



Welcome to the 7th Annual Mushroom Cap Half Marathon

Runner Information:

The Mushroom Cap Half Marathon is a rain-or-shine event. There are 2 events taking place on race day, beginning at 8:00am:

- Half Marathon
- 5 Miler

Packet Pickup

We look forward to seeing you at packet pickup. If you cannot attend, you can have someone else pick up your packet - all they need is your last name.

KACS (Kennett Area Community Service) relies on generous community members to help feed over 600 families every month. Team MCHM will be taking food donations throughout packet pick up on Friday evening. Please consider bringing canned fruit/vegetables/meals, rice, condiments, and bagged beans to fill our bins!

Fri, Nov 4

4pm-8pm

REGISTRATION and PPU:

Kennett Borough Building Lot, 600 S Broad St, Kennett Square, PA 19348

*Parking allowed onsite

Sat, Nov 5: Race day

7:00-7:45 AM

RACE DAY REGISTRATION and PPU:

Kennett Borough Building Lot, 600 S Broad St, Kennett Square, PA 19348

(PPU/Registration Tent)

(Registration closes at 7:45)

*Parking will not be allowed onsite. Follow race day parking guidelines.

Start, Finish, & Pace

Half Marathon and 5 Miler

New Start on Birch Street (just W of Church Alley), KSQ



Start time: 8:00am Finish: 11:30am

Course: This is a road race, but there are some parts of the race that transition from asphalt to soft packed gravel. For that reason, and for your own safety, please do not run barefoot or with 5 fingered shoes. In addition, please know that per each municipality, the course is considered a “soft close”. Your safety is our primary concern and there will be course marshals to ensure that traffic is stopped as groups of runners traverse the course.

Cutoff: **16 minute mile/ 3:30**: If you are not at the 9 mile marker by 10:00 am, you may be asked to leave the course in the safety vehicle provided. After this time, aid stations will be closing, police will not be monitoring traffic, and roads will be reopened. If you do not feel that you can maintain a 16 minute mile or less, please do not hesitate to get into the sweeper vehicle. *We are mandated by the local police to sweep the course if runners fall short of the required cut off.*

This year we will have **Beast Pacing** for those of you trying to set a personal goal or just hang with a crew throughout the race at your pace:

- 1:40 Finish
- 1:50 Finish
- 2:00 Finish
- 2:15 Finish
- 2:30 Finish
- 2:45 Finish
- 3:00 Finish

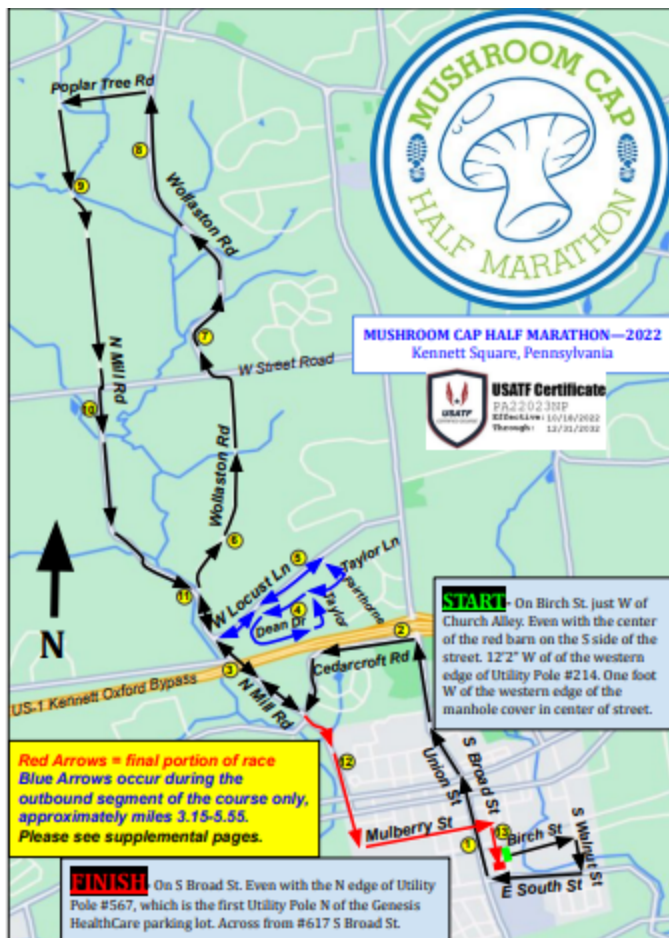
Bag Check

If you wish to check items, you will be provided with a clear plastic bag AT the bag check tent. Bag check hours are from 7:00-11:45 am. Lost and found will also be located here. In addition, there will be a clothing donation box at mile 2 if you choose to lose a layer while running.

