

BELLIN WOMEN'S HALF 2019 MARATHON

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Registration Opens April 1 for Bellin Women's Events

No foolin' — new pricing, deferral policy incentivize early sign-ups

GREEN BAY — Registration will open Monday, April 1 for the Bellin Women's Half Marathon & Pink Pumpkin 5K on Saturday, Oct. 5.

These unique-to-our region events are designed to celebrate and motivate female athletes of all levels and abilities while building camaraderie and highlighting health and wellbeing issues specific to women. Runners and walkers are invited to take part in the half marathon, half marathon relay or 5K event, each of which starts and ends in the heart of downtown Green Bay.

New for 2019, participants can take advantage of lower-than-ever registration costs during the month of April. The half marathon is just \$80, the relay is \$130 and the 5K weekend experience (adding the Friday Women's Inspiration Dinner) is \$45. Early registration comes worry-free with the event's new deferral policy – if for any reason registrants are unable to participate in 2019, their registration can be deferred to 2020 at no cost.

“We know that being registered for an event is one of the most powerful incentives there is to get and stay healthy throughout the course of training,” said Race Director Linda Maxwell. “We hope by encouraging early sign-ups we can help our participants stay fit and active throughout the summer and into fall.”

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All three Bellin Women’s events begin outside the KI Convention Center in downtown Green Bay. Half marathon and relay participants head across the Fox River and run through the scenic neighborhoods of Ashwaubenon and De Pere, while 5K runners and walkers traverse the beautiful neighborhoods between S. Monroe Avenue and the Fox River on the city’s east side.

Both races take advantage of the ever-popular Fox River Trail before concluding in the heart of downtown on Green Bay’s CityDeck. The event’s signature goodies, finisher medallion and a post-race dance party and awards ceremony will await participants at the finish.

Registrants for all three events will receive a long-sleeve hoodie and a custom finisher medallion. Half marathon and relay participants will receive a ticket to the Friday, Oct. 4 Women’s Inspiration Dinner, while 5K participants will have the option of purchasing a ticket for the event (just \$45 total with early bird weekend experience pricing). All participants will be able to take advantage of free twice-weekly training runs, which begin in July, as well as extra no-cost events that have included sessions on yoga, nutrition and emotional wellbeing.

This is the fifth year for the half marathon and relay and second year for the 5K event. In 2018, Bellin joined forces with the [Breast Cancer Family Foundation](#)’s annual Pink Pumpkin 5K Run/Walk to create a brand-new event for participants in Northeast Wisconsin. The partnership was a natural fit for a race that seeks to call attention to training and health issues specific to women, while also providing the opportunity for even more women to get active, organizers said.

Registration opens at 9 a.m. April 1. Sign-up is quick and easy at www.bellinwomenshalf.com. Information and updates are available [online](#) and on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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