Athlete Guide 2025



Sunday, September 7, 2025

Welcome Athletes, Volunteers, Sponsors and Spectators!

Welcome to our fifth annual Georgina Marathon & Half-Marathon, 10k & 5k race presented by Dynamic Funds. This guide covers important information for athletes, volunteers, and spectators, so please take the time to read through it so you know what to expect on race day. Our volunteers and sponsors are key to making this event a success each year – please take a moment to give them your thanks.

We are proud to have made this event for runners of all abilities to have their first experience racing – or their personal best and qualifying marathon time. Thank you for your support – we look forward to catching you at the finish line!

Dynamic Funds has been our title sponsor from the first race in 2021. They took a chance along with us to build this event – and we appreciate their support and belief in growing something special for runners and their supporters.

A special thanks to our friends and family – many of whom 'volunteered' to help us out. And to the community of Georgina who continue to welcome you to run through their beautiful neighbourhoods. Enjoy every moment!

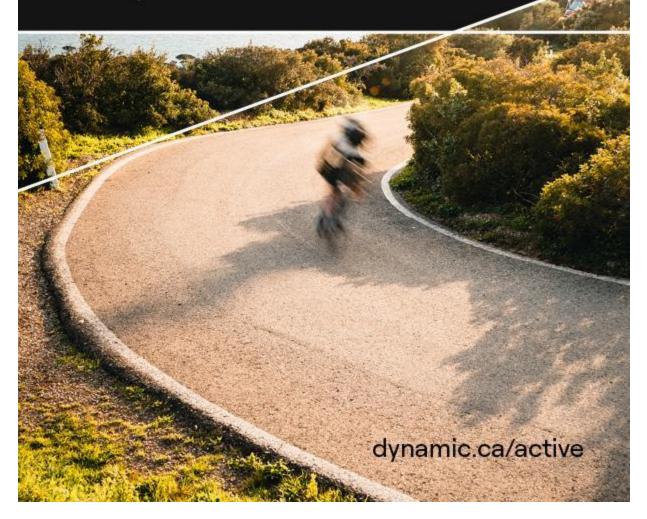


Your Co-Race Directors,
Sandie Orlando & Cindy Lewis-Caballero



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Office of the Mayor and Council

Welcome Message from the Mayor

On behalf of the Council of the Town of Georgina, I would like to give a warm welcome to the participants and spectators at the Georgina Marathon and Half-Marathon, 10K and 5K presented by Dynamic Funds.

Thank you to the organizers and sponsors of this event for their continued ambassadorship of the Town of Georgina. This year is the fifth anniversary of the Georgina Marathon, and we are thrilled this event continues to be hosted in our community.

Participants will experience a flat, fast course that is ideal for all runners, whether you're tackling the 5K, 10K, half-marathon or Boston Marathon qualifier. I hope you enjoy the scenic beauty of Georgina as you run along the south shore of Lake Simcoe.

Once again, we are pleased to welcome everyone to the Town of Georgina. Good luck to all the participants and have a fantastic race!

Sincerely,

Margaret Quirk Mayor



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Thank you to our partners, community sponsors and supporters of the Georgina Marathon























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Charities

We are proud to be supporting three charities who provide tangible help to those in need. Please bring a non-perishable food donation to the athlete expo or on race day for our collection boxes. Feel free to make a financial donation to Sandgate Women's Shelter or Georgina Community Food Pantry instead. Or support the Southlake Foundation Regional Cardiac Care Program. Every little bit helps.













Race Kit Pick Ups – No Race Day Kit Pick Up

There is no race day pick up UNLESS you have purchased a VIP RACE DAY PICK UP ticket from the store link on Race Roster. You must know your bib number before coming to pick up your kit - you can find it here. If you purchased the mail out bib option or the VIP kit pick up options, you may pick up your t-shirt on race day at the **EEP Merch tent**.

Race Kit Pick Up Dates & Locations

Athletes will have three opportunities for race kit pick-up. We encourage you to pick up your kit **before** race day to cut down on race morning stress, whenever possible.

