

Proposed Course - 2017

Overview

The course is based from the Event Village in Cathedral Square. All events start and finish on Colombo St, heading north to start and then south to finish. The various events have four parts as following:

Loop A - 10k: The 10k, Half Marathon & Full Marathon all do Loop A, from Cathedral Square, anti-clockwise around Hagley Park north, & back to Cathedral Square. The 10k then finishes.

Loop B - 11.1k: This section heads east, out & back on both sides of the Avon River, then back to Cathedral Square. The Half Marathon do Loop B once & finish. The Full Marathon do Loop B twice.

Loop C - 10k: This section is done by the Full Marathon only, & continues further east alongside the Avon River. Loop C is done only once, midway through the Full Marathons first time on Loop B.

Loop D - The Kids' Mara'Fun starts & finishes on the south side of Cathedral Square & does a 1k block: south on Colombo St, left into Hereford St, left into Manchester St, left into Gloucester St, left into Colombo St to finish. Kids 5-6yrs do 1k (1 lap). Kids 7-8yrs & 9-10yrs do 2k (2 laps). Kids 11-12yrs and 13-15yrs do 3k (3 laps). Kids gather from 12noon to be mustered into their age categories.

Course Description - 10k, Half Marathon, Full Marathon

The 10k, Half Marathon & Full Marathon start together at 8:00am, on the north side of Cathedral Square, on Colombo St, and begins with Loop A.

- The route heads north on Colombo St, & turns right onto Kilmore St.
- Head east on Kilmore St for 1k & just before Fitzgerald Ave, the route turns left onto Oxford Terrace & does an anti-clockwise loop around to Barbados St.
- Turn right onto Barbados St, head north for 100m, & turn left onto Salisbury St.
- The route heads west to the end of Salisbury St, turns right onto Park Tce & heads north on the edge of Hagley Pk to Harper Ave.
- Turn left & follow Harper Ave for approx. 500m, then the route veers left into Hagley Pk.
- Inside Hagley Pk (approx. 5k mark) the route follows the cycle path anti-clockwise around to the corner of Deans Ave & Riccarton Ave.
- Staying on the cycle path, the route follows alongside Riccarton Ave for 400m to the entrance to the Hagley Pk Tennis Club.
- Turn left & head north on the Tennis Club driveway for 600m to Victoria Lake, then follow the cycle path around north side of Victoria Lake, to exit Hagley Pk at the Armagh St Gates.
- The route then turns left onto Park Tce & heads north for 500m to Salisbury St.
- Turn right & follow Salisbury St to Montreal St, then veer right & follow Victoria St south, past the Casino, to the intersection with Durham St North & Kilmore St.
- Turn hard left into Durham St North & head north up to Salisbury St, then turn right & head east along Salisbury St to Manchester St.
- Turn right to follow Manchester St south to Kilmore St, where you turn right into Kilmore St & head west back to Colombo St.

- The 10k event finishes by turning left onto Colombo St for a final 550m south, to the Finish line on the south side of Cathedral Square.

The Half Marathon also turns left onto Colombo St, but follows it for only 300m & then turns left into Gloucester St to do Loop B.

- From Gloucester St the half marathon route heads east, passing the 10k mark, to Madras St.
- The route then turns left & follows Madras St north to Kilmore St, then right into Kilmore St & heads east across Barbados St & Fitzgerald Ave into Avonside Dve.
- Follow Avonside Dve east for 1.2k around to Retreat Rd, tuning right into Retreat Rd, left into Bracken St & back to Avonside Dve, which you follow around to Robson Ave.
- Turn right into Robson Ave, then left into Maling St, right into Galbraith Ave, left into Robson St, which you follow east to rejoin Avonside Dve.
- Turn right & follow Avonside Dve south around to Gloucester St & turn left over Gloucester/Gayhurst Bridge & then immediately right into Locksley Ave.
- The route follows Locksley Ave for approx. 1.5k (passing 15k mark) to McBratneys Rd (16k).
- Turn left into McBratneys Rd & heading west now for 1k into River Rd, which you follow all for another 1.6k to Glade Ave.
- Turn right into Glade Ave, then left into Stanmore Rd to cross Stanmore Rd Bridge & turn right into Avonside Dve.
- Follow Avonside Dve west for 1.6k, crossing Fitzgerald Ave into Kilmore St & passing the 20k mark, to Colombo St.
- The Half Marathon event finishes by turning left onto Colombo St for a final 550m south, to the Finish line on the south side of Cathedral Square.

The Full Marathon has continued past 10k with the Half Marathon (on Loop B), turning left into Gloucester St to head east past the 10k mark, to Madras St.

