

2012 MCM Event Series Opens Registration on January 25

Irish Sprint 10K on March 17 Offers “Lucky” Guaranteed Entries into 37th MCM

QUANTICO, VA (Jan. 24, 2012) – The 2012 MCM Event Series opens for online registration tomorrow, Jan. 25. This is the fifth year of the MCM Event Series of road races that are annually held March through November. In the tradition of the Luck O’ the Irish, the Irish Sprint 10K on March 17 will offer all finishers guaranteed entry into the 37th Marine Corps Marathon (MCM). The Irish Sprint 10K (6.2 miles) will be held along the trails and winding paths of scenic Prince William Forest Park in Prince William County, VA.



The coveted MCM entries will be presented as lucky golden tickets to all Irish Sprint 10K runners as they cross the finish. Each ticket will include a special code for runners to claim their guaranteed spot.

“Because the 2011 MCM sold out in just over 28 hours, many local runners will appreciate the opportunity to secure these desired entries in this year’s marathon through their participation in the Irish Sprint 10K,” says MCM Director Rick Nealis.

The 37th MCM will be held on Sunday, Oct. 28. Registration for the MCM will open to the public at noon Eastern on March 7. The Irish Sprint 10K will be held just ten days after MCM registration opens and likely sells out.

The 2012 MCM Event Series opens online at noon Eastern on Jan. 25 at www.marinemarathon.com. The Irish Sprint 10K will kick off the 2012 Event Series as follows:

Irish Sprint 10K

March 17 – Prince William County, VA

How lucky can you be? Run the Irish Sprint 10K where each finisher receives a “lucky golden ticket” into the 37th MCM. Irish Sprint participants will also receive a special commemorative technical T-shirt with reflective paint. The event will be held in the Prince William Forest Park – watch out for leprechauns!

Run Amuck

June 16 – Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA

Run Amuck – The highly-popular four-mile arduous challenge through the Quantico trails includes enormous mud pits, PT drills, cumbersome obstacles and smashing water blasts (for ages 8 and up).

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Gender Defender – New in 2012!

August 25 – Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA

This 3.1 mile pink vs. blue challenge includes two separate 5K finish line celebrations; for the male participants, the finish line man cave, and for the female participants, the finish line boutique.

Turkey Trot 10K

November 17 – Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA

Turkey Trot 10K – Unleash a preemptive strike on those Thanksgiving calories by running the Turkey Trot 10K on the streets of Quantico.

The MCM Event Series is organized annually by the Marine Corps Marathon.

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