



TAURANGA  
INTERNATIONAL  
MARATHON



# EVENT INFO

## INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing to be a part of the inaugural Tauranga International Marathon. We truly can't wait to deliver what we intend will be the loveliest Marathon, Half Marathon, Quarter Marathon, 6km Run/Walk and Kids Dash in the world!

For those who haven't ventured onto the Bay of Plenty region before, you're in for a sweet treat! It's not called the Bay of Plenty for no reason! Endless blue skies paired with a warm climate, a sparkling blue harbour, one of the most popular surf beaches in the country and a relaxed inviting community with fascinating culture and history.

## EVENT REGISTRATION

### FRIDAY 6TH OCTOBER

Your race number bib, timing transponder and race bag can be collected between 3:00pm and 9:00pm on Friday 6th October at the Baycourt Community & Arts Centre, 38 Durham Street, Tauranga CBD.

Friends or family members are able to collect these items on your behalf. They will need to know your full name, date of birth and event category in order to do so.

### SATURDAY 7TH OCTOBER

If you are not able to collect your race items on Friday evening, your race number bib, timing transponder and race bag can be collected between 5:30am and 7:00am on Saturday 7th at the event village/finish line, Gordon Spratt Reserve, 80 Alice Lane, Papamoa Beach. Please allow plenty of time to register, drive or catch the bus to your start line and be ready for your event start.

### ON THE DAY ENTRIES

If you know someone who wants to enter but hasn't yet - no problem, bring them along with you to registration on either Friday 6th and Saturday 7th – both registration desks will be set up to take "on the day" entrants.

Please note, we recommend anyone who wishes to take part in the events to enter online in advance – on the day entries do carry a slight additional charge.

### VIRTUAL RACE BAGS

As we strive to be a zero waste event, we have created a Virtual Race Bag for all our participants (so you don't end up throwing away a bag of fliers). Our sponsors/partners/local businesses have put together some awesome deals and competitions just for you. **Check them out here!**

# TRANSPORTATION

## TRANSPORT TO YOUR START LINE

### Option 1. Personal drop-off

If you have someone with you who isn't participating in any of the events, they could drive you to your start line and drop you off. Easy! [Parking available here](#).

### Option 2. Walk or drive to event start and catch a free event shuttle bus back to start after your event

You can walk to your event start. After you have completed your event, catch a free event shuttle bus back to your start line from the finish line/event village at Gordon Spratt Reserve. **No bookings required!**

## POST-EVENT SHUTTLE BUSES

FREE post-event shuttle buses will depart the finish line on the hour and half hour.

**Bus 1, to:**  
**Tauranga CBD**

First bus 10.30am  
Last bus 4.00pm

**Bus 2, to:**  
**Mount Maunganui**  
(Adams avenue)  
**6km Start** (45 Evans Road, Papamoa)  
**Quarter Marathon Start** (Surf Road)  
**Half Marathon Start** (Blake Park)

First bus 9.00am  
Last bus 4:00pm

**NO BOOKINGS  
REQUIRED**

### Option 3. Drive to event village and catch a free event shuttle bus to your start line

You can drive to the event finish line/event village area at Gordon Spratt Reserve on event morning, park your vehicle within the reserve ground (plenty of parking!) and catch a free event shuttle bus to your start line. When you finish your event your vehicle will be there waiting for you.

**Shuttles to start line must be booked in advance by Wednesday 4th October.** If you didn't book a shuttle bus when completing your online registration, please login to your personal registration details through your registration confirmation email and add the transport item. Please [email Vanessa Price](#) if you need help adding the bus to your registration.

Buses depart from Gordon Spratt Reserve, 80 Alice Lane, Papamoa Beach. We will have passenger lists at the 'bus stop' in the morning - no ticket needed.

