



Devizes Half Marathon

In association with **The Wiltshire Air Ambulance**, our chosen charity.

This guide should be read in conjunction with the information available at www.devizeshalfmarathon.co.uk/info where we will be making regular updates right up until race day and after the event so please familiarise yourself with the website.

Welcome to Devizes Half Marathon

The charming historic market town of Devizes lies at the very heart of Wiltshire. Founded in Norman times at the boundaries (the Latin 'ad Divisas') of surrounding villages, the town grew up around the castle. The outline of the town walls shows in the 'D' shape of the centre which retains its mediaeval street plan. The town is compact and, being on the level, easy to walk round. Some buildings survive from the 16thC including the renowned hat shop in St John's Alley.

Devizes is lucky to have kept many small independent shops offering a wide range of goods not found elsewhere - with service to match. Weekly general and collectors' markets and regular farmers' and continental markets bring added colour.

The spectacular Caen Hill flight of 29 locks leading up to Devizes was a major engineering feat when built at the end of the 18thC. The tow path from the Wharf leads to the locks and provides excellent views of the countryside. Boat hire and trips on the canal are available in the summer.



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Venue

The Green, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 3AA.

Will I receive a bib number in the post?

No, we will not be posting out bib numbers and timing chips, you must collect this at the venue prior to your race.



Want to collect your race number early?

You are able to collect your race number and timing chip on Saturday 13th April between 13:00-15:00 if you wish too. You can also ask any questions and drive the route too. We will be signing the course from 13:00.

We will have a gazebo set up on The Green, SN10 3AA, **What 3 Words** ///assets.heckler.vivid

Parking

There is adequate parking for the event around the town, please follow parking restrictions as LPS Events and its partners will not accept any liability for breach of any parking regulations.

- Station Road, off road from Trowbridge/Chippenham
- Market Place, The Market Square
- Sainsbury's Car Park
- West Central Car Park, between Wadworth Brewery and The Green
- Nurstead Industrial Estate
- Hopton Industrial Estate (15 minute walk to town centre)
- Please do not use Morrison's Car Park near The Green ANPR cameras in operation.

What to do when you arrive

On arrival, please check the information board for your race number, then queue accordingly, if you do not know your race number, you will be asked to find this. You will then be issued with an envelope with your race number on. Please check this is your number.

Race Number & Timing Chip, Half Marathon - 9:30, age 17+

You will be issued with a race number, which must be pinned to the front of your running top, a baggage tag, a timing chip and ankle strap, which must be attached to your left ankle. Please complete the medical information on the reverse of your bib prior to pinning it to your top.

No Chip = No Time, NO EXCEPTIONS.

There are no day entries for this event. Online entries will close prior to the event, we will post this deadline via the website closer to the event.



Junior Race - 10:15, ages 8-16

The 1.5km junior race takes place on closed roads and is flat. A gun start to chip finish, please ensure sign up is completed by 10:00am. We encourage pre entry as there is only a limited number of day entries available.

Fun Run - 10:35, ages 7 & under

The 350m fun run takes place on the finishers lap and is out and back, it is free to enter, either sign up prior to the event, or register at the finish line before 10:30am. Bib numbers collected from the finish line.

Race Briefing

Due to the size of this event there will be no race briefing on the start line, this will be announced throughout the morning whilst runners congregate. Please listen up for announcements.

Refreshments

The Good Food Van - homemade burgers, panini and loaded fries

Cafe 2 U - freshly brewed coffee and drinks, including alternative milks

Tray Cake - home bakes caked with vegan and gluten free options

Dominico's Ice Creams - top quality Mr Whippy & Walls ice creams.

Retail

Mils & Mum - homemade crafts, personalised block printing products and workshops

Charity Partners

Wiltshire Air Ambulance provide an essential Helicopter Emergency Medical Service (HEMS) throughout the county and beyond. The crew works alongside SWASFT (The South Western Ambulance Service Foundation Trust) land crews and other emergency services to deliver the best medical care possible to anybody who lives, works or travels in Wiltshire.

Wiltshire Search & Rescue - Making our communities safer by delivering a world-class standard of Search and Rescue services, saving lives where every second counts.



Toilets

There will be portable toilets on The Green which can be used at any time before and after the event. Please do not use hedgerows and residents' gardens.

There are two toilets located at the 2nd water station, at 7 miles.

Baggage - sponsored by Grist Environmental

If you wish to leave car keys, please put these into your envelope and take to the baggage truck. Any bags can also be kept here, ensure you have a baggage tag attached with your race number.

No tag, no storage.

Personal MP3 Players & iPods

The use of any personal music device, headphones or other audio device are not permitted during this event and will result in disqualification if caught wearing them. There will be spotter marshals on the course looking for these. Bone conductor headphones **are not** permitted during our event.

