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August 15, 2002

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GEORGE W. BUSH A

GWB/dc/BRC/eb (Corres. #2481256)

(7.marinecorp.marathon.dmc.msg)

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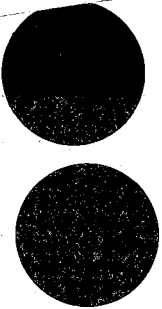
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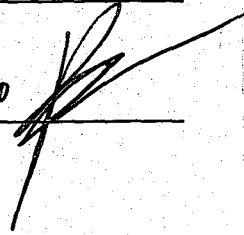
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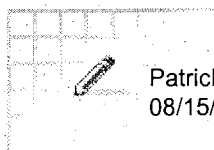
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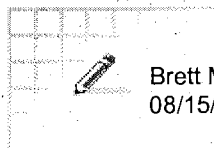
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Shane,

Counsel's office clears both of those message: Marine Marathon and National Bankers.

Thanks,
Patrick

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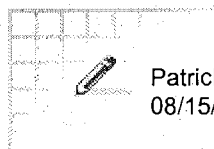


Brett M. Kavanaugh
08/15/2002 10:28:35 AM

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To: Patrick J. Bumatay/WHO/EOP@EOP
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Both of these are ok.
Patrick J. Bumatay



Patrick J. Bumatay
08/15/2002 10:26:35 AM

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To: Brett M. Kavanaugh/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc:
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Brett,

I think I handed these two messages to you yesterday. Did you get a chance to review them?

----- Forwarded by Patrick J. Bumatay/WHO/EOP on 08/15/2002 10:27 AM -----

Shane P. Chambers
08/15/2002 10:23:36 AM

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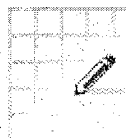
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- **National Bankers Assoc.**

Thanks for your help with these!


Shane

Patrick J. Bumatay



Patrick J. Bumatay
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cc:
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I just faxed over September 11 Message. So I think we are all good from Counsel's side.

Patrick

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Director, Presidential Messages
65503 phone / 62806 fax

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Date: August 12, 2002

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→OK

Faxed to Jenica Baldwin @ 62130 *OK per Matt Smith*

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I could not verify
in background info
on internet the
statement in para. 2
that the manor
begins "every year"
in Arlington, VA.

It does this year
(information states →)

But - not sure
of "Every year,"
Change? - TB



COURSE

MCM **Rock Creek Park stays on course and Hains Point remains out due to popular demand.**

Mainly the course will remain the same as in previous years - the only change is that a portion of the course no longer goes into Hains Point; instead it will go into Rock Creek Park.

MCM **Start Line**

The Marine Corps Marathon, "The People's Marathon" ®, starts and ends at the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington, Virginia. (FURTHER INFORMATION AND DIRECTIONS.) The Marine Corps Marathon will host its first 5K race presented by Deer Park in conjunction with the Special Olympics' competition starting at 9:10 am at the Iwo Jima Monument on Sunday, October 27, 2002. The field is limited to 1,000 runners. Please call the Marine Corps Marathon office for an application and further information. The cost is \$25.00. **DON'T FORGET DAY-LIGHT SAVINGS TIME**



Virtual Marine Corps Marathon available from BRANDS VID

MCM **The Course**

NEW 27th Marine Corps Marathon INTERACTIVE COURSE MAP.

The 26 mile, 385 yard, USATF certified course is relatively flat, winding through Arlington, Georgetown and the District of Columbia. Passing many of the area's attractions, including the Capitol, Union Station, the Jefferson, Lincoln and FDR Memorials, the Pentagon, the Smithsonian Museums and the Kennedy Center, it is truly a beautiful course that has been aptly nicknamed the "Marathon of the Monuments."

MCM **Finish Line**

Once the runner goes through the chutes after the finish line, they will be given a finisher's medal, marathon space blanket and a "goodie" bag with refreshments. Water is available at the end of the chute area. Runners may then proceed to the hospitality area for hot and cold beverages.

Deer Park Hospitality Tent: Post-race refreshments, such as Lender's Bagels, Ultima, Deer Park water, cookies, and fresh fruit and much more will be offered at the end of the finish line chutes to help runners replenish and recover!

