuprofen) and Aleve may be harmful to runners' kidney function if taken within 24 hours of running. Also, they may increase the risk of hyponatremia by interfering with the body's ability to retain salt. Tylenol has been shown to be safe.
- Know the symptoms of heat stress, dehydration or other symptoms in which to seek medical assistance: nausea and/or vomiting; dizziness, confusion, loss of peripheral vision; dry skin, your body is no longer able to perspire; chest pain.

If anything like this occurs, seek medical assistance. Our medical team will be there to help on race day to ensure you have a safe and enjoyable race.

#### **RACE FINISH AREA**

#### **RUNNERS' REFRESHMENTS & BREAKFAST**

This year's breakfast will be comprised of chocolate milk from Florida Dairy Farmers, macaroni and cheese, scrambled eggs, muffins, bananas and plenty of ice cold beer! (21+)

#### **RACE DAY RUNNER RESULTS**

Race results will be posted online at SpaceCoastMarathon.com. As participants achieve specific splits along the course, their times will be updated accordingly.

Be sure to sign up for RaceJoy to have your family and friends receive updates on your progress during the race right to their phones. Download the RaceJoy mobile app for FREE.

#### **RACEJOY**

FREE Advanced Runner Tracking & Cheer Sending! Download the RaceJoy mobile app to get live performance updates and share your Space Coast Marathon & Half Marathon experience with your friends and family! This is a free experience brought to you as another great amenity of the event.

- Convenient BIB lookup
- Progress Posted to Facebook and Twitter (optional)
- Immediate Results
- Live GPS Phone Tracking (real-time tracking on the course)
- · Cheer Sending!



Plus, you can quickly access all the important race weekend information such as the schedule, FAQ's, local places of interest, parking and award information.

#### **POST RACE**

#### **AGE DIVISION & AWARDS CEREMONY: Shooting Stars**

**Awards Ceremonies:** 

9:30 am - North Half followed by South Half

10:30 am - Marathon

- Top three overall male and female winners
- Top male and female Master (40 and over)
- Top male and female Grand Master (50 and over)
- Top male and female Senior Grand Master (60 and over)
- Top three finishers in each of the five-year age groups, (starting with 15-19 and ending with 80+)

#### **MARATHONFOTO: Official Race Photographer**

The official photographer for the Space Coast Marathon & Half Marathon is Marathonfoto. Visit Marathonfoto.com and drop in your last name and select Space Coast Marathon & Half Marathon as your event.

Capture the memories!!



**PARTICIPANTS:** To be tagged in pictures and identified, please make sure your race number is visible on the front of your shirt or shorts.





#### **MARINER MISSION TO MARS: 1965**

Mariner 4 arrived to Mars on July 14, 1965 and passed within 6118 miles of the planet's surface after an eight year journey. Mariner 4 provided the first close-up images of the red planet and confirmed the thin atmosphere was comprised of carbon dioxide. Mariner 4 is still in a solar orbit around Mars.

Mariner 4 and 5. The next Mariner project targeted the planet Mars with two spacecraft. Mariner 3 was launched on November 5, 1964, but the shroud encasing the spacecraft atop its rocket failed to open properly and Mariner 3 did not get to Mars. Three weeks later, on November 28, 1964, Mariner 4 was launched successfully on an eight-month voyage to the red planet. The spacecraft flew past Mars on July 14, 1965, collecting the first close-up photographs of another planet. The pictures, played back from a small tape recorder over a long period, showed lunartype impact craters (just beginning to be photographed at close range from the Moon), some of them touched with frost in the chill Martian evening. The Mariner 4 spacecraft, expected to survive something more than the eight months to Mars encounter, actually lasted about three years in solar orbit, continuing long-term studies of the solar wind environment and making coordinated measurements with Mariner 5, a sister ship launched to Venus in 1967.



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#### 3 YEAR STARSHIP CHALLENGE (COMPLETE 3 OUT OF 4 YEARS)



SpaceX's Starship spacecraft and Super Heavy rocket (collectively referred to as Starship) represent a full reusable transportation system designed to carry both crew and cargo to Earth orbit, the Moon, Mars and beyond. Starship will be the world's most powerful launch vehicle ever developed, with the ability to carry in excess of 100 metric tons to Earth orbit.

# 4 YEAR MISSION TO MARS CHALLENGE (COMPLETE ALL 4 YEARS)



Mars is the fourth planet from the Sun and the second-smallest planet in the Solar System, being larger than only Mercury. In English, Mars carries the name of the Roman god of war and is often referred to as the "Red Planet". Mars is approximately half the diameter of Earth, with a surface area only slightly less than the total area of Earth's dry land. The red-orange appearance of the Martian surface is caused by iron oxide, or rust.



Official Running Store of the Space Coast Marathon
Visit us online or at the
Health and Fitness Expo on
November 26th (race site location)
to commemorate your journey!

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