

Notice of the 2023 MBNA Chester Marathon & Metric Marathon

I am writing to let you know the date of this year's Chester Marathon & Metric Marathon, which will take place on:
Sunday 8th October 2023

About the Chester Marathon

Our award-winning MBNA Chester Marathon attracts and inspires runners of all ages and abilities to become active. It provides the motivation for people to maintain a healthy lifestyle and an opportunity to accomplish something they may never have thought possible. The Chester Marathon is well recognised throughout the UK, winning multiple awards. Many runners in the area appreciate having such a fantastic event on their doorstep. This year we pride ourselves on having been chosen by the national governing bodies of running in England and Wales to host their Master's Age Group Championship races.

Our events provide a platform that enable people to turn compassion into action, champion and fundraise for charitable and worthwhile causes that matter to them. From our races this year we expect to raise £1.1million for charity. We have a nominated race charity for each year; this year it is Hope House Children's Hospice based in North Wales. This year we expect to raise £50,000 for this incredible cause. Some of this money comes directly from the race entry fee, other donations include sports massage, Green Runners, direct donations from runners, and runner sponsorships.

Our popular and successful events boost local businesses and help showcase Chester and the surrounding villages. The Chester Marathon relies on individual volunteers, local charities, local community groups and other voluntary groups. We are proud that our events have a reputation for having some of the best volunteers and spectators in the UK, we simply couldn't put these events on without their help and that's a huge credit to the local communities for being so supportive.

How does this affect my Parish?

The Marathon is a 26.2mile and the Metric Marathon is a 26.2Km road running race, with the Marathon starting at 09:00 and the Metric Marathon at 10:10 respectively from Chester Racecourse and finish on Castle Drive in the city centre. The routes are unchanged from previous years.

Delays will be likely on Sealand Road and roads between Grosvenor Street and the A51 during both the race starts. However, once everyone has started and passed through, these roads will remain open throughout the event, always allowing access and egress into the city. We aim to create as small a footprint as possible to minimise disruption to residents, churches and businesses, and to work with local communities to help them to benefit from the event.

Our website includes an interactive map to advise your staff of road closures, <https://bit.ly/CM23RoadClosureMap>. This map will always show the most up to date road closures information. Diversions will be in place during race and roads will only be closed for the minimum period necessary to ensure safety. CWaC will publish the final traffic order on their website.

We apologise for the disruption the event may cause on race day.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions by email on callums@activeleisureevents.co.uk or by phone on 07985636850.

Yours sincerely,

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