Tuesday, September 2nd, Lindsay ON from 4:00pm-7:00pm CrossFit Lindsay, 205 St. George St. Unit 5, Building 2, Lindsay, ON

Thursday, September 4th, Toronto ON from 4:00 pm-7:00pm Culture Athletics, 972 Queen St E., Toronto, ON M4M 1K1

Saturday, September 6th, Georgina ON at race expo from 12pm-6pm The Briars Resort and Spa at 55 Hedge Road, Jacksons Point

- If you are picking up for other people, you must bring email confirmation that you are allowed to pick up for them, they must have completed their Race Roster waiver and you must know their bib number.
- **If you are picking up for a large group of 6 or more, please email us ahead of time so we can set aside those bibs and kits for you. georginamarathon@gmail.com

NOTE: If you purchased VIP RACE DAY PICK UP you can pick up on race morning - you will need a copy of confirmation that you purchased that to show the volunteer at the tent on race morning.

Georgina Kit Pick Up - Saturday Sept 6 12pm-6pm

Everyone is welcome on Saturday, September 6th at the Briars Resort & Spa starting at 12:00pm until 6:00pm. We will have a special fifth anniversary cake to share with you there (while supplies last!). Parking is available at the Briars Resort, 55 Hedge Road for this event.

Getting to Georgina

By Car

There are two major highways that run into the Town of Georgina: Hwy 48 and Hwy 404. Georgina is located at the end of Hwy 404. It takes about 50 minutes from downtown Toronto.

By Transit

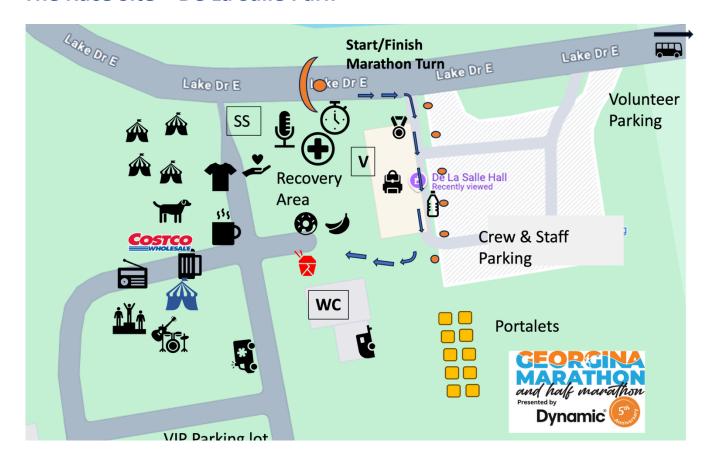
The Town of Georgina is serviced by York Region Transit (YRT) and GO Transit. For information on YRT services, visit yrt.ca or call 1-866-668-3978.







The Race Site – De La Salle Park



The race will start and finish from <u>De La</u>
<u>Salle Park</u> located at **1924 Metro Road North, Jacksons Point, ON LOE 1LO**.

A water station, portable toilets and bag check will be available in the park. Our vendors and sponsors will also be set up in the park on race day. The Wandering Bean will have their coffee cart on site to sell coffee and baked goods. Fresh Smoothie will also be on site to sell refreshing and healthy shakes and sausage on a bun.

Run clubs are welcome to bring their team tent to set up in 'tent city' in the park to cheer their team mates on.









Parking & Shuttle Buses

Parking at De La Salle Park is available ONLY for those who have pre-purchased a VIP Parking Pass. These passes are limited and anyone who purchased one should be prepared to show their purchase confirmation/receipt as well as photo ID when they enter the lot. This VIP lot is located at the entrance to De La Salle Park off Metro Road.

Note - if you have a family member or friend who wishes to volunteer with us, they will be able to park right beside De La Salle Park in volunteer parking. Volunteer registration and information can be found here.

General Admission FREE parking is available for athletes and spectators in the following locations, with shuttle buses running throughout the day starting at 5:30 am. The last bus leaves from De La Salle Park at 2:00 pm to return to the parking lots.

- 1. The Briars Red Barn Theatre Lot at 991 Lake Drive East, Jacksons Point, ON
- 2. Sutton District High School rear parking lot at 20798 Dalton Road, Georgina, ON
- 3. **Sutton Public School** parking lot at 5147 Baseline Road, Sutton, ON Note: The shuttle bus will be running on 2 routes:

A – between the **Briars Red Barn Parking Lot** and the **intersection of Lake Drive and South Drive**, and B - between **Sutton District High School** and the **intersection of Lake Drive and Brule Lakeway**. **NOTE:** People parking at Sutton Public School should walk the short distance to the Sutton High School to catch the bus.

