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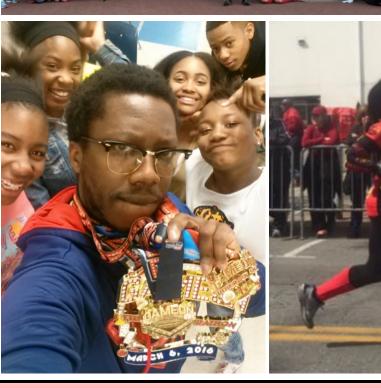




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HIFFINITICS

Marathon Maniacs running half marathons... YES, it's true!

Tired of running marathons and ultras (HA!!)? Need to back down on that weekly mileage and concentrate on getting faster? Then join the Half Fanatics (halffanatics.com). There are currently over 14,000+ members in the Fanatic Asylum, and I'm sure you'll recognize a few names in the group. So jump on the bandwagon now, get your qualifying races in and join this new, zany group!

www.halffanatics.com













DuPont City Trail Marathon













http://www.marathonmaniacs.com









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MARATHON MANIACS: THE BOOK

The Marathon Maniacs have released a book!

This book is collection of stories by members of the Marathon Maniacs. These stories are sure to be encouraging and motivation to current and future members. The book was edited by Maniac Malcolm Anderson author of the book "The Messengers".

Be sure to get your copy of the book and enjoy the stories of the World's Most Insane Running Club!

http://www.databarevents.com/store/product/101/Marathon-Maniacs-Book

Autographed Copy: http://www.databarevents.com/store/product/103/Autographed-MM-Book

Insane Running Club

Edited by Malcolm Anderson



Did you know the Marathon Maniacs have an official pace team? Since Maniacs are no stranger to running 26.2 miles many of you are good running these runs.

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There are many great reasons to join the pace team and many rewarding aspects to being a pacer.





Requirements to be a Pacer

Must have completed 15 marathons for your desired distance to pace

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The Official Marathon Maniac Pace Teams

- Marathon Pacer: Must have completed the marathon distance 20 minutes faster than your pace time for the full marathon (example: to pace a 4:00 hour you must have run a 3:40 marathon)
- To be in good standing with the Marathon Maniacs and all dues current
- Have your MM race page updated so that we can link your information
- CPR Certification by event date-please contact your local fire department for a FREE class

Pacer Perks

- Free to join!
- Waived entry fee
- Sublimated Pace Shirts
- A chance to carry the coveted maniac cat pace sign
- Discounts on lodging when applicable
- Fun pacing runners to their goal finish time

Best of luck to you securing your spot on the pace team!

For more information on which races we are looking for pacers and on getting signed up please visit: http://www.marathonmaniacs.com/marathon-maniacs/pacer-team

Marathon Maniac Pacing Coordinator: Sabrina Seher (MM #3397)

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Get your child moving! An 8 week running program with fun and challenging running activities. After you sign your child up you will receive the following.

1. Tri-Fold brochure map to track your child's fitness journey.

- 2. Access to an interactive online map to track miles.
- 3. Sublimated Mini Maniac kids tech tee.
- 4. Mini Maniac Finisher Medal.
- 5. Mini Maniac official club number inside The Cave.



http://www.marathonmaniacs.com/mini-maniacs



JOIN THE MANIACS ON THESE SOCIAL NETWORKS







FACEBOOK: Marathon Maniac page: <u>http://www.facebook.com/pages/Marathon-Maniacs/144969288167</u> Marathon Maniacs group: <u>http://www.facebook.com/groups/marathonmaniacs/</u>

INSTRAGRAM: @marathonmaniacs - <u>http://instagram.com/marathonmaniacs</u>

TWITTER: @mainmaniacs - <u>http://twitter.com/mainmaniacs</u>

Across all social networks use the hash tag:

