

## **Madeley Half Marathon 2024 – Race Instructions**

Dear Runner,

Thank you for supporting the return of the Madeley Half Marathon - we look forward to seeing you on the day. Please find below the final instructions for the event.

**Date:** Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024

**Start Time:** 9.30am

**Transfers:** If you are unable to attend, you can transfer your place to another runner by clicking the link in your confirmation email and updating the details. This option is available until 9:30 am on the Race Day.

We are unable to offer refunds or deferrals.

**Parking:** All parking is Free. There are numerous options:

- Madeley High School – Expect delays to exit and only turn left out of the car park.
- The Madeley Centre – Limited Spaces

Alternatively, you can park at either end of the village where you will have a 5-15 minute walk/run, but you will be able to leave immediately. These are located at:

- Leycett Cricket Club (1.5 miles away, but no restrictions to Newcastle)
- Izaak Walton Way & Moss Lane (<1 mile away) – Only park on the left, by the school or railway line.

**Registration:** Registration is located in the Sports Hall at Madeley High School, Newcastle Road, Madeley, CW3 9JJ. Online registration remains open online until 9:15am. As a last resort, you can pay by Cash at £30 and no change will be given.

**Race numbers & Merchandise:** To be collected on the day from 08:00am in the Sports Hall at Madeley High School. The desk closes at 09:20am.

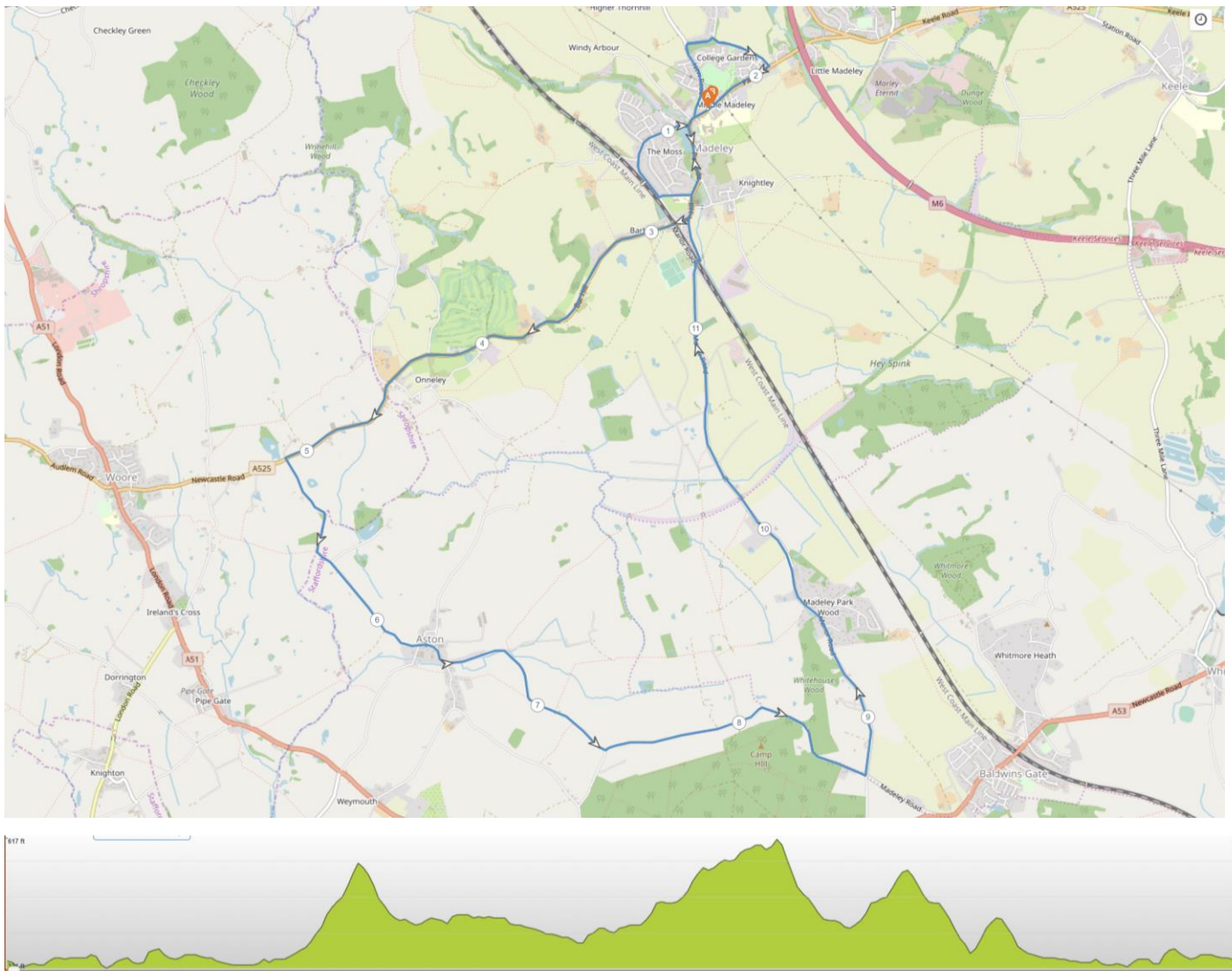
Any uncollected t-shirts can be picked up at presentation from 11:45am.

