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# PARTICIPANT GUIDE

### SEVEN EVENTS, ONE AMAZING DAY!

Welcome to the Birkie Trail Run 2022! We are glad to welcome you to the rolling hills, beautiful forests, and the twists and turns of the famous Birkie Trail. A warm welcome to our USATF athletes, as we are also pleased to be hosting the USATF Half Marathon Trail Championships. Who's ready for some hills for breakfast?

This participant guide contains everything you need to know to have an amazing race weekend!

### REGISTRATION

Know anyone who still needs to register?

### **REGISTER HERE!**

Register online until 7:00 p.m. on Friday, September 23, 2022.
There are no in-person or race-day registrations.

All registration changes and Team Relay registrations must be complete by Wednesday, September 21st at 11:59 p.m.

Race day registrations are only permitted for the 1k Kids Fun Run until 11:30 am on Saturday, September 24, 2022.

Bibs will be handed out at bib pick-up and the start of the race.

Age Restrictions - Participants in the Half Marathon and Marathon Relay must be 13 years old or older by September 24, 2022. Marathon participants must be 18 years old or older by September 24, 2022.

### **PROUD RACE SPONSORS**



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MARATHON RELAY



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HALF MARATHON



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NORDIC TREK



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KIDS FUN RUN

# USATF HALF MARATHON TRAIL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Welcome all USATF runners! We are proud to once again be hosting the USA Track and Field (USATF) Half Marathon Trail Championships!

In order to win the overall title or an age group medal in the USATF Half Marathon Trail Championships, you must have a USATF license. Join now to drive competitive excellence and popular engagement, to continue to develop the nation's best athletes, and to grow the sport at all levels. www.usatf.org



### **WISCONSIN USATF**

If you're running the half marathon, we encourage you to join the USATF to be eligible for Championship awards! An <a href="Individual Adult Membership">Individual Adult Membership</a> includes discounts and inside info on all things running.

### **PARTICIPANT WAIVER**

All USATF participants must complete a waiver and release of liability agreement in order to compete at the USATF Half Marathon Trail Championships. These forms will be made available at bib pickup.

### RACE WEEKEND SCHEDULE

	FRIDAY		
3:00-7:00 pm	Bib Pick-Up		
3:00-7:00 pm	Birkie Trail Run Expo		
6:00 pm	Training Run with Team Birkie		
SATURDAY			
6:30-9:30 am	30 am Bib Pick-Up		
7:00-3:00 pm	m Birkie Trail Run Expo		
8:00 am	8:00 am Marathon Start		
8:30 am Marathon Relay Start			
9:00 am	Dive for the Dirt Obstacle Course Open		
9:15 am	Half Marathon Start		
9:30 am	Trek Start		
9:45 am	5k Start		
10:30 am	Post-Race Party Begins!		
11:00 am	5k Overall & Age Group Awards		
11:35 am	Half Marathon Awards - Overall, Age Class, and USATF National Championship		
12:00 pm	Kid's Warm Up & Kids Fun Run with Team Birkie		
12:45 pm	Marathon Awards - Overall, Relay		
1:15 pm	Marathon Age Group Awards		
3:00 pm	3:00 pm Final Marathon Finish Cut-Off		
	SUNDAY		
9:00 am	FREE Rollerski Clinic with Team Birkie at Telemark!		

### **GETTING THERE**

All of the races will start and finish at the <u>American Birkebeiner Trailhead</u>, Cable, Wisconsin.

GPS Coordinates: 46.193510, -91.249866

Note: Cable Fall Fest traffic detour - access Hwy M via Spruce Street off of HWY 63. Arrive at the start from Telemark Rd- take Hwy M east from Cable, take a right (south) on Telemark Rd. and follow the signs to parking and/or bib pick-up.





### **BIB PICK-UP**

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**Derksen Family Great Hall** American Birkebeiner Trailhead





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We encourage all participants to avoid the rush and pick up their bibs on Friday, if at all possible!

### **MARATHON RELAY BIBS**

Please designate one team member to pick up bibs, participant shirts, and meal/beverage tickets for the team.





### **PARTICIPANT SWAG**

At bib pick-up, participants will receive their t-shirt as well as their meal and beverage tickets!

Remember to bring your tickets with you after the race for your complimentary meal and drink!



Participants who purchased a HydraPak Speed cup during registration will also receive their cup at bib pick-up.

Reminder: The Birkie Trail Run is a cupless event!

**BACKROADS COFFEE** 

Get revved up for your race with the best coffee in the north woods!

Backroads Coffee will be at bib pick-up on Friday and Saturday to put a pep in your step. Grab a cup to-go with your race swag at bib pick-up!