Course Map: New this year, our beautiful 13.1 course has been USATF Certified (we heard you and responded)! There will be a new start (a short stroll,



on Birch St.), but the same great finish to welcome you into the post race celebration!



Parking and Transportation

We offer our runners and volunteers multiple locations to park:

- Kennett High School Lots: 100 E South St, Kennett Square, PA 19348
- Kennett YMCA Outdoor Pool Lot: 636 S Walnut St, Kennett Square, PA 19348
- [Additional parking locations and garages](#) in Kennett Square

Race Schedule

6:30am Parking lots open

7:00am Gear Check opens (closes at 12:00 pm)
Registration Opens



Packet Pick up Opens

- 8:00am Start of Half Marathon and 5 Miler (*Race awards can be picked up at the awards tent)
- 9:00am Mushroom Madness Post-race Festival opens at Celebration Square
- 9:00am Top M/F 5 Miler announced/award pickup at award tent
- 10:00am Top M/F 13.1 Miler announced/award pickup at award tent
- 11:45am Bag check closes
- 1:00pm Race Festival closes

Port-o-Pots/Water Stations

There will be Port-o-Pots and Aid Stations on the course in the following locations:

	5 Miler	Half Marathon
Port-o-Pots	Mile 2.5	Miles 3, 6, 9, 10.5
Water Stations	Miles 1.5, 2.75, 4.5	Miles 1.5, 2.75, 5, 6.75, 8, 9.75, 11.75, 12.5 Tailwind will be offered at Mile 5 & Mile 6.75

Spectating

Recommended spectating locations are as follows:

- Birch and Broad Sts.
- Walnut and Birch Sts.
- Anywhere along South Street between Walnut & S. Union
- Union Street & State Street (8:00AM-8:35AM)
- Episcopal Church of the Advent, 401 N. Union Street
- Cedar Croft Street & S.Mill Road
- Poplar Tree Road & Wollaston Road



- S. Mill Road & State Street (parking lot)
- Victory Brewing Parking Lot – Cypress & S. Mill Road
- Broad Street & Birch
- Broad Street & South Street

Hank's Place is now open on the corner of Birch & Broad Street (just in front of the race start) and offering breakfast, grab and go on race morning! Tell your fan squad to stop in.

Post Race Festival

9:00 am-1:00 pm

- After your run, bring your friends and family to celebrate! All runners receive 1 Victory Beer, a grilled cheese sandwich, and delicious fried mushrooms from Buona Foods. There will be food, beer garden, corn hole, runner stretching, and music so you can get your dancing on!
- All Runners over 21 who would like to consume alcohol must be age verified via a license and receive a wristband. Alcohol will not be provided nor permitted to anyone without their ID. All alcohol (per PA law) must stay inside the designated beer garden.
- You must be 21+ to enter the beer garden.
- In addition to our offerings of Victory Beer, Mimosas and Bloody Marys will also be available for purchase.
- Don't want to bring your credit/debit cards when you run? We accept Cash, Credit Cards, ApplePay and Venmo!

Security & In Case of Emergency

To report a time-sensitive emergency, please contact 911.

- All runners are subject to search.
- All runners must wear their bibs at all times.
- All runners must have ID (especially if you'd like a post race beer)!

Why Run?

- Aside from meeting an amazing personal goal, your run benefits the following charities:
 - Kennett Area Community Service
 - The Garage Community Youth Center (KSQ & West Grove)



- Stevens Nation AXE ALS Foundation

Questions? Please email karen@runsqmushroomcap.com