

Covered Bridges Half Marathon 33rd CBHM Race

Traffic and Safety Manual

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Race Purpose

The Covered Bridges Half Marathon was first run in 1992. Race founder David Chioffi and a group of community members got together to create a half marathon along some of the best running routes around Woodstock, Vermont. The course they designed was unique because of the four covered bridges along the way, two of which the runners ran through.

Like many races, the course was adjusted several times in the first few years to address traffic and parking concerns, as well as the growing popularity of the race. The current course has been in place since 1997. The popularity of the race has continued to rise. reaching 2,900 registrants in 2001. The race was scaled back in 2002 to 2,000 registrants in order to maintain the small feel of the race and in response to reduced parking capacity. The race has grown very slowly to the present cap of 2,300 runners. The on-line registration fills quickly each year, usually in a few minutes from the time that it "goes live."

The race is organized by a completely volunteer staff, under the corporate umbrella of CBHM, Inc., a non-profit corporation formed specifically to organize running events and donate the proceeds to charity.

The CBHM race donates more than \$75,000 each year to local non-profit groups focused on youth activities and youth sports in the Upper Valley of Vermont and New Hampshire. In recent years, groups have used the race to inspire volunteers to seek pledges for their respective causes, raising as much as \$150,000. The race committee has consciously limited the number of spots allocated to such efforts to maintain the feel and focus of the race itself. Over the lifetime of the race over \$2 Million has been donated to Our Communities.

The economic impact in the region is about \$1.2 million annually.

The Board of Directors of CBHM, Inc. include the race directors and representatives from the local area. Over 600 volunteers help make the race happen on race day, with many of the volunteers giving of their time for over 29 years.

Traffic and Safety Officials Contact Information

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Chief Connie Kelley 802-299-8970

Hartford Fire and Rescue

Fire Chief Scott D. Clooney 802-295-3232

Woodstock Police

Acting Chief Chris O'Keefe

Medical Assistance Statement for volunteers

If a runner needs medical assistance dial 911. Tell the dispatcher that you are with the Covered Bridges Half Marathon and give them your location.

There are Green Mountain Bike Patrol EMT's on bikes. Police will let you know when the road is reopened to two-way traffic.

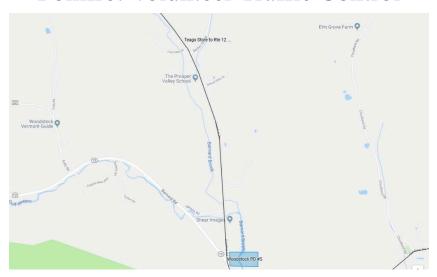
Cheer on the runners and have fun. Thank you for volunteering with our race.

Traffic Control Volunteers and Duties

At Least ONE (better to have two) ADULT volunteer(s) at EVERY intersection

Skylar Mcnally 457-2500

Pomfret Volunteer Traffic Control



Union Arena Report at 0700-0930 Hours Contact/Organizer-Skylar Mcnally

#1 Stage Road to Pomfret Library side of Teago's 0700-0835 hours

Direct cars to the drop-off area.

NO CARS north onto Stage Road after 0805-FOR ANY REASON (except emergency vehicles)

NO CARS south onto Stage Road between when gun goes off and around 0835 (give the last runner time to reach Barber Hill.)

#2 Stage Road to Pomfret side of Teagos's 0700-0835 hours

Direct cars to the drop-off area.

NO CARS north onto Stage Road after 0805-FOR ANY REASON (except emergency vehicles)

NO CARS south onto Stage Road between when gun goes off and around 0835 (give the last runner time to reach Barber Hill.)

#3 Stage Road to Barber Hill Road 0730-0845 hours

Keep traffic from going north onto Stage Road from after 0805 until runners thin out around 0830 and from going south from 0820-0840 (give runners time to reach Stimets Road)

#4 Stimets and Stage Road 0730-0845 hours

NO traffic north on Stage Road from after 0805 until runners thin out around 0840; NO traffic south until runners reach Route 12 around 0845; Encourage cars going to Woodstock or Route 4 to take Stimets to Route 12 to Prosper after 0805 until runners clear the 4 mile mark in the Village.

ermont Fine Furniture Estage Rd to Wood: Marsh-Billings-Ro aulkner Park

Woodstock Volunteer Traffic Control

Union Arena Report at 0700-0930 Hours Contact/Organizer-Skylar Mcnally

#5 River Street and Mountain Ave. 0745-0930 hours

Police or Vol Croes gle My Maps

Set cones DIAGONALLY across River Street to direct runners to go RIGHT onto Mountain Ave.

Stand in the middle of the road to make sure runners coming from Billings go RIGHT and runners coming back around from Rec Center end of Mountain Road go RIGHT over Middle Bridge.

#6 River Street at Route 4 0800-0930 hours

Set barricades as close to Route 4 westbound lane as possible. Must maintain 2-way traffic. STOP ALL traffic down River Street and Mountain Ave. between 0825 and 0910 (when last runner comes through)

#7 Elm Street and Pleasant 0800-0930 hours

STOP ALL traffic from going north or south onto Elm Street from Pleasant between 0820 and 0915.