# BIRKIE Trail Run EXPO

American Birkebeiner Trailhead Friday | 3:00-7:00 pm Saturday | 7:00-3:00 pm

Check out great new gear, ask questions, and get guidance from Birkie Trail Run partners! This is THE place to connect with organizations that support your passion for running and the Birkie community.

### **PARTNERS**



### **COURSE MARKINGS**

The Birkie Trail Run shares common trails for each of the different race distances. For convenience, your bib color corresponds to each race's directional arrows and flagging tape along the course.

Please note the color designated for your event, be alert, and follow the correct event signs located along the trail!



### **MILE MARKERS**

Each mile will be identified with "miles to go" markers, in corresponding colors. Races will have a mile marker for every mile, counting down to the finish.



Find Course Maps and Descriptions here: <a href="https://www.birkie.com/run/events/birkie-trail-run/">https://www.birkie.com/run/events/birkie-trail-run/</a>

### **AID STATIONS & CUT-OFF TIMES**

Aid stations will be supplied with:

- Nourishment water, Nuun Endurance, and GU
- Comfort shelter, toilets, and basic medical care
- Finish Line enjoy water, Nuun Endurance, bananas, pickles, and Kemp's chocolate milk to recover!

**Note:** Cups will <u>NOT</u> be provided at aid station locations.

Participants are encouraged to bring their own hydration vessel.

	Marathon Aid Sta	ations & R	elay Exha	nge Zones	
Relay Leg	Aid Station	Miles from Start	Miles from Finish	Miles to Next Station	Cut-Off Time
1	Start (BTH) to Timber Trail	4.5	21.7	3.8	N/A
2	Timber Trail to Stadium	8.4	17.9	4.8	N/A
3	Stadium to BTH (Start)	13.1	13.1	4.5	11:30 am
4	BTH to Timber Trail (2)	17.6	8.6	3.8	12:30 pm
5	Timber Trail (2) to Stadium (2)	21.6	4.8	4.8	1:30 pm
6	Stadium (2) to Finish (BTH)	26.2	0	0	3:00 pm

Half Marathon Aid Stations				
Aid Station	Miles from Start	Miles from Finish	Miles to Next Station	Cut-Off Time
Start (BTH) to Timber Trail	4.5	8.6	3.8	10:45 am
Timber Trail to Stadium	8.4	4.8	4.8	11:45 am
Stadium to Finish (BTH)	13.1	0	0	1:30 pm

Nordic Trek Aid Stations				
Aid Station	Miles from Start	Miles from Finish	Miles to Next Station	Cut-Off Time
Start (BTH) to Timber Trail	4.5	4	3.8	11:30 am
Timber Trail to Stadium	8.4	0.2	0.2	1:00 pm
Stadium to Finish (BTH)	8.5	0	0	1:30 pm

Participants will <u>not</u> be allowed to continue on the course past the cut-off times (noted on the preceding tables). Transport back to the American Birkebeiner Trailhead will be provided for those not making the cut-off times.

### **RELAY EXCHANGES**

Relay exchanges may only be made at the aid stations as identified on the course map and are executed by the passing of a slap bracelet that is received at bib pick-up.



Each team is identified by the last 3 digits of their bib number. Each individual team member is identified by the first digit of the bib number.

- 3-Person relay teams must have 2 to 3 runners and may exchange at any of the 5 Marathon aid stations.
- 6-Person relay teams must have 4 to 6 runners and may exchange at any of the 5 Marathon aid stations.



Find **Driving Route Instructions** here:

https://cdn.birkie.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/2022-BTR-Marathon-Aid-Station-Directions-and-Map.pdf



### **DROP-OUTS**

If you need to drop-out of any event, you must report to an aid station Chief (look for the Grey with Orange Race Chief bib) or to the bib pick-up area at the American Birkebeiner Trailhead to notifying them of your status.

Trail runs traverse difficult terrain, and you can expect to add up to 20% more time per mile than in a road race.

### **SAFETY**

Medical teams will be found at the start/finish area, aid stations, and patrolling the course on bicycles and ATVs.

Runners may be asked to withdraw from the race if, upon assessment, the event medical team feels that it is too dangerous for the participant to continue.

No headphones or ear buds are allowed on the course.



### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Please be careful of runners crossing the road (Timber Trail) and remember that no pets are allowed on the trail at any time!

### **SPECTATORS**

The Birkie Trail Run Festival racecourses traverse the remote forests of northwest Wisconsin. You can cheer on you runner(s) along the course at the start line or you can drive to an aid station location.

If you are planning to cheer on a runner at an aid station, please take care when parking, watch for runners and volunteers, and do not block the road's exit or entrance. Parking is limited at the aid stations. Please keep away from the immediate area around the volunteer workers and out of the way of runners and trekkers.