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- L-1 -- Link-up Area 1 -- A-F
- L-2 -- Link-up Area 2 -- G-L
- L-3 -- Link-up Area 3 -- M-R
- L-4 -- Link-up Area 4 -- S-Z

Please check the Marine Corps Marathon Race Site Map for exact locations. You will receive one in your race packet.



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MCM Water/Aid Stations

Water Points: Water points are located about every two miles along the course. We encourage all runners to drink at least one cup of liquid at each water point and at least 12 ounces of water before the start of the race.

- Water Point 1: On 15th Street (Arlington) between Eads and Fern Streets.
- Water Point 2 & 12 / Aid Station 1 & 9: On the southeast side of Pentagon South Parking Lot on east side of Eads Street.
- Water Point 3/ Aid Station 2: In Pentagon North Parking Lot along Poac Rd.
- Aid Station 3: At the turn around, top of Rock Creek Parkway.
- Water Point 4: In Georgetown, on M Street between 33rd and 34th Streets.
- Water Point 5 /6 Aid Station 4: Upper side of Rock Creek Parkway.
- Water Point 7 / Aid Station 5: Near Kennedy Center on Potomac River side of Rock Creek Parkway.
- Water Point 8 / Aid Station 6: On Madison Ave. and 1st Street near the National Gallery of Art.
- Water Point 9: 1st Street and Jefferson across from the National Air and Space Museum.
- Water Point 10 / Aid Station 7: On the National Mall near the Reflecting Pool.
- Water Point 11 / Aid Station 8: On Maine Street between Mile 22 and the 14th Street Bridge
- Water Point 13: At mile 25 on Route 110, approaching the War Memorial.
- Water Point 14: Near Capitol Hill



On-Course Replenishment:



DEER PARK NATURAL SPRING WATER

- Deer Park Natural Spring Water will be dispensed to runners at water stops. For further information go to www.deerparkwater.com.

New this year: Two Deer Park Hydration Zones are placed at Milemarkers 10 and 24.



ULTIMA REPLENISHER

- The Ultimate sports replacement drink, Ultima Replenisher will be dispensed in their lemon/lime flavor. Ultima contains no simple sugars and over 90 nutrients. **To find a retailer,** go to www.ultimareplenisher.com.

**CLIF SHOT**

- **CLIF BAR's** great tasting, natural Energy Gel, **Clif SHOT** will be at **miles 9 and 18** at the **Clif Shot energy zones**

Flavors include: Sonic Strawberry (with caffeine), Mmm... Chocolate, Razz Sorbet™, Viva Vanilla, Mocha Mocha (with caffeine).

ADDITIONAL REPLENISHMENT STOPS

- Mile markers 8 and 24 will provide you fruits and cookies.

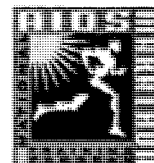
RUNNER'S MIST STATIONS

- Two spray mist tents will be set up in the latter stages of the race to keep runners cool. Look for the Mist stations before (Mile 21) and after (Mile 23) the infamous 14th Street Bridge.

Medical Facilities: The Marine Corps Marathon boasts an outstanding group of Navy and civilian medical volunteers. Over 13 ambulance units from a three-state area, Navy active duty and reserve units, all create a vital link to make sure our race is one of the safest in the nation. Medical doctors, physician assistants, podiatrists and other medical volunteers, to include trained American Red Cross personnel, will be positioned at two medical aid stations. Runners with medical problems or requiring special attention can get assistance at any of these places. Additional MEDICAL SUPPORT information.

Primary Medical Station: Adjacent to chutes, immediately past the FINISH LINE.

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required race that took countless hours of training, sacrifice, and *and* determination.

