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The Queen Mother Reservoir 5km/10km Race Series 19th May; 16th June; 21st July 2009 @ 7.30pm

Firstly a big thank you to Thames Water for their kind generosity in allowing us to use their premises for this race series

Thanks also to:-

- ❖ Datchet Water Sailing Club for their hospitality in allowing us to use their excellent facilities
- ❖ Handy Moves for providing the baggage drop

Information

Medical Notes: Please advise us if you have any medical condition that we should be aware of. In addition, please write this information, with your name, emergency contact and telephone number on the back of your number

Venue: Queen Mother Reservoir, Horton Road, Horton, SL3 9NT

Sponsorship: Please send all WaterAid sponsorship forms and money (cheques should be made payable to 'WaterAid') to: Purple Patch Running Ltd, 23 York Road, Marlow, Bucks, SL7 2QB. A receipt will be forwarded to you detailing the payment

Number:

Please pick up your number on race day from the Number Pick-Up desk in Datchet Water Sailing Club (upstairs), leaving enough time to do this comfortably. Pin your number to the FRONT of your vest or t-shirt. There will be spare safety pins at the numbers desk. Please note - you should NOT use the same number for the next race in the series; you will be given a new number for each race (this is important in order to make sure the results are correct)

5k/10k:

Your race number will denote which race you are entered for. Please do not switch races on the day. If you are running in the 10k and do decide to drop out at 5k,

please do not go through the finish line. This would impact on the overall results and may result in someone not receiving their prize.

Car parking: There is plenty of on-site parking at the reservoir. Please be guided by the car park marshals and note that cars are restricted to the lower level only (no drop-off on the upper level). Once you have parked your car, please follow the signs up the steps to the upper level

Facilities: There are toilets and changing facilities at Datchet Water Sailing Club, right next to the start/finish areas. Due to the nature of the venue (a reservoir), we have to insist that no-one goes to the toilet anywhere other than in the toilets in the clubhouse. As runners ourselves we know how many times we often have to 'go' just before a race, but the future of the series will be in jeopardy if this happens. To ensure the continuation of the series and good relations with our host, Thames Water, we will exclude from the race anyone found doing this. *Might help to think about the fact that the morning after the race you could be showering and brushing your teeth with this very water!!*

Refreshments: Meals, snacks and drinks will be available at the Datchet Water Sailing Club. You will be able to purchase full meals as well as snacks, tea, coffee,

etc, in their clubhouse from 6.30-9pm, so why not take this opportunity and save yourself some cooking when you get home!

Baggage - Sponsored by Handy Moves: There will be a baggage drop near to the start/finish from 18:30. Bags should be clearly marked with your race number. Whilst we will take care to look after your bags, we cannot take responsibility for the loss of or damage to the bags, therefore please do not leave valuables in them

Start/Finish: Please make sure you are at the start area no later than 7:15pm. The 10k runners will be walked approx 500 meters along the track to the start of the 10k, which will go off at 7:30pm. The 5k runners should make their way to the 5k start, which is approx 200m along the track (before the 10k start point) and will be clearly marked. The 5k will go off at 7:40pm. The 5k runners complete one lap of the reservoir, the 10k two laps. Both races finish at the same point.

The route: The route is entirely off-road and traffic free as it follows the perimeter of the reservoir. Please do not step up onto the inside wall on the route and take care when overtaking around the outside

Markers: The route will be marked with kilometer markers. There will be separate km markers for the 5k race

Marshals: Marshals will be stationed along the route at strategic points - please comply with instructions given by the marshals

Water: There will be a water station halfway around the 5k lap and at the end of the lap

Entries on the day: We are taking entries on the day at an additional cost of £2 (5km or 10km)

Prizes: The presentation will take place at approx 20:45 in the Datchet Water Sailing Club. Prizes will be given to 1st, 2nd, 3rd Male & Female (regardless of age) then 1st Male & Female in the following categories: V40, V50, V60. The prizes for the overall race series winners will be presented at the last race on 15th July

Mementoes: Medals will be given to each finisher

Spectators: You will be able to see the runners before the start, at the finish and halfway (for the 10k runners), therefore a great spectator-friendly course. The facilities in Datchet Water Sailing Club are excellent and you can enjoy a drink or meal in their clubhouse while you wait. Spectators are not permitted on the track around the reservoir. ***Please be aware that, due to the nature of the venue, any children on the premises should be closely supervised and remain the responsibility of the parent/guardian at all times. No child should be left unattended at any time***

Please note that dogs are not permitted on the premises.

Cancellation: In the unlikely event that the race has to be cancelled due to adverse weather conditions or any other situation outside our control, we will not be able to refund entry fees. In the event of poor weather prior to the race, runners should refer to: www.purplepatchrunning.com or call 01628 474953 / 07917 612127 for confirmation.

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