You will catch the bus to return to your parking lot at the same location you are dropped off. Make sure you get on the correct bus.

The Briars Red Barn Parking Lot – 991 Lake Drive East Look for a sign for The Red Barn Theatre and our race flag at the entrance. This is the overflow lot entrance. Please do NOT park in the Briars Resort parking lot unless you are a registered guest.

Plan to arrive early and follow the directions of our parking marshals to park, then look for a sign or flag at the far east end of the lot for the gateway to the Briars property for the shuttle bus pick up.









Sutton District High School – 20798 Dalton Road, Sutton, ON LOE 1RO

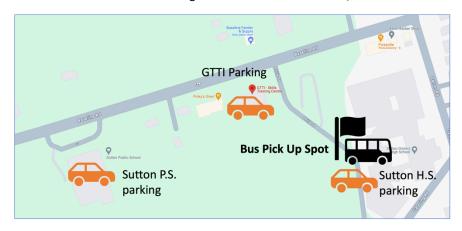
There is a generous amount of parking behind the school where the shuttle bus will stop to pick up passengers. If you are parking at the GTTI Training Centre of Sutton Public School – you will walk to the bus pick up spot at Sutton High School.

Shuttle Bus Pick Up/Drop off at Sutton District High School

Parking at 3 locations - walk to bus pick up spot



Sutton District High School – 20798 Dalton Rd, Sutton L0E 1R0 Sutton Public School – 5147 Baseline Road, Sutton, L0E 1R0 GTTI Skills Training Centre – 5207 Baseline Road, L0E 1R0



Note: Please observe city parking signage if looking for parking on side streets. Where it is available, it is limited to a 3-hour maximum. **There is no parking on Lake Drive at any time**.

Spectator Parking - Spectators will also find pay parking lots along the course at <u>Willow Beach</u> and <u>North Gwillimbury Park</u>. There will NOT be a shuttle from these locations. There is a small lot at Kennedy Road and Lake Drive with a variety store (cash only!), BBQ and ice cream.

**Note that there are no food outlets within walking distance of De La Salle Park.

When You Arrive on Race Day

Athletes who have pre-purchased Race Day Kit Pick Up and those who received their bibs by mail should visit the EEP Merch Tent to claim your bib and/or t-shirt.

- 1. Make sure you have looked up your bib number and have signed your waiver in Race Roster **BEFORE** coming to race kit pick up. You will not be able to pick up your race kit without having done so.
- 2. A bag drop area for dry clothes will be available. Please ensure your bag is clearly marked with your **bib number and name**. Please do not leave valuables in your bag. We cannot always guarantee security with your bag.
- 3. A water station will be available for filling your own bottle or pack.







- 4. **Marathoners** may leave their own self-serve bags that are clearly marked with their bib number on the table beside the timing/announcer tent.
- 5. Listen for the race announcer's call to assemble in the starting corrals and seed yourself in the corral based on your expected finish time.
- 6. Portable washrooms equipped with hand sanitizer will be available, and the permanent washroom building will be open.
- 7. Throw-away clothing will be collected and donated to a charity.

Race Start

Marathoners and half-marathoners have been assigned a wave according to estimated finish time, indicated by a coloured dot on the bib. The marathon and half-marathon waves will start together. (Mail out bibs will need to self-seed.) 10k and 5k runners will self-seed. Look for volunteers with signs or pace bunnies that match your expected pace or finish time. There will be a lead bike for all race distances. Please respect that there will be runners of all abilities and allow faster runners clearance. No strollers or dogs are permitted on the course for everyone's safety.

Race Day Schedule

This schedule may change according to weather or other circumstances. Please pay attention to the race announcer on race day.