## PRE-EVENT SHUTTLE BUSES - BOOKINGS REQUIRED

EVENT	BUS DEPARTS	START LINE LOCATION	BRIEFING TIME	START TIME
42.2km Marathon	5:45am	The Strand, Tauranga	6:45am	Run: 7:00am Walk: 7:05am
21.1km Half Marathon	6:30am	Blake Park, Maunganui Road, Mt. Maunganui	7:15am	Run: 7:30am Walk: 7:35am
10.5km Quarter Marathon	6:55am	Omanu Surf Club, Surf Road, Mt. Maunganui	7:30am	Run: 7:45am Walk: 7:50am
6km Run/Walk	7:00am	Tahatai Coast School, 45 Evans Rd, Mt. Maunganui	7:30am	Run: 7:45am Walk: 7:50am



## COURSE INFORMATION

### INDIVIDUAL EVENT INFO

All course information can be found on the website, including aid station info, pacer info (for the marathon and half marathon), course cut-off times, maps and course profiles.

- **Marathon**
- **The Hits Half Marathon**
- **Quarter Marathon**
- **6km Run/Walk**

## BAG TRANSFER SERVICE

A free gear bag transfer service is available at all start locations.

**1**

Please pack essentials into the TIM plastic drawstring bag provided. These are the only bags that can be used. Please do not over-pack them.

**2**

Bags must be placed into the event trailer at your start line. They will be tagged with your bib number and transported to the event hub at the finish line.

**3**

Bags will be available for collection from the Gear Tent at the finish line event village.

## SPECTATOR INFORMATION

We would love to have as many of your great supporters out on course and at the finish line as possible! Supporters and spectators are the ones who create the magic and give endless energy to an event and its participants.

Please see the **helpful map on the TIM website** that will give supporters the BEST viewing spots in the house and the BEST driving route to those spots and to the finish line/event village to see loved ones arrive home with a huge smile on their face!

## QUERIES

We want to make sure that Saturday 7th October and the inaugural Tauranga International Marathon is a day that you remember for all the right reasons so if your queries haven't been answered by the information in this communication please don't hesitate to **contact Event Manager Kezia Trask** or **contact Registration Manager Vanessa Price**.

# FINISH LINE & EVENT VILLAGE

## ENTERTAINMENT & PRIZE GIVING

Prize giving will take place at Gordon Spratt Reserve at approximately 12:30pm. Merit prizes will be awarded to the top 3 of the Marathon and Half Marathon run category. Trophies will be awarded to overall race winners for each of the race options, in both run and walk categories and age category winners of the Marathon run.

A major spot prize will also be drawn at prize giving so make sure you hang around to be in to win!

We have an awesome line-up of cover bands to keep you entertained in the sun with a SPEIGHT'S in hand. The Tauranga International concert is free for all event participants and spectators so

## SPOT PRIZES

Our generous sponsors and partners have provided some magnificent spot prizes, the winners of these prizes will be gifted across the finish line at random. Good luck everyone!

## ONSITE FOOD AND BEVERAGE

Our friends from Little Big Events will be assembling a marketplace of the most scrumptious breakfast, lunch and snack food vendors Tauranga has on offer to provide food for purchase throughout the afternoon.

As a great big high five from the SPEIGHT'S team, see the lovely SPEIGHT'S crew on the finish line for a FREE ice cold SPEIGHT'S to celebrate your victory! After you've wet your palate, the SPEIGHT'S bar will be providing ice cold SPEIGHT'S for purchase throughout the afternoon.



## RECOVERY

### MASSAGE

Michelle from iMassage will be at the event hub and taking bookings for your post-event rub-down. Their team does magic work so, do yourself a favour and look after your body, so you're in shape to keep running and walking for years to come. Bookings essential.

### PHYSIO

Craig and the team from Foundation Clinic will be onsite at the event registration and on event morning to provide pre-event strapping and post-event advice for all our Tauranga International Marathon participants.

### STRETCHING

The New Zealand Institute of Health and Fitness - the nation's leader in personal training education - is providing free post-event stretching at the event village. Make the most of this very special offer and have a chat with the friendly students after your event!

## EVENT MERCHANDISE

We will have limited edition Tauranga International Marathon event apparel available for purchase at the event village. However, numbers are limited so we recommend you make your purchases in advance!

If you didn't purchase your tee when you registered for your event, you are able to do so now by accessing your registration through your confirmation email and adding the merchandise item. If you're having any challenges, [please email Vanessa](#).

### CASUAL TEES



### TECHNICAL TEES



## THANK YOU

We look forward to seeing you all in the sunny Bay of Plenty for the inaugural Tauranga International Marathon! Thank you for being a part of what is sure to become an iconic event. See you there!

### THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS & PARTNERS

