

## **Wicked & Black Cat Participants,**

We hope you are getting excited for **Sunday's events**. The weather looks perfect. Maybe a little warm for September, but none the less, you'll have a beautiful sunny morning! What more can we ask for? If you have any friends thinking of registering, remind them online registration will close **Saturday at 5PM** & if he/she wants or plans to pick up race materials in advance, pre-registration is required by Friday at midnight.

### **PRE-RACE PACKET PICK UP** **(YES YOU MAY PICK UP FOR YOUR FRIENDS)**

#### **Saturday from 2pm-6pm at B&S Fitness Programs**

***GPS: 90 Leavitt St. Salem, MA, Enter Shetland Parking lot at the end of Leavitt St, veer left in the lot and look for Dock 19/20 with the B&S signage out front! Follow the steps inside to the facility.***

**Sunday (Race Day), Memorial Drive at Willows Soccer Field, 129 Fort Ave, Salem, MA, 5:30am-7am**

**Issues finding either location please call/text: 978-594-7050**

**\*Text is best.**

**Changes to Registration:** If you have already received confirmation of a distance switch then you are all set! If you know or intend to switch distances, please email [events@bnsfitness.com](mailto:events@bnsfitness.com) ASAP!!! Don't wait till race morning if you know in advance. Just email your name, what distance you were signed up for and what you want to race!!

**Sunshine Start:** In years past we have offered a sunshine start, this year we are offering it but it is **ONLY, I repeat, ONLY for 20 milers who are worried about finishing within the 4 hour cut off!!** If you are a 20 miler doing this 6AM sunshine start, you will not qualify for any awards. Please be sure you arrive at 5:30-5:45am, as you will be starting at 6AM sharp. Make sure you are at the start line, by the tennis courts at 5:55AM, so the timing company can record your bib #. **\*\*\*\*\*Note, water stations will not be setup until 7AM so those participating in the 6AM start, should be equipped with nutrition/fuel for the beginning portion of the course.**

**Dogs/Strollers:** We do welcome dogs and strollers. We do ask that you line up in the back at the start line. All dogs must be leashed at all times.

**Race Swag:** You will pick up your designated race shirt: Wicked Half or Black Cat 10/20 long sleeve shirt when you check in!! All past merchandise will be available to purchase on Saturday at packet pickup or post-race on Sunday, we are offering a \$10 BOGO on all past years non-dated apparel. **(Cash/Check/Credit/Venmo for all merchandise)**

**PARKING:** There will be a parking lot open this year, on the right-hand side just before you reach Memorial Dr. (the finish line) there is ample parking this year on the field by the finish line, parking all down in the Willows casino/entertainment area, parking along Fort Avenue and at the Bentley School (25 Memorial Dr) less than a 1/2 mile away from the race site. YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PARK IN FRONT OF ANY HOUSES OR IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OFF FORT AVE. YOUR CAR WILL BE TOWED. PLEASE OBEY ALL PARKING SIGNS.

**Clothes Drop:** You'll have the opportunity to drop any extra layers at the first FUEL STATION at the Salem/MHD line at approximately mile 3. **All clothes will be brought back by 10:30AM and stationed by the DJ Booth.**

**Fuel Stations:**

**The Half Marathon will have 7 Fuel Stations. (1-7)**

**The 10 Miler will have 5 Fuel Stations. 1, 2, 5, 6, 7**

**The 20 Miler will offer 11 chances for Fuel on course. 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 1, 2, 5, 6, 7**

**Fuel Stations 3 and 6 will only offer water.**

**All the other Fuel Stations will have water and Gatorade.**

**Fuel Station 2 will offer GU, Vaseline, Bandages, Porta Potties (DEVEREUX BEACH STATION)**

**Fuel Station 4 will offer GU**

All Fuel Stations will be staffed by Salem High School Football Players!! Please be sure to thank them when stopping or passing by. Please thank all the Police out on course, even though they are getting paid, they still show up for you!! 😊 A thank you goes a long way.

**Course Details:** The Wicked Half course is a USATF certified course and is one of the best around with some amazing views that'll make the miles pass!! We will start in Salem down by Salem Willows and follow Rt. 114 into Marblehead up around the neck and down through historic Salem, Derby Street and back to the Willows to finish. We encourage runners to always run with traffic.

**The Black Cat 10/20 will skip the extra mileage around the Marblehead Neck by turning around at Fuel Station 2 at Devereux Beach and head back to Salem!!**

Clickable maps are available in this email and on the [www.bnseventmanagement.com](http://www.bnseventmanagement.com)

**Award Details:** 9:45am will be the estimated time of the award ceremony.

**CASH PURSE Details:**

**\$900 Cash Purse - Overall Top M/F Finisher in each race (10, 13/1, 20)**

**1st place M/F: \$150**

**Age Group Awards:**

**Top 3 Overall M/F in each race (10, 13,1, 20)**

**Top 3 M/F in each age group: Under 19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70+**

**Largest Team (Participation Only)**

**\*\*No double dipping**

**Everyone will be receiving a finisher medal at the finish line. Wicked medal if your running the Wicked and a Black Cat medal if your running the 10 or 20.**

**Results:** Your race results will be texted to you if you provided a cell phone # when registering. The results will be uploaded on to runsignup.com where you registered for the race. <https://runsignup.com/wickedhalf1020>

**Pictures:** Be sure to smile crossing the finish line!! You'll get 1 complimentary download! You can access those here:

<https://jackmccoyp photography.com/salem2021>

You'll also receive an email about claiming your photo from the photography company.

**Post Race Details:** Several packaged food items and fruit will be available to choose from. Hot and iced coffee will be available. We encourage you to head downtown Salem where there are several restaurants, bars, cafes and boutique shops that are worth checking out. If you're looking for Food or a post run beverage, we recommend visiting **The Derby!** They'll be open at 10:30AM!!! Just show them your medal, bib or shirt and they'll take 10% off your food bill!

Thank you for choosing the Tache Realty Wicked 1/2 Marathon! We hope you have a great race and a wonderful race experience!

**Questions:** [events@bnsfitness.com](mailto:events@bnsfitness.com) or 978-594-7050

**Happy Running,**

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