

## 2023 Frequently Asked Questions:

Who is Andrew McMorris? In September of 2018, Boy Scout Troop 161 were hiking the Greenbelt Trail when a drunk driver tragically hit them. Several scouts were severely injured; as a result of his injuries, 12 Year old, Andrew McMorris passed away. The lives of his family, friends, community and fellow scouters were forever changed by his loss.

**Who is organizing the Andrew's Top Gun 5K?** In conjunction with the Andrew McMorris Foundation, the Suffolk County Council of Boy Scouts of America will host Andrew's Top Gun Run on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> on the Runway at Town of Riverhead's Epcal Park

Why was this date selected? Andrew's birthday is March 30<sup>th</sup> so this will allow us to celebrate Andrew's 16<sup>th</sup> Birthday by honoring Andrew's love of aviation and scouting.

Where will the Andrew's Top Gun 5k be held? Join us on the Runway at Town of Riverhead's Epcal Park in Calverton, NY for a Fast and Flat Run

Can I bring my pet? We love our furry friends as much as you do, but unfortunately, no pets are allowed.

What if the weather is not favorable on Saturday, March 22, 2023? Given the logistics involved in such a large event it is rain or shine, so please dress appropriately.

## What will the timing of the event be?

Registration 7:30 AM Fun Run 8:30 AM Warm Up 8:45 AM 5k Start 9:00 AM

Casual Runners and Walkers will line up behind the serious runners

**How can I get my company, school or group involved?** Great Question, you can register as a team as part of a corporate challenge. There are a limited number of sponsorships is also available, so visit us at <u>ANDREW'S TOP GUN RUN 5K (runsignup.com)</u>

I cannot attend but want to support the efforts of Scholarships and Scouterships? We understand that everyone is very busy, so please visit <u>ANDREW'S TOP GUN RUN 5K (runsignup.com)</u>. to make a donation, register as a fundraiser or be a virtual runner.

What will the collected funds be utilized for? Andrew's Top Gun 5K will be raising funds for Scholarships for the Andrew McMorris Foundation and Scouterships for the Suffolk County Council of Boy Scouts.

**Can I bring a stroller?** We would recommend only jogging strollers with large wheels as parts of the day may involve "trails".

**Besides fundraising, how can I get involved?** This will be a large event and we will need many volunteers to be part of the committee and to assist on the days leading up to and the day of the 5K. If you would like to be on the committee for the event or volunteer, please email dmlillie.bsa@gmail.com

**Do I need to bring my own water?** We realized that hydration is key and will have water stations along the route.

**Should I bring my sponsorship money with me to the walk?** We would prefer you to submit your funds via the website. However, if you need to bring funds with you the day of the even, we encourage you to convert you cash into a check payment if possible.

**Are Corporate Sponsorships available?** Absolutely, there are is a wide variety of different sponsorship levels, please visit ANDREW'S TOP GUN RUN 5K (runsignup.com) for full details?

**How do I qualify to receive the commemorative t-shirt?** T-shirts are guaranteed for participants who register by March 17<sup>th</sup>.

What will my scout receive for participating? Participating units will receive an Andrew's Top Gun 5K commemorative Flag Ribbon. Participating Scouts will receive a Top Run Patch

How do I register to participate in the 5K? Please visit ANDREW'S TOP GUN RUN 5K (runsignup.com)

How will you be addressing the concerns associated with the Coronavirus? We will be following all of the health department guidelines to insure everyone's safety. As the date draws closer, we will have a better understanding of what steps will need to be taken.