

# Independence Day 5K/10K/Half Marathon

**This is a cup free race!**

Saturday, June 27, 2026



## Race Day Instructions



Thank you for participating in a Silver Circle Sports Event. We know there are a lot of events in your neck of the woods and we appreciate you attending an event in our neck of the woods.

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## Charity Partner Silver Circle Foundation, Inc 501(c)3

We hope you will consider a [donation](#) to our charity partner.

[Silver Circle Foundation, Inc 501\(c\)3](#) is dedicated to supporting the needs of our firefighters, police officers, veterans, and troops serving overseas through charitable giving, care packages, and fundraising. They provide personal safety items for firefighters & police officers. They raise money to help support wounded veterans and their families obtain mortgage-free homes and provide care packages for troops serving overseas.



## Sponsor - Ridgeway Woodworks

[Ridgeway Woodworks](#) provides high-quality, unique, and personalized items for athletes to celebrate and remember their hard work and accomplishments. They will have [bib frames, medal racks, and American flags](#) available at the event. If you preorder, they can likely have them ready for you at the finish line!

**RIDGEWAY WOODWORKS**  
—— LAKE COUNTRY, WISCONSIN ——

## Volunteers Needed – We are super short on volunteers!

If you, your group, the neighbor kid, or your mother-in-law has an interest in volunteering, we would greatly appreciate the assistance! All volunteers can run a future race for free. Sign up [HERE](#).



## Location

### Fox River Park – Picnic Area 3

(It's at the back of the park)  
W264 S4500 River Road  
Waukesha, WI US 53189

**CAUTION** - if you are using a GPS to find the park, please make sure you enter Fox River Park, and it is on River Road. Otherwise, you will end up on Fox River Parkway in the middle of a subdivision!

## Parking

Parking is available at the park. A \$7.00 county [park day pass](#) or an [annual pass](#) is required. Both the annual pass and daily pass must be purchased [online BEFORE the event](#). There is NO in-person payment available.

Please do NOT park on the street through the park. Park staff will direct you to overflow lots.

Parking is limited at the park, so if you're hoping for a convenient spot, we highly recommend arriving early.

Please be courteous and follow all instructions from park staff—they're there to help everything run smoothly.

## Schedule

### Race Day – Saturday, June 27th

Fox River Park – Picnic Area 3

6:45am Packet Pickup Opens

7:00am Early Half Marathon Start

7:45am Kiddos 1K

**8:00am Races Start** – This is earlier than prior WTA races, because it's officially summer 🌞

10:00am: Half Marathoners must have started final lap

11:00am: Finish Line Breakdown

11:00am: Course Closes

### New! Preassembled Team Packets

We're making race day even easier for teams! Here's how it works:

If your team has **4 or more members by Friday at noon**, we'll preassemble your entire team's packets—including:

- 👕 Race shirts
- 📄 Bibs labeled with each runner's name, shirt size, bib number, gender, age, and event

These will be ready in **one convenient bundle** for pickup at the #TeamSCSE tent (look for the blue tent with blue #TeamSCSE flag).

### Important:

- One person (Team Captain or designee) should pick up the entire team's packets. Make sure you tell your team where you are going to meet them to distribute packets.
- **No individual pickups** will be allowed for qualifying teams.
- Teams with **fewer than 5 members** can still pick up individually.

### How to Join a Team (Even if You're Already Registered)

It's super easy (and again, **free!**):

1. Head to your race registration at [RunSignUp.com](#)
2. Click on your **Profile**

3. Scroll to the race
4. Select **Group/Team**
5. Join an existing team or create a new one!

#### 🔔 **Heads-up for Captains:**

If you registered team members using your own email address, they won't receive race communications. Be sure to **forward this info** so everyone is in the loop!

### Early Start & Course Closures

As much as we'd love to spend endless time at our favorite race sites, our permits limit the time we can occupy the course. To comply with these restrictions, the course will close for the **final lap at 10:00 AM**, and participants will not be permitted to continue once the course is officially closed.

#### **Early Start Option for Half Marathoners**

If you're concerned about finishing the half marathon within the allotted time, we're here to help you achieve your running goals! We offer an **early start** option for half marathoners who need extra time.

#### **Important Details:**

- Early starters will receive a chip time.
- Early starters are **not eligible** for age group or series awards.
- The course may not yet be fully set up:
  - Markings, course marshals, police, and aid stations may not be in place.
  - The course will remain open to the public.
- Early starts are available **only for half marathon participants**.

#### **Important Rules:**

🚫 **Non-Half Marathon Participants:** Those starting early in other races will not receive an official time and will be disqualified.

🚫 **Continuing After Closure:** Participants who continue after being asked to stop will also be disqualified.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we work to ensure a safe and enjoyable event for everyone! 🏃🏃

### Packet Pickup FAQs

Can I pick up another person's packet? Yes!

Do I need an ID? No way!

Can I register at packet pickup? Yep!

