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## Marine Corps Marathon Press Conference

*Star runners and big news highlight MCM press conference*

**QUANTICO, VA (Oct 17, 2019)** – Media are invited to attend the 44th Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) Press Conference on Friday, Oct. 25 to hear from elite runners and Marine and MCM leadership.

High profile ultra-marathoners Dean Karnazes, and Mike Wardian are featured speakers and will run the inaugural MCM50K. “[The Funny Runner](#)” Brittany Charboneau will talk about her plan to break the female course record that has stood for 29 years.

The MCM will also be announcing huge news about the 2020 event to include details about registration and a preview of next year’s medal that will have Marines from the halls of Montezuma to the shores of Tripoli lining up to register.

The MCM Press Conference will include Col. William C. Bentley III, Commander, Marine Corps Installations National Capital Region-Marine Corps Base Quantico who will talk about U.S. Marine support and the robust coordination with local law enforcement for the MCM, MCM50K, MCM10K and MCM Kids Run held on Saturday, Oct. 26 and Sunday, Oct. 27.

Additional speakers include Jared McGowan, MCM10K participant and Express Scripts employee, who will speak about the journey of veterans and race director Rick Nealis.

This year’s MCM Press Conference will be conducted at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center located at 201 Waterfront St. in National Harbor, Md., in the Annapolis Room at 1 p.m. on Friday, October 25. The doors open at 12:30 p.m.

Media can request credentials by completing the [2019 MCM Media Credential Request form](#). All media must be credentialed to cover any event during MCM Weekend. Additional media information can be found on the [Press Inquiries Page](#) of [www.marinemarathon.com](#).

For questions about coverage of any MCM Weekend event or if you are looking for runner profiles, please contact Maj. Ken Kunze, at 703-987-3191 or [Kenneth.kunze@usmc.mil](mailto:Kenneth.kunze@usmc.mil).

### ***About the Marine Corps Marathon:***

*The Marine Corps Marathon (MCM), known as “The People’s Marathon,” promotes physical fitness and generates community goodwill while showcasing the high standards and discipline of the United States Marine Corps. Annually ranked as one of the largest marathons in the US and the world, the MCM welcomes runners from all 50 states and more than 60 countries. The 44th MCM, coordinated by the Marine Corps Marathon Organization (MCMO), will be held Oct 27, 2019 in Arlington, VA. The MCM is presented by Arlington County, Brooks, Cigna and Leidos. No federal or Marine Corps endorsement is implied. #RunWithTheMarines*