Pembrokeshire Half Marathon & 10k

Incorporating the West Wales Half Marathon Championships

Dale

Sunday 28th September 2025 Athlete Brief

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Plan 1 – Dale layout (car park, registration, toilets, start locations)



Event timetable

Saturday 27th September

4pm-530pm	Registration – Dale Coronation Hall (see Plan 1)	
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Sunday 28th September

Time	What?
7am-830am	Registration – Dale Coronation Hall (see Plan 1)
855am	Half Marathon briefing at briefing point near start line (see Plan
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9am	Half Marathon start
910am	10k briefing at briefing point near start line (see Plan 1)
915am	10k start
950am	First 10k finisher
1020am	First Half Marathon finisher
Midday	Presentation outside the Coronation Hall (inside if wet)

Race day parking

Parking is VERY limited in Dale, please car share if you can. There is just one public car park, which is on the right as you enter the village. Please park sensibly so that we can maximise the space available. Normal car park charges will apply.

Once this car park is full, the overflow parking is at Kete some 2 miles away (parking here is free). Marshals will direct you to this car park, and there will be a shuttle bus operating from there back to Dale. It will be in operation from 7am-830am before the race, and then again from 10am after the race. The bus will depart from the main road adjacent to the boathouse café when heading back to Kete.

Please give generously to <u>Greenacres Animal Rescue</u> (their volunteers will be organising the parking and will have collection buckets available).

Registration

Please double check your details on the final start list (which will be published on the event website on or before Tuesday 23rd September). If you spot a mistake please e-mail events@pembrokeshire-tri.org.uk immediately so that the start list can be updated before the event (the start list forms the basis for the results).

Registration will be in the Coronation Hall in Dale (see Plan 1). The whole registration process should take you less than a minute, but please come as early as you can to ensure you are ready for your race start. Please register on Saturday if you can, it will be easier for you and us!!

There will be a one-way flow in registration, please enter via the main doors and then leave via the side exit to the right.

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At registration we will:

- Check you off our registration list
- Provide you with your race number (safety pins available but please provide your own if you can)
- Provide you with your event t-shirt (for those that entered by 31st August only)
- Refund Welsh Athletics members £2 (only upon presentation of valid membership e.g. membership card or electronic equivalent)

You can get a friend to register for you if necessary. Bags can be left in the hall, but this is at your own risk – the hall will NOT be locked during the event as we are in and out if it regularly.

If there are any spare t-shirts these will be available after the presentation.

Toilets

The public toilets in Dale are adjacent to the Coronation Hall. Please **do not** use the toilets inside the Coronation Hall, these are for the event team only.

The rules

The event is run under <u>UK Athletics rules</u>. The main things you need to know are as follows:

- Wear your race number on the front of your top, and pin it in all four corners
- NO HEADPHONES etc to be worn during the event (bone conductors are allowed, provided you can hear your surrounding environment e.g. cars)
- The event is run on **open roads** so normal rules of the road apply
- Run on the left at all times, unless directed otherwise by a marshal / signage

The start

The 10k and the Half Marathon starts are in different locations – this to ensure that you all finish in the same place! Please see Plan 1 for the locations. Each start line will be marked with a free-standing 3m yellow flag with the word START on it, so you shouldn't miss it...

Please be at the **briefing area** 5 minutes before the start of your event for a short event briefing prior to your start. The briefing will only update on any changes from this Competitor Brief. Please do not stand in the road, the briefing areas are designed to ensure we do not obstruct traffic.

The Half Marathon

The course is available electronically on Garmin Connect here:

https://connect.garmin.com/modern/course/126770270

See Plan 1 for the location of the start, which is just below the castle on the bend by the track leading to West Dale beach. You do an almost complete lap of Dale village in a clockwise direction, and then turn left up Drift Hill (the steep one!) and out to St. Ann's Head. The turn point is just beyond the old lighthouse. Come back to Dale, and then complete a loop around the Marloes peninsula before finishing in Dale in front of the Boathouse Café. Please run on the left at all times, unless directed otherwise by marshals (on a couple of turns we will ask you to run on the right around the turn for your own safety).