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I commend the participants for your dedication and determination ^{TO} over the ~~past months as you have prepared for this event.~~ ^{COMPLETING ONE OF SPORTS' MOST DEMANDING PHYSICAL EVENTS.} I also applaud all of the ~~organizers, volunteers, and spectators who help support physical fitness and make this marathon a success year after year.~~ ^{AND TO THANK}

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~~YOUR EFFORTS TO PROMOTE BETTER HEALTH AND FITNESS AND TO REMIND EVERY PARTICIPANT REMEMBER US THAT TO REMAIN FIT TO REMAIN ACTIVE.~~

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Media Releases

Runners Deferment Procedure Announced for 27th Annual Marine Corps Marathon

[Click here for a Deferment Request Form](#) (in .doc format)

Thursday, June 6, 2002

Contact: Kim Roberson

(703) 784-2113

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

QUANTICO, VA (June 6, 2002) -- Rick Nealis, Race Director of the Marine Corps Marathon, has announced the deferment procedure for registered runners unable to participate in the 27th Annual Marine Corps Marathon. This policy offers runners who choose to defer their 2002 Marine Corps Marathon entries guaranteed placement in the 2003 event. All fees for the 28th Marine Corps Marathon will still apply to those who choose to defer.

Entry fees remain non-refundable and entries are still non-transferable; however, if runners cancel their entry for the 27th Marine Corps Marathon by Friday, September 13, 2002, they will be guaranteed entry into the 28th Marine Corps Marathon in October 2003. Runners seeking deferment must submit their cancellation notice in writing to the Marine Corps Marathon office. They should include their name, bib number, street address, age, gender, and phone number. The requests should be mailed to the Marine Corps Marathon, PO Box 188, Quantico, Virginia, 22134.

The 27th Marine Corps Marathon will be held on Sunday, October 27, 2002 beginning at the Iwo Jima Monument in Arlington, Virginia. The mission of the Marathon is to promote the United States Marine Corps commitment to physical fitness by organizing a "People's Marathon" where runners can achieve a personal goal and realize their full potential. More than 16,000 runners have registered to run one of the most scenic routes in the country: along the Potomac, around the Pentagon, down the National Mall and around the Capitol Building. The Marine Corps Marathon is also hosting the Healthy Kids' Fun Run presented by the Washington Post on Saturday, October 26 and the Marine Corps Marathon 5K presented by Deer Park on Sunday, October 27 after the start of the Marathon.

For more information about the 27th Annual Marine Corps Marathon, its events or participants, please contact Kim Roberson at (703) 784-2226 ext. 296.

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United States Marine Corps Runners bring home Victory in 2002 Challenge Cup

Thursday, May 30, 2002
Contact: Kim Roberson
(703) 784-2113
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

QUANTICO, VA (May 30, 2002) -- On May 26, 2002, the U.S. Marine Corps running team did battle against the Royal Navy/Royal Marine Corps on the streets and in the fields of Plymouth, England. And in the end, it was the USMC who emerged victorious.

The four-man, two-woman Marine Corps Challenge Cup team headed to Plymouth, England on 23 May to take part in the final leg of this year's "Warriors of the Sea" challenge cup. The teams participated in the Plymouth Hoe Promenade Half Marathon, a 13.1 mile road race whose start and finish line overlooked the same port from which men and women set sail for Boston more than 300 years ago.

It was in this historic town that the USMC running team would also set a course for adventure, eventually taking victory from the hands of a confident Royal team. Team manager Rick Nealis, who is also Director of the Marine Corps Marathon, was confident that the team coach, Master Sergeant Bret Schmidt, G-3, MCB Quantico, had assembled the best group of half-marathoners available in the whole of the USMC. Captain McCann, who was able to produce an impressive run and beat the Royal Navy's top woman finisher by six minutes, sealed the victory for the USMC.

The victory by the U.S. Marine Corps running team returns the "Warriors of the Sea" challenge cup back to American soil from England, where it has spent the last two years. This win should provide the catalyst for our runners to now raise the bar against the Royal Navy/Royal Marine Corps in the next level of competition, which will be the running of the 27th Marine Corps Marathon on October 27, 2002. Their training is on track, their confidence is high, and with the taste of victory still fresh on their minds they are ready to return the male and female Marathon Challenge Cups back to American soil.

In 1978 the Royal Navy (RN) and Royal Marines (RM) challenged the US Marine Corps to a team competition and provided the Victory Trophy for the winners of the challenge. The trophy is a 44-ounce Victorian silver cup, which from 1898 to 1939 was presented to the winning team in the Officers' Sports competition at the RN Barracks, Portsmouth. In 1995, the challenge was expanded to include the "Warriors from the Sea" challenge cup. For the purpose of the challenge, the times of the three fastest male runners and the fastest female runner from each team are added together to give the team aggregate. The RN/RM team had won four of the six competitions, and the USMC was thrilled to not only take home the victory, but to do it on British soil.