Exceptions-ONLY for local Elm Street residents ONLY when runner traffic slows to allow.

Direct any northbound traffic on Elm to Pleasant Street.

Norman Williams Public Library Report at 0745-0930 hours Contact/Organizer- Clare McFarland 802-457-2295 Woodstock Track and Field helps at Iron Bridge-Paul Bremel

5 volunteers making sure runners stay on the correct side of the traffic cones

#1 Middle Bridge to iron bridge on Route 12 Report at 0745-0930 hours

#2 Iron bridge on Route 12 to Billings Triangle Report at 0745-0930 hours

Billings Farm Triangle Report at 0745-0930 hours Kerilyn Bristow (603-359-3948)

Direct runners down River Road towards Middle bridge loop and runners leaving Woodstock for River RD to Quechee-also port-o-let location for runners

Watch for cars turning down River Road

Assist Police Officers

Traffic Cone Placement (Union Arena)

LOCATION	Numbe	er
River Rd/Mountain Ave/Rte 4 (stack)		6
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Rte 4/Elm to iron bridge (middle of the road	20	
Iron Bridge to Old River Road (middle of the road)		12
On Route 12 just after Old River Road (middle of the road)	1	6
Route 12/Stage Road (stack)	6	
Mile 2 water stop on Stage Road (stack)		10
Stage Road/Stimets (stack)	2	
Route 12/Stimets to Stage Road (middle of the road)		6
River Rd/ Cloudland (stack)	2	
River Rd/High Pastures (stack)		2
Otis Hill/River Rd (stack)	2	
Top of Taftsville Bridge Hill to Covered Bridge (spaced in middle of the road about 200 ft apart)		100
From Covered Bridge to 500 yards from the finish line (spaced in middle of the road about 200 ft apart)		20

Hillside Rd to Quechee-West Hartford Rd-all cones on the center line-cone the entire length with cones 200 ft apart or within sight of each other. - Cones in front of Quechee Club should be closer together.

West Hartford Road to Quechee Covered Bridge - Cones should be closer together.

Always leave space where driveways and roads come in.

All cones must be retrieved and put back in the storage shed when the race is over. There will be a "sweep" vehicle. Begin at Route 12 and follow the sweep to retrieve cones or later on, but it MUST be on race day.

Race Approximate Times and Road Closures

Race Start: 0815 hours Saskadena Six Ski Area, South Pomfret

Stage Road: North of Saskadena Six to Teago Store 0750-0830 hours

Pomfret Road: Teago Store to Route 12 0750 -0900 hours

Route 12 Intersection with Stage Road into Woodstock Village

0815-0915 hours

Woodstock Village River Street, Mountain Ave, Elm Street 0830-0930 hours

River Road: Route 12 to Taftsville Bridge 0840-1000 hours

Quechee Club House

Road CLOSED TO WEST BOUND TRAFFIC (from Quechee towards Taftsville

Bridge); OPEN TO EAST BOUND TRAFFIC (Taftsville Bridge to

Quechee, Including Golf Course)

Quechee Main Street Alternating ONE WAY traffic controlled by Hartford Police and Windsor

County Sheriff, West Hartford Road to Old Quechee Road (by cemetery)

0900-1045 hours.

CLOSED from Old Quechee Road to Polo Field 0900-1100 hours.

ALTERNATE ROUTES:

Route 12-take Prosper Road to Route 4, head east and continue to Route 12

south in Taftsville.

Approximate Runner Times

Runner Analysis (estimates, depends on conditions and runner field)

First Runner Finish 0930 and last runner 1200 (based on 13+ minute miles)

Peak at Mile 1	0828
Peak at Mile 2	0841
Peak at Mile 3	0854
Peak at Mile 4	0907
Peak at Mile 5	0920
Peak at Mile 6	0933
Peak at Mile 7	0946
Peak at Mile 8	1000
Peak at Mile 9	1013
Peak at Mile 10	1026
Peak at Mile 11	1039
Peak at Mile 12	1025
Peak at Mile 13	1105

Detailed Road Closings on Race Day

Volunteers and local law enforcement work together to minimize delays and keep runners safe and traffic flowing smoothly. The following road closings and detours are planned for race day:

POMFRET VERMONT

Race Start: 0815 hours Saskadena Six, South Pomfret.

Stage Road CLOSED 0750-0830 hours North of Saskadena Six to Teago Store. Pomfret Road CLOSED 0750-0900 hours Teago Store to Route 12. Route 12 CLOSED 0815- 0915 hours Intersection with Stage Road into Woodstock Village.

WOODSTOCK VERMONT

Route 4 will remain OPEN before and during the race.

Woodstock Village CLOSED 0830-0930 hours River Street, Mountain Avenue, Elm Street:

Old River Road CLOSED 0840-1000 hours Route 12 to Taftsville Bridge Old River RD from High Pastures to Otis Lane is closed to traffic at this time.