For the first half of the course you will be running on the same roads as the 10k runners, who start 15 minutes after you. Therefore on the out-and-back section to St. Ann's Head, you will pass each other on opposite sides of the road. Again, please run on the left

Please start the race well hydrated, and carry any fluid (and nutrition) that you need to get you around if you can.

Water stations will be St Ann's Head (5k), the Gann (10.5k), and Marloes (17k). Cupped water will be provided, if you want more than one cup please ask a marshal to fill your empty cup.

Please drop empty used cups in the bin provided 50m beyond each water station.

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Plan 2 - the Half Marathon course

The 10k

The course is available electronically on Garmin Connect here:

https://connect.garmin.com/modern/course/126770938

See Plan 1 for the location of the start, which is outside Coldstream Lodge adjacent to Woodside on the south side of the village.

From the start, you run a complete clockwise loop of the village, back through the start, and then turn left at 2k up Drift Hill (the steep one!) and out to St Ann's Head.

The turn point is just beyond the old lighthouse. After the turn, head back to Dale, and then run clockwise around the village to the finish in front of the Boathouse Café. Please run on the **left** at all times

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Please start the race well hydrated, and carry any fluid (and nutrition) that you need to get you around if you can.

There will be a water station at the turn at St Ann's Head (5.5k). Cupped water will be provided, if you want more than one cup please ask a marshal to fill your empty cup.

Please drop empty used cups in the bin provided 50m beyond the water station.

Plan 3 - the 10k course



The finish

As you approach the finish line you need to ensure your **race number is clearly visible** to the timekeepers at the finish line. Once you have crossed the line, please make your way out of the finish chute and help yourself to water and a Welsh cake just outside the Coronation Hall if you need it. Please do NOT ask the timekeepers for your time or position, they need to concentrate on recording the times of all the other runners.

Health & safety

Your safety is our number one priority. Medical cover will be available during the race, so in the unlikely event that you need medical attention please alert one of our marshals who will act accordingly.

If for any reason you decide to pull out of the race (this includes not starting the race after you have registered), you must report in so that this can be recorded and we know that you are safe.

Everyone who starts the race must be accounted for, so please avoid the cost and worry of a missing person search by reporting in. If you suffer from any medical condition (e.g. asthma) please write details on the back of your race number.

Post-race presentation

There will be a presentation of trophies to the following winners outside the Coronation Hall at midday, for both the Half Marathon and the 10k:

• 1st, 2nd & 3rd place female and male

There will also be prizes awarded to the following in each event:

- 1st female and male 40-49
- 1st female and male 50-59
- 1st female and male 60-69
- 1st female and male 70+
- 1st club based on the lowest combined times for any three runners (female or male

The perennial 'Dale Frog' trophy will be presented to the first male finisher in the Half Marathon, resident in the local Community Council areas of Dale, Marloes & St Brides, or St Ishmaels.

Welsh Athletics will also present prizes to eligible athletes in the Half Marathon for the West Wales Half Marathon Championships, using their own age categories.

Refreshments

The Boathouse Café is opening especially for the event, serving hot rolls, hot drinks and cakes. The Griffin Inn will be open for lunches. Please support them if you can.

Results

Results will be available from the Race Splitter website as soon as everyone has finished. Visit https://racesplitter.com/results.

Photos

Event photos will be available to download for free. Find the links on the Pembrokeshire Triathlon Club Facebook page after the event, or Julia Barker Photography's website: https://juliabarkerphotos.zenfoliosite.com/home.

Supporting the community

This year the race is again putting something back into the community by raising funds for the amazing <u>Greenacres Animal Rescue</u> who are based in Talbenny. Please donate generously when parking.

We also hope to have volunteers from the Marloes and Dale Public Access Defibrillator Scheme (MADPADS) present to tell you about the good work they do in the area.

Thanks....

Special thanks go to <u>Howies</u> for very kindly providing the event t-shirt once again. Their t-shirts are fantastic (and ethically sourced) and we hope you like the design and colourway this year. We see previous years t-shirts being worn regularly!

We would also like to thank everyone who has helped and supported us in many different ways including: Dale Castle Estate, Mullock Farm, National Trust, Pembrokeshire County Council and Dyfed Powys Police.

And a massive thank you to all the volunteers who make this event possible, nearly all of whom are from Greenacres Animal Rescue and Pembrokeshire Triathlon Club.