The team members for Team Marine are:

- Staff Sergeant Rob Adams - MCB Quantico 1:11:25
- Gunnery Sergeant Ed Hollway - MCB Quantico 1:14:14
- Sergeant Armondo Tijerina - MCB Quantico 1:16:04
- Second Lieutenant Damon Friedman - Camp Lejeune 1:17:06

- Captain Kristin McCann -MCB Quantico 1:25:07
- First Lieutenant Faye Hutchison- Camp Doha, Kuwait
1:29:26

The team representing the Royal Navy and Marine Corps consisted of the following men and women:

- Corporal Mark Goodridge RM - Joint Headquarters,
Northwood. 1:11:11
- Warrant Officer Steve Payne RM - 42 Commando, South
West England (Plymouth). 1:13:57
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Team Marine Ready for the "Warriors of the Sea Cup"

May 17, 2002
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The battlefield has been chosen and the warriors selected for the "Warriors of the Sea Cup" competition. Team Marine will travel to Plymouth, England for this year's competition at the Plymouth Hoe Promenade Half Marathon to answer the challenge issued by the British Royal Navy/Marine Corps. The competition is to be held on Sunday, May 26, 2002. Team Marine Coach MSgt Bret Schmidt of MBC Quantico said, "It will be tough, but Team Marine has proven to be solid and is ready for the challenge."

Capt Kristin McCann from MCB Quantico will lead the team of six in the race. Her team members include 1Lt Faye Hutchison from Camp Doha, Kuwait, SSgt Rob Adams from MCB Quantico, Sgt Armondo Tijerina from MCB Quantico, 2Lt Damon Friedman from Camp Lejeune, and GySgt Ed Holloway from MCB Quantico. Team member SSgt Adams said, "Training is going well and Team Marine intends to bring the cup home this year." The "Warriors of the Sea Cup" competition was established in 1995 to continue the friendly rivalry that began with the Marine Corps Marathon's Challenge Cup. Mrs. Laurie Puckett, wife of the late Colonel Paul Puckett, who was director of Operations Division, Marine Corps Base, Quantico, at the time, donated the Cup. Each year, the team that triumphs takes the cup to their homeland. The Cup has been on English soil since 2000. "The long distance runners for the Marine Corps plan on returning the challenge cup to American soil," said the Director, Marine Corps Marathon, Rick Nealis. "Since losing the prestigious cup in cold and rainy conditions at the 2000 Plymouth Hoe Promenade Half Marathon, the Marines this year plan on being victorious."

For More Information contact Rick Nealis, Race Director, Marine Corps Marathon at 703-784-2225/6 or Nealisrg@nt.quantico.usmc.mil.

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Lottery drawing has ended for the Marine Corps Marathon

May 7, 2002

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The Marine Corps Marathon received an overwhelming response from its first time ever On-line Lottery Drawings. On February 15, 2002 through May 2, 2002 applications were available for runners to fill out on-line at www.marinemarathon.com. Runners were able to apply alone or in groups. These registrations were placed in a lottery where the Marine Corps Marathon staff randomly selected participants for the Marathon. The selection process was held every Friday and the last drawing was on May 3, 2002.

Rick Nealis, Race Director, found this lottery to be a great success. "Fairness in the random selection, and the ease of registering, made this years process one of the best," said Nealis. Additionally, "the group registration allowed training partners the guarantee to be able to run together on Oct. 27th."

To see the list of confirmed participants visit our website at www.marinemarathon.com.

For more information contact Cathy Yurgel, Marketing Assistant, at (703) 784-2225 ext.279, or e-mail yurgelcm@nt.quantico.usmc.mil.

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Marine Corps Marathon Visits Schools to Promote Physical Fitness

March 25, 2002

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

On 22 March 2002, the Marine Corps Marathon staff visited the top participating schools in Virginia and Maryland for the Healthy Kids' Fun Run held in conjunction with the Marine Corps Marathon. Children from St. John the Evangelist Elementary School, in Clinton, Maryland and Lynbrook Elementary School in Springfield, Virginia eagerly awaited the presentation of their award.

