



BC Athletics 2012 Half Marathon Road Running Championship

The BC Athletics 2012 Half Marathon Road Running Championship will be held in conjunction with the 23rd Annual "First Half" Half Marathon in Vancouver, hosted by the Pacific Road Runners on Sunday, February 12.

Race Information

This very scenic, certified 13.1 mile route goes out on the Seawall, to English Bay, through Stanley Park and back again. Event records are 1:04:39 (Dylan Wykes) and 1:12:47 (Tina Connelly). Race starts at 8:30am. Complete race details on the event website: <http://www.pacificroadrunners.ca/firsthalf/>

Entry Information

Regular registration is now closed, but qualifying elite and competitive athletes are still able to register up to January 14.

The "First Half" allows regular entries to be transferred. However, it is very important that the entry be transferred officially so that the database is updated with the championship eligible runner's information. See the event website for details, <http://www.pacificroadrunners.ca/firsthalf/>

Championship Eligibility

The Championship portion of the event is open to all Junior, Senior, Masters and Road & Trail members of BC Athletics. Memberships must be received by February 9, 2012 in order to be eligible.

Championship Awards

Championship Medals and Prize Money of \$200, \$100, and \$50 will be presented to:

- The first 3 eligible finishers, men and women, overall.

Championship Ribbons will be presented to:

- The first 3 eligible finishers, men and women, in each age category: 18-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, ... 100+

High Performance Athletes

- Prize Money: \$600/\$300/\$200/\$100/\$50 to the top-5 men and women overall, in addition to BC Championship prize money.
- Requests for complimentary entries for elite runners will be handled on a case-by-case basis. An elite is defined as:
 - A male who has run sub 1:10 for the half marathon or equivalent on a certified course in the past 12 months. Equivalent are 31:40 (10K) or 2:30 (marathon).
 - A female who has run sub 1:20 for the half marathon or equivalent on a certified course in the past 12 months. Equivalent are 36:20 (10K) or 2:50 (marathon).

Travel Assistance

Through the Sport Experience program, BC Ferries and Sport BC will assist with ferry travel costs for athletes participating in the BC Championship. For further details, see the Sport BC website: <http://sportbc.com/membership-information/member-discount/bc-ferries/>. Applications for travel assistance must be received at least two weeks before the Championship. Due to overwhelming demand, Sport BC may not be able to accept all applications.