	Sunday, September 7, 2025				
5:30am	Race site opens for staff, volunteers & vendors				
6:00 am	Athlete Check In opens for VIP Packet pick up				
5:30am	Shuttle buses begin pick-up loops from Sutton High School and Briars lots				
6:30 am	Race announcer begins				
7:15 am	Marathon & Half marathon runners will be asked to line up for the race start				
7:30 am	Marathon & Half marathon starts				
7:35 am	10k & 5k runners line up for race start				
7:50 am	10k race begins				
8:00 am	5k race begins				
8:15 am	5k winners return				
8:20 am	10k winners return				
8:15 am	Marathon turn around and half-marathon winners finish				
9:00 am	5k & 10k award presentations				
9:45 am	Half-marathon award presentations				
11:30 am	Marathon award presentations				
	Continue to welcome in finishers; shuttle buses return to parking lots				
1:30 pm	Welcome final marathon finisher & course closes				
2:00 pm	Final shuttle bus leaves for Sutton High School & Briars				







Race Announcer & Timing

Our race announcer will start providing you with reminders and updates at 7:00am – please listen for directions and the call to get into the starting chutes. Your official race time will be your chip time and will start as you cross the starting line mat. Your bib has a programmed sticker on the back that is your timing chip. No bib = no chip = no time. Remember to wear your race bib on the front so you can find your photo afterwards. Additional timing mats will be placed at the turn around for the 10k and at the turn around for the marathon and half-marathon.

Spectators may follow runners and results will be posted at www.EnfieldTiming.com.

On The Course



The town of Georgina has implemented a seasonal, multi-use pathway on Lake Drive in the westbound lane and delineated it with flexi-posts. Traffic will only be allowed on the eastbound lane and will be diverted off the road at the next available through road. Lake Drive is a two-lane road that was built to service a cottage community which means it is narrow and must be shared with vehicular traffic to allow residents and emergency vehicles access. As a result, the run course occupies the **westbound lane** for runners going in **both directions**. Please remain aware and stay in the right-hand side of the lane.

Please be mindful of not blocking the way for runners coming from behind trying to pass you – and watch for runners coming towards you. The marathon will make two loops of the course, turning around at the starting point at De La Salle Park under the finishing arch. Marathoners will need to watch for the marshal to direct you around the turn and back out on the course.

The road will be coned off and traffic control measures will be in place to ensure safety for runners. Be aware that there are some private driveways and roads on the north side of the road. Volunteers or traffic control technicians will be on hand to assist any residents who need to turn left through the run course. Residents have been advised to contact our race management team for an escort through the course where necessary.

The marathon, half marathon and 10k courses are professionally measured and certified.

Aid Stations

There will be four aid stations serving water and Gatorade hydration. There will be no gels or other nutrition available. Runners should carry their own nutrition and deposit any garbage at the aid stations. Please do not leave your garbage on the road anywhere along the course - the community supports this event, and we want to keep it that way. Be respectful and keep







your garbage with you until you get to an aid station. Portable toilets will be available at each aid station and at the half marathon turn around.

Self-Serve Aid Station for Marathon ONLY

Marathoners may choose to bring their own 'special needs' bag that will be placed on a table on the course after they leave the park on their second loop. This will be a self-serve table only! Bags clearly marked with bib numbers may be dropped off at the Self-serve table near the announcer tent on race morning for volunteers to bring out to the self-serve station after the race has begun. Bags will be set out in order of bib number. **Athletes will be responsible for finding their own bag** and depositing any garbage in the bin provided. Bags left after the race will be disposed of, so please don't leave anything you want back.



Note: Support is to be provided only by those registered or officially volunteering/working for the race. Accepting support otherwise can result in a disqualification.

Medical Support on the Course

Odyssey Medical is providing medical aid on the course and at the finish. They will have a 'gator' vehicle patrolling the course. If you become injured or are unwell, please let a course marshal or aid station captain know so they can alert the mobile team. If you are between aid stations, look for a zone marshal or ask another runner to carry the message forward for you. There will be an AED defibrillator on the course at every aid station, courtesy of Odyssey Medical. York Region Paramedics will be on site at the finish line for medical assistance.

If there is active weather, we have plans to communicate and bring runners in from the course. Please check the weather forecast in advance to dress appropriately and be sure to pack warm/dry clothing to change into after the race.







Marathon Turn Around

Marathoners will do two loops of the course. You will be directed across the timing mat and around a cone to head back out onto the course for the second loop. This will be a tight U-turn so be prepared and watch for the course marshal to guide you around that turn.

Finish Line and Finish Chute

You will proceed through the finisher chute to pick up your medal, a custom water bottle, banana, bagel, and Gatorade. A medical team will be available for athletes who may need support after the race. Anchor will be on site to provide post-race treatment. Dynamic will be handing out snack bars, Fat Cat Jamboree will be providing entertainment, and K Country radio will be doing a live broadcast and interviews near the selfie-back drop and awards podium.