Race Director, Rick Nealis, and Public Relations Representative, Ruben Rodriguez, Washington Post, gave a presentation to promote physical fitness and a healthy life style to elementary-aged children. Nealis, who provided security for the Olympic Torch for the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, Utah, used the Olympic Torch to inspire the children to run and find their dream. Nealis said, "Lighting the fire within the children to live a healthy lifestyle is our number one goal and seeing their excited faces was reward enough to put on this fun run."

Next month, the Marathon staff will visit H.D. Cooke Elementary School in Washington, DC to proudly present their award. H.D. Cooke was the top participating school in the District.

The 3rd Annual Healthy Kids' Fun Run will be held on October 26, 2002 at the Iwo Jima Memorial, Arlington, Virginia. We will accept 1,000 children. The entry fee is a toy valued \$10.00 for Toys for Tots.

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Marine Corps Marathon Lottery Drawings Begin

March 15, 2002
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The Marine Corps Marathon's Lottery Drawings began on 15 March 2002 with the first 4,500 runners being selected. The first runner selected was Keegan Yager from Charlotte, North Carolina.

Race Director, Rick Nealis, was pleased with how smoothly the first selection process went. "I feel this process is a much more efficient registration structure than in the past and that it will continue to move ahead successfully."

A new feature of registration for the Marine Corps Marathon is the group feature. Runners who wish to run with family members or friends can select to be a part of a group. The group feature ensures that, if selected, all members of the group will be registered. This feature has been very well received by the runners where over 21% have registered.

The next drawing will be held on Friday, March 22, 2002. The selection process will continue on-line at www.marinemarathon.com every Friday until May 3, 2002. Each week, the Marathon staff will randomly select a certain number of entrants until the field reaches 16,000 runners. Runners need only apply once since the applications will roll over to the next drawing.

For more information contact Rick Nealis, Race Director, Marine Corps Marathon at (703) 784-2225 or NealisRG@nt.quantico.usmc.mil.

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Marine Corps Marathon launches lottery registration

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February 6, 2002
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Marine Corps Marathon launches its online lottery registration for the 27th Marine Corps Marathon on Friday, February 15, 2002. This year, there is no need to rush on-line, as it is a lottery registration.

Race Director, Rick Nealis, opted for the lottery process this year because it will give everyone an equal opportunity to get into the race. "I feel this process will place less stress on our runners and will allow them to experience a much more efficient registration structure than the system that was provided last year."

Runners can apply on-line at www.marinemarathon.com on February 15, 2002 until May 3, 2002. Each week, starting March 15 until May 3, the Marathon staff will randomly select a certain number of entrants until the field reaches 16,000 runners. Runners need only apply once, for the application will roll over with each weekly drawing. Once a runner has been selected by the lottery, he or she will receive a confirmation e-mail with a bib number.

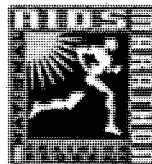
Additionally, the confirmed runners will be posted on the website.

Runners should note, that while the entry into the lottery is free, if selected runners will be charged the \$75.00 registration fee. All entry fees are non-refundable, non transferable and non-deferrable.

While planning the first on-line lottery process, the Marathon staff took special consideration for groups and members of the Marine Corps Marathon Running Club. Members of the club (those runners who have completed five or more MCMs and submitted their certificates to the office) were mailed a guaranteed entry, which must be submitted by March 15, 2002.

Runners who wish to run with loved ones or friends, the Marathon staff added a section in which runners can enter the lottery together, so if the number is chosen the whole group will be entered into the 27th MCM. Runners should pay close attention to the group entries section while applying on-line.

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If further information is needed, please contact Mrs. Angela Huff, Business Manager, Marine Corps Marathon, at (703) 784-2225/2720 extension 299.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 1, 2001

I am pleased to send warm greetings to those gathered in Washington, D.C., for the 2001 Marine Corps Marathon.

Each year, the Marine Corps Marathon allows runners from across America and around the world a unique opportunity to test their athletic endurance. The course provides a tremendous challenge and allows the competitors and spectators to experience the beauty and history of our Nation's Capital.

I commend the participants for your hard work and determination, and I applaud the volunteers and organizers who make this race possible. Best wishes for a successful and memorable event.

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