- The route then turns left & follows Madras St north to Kilmore St, then right into Kilmore St & heads east across Barbados St & Fitzgerald Ave into Avonside Dve.
- Follow Avonside Dve east for 1.2k around to Retreat Rd, tuning right into Retreat Rd, left into Bracken St & back to Avonside Dve, which you follow around to Robson Ave.
- Turn right into Robson Ave, then left into Maling St, right into Galbraith Ave, left into Robson St, which you follow east to rejoin Avonside Dve.
- Turn right & follow Avonside Dve south around to Gloucester St & turn left over Gloucester/Gayhurst Bridge & then immediately right into Locksley Ave.
- The route follows Locksley Ave for approx. 1.5k (passing 15k mark) to McBratneys Rd (16k).
- **At McBratney's Rd (16k) the Full Marathon course does an added 10k lap (Loop C), continuing along Locksley Ave for 850m to New Brighton Rd.**
- The route continues east on New Brighton Rd for almost 3k to Anzac Dve.
- Turn right over Anzac Dve bridge & then hard right again into Hulverstone Dve.
- From Hulverstone Dve the route turns left into Orrick Cres, right into Thorness St, left into Cowes St & then right to rejoin Orrick Cres, which you follow to Briarmont St.
- Turn right into Briarmont St, heading north, past the 20k mark, to the end of Briarmont St.
- Turn left into Hulverston Dve & head west for 350m, turn left into Mervyn Dve, then left again into Baladin Dve & head south to Waratah St.
- Turn right into Waratah St, then right into Wooley St & follow for 400m to Avondale Rd.
- Turn left & follow Avondale Rd south for 400m to Breezes Rd.
- Turn right into Breezes Rd, then left into Cadrona St, which you follow south for 550m.
- At the end of Cadrona St turn right onto Pembroke St & then right onto Avonside Dve,
- Follow Avonside Dve north for 1.1k, then right into Alloway St, then left into Adrossan St, which you follow around back to Avondale Rd.
- Turn left into Avondale Road, cross over Avondale Bridge, then turn left again back onto New Brighton Rd, which you follow past the 25k mark back to Locksley Ave & McBratney's Rd.
- **This is where the Full Marathon rejoins the half marathon course (Loop B), turning right onto McBratney's Rd (26k).**
- Heading west now for 1k into River Rd, which you follow all for another 1.6k to Glade Ave.
- Turn right into Glade Ave, then left into Stanmore Rd, cross Stanmore Rd Bridge & turn right into Avonside Dve.
- Follow Avonside Dve and Kilmore St west for 1.6k, passing the 30k mark, to Colombo St.

- **The Full Marathon event then turns left into Colombo St, & then left into Gloucester St to do another lap of Loop B only.**
- From Gloucester St the route heads east to Madras St, turns left & follows Madras St north to Kilmore St, then right into Kilmore St & heads east across Barbados St (32k) & across Fitzgerald Ave into Avonside Dve.
- Follow Avonside Dve east for 1.2k around to Retreat Rd, tuning right into Retreat Rd, left into Bracken St & back to Avonside Dve, which you follow around to Robson Ave.
- Turn right into Robson Ave, then left into Maling St, right into Galbraith Ave, left into Robson St, which you follow east to rejoin Avonside Dve (35k).
- Turn right & follow Avonside Dve south around to Gloucester St & turn left over Gloucester/Gayhurst Bridge & then immediately right into Locksley Ave.
- The route follows Locksley Ave for approx. 1.5k to McBratneys Rd (37k).
- Turn left into McBratneys Rd & heading west now for 1k into River Rd, which you follow all for another 1.6k to Glade Ave.
- Turn right into Glade Ave, left into Stanmore Rd (40k), cross Stanmore Rd Bridge & turn right into Avonside Dve.
- Follow Avonside Dve west for 1.6k, crossing Fitzgerald Ave into Kilmore St, to Colombo St.
- **The Full Marathon event finishes by turning left onto Colombo St for a final 550m to the Finish Line on the south side of Cathedral Square.**

Aid Stations

Aid Stations are every approx. 5k & will consist of Toilets, First Aid & Drink Station.

Drink Stations will provide water & Powerade Isotonic energy drink in paper cups. There are no sponges, Coke or bottles.

Full Marathon Special Drinks will be provided for at drink stations from 10k onward. Special Drinks must be marked clearly with race number & the drink station you want them left at. They should be handed in for delivery at the Main Marquee by 7:30am on race day.

Aid Station positions are:

- Hagley Pk, approx. halfway between Harper Ave & Riccarton Ave (5.5k)
 - Victoria St, in front of Christchurch Casino (8k)
 - Madras St (Half Marathon & Full Marathon only - 10.5k & 31.5k)
 - Corner Locklsey Ave & McBratney's Rd (Half Marathon & Full Marathon only - 16k, 26k, 37k)
 - Waratah St/Niven St (Full Marathon only - 21k)
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