**Toilets:** There are toilets at two locations, both equal distance to the start:

- Sports Hall at Madeley High School (Male, Female, Disabled)
- The Madeley Centre (Male, Female, Disabled)

**Start Location:** The start and finish location are on Newcastle Road outside of Madeley High School.

**Route:** An interactive map of the route can be found [HERE](#)



**Marshals:** There will be marshals at all junctions you need to turn at. If there are no marshals, assume you need to carry on, or follow arrows.

Please always follow the instructions from marshals, as they are there to ensure your safety. Please report any incidents to the nearest marshal.

**Water Stations:** There will be water stations at approx:

- 4.5 miles, provided by Onneley Village Hall
- 9 miles, provided by the Young Farmers of Ashley
- Finish, provided by Whitmore & Madeley Scouts

**First Aid:** First Aid will be located at multiple locations, plus we have an ambulance following the course. In the event you need help, or can't continue, please contact your nearest marshal or wait to be swept up by the ambulance.

**Photographer:** Photos will be provided by Mick Hall Photos & Bryan Dale Photos

**Finish Location:** The finish line is where the start is, outside Madeley High School.

**Finish Line:** The scouts will give you your eco medal, a bottle of water and a village offers leaflet.

**Prize Giving:** This will take place back at the Madeley Centre restaurant, café & bar.

**Prizes:**

1st M/F: £50 & 3D framed route map

2nd M/F: £30

3rd M/F £20

1st M/F vets categories

1st M/F Teams (3 to count on position)

Fastest Local (Madeley, Onneley, Aston, Keele)

**Closed Roads:** The roads will be closed on the route whilst you are running, however, there are lots of houses (and drives) on the route so please remain vigilant throughout.

**Course Hazards:** The whole route is on roads, however there are two points we wish to make you aware of:

- Approx 1.5 miles & 12.5 miles: There is an unadopted road that has lots of potholes. We will mark the dangers with paint and have marshals in position. Your feet may get wet.

- Approx 5-7 miles: The roads are narrow country lanes, with mud in the road from tractors, if wet it maybe slippery.

**Weather:** Currently, there is lots of standing water on the roads. All puddles are deemed safe to run through. Please check the weather prior and wear appropriate clothing.

**Refreshments:** Refreshments are being provided by local businesses:

Homers Sandwich Bar & Café (100m from the start/finish)

Madeley Centre - Restaurant, Café & Post Race Bar (150m from the start/finish)

Offley Arms - Post Race Bar & Sunday Lunch (300m from the start/finish)

**Spectators:** We have designed the course so that you see runners numerous times, we recommend:

- One stop shop (Start, 1.2 miles, 2.5 miles, 11.5 miles, Finish)

- Offley Arms (0.5 miles, 2.7 miles, 11 miles)

Remember to share any photos/videos with us by tagging us on social media @avtiming and using the hashtag #madeleyhalf

We hope you all have a great race!

If you have any further questions prior to the day, please feel free to contact us.

Many thanks,

***Andrew – Gold Events & AV Timing***