Please remember that pets are not allowed on the course, in the Derksen Family Great Hall, or on the American Birkebeiner Trailhead grounds at any time.

### TRACK YOUR RUNNER



Want to track your runner virtually?
Sign up to get notifications when participants cross timing mats at:

- Timber Trail Aid
   Station
- Stadium Aid Station
- Finish Line

https://runsignup.com/Race/RegistrationLookup/?raceId=97559

### **FOR THE KIDS!**



### Dive for the Dirt Saturday | 9:00-3:00 pm

An obstacle course for kids, Dive for the Dirt gets kids moving under, over, and through obstacles for fun and exercise!

# Hayward Area Memorial Hospital Ik Kids Fun Run Saturday | 12:00 pm

Gather at the Dive for the Dirt start where Team Birkie will lead them through pre-run warm-ups and a fun run through the woods. The run will end at the main finish line and is untimed. Kids can enjoy cold Kemps chocolate milk after their run!

To save time on Saturday, please <u>register</u> your kids in advance for this free event.



### **AWARDS & RESULTS**

### **LIVE Results Here**

Award ceremonies for overall and age-group event champions will be awarded at the podium outside of the Derksen Family Great Hall.

Note: you must be present to receive your award!

<b>AWARDS SCHEDULE</b>	
11:00 am	5k Overall & Age Group Awards
11:35 am	Half Marathon Awards - Overall, Age Class, and USATF National Championship
12:45 pm	Marathon Awards - Overall, Relay
1:15 pm	Marathon Age Group Awards



### https://icebug.com/birkietrailfest

Courtesy of Icebug, Birkie Trail Run Festival title sponsor, first place male and female finishers in the Marathon, Half Marathon, and 5K will receive a gift certificate for a pair of shoes!

Team members of the overall first place 3-person and 6-person Marathon Relay teams will also receive a gift certificate for a pair of shoes!



### **KEMPS 5K AWARDS**

### **Overall Awards:**

- 1st Place Male & Female Icebug gift certificate
- Top 3 Male & Female Finishers receive a podium award

### **Age-Class Awards:**

• Top 3 Male & Female Finishers -8 and under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-17, 18-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70-79, 80+ receive an award



## ANDERSON'S MAPLE SYRUP HALF MARATHON AWARDS

#### **Overall Awards:**

- 1st Place Male & Female Icebug gift certificate
- Top 3 Male & Female Finishers receive their cash prize and a podium award

### **Cash Prizes:**

- 1st Place \$1,000
- 2nd Place \$800
- 3rd Place \$600
- 4th Place \$400
- 5th Place \$200

### **Age-Class Awards:**

Top 3 Male & Female
Finishers - 13-17, 18-29,
30-39, 40-49, 50-59,
60-69, 70-79, 80+
receive an award



### USATF HALF MARATHON TRAIL CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS



The first male and female
USATF members across the
finish line will win the USATF
Half Marathon Trail
Championships! Make sure
your USATF number is
current or become a member
here.

### **USATF Member Age Group Awards:**

Open (Top 10), 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80-84, 85-89, 90-94



### CARLSON MD MARATHON AWARDS

#### **Overall Awards:**

- 1st Place Male & Female Icebug gift certificate
- Top 3 Male & Female Finishers receive their cash prize and a podium award
- Cash Prizes:
- 1st Place \$200
- 2nd Place \$100
- 3rd Place \$50



### SIDAS **MARATHON RELAY AWARDS**

### **Overall Awards:**

1st Place team in each category will receive Icebug gift certificates!

### **Relay Categories:**

- Open Men
- Open Women
- Open Mixed Gender
- Men's Master (40+)
- Women's Master (40+)
- Mixed Gender Master (40+)



### **LEKI POLES NORDIC TREK**

Note: there are no overall or age group awards for the Nordic Trek event, but participants will receive a finish time and virtual certificate.

### **POST-RACE PARTY**

American Birkebeiner Trailhead and Derksen Family Great Hall Saturday | 10:30-3:00 pm



You have crossed the finish line - CONGRATS!
Now it is time to celebrate your race with a post-race meal and beverage!

Race registration includes a hot meal from Lynn's Custom Meats and Catering, along with a cold beer from Earth Rider, the Official Beer of the Birkie. Non-alcoholic options, as well as non alcoholic beer that will be provided by Athletic Brewing.

Don't forget to bring your meal and beverage tickets with you to claim your fare!

Meals will be available to purchase for spectators. Earth Rider Beer and root bee are also available for purchase. Bottled water is free for all participants and spectators.

MENU:
Brats
Veggie Burgers
Potato Salad
Apple Slices
Cookie

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### **Supporting Sponsors**