Bring your QR code (on your receipt)

### I want to change something

- Login into [RunSignUp.com](https://RunSignUp.com)
- Select your Profile.
- Scroll down to the race you would like to modify.
- Select "Manage Registration".

- All of the race options will be listed on the menu (transfers, change shirts size, modify team, change distances, resend confirmation / QR code, deferral a race or claim a deferred race).

[Additional info about modifying a registration.](#)

## Race Shirts

Unfortunately, we cannot hold race shirts for those who can't make it to the race – we simply don't have room for boxes and boxes of extra shirts. If you can no longer make the race and still want your shirt, please email us BEFORE the race so we can put it aside. Otherwise, we cannot guarantee we'll have a shirt for you after the race. More info [here](#).

## Course Info

### Course Marking and Closures

The entire course will be marked with signs and arrows. ALL of the courses will be on wide trails. You will never turn without the corner being marked with signs. You will cross a road a number of times. Please watch for vehicles as there may not be course marshals at all intersections.

- The 5K is one lap.
- The 10K is two laps. Do not cross the Finish Line on the first lap.
- The half is three laps comprised of a loop inside the Fox River Park and then an out and back on the Fox River Trail (paved). Do not cross the Finish Line until you are done with all of your laps.

### Restrooms

Portlets are available at the Start/Finish Line. The restrooms will be closed. Last year, they overflowed and shut down causing lots of damage.

### Aid Stations

**We are cup free at aid stations!** There will be NO cups at aid stations. Please bring a hydration bottle or collapsible cup with you.

There is one aid station on the 5K course. There are two aid stations on the 10K course that athletes will pass twice. There are three aid stations on the half course that athletes will pass three times. The aid stations will be self-serve and will have water and sports drinks. The aid station on the half marathon course will have sports gel.



You are also welcome to drop a bag on course. The easiest spot to do so is near the split along the path.

### Bugs?

Oh yeah—Fox River Park has plenty of them 🦋 🌿. You'll definitely want to consider bringing some bug spray with you.

## Awards

### Overall Awards

Overall Male & Female runners for each distance will receive a custom award provided by our partner [Ridgeway Woodworks](#).

### Age Group Awards

Top 3 male & female finishers in 5-year age groups will receive a custom woodle. Age groups are 0-14, then every 5 years.

### Finisher Woodles

All participants will receive a Finisher woodle from Ridgeway Woodworks.

### Miss Your Award?

Medals can be picked up at our office the Tuesday following the event.

1327 Wall Street, Suite B

Oconomowoc, WI 53066

They are located in front of the entrance door in a black bin.

If you would like it mailed, you can order it to be shipped [here](#).

## Timing

The race is chip timed by Silver Circle Sports Events with a chip start. Your time will begin when you cross the Start Line and conclude when you cross the Finish Line. Please make sure your bib is on the front of your body and visible to our staff.

[Instructions on bib placement.](#)

## WTA Running Team Challenge

As part of our effort to increase awareness of Run Local/Buy Local, we've created the WTA Running Team Challenge. The goal is to highlight local running managers (that's us), running stores, and running teams (that's all of you) in a fun and competitive format!



### Want to Join the [WTA Running Team Challenge](#)?

It's super easy and free! Here's how to get started:

1. Register for the series or any individual race.
2. Create a Team during Step 2 of the registration process.
3. Invite Friends and Family to join the team—or recruit that 75-year-old legend who takes first place at every race!

Build your team, hit the trails, and have fun running local!

Need help or have questions? Send us an [email](#).

## Medical Emergencies

If you see a medical emergency, call 911. If an athlete needs basic medical care, proceed to the nearest aid station and a staff member will assist.

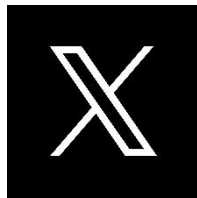
There is an automated external defibrillator (AED) and first aid kit located on the timing van.

## Weather

The event will be held unless severe weather occurs. In the event of severe weather, we will make an announcement to seek shelter and clear the area. All staff will also evacuate the area and will not return until the weather clears. We ask that you not return until we have made an all-clear announcement. Weather updates will be posted on Facebook.

## Social Media

Last minute updates, photos, videos, and results all get posted here first:



## Got Questions?

Let us know at [info@silvercirclesportsevents.com](mailto:info@silvercirclesportsevents.com).

## #TeamSCSE

Welcome to #TeamSCSE. The running team with no requirements, no fees, and no forms to fill out. We are a group of people who just like to run. Team SCSE is an all-inclusive running team that prides itself on camaraderie and helping each other achieve running goals. We have a range of runners on the team, from beginners to elites and everything in between. If you're interested in joining the team, [contact us](#).



## Sponsors

The Wisconsin Trail Assail Series is presented by the sponsors listed below. Please help us say thank you to our sponsors by checking out their websites:



## SOME AWESOME SUMMER RACES!

Take a look at our [full race schedule](#) to see everything we are doing this year – let's just say it's going to be a busy, fun summer!



Are you involved with an event and need help with management, equipment rental, timing, or marketing? If it is event related, we do it!

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