Vehicles on the road near Cloudland RD should be turned around and directed up to Barber Hill Rd to Pomfret RD to Route 12 to Barnard RD to Prosper RD to Rte 4 if it's early in the race or to Route 12 through Woodstock to Rte 4 if it's later in the race.

Taftsville Covered Bridge CLOSED 0900-1000 hours to traffic

QUECHEE/HARTFORD VERMONT

Route 4 will remain OPEN before and during the race. Quechee Gorge Bridge ONE LANE RED LIGHT Quechee Main St., 0500-0730 hours

Barricades at Quechee Main and Fat Hat Factory with signage LOCAL TRAFFIC ONLY (volunteers and early morning race people are OK too)

RACE PARKING AHEAD at guardrail

At least two volunteers with flags keeping Route 4 traffic moving west. (Possibly an officer?)

Route 4 and Antique Mall 0500-0730 hours

Barricades at Antique Mall-signage NO RACE PARKING

At least two volunteers with flags from 5-730AM keeping Route 4 traffic moving west. (Possibly an officer?)

Maybe keep volunteers (and an officer?) in place longer to prevent Spectators parking in the Mall lot and blocking the Flea Market after 10AM (when Spectator lot in polo field closes?)

Deweys Mills to Quechee Main 0500-0730 hours (Runner Parking)

Police Officer, Gail, Volunteer Flaggers Volunteers in Snack Bar Lot-keeping people out Directing traffic down Dewy Mills RD ONE WAY-TWO LANES--Cars right lane, buses left lane

Dewey Mills Polo Field, 0500-0730 and 0800-1000 hours

Joel and adult volunteers parking runner cars, 0500-0730 Dewey Mills RD--ONE WAY/TWO LANES traffic down towards Quechee Main Cars right lane, buses left lane

Runner Parking and Bus Pick Up, 0530-0715 hours

2-3 Volunteers along Dewey Mills (or in the field) directing runners to buses. Buses line up along Deweys Mills RD across from Strong House Spa Load up, head down Quechee Main, across the Quechee Covered Bridge (height and weight OK for this? if NOT Taftsville Bridge crossing) onto Route 4W to Pomfret.

Spectator/Volunteers Parking, 0800-1000 hours

Joel, WUHS Football, adult volunteers

Dewey Mills TWO WAY traffic--cars right lane to park, left lane for neighbors if they need to get out and any early runner cars leaving.

Cars Exiting Polo Field 1030-1230 hours

Joel, WUHS Football, adult volunteers

Dewey Mills ONE WAY up to Route 4

TWO LANES--LEFT-towards I89, RIGHT-towards Gorge, Woodstock (signs in field lining up cars and volunteers helping to organize)

- 2 Officers overriding the Gorge Bridge red light to keep traffic moving
- 2 Officers at top of Deweys for I89 (left lane) and Woodstock Cars (right lane)

Volunteers on Cleanup Duty, 1100 hours arrival will be directed to Quechee Main/Fat Hat Factory and will park in the field adjacent to Henri Hill RD above the finish line.

Alternating Traffic, Quechee Main St will be coned off.

Quechee Club House Road CLOSED 0900-1100 hours to westbound traffic, OPEN to eastbound traffic.

Detour Woodstock to Quechee via Upper High Pastures Road to Quechee Village. <u>Detour MAP</u>

Quechee Main Street near covered bridge Alternating one-way traffic 0900-1100 hours controlled by Hartford Police and Windsor County Sheriff, from Quechee Covered Bridge to Simon Pearce, Post Office, Village Green.

Quechee Main Street from Old Quechee Road to Polo Field. CLOSED 0900-1130 hours Traffic from Old Quechee RD and Marshland Farms may TURN RIGHT and head to the Quechee Bridge for access to Rte 4.

Quechee Main Street to Hard Rd and Tichenor Road 0900-1200 hours -Local traffic ONLY on Sunday.

Hard Rd, Main Street to Dewey Mills Rd-CLOSED 0930-1130 hours to ALL Traffic

SPECTATOR PARKING

Downtown Woodstock near Middle Bridge and Iron Bridge on Elm as parking allows (we suggest spectators park at Billing Farm Auxiliary Lot)

Spectator Parking in Deweys Mills Field-0800-1000 hours

NO RACE PARKING AREAS

Taftsville Bridge Area, RTE 4 Near Taftsville Bridge Snack Bar at The Gorge (Ott Dog) Parking Lot (RTE 4 and Deweys Mills Rd) Any roads marked with no parking

ROAD CLOSURE ALTERNATE ROUTES:

Route 12 – take Prosper Road to Route 4, head east and continue to Route 12 south in Taftsville.

Quechee Main Street including Quechee Club via Woodstock, River Road and High Pastures Rd.

Detour Map: Sunday Morning Road Detour

Appendix

Google Map Links

Road Closures and Police Detail CBHM Traffic Control

Sunday Morning DETOUR Woodstock to Quechee Sunday Morning Road Detour

Back Roads S6 to Polo Field: CBHM Back Roads

Course Map CBHM Course

Chamber Pasta Supper: Chamber Pasta Dinner

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