Timing, Awards & Prizing

Timing is provided by Enfield Timing. Chip time will be your official time. You must wear your race bib clearly visible on the front of your body. Do not fold, cut or damage your race bib.

Results will be posted at the race site and are available online at www.EnfieldTiming.com. Athlete splits will be available at EnfieldTiming.com. Final results will be posted on RaceRoster.com upon completion of the event.

Awards	Marathon	Half-Marathon	10k male &	5k male & female
	male & female	male & female	female	
Overall	1/2/3	1/2/3	1/2/3	1/2/3
Age* groups in	3	3	3	3
10-year				
increments				

^{*}Age as of the end of the calendar year.

Prizes must be picked up on race day for age group categories. Overall winners will be contacted to receive the prize if they aren't present for the award presentations.

Spectators

Family and friends are welcome to cheer for you on race day in De La Salle Park. Fat Cat Jamboree will be performing live music, K Country radio will be doing a live broadcast, and our race announcer will be calling in names of runners as they cross the finish line. The Wandering Bean and Fresh Smoothies will be selling refreshments for spectators. Spectators who wish to see their athlete on the course might travel along Metro Road to Willow Beach Park for a great







view and photo opportunity. Further west is **North Gwillimbury Park** where K Country will be playing music at their cheer station. Please be aware that traffic is restricted on **eastbound** lanes on Lake Drive, vehicles will be guided back up to Metro Road at the next accessible street. There is no parking allowed on Lake Drive at any point. There is one grocery store at Kennedy and Lake Dr E that sells BBQ hot dogs and ice cream (Note: cash only). A small parking lot is available on the south/east corner.

Photography

Mike Cheliak Photography will be on the course and at the finish line to capture your race images. You will receive an email after the race with a link to where images can be found, and they will be **free** to all athletes in the race to download. Wear your bib on the front and a smile!

Post-Race

Join us at the finish of your race in De La Salle Park to celebrate your accomplishment. Fat Cat Jamboree will be playing live music under the picnic shelter. **Athletic Brewing** is sampling their non-alcoholic beer. Dan Pollard of **K Country Radio** will be doing a live broadcast from the park and looking for great stories to share. We will also have a 'selfie' backdrop for you to share your photos on social media #georginamarathon #enduranceeventproductions.

Race Souvenirs

Celebrate your accomplishment with something special. We have some items that will be for sale at the race expo on Saturday, September 6th, and onsite on race day. Although quantities may be limited, we will take orders and ship items to you after race day.

If you forgot to order your CelePlate ribbon clip with your official finishing time, you could still do that on site or by using this QR code.

Missed ordering your personalized medal? Scan here!





Did You Give Our Course Alligator a High Five or a Tail Swat?

Keep your eyes open for sightings of the Georgina Alligator. The course alligator was inspired by a sign one of the Lake Drive residents has on their boat house to 'beware of alligators crossing'. Our Georgina Marathon and half-marathon route passes by this spot a few times. We invited the alligator to join us to give everyone some extra encouragement to keep going!









Some Final Thank You's

The town of Georgina staff and businesses are an important part of making this race possible. Now that you've seen how scenic the area is – please consider coming back for another visit to enjoy more of what they have to offer. More information is available at www.georgina.ca

Volunteers

We wouldn't be able to put together this event without the support of our volunteers. Please take a moment to thank them for getting up early and standing all day to make sure you have a safe and supported race experience. Volunteers earn a 25% discount on our race entries and can stack their credits to race free! That's a great way to give back to the run community.

Plan Ahead 2025 & 2026

Nutrience Oakville 21.1 Half-marathon, 10K & 5K on Sunday, October 5, 2025.

Georgina Spring Fling Marathon, half-marathon, 10k & 5k on Sunday, May 3, 2026.

Kawartha Sun Run half- marathon, 10k & 5k in Fenelon Falls on Sunday, June 14, 2026.

Georgina Marathon on Sunday, September 6, 2026. Registration will be open shortly after this year's race.

Feedback

We are happy to hear your comments and feedback. Share your thoughts to georginamarathon@gmail.com.