Medical

There will be a hard standing first aid point at the start/finish area on The Green and there will be the ability to mobilise a first aider from the start/finish. There will be a first aid point at mile 2, 7 and 11. Should you or any other runner require first aid, alert the nearest marshal.

Massage

KG Therapy will be providing pre and post race loosening up at the start/finish area. There will be a charge of £5 for 10 minutes or £10 for 20 minutes treatment.

Photography

Charles Whitton Photography will be taking photos during this event and they will be available to buy shortly after, the link will be available from our results page.

Music

DJ Disco Dion and his extensive range of running beats will be back for encouragement, he will be positioned at the finish line so you can have your very own special finish line moment.



Pacing team

We have several pace runners for this event which will be targeting the finish time at a steady pace - see website for pace runner times.

Water Stations

There will be a water station at approximately 4.3 miles, 7 miles, 9.5 miles and 11.3 miles. We will have 100ml paper cups available.

These are a recyclable alternative to plastic cups. If you require more than 100ml of water per station, please carry a bottle or use a running vest.

Disposal stations after each water station are available, please only use these large waste bags for rubbish, do not drop gel wrappers, cups or bottles anywhere else on course. Help keep our countryside tidy.

Our water stations are supported by local clubs in 2024: Calne Running Club, LPS Events, Royal Wessex Yeomanry & Kingsbury Green Academy.

Littering

We have a litter drop zone up to 50-75m after each drinks station. Littering is prohibited anywhere else on the course. Please keep hold of gel wrappers and litter until the finish line. Dropping litter outside of these zones is prohibited.

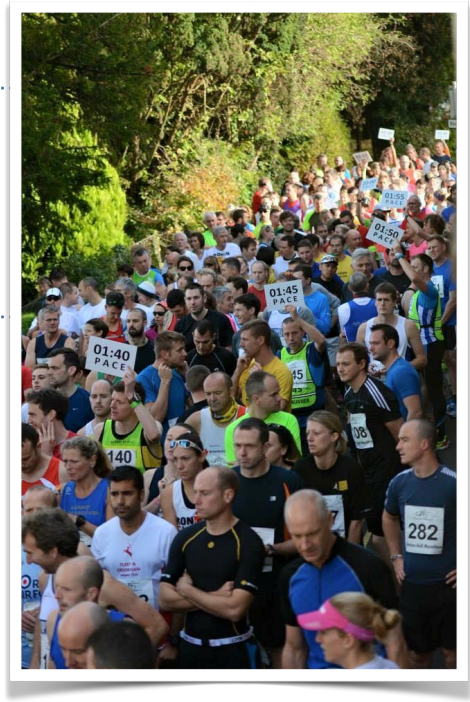
Course Records

New records will be set in 2024 due to a change in the course.

The current records currently stand at;

Mens: Simon Nott, Calne Running Club, 01:10:02 (2019)

Ladies: Ruth Barnes, Avon Valley Runners, 01:18:46 (2017)



Results

The results will be running live and uploaded onto the Devizes Half Marathon website during the event. They will include 7 mile & 12 mile split times. Presentations will be awarded based on the gun time.

Presentations - from 11:15

The Junior Race presentations will take place first.

The main presentations will take place at 11:15 for the Half Marathon, there will be a follow up presentation at 12:00 for remaining categories.

These will be awarded to the following presentation categories;

1st-3rd Open Overall	1st-3rd Female Overall
1st Open Junior (17-19)	1st Female Junior (17-19)
1st Open Senior (20-39)	1st Female Senior (20-34)
1st Open 40+	1st Female 35+
1st Open 50+	1st Female 45+
1st Open 60+	1st Female 55+
1st Open 70+	1st Female 65+
1st Open Club*	1st Female Club*

*top 3 fastest accumulated times from the same club entry.

1st local (Devizes) runner.



Volunteers

Cant run? Join our team. We are looking for an enthusiastic team for this event, to encourage the runners around the course. Email info@lpsevents.co.uk if you know someone who would like to be involved.

Organising an event?

We not only organise our own events, we also supply many others' events with equipment and services. If you require chip timing, inflatable gantries or other items to make your event more professional, please get in touch for a quote.



Sanitiser

Please ensure you bring your own hand sanitiser or disinfectant wipes.

Spectators

Spectators are welcomed to attend this event, however as it takes place on partially open roads, we urge them not to travel around the course by vehicle to keep traffic to a minimum.

Review on Racecheck

Post a review as soon as you can on Racecheck, shout about your experience.

Share photos on our Facebook and Instagram pages using the hashtag #DevizesHalfMarathon

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