#marathonmaniacs





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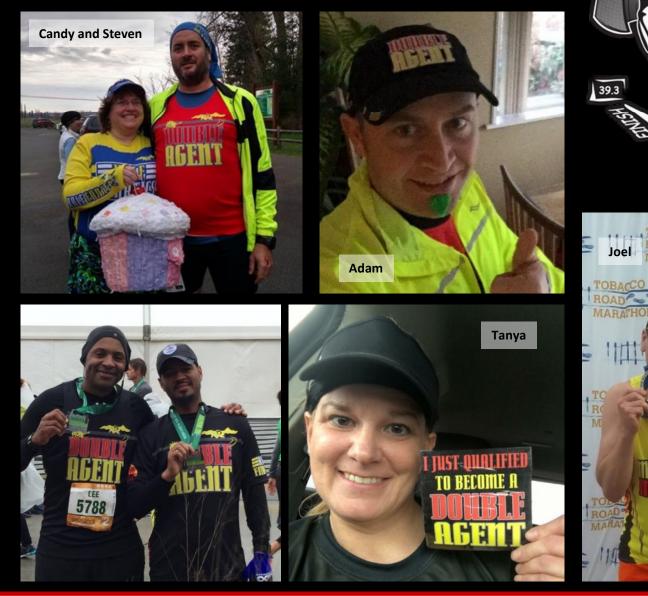


Since the formation of the Half Fanatics in 2009, a runner who is a member of both clubs is called a Double Agent.

Well, the Main Maniacs have decided to create an asylum dedicated to those who are Double Agents. In order to be assigned a Double Agent number you must have your dues paid and updated in both the MM and HF. Your name and e-mail address must match both clubs. Each day a program will run to generate new members.

New gear is available for Double Agents as well as a whole new set of challenges as you climb peaks.

For more information visit the Maniacs web site.



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NEW DOUBLE AGENTS IN MARCH:

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eugene kitagawa (#2214) Sonia Dhodapkar (#2215) Heather Latham (#2216) Angie "Running Girl" Hamann (#2217) Jason Bangos (#2218) Danica Pruitt (#2219) Dea McFarland (#2220) Batinna Thornhill (#2221) Monique Warren (#2222) Connie Adams (#2223) Jennifer Anderson (#2225) Niccole Carr (#2226) Kim (#2227) LAFAYE W. (#2228) Jeremy Interrante (#2229) Quanda Moss (#2230) Dawn A. Marshall (#2231) Timothy W. Smith (#2232) Vincent Robinson (#2233) Ronké Olatunji (#2234) kescia muhammad (#2235) Erika White (#2236) Brittany Blanks-Jefferson (#2237) Cathy Jarrett (#2238) Patty Treece (#2239) James Kearby (#2240) Tonia Easterling (#2241) Totlitha Tatum (#2242) Tracy Miller (#2243) Gary Collina (#2244) Markatta Hicklen (#2245) Tanya Garcia (#2246) Sharon Shaw (#2247) Angel Whitfield (#2248) Kai Majors (#2249) Katrina Williams (#2250) Chan Robertson (#2251) Jana Graham (#2252) sharmin moody (#2253) Geri O'Krepki (#2254) Jennifer Hassler (#2255) Wendy Macias Hall (#2256) Tracey Rouse (#2257) Jennifer Cohen (#2258)

Barbara Blackford (#2259) Debi Surrett (#2260) Natali Villarruel (#2261) Stephane Cole (#2262) Justin McKee (#12287) (#2263) Heidi McKee (#2264) Rob Wesley (#2265) Kenny Lane (#2266) Jenny Spangler (#2267) Byanka Meacham (#2268) Daniel Dollar (#2269) Melissa Welch (#2270) Jerome Ventura (#2271) Tammy Toliver (#2272) Trina Brown (#2273) Charissa Peterman (#2274) Lori Everts (#2275) Chuck Harvey (#2276) Lesley Jackson (#2277) Anjelica Kaylor (#2278) tara owens (#2279) Deirdre Jacobson (#2280) Stacey Whitney (#2281) Norma Britton (#2282) K. millen (#2283) Cynthia Robinson (#2284) Tiffany Thomas (#2285) Karon Holmes (#2286) Maribel Neanover (#2287) Elaine Mitchell (#2288) Tanya Roberts (#2289) Calesha Hayes (#2290) John Irwin (#2291) Patrick Gallagher (#2292) Darryl Herren (#2293) Kathy Thompson (#2294) Marilyn Hannah (#2295) Sandee McKinnon (#2296) Tommy Dobson (#2297) Derrick Kropf (#2298) Latoya Harwell (#2299) Kenny Kropf (#2300) Carol Mulderink (#2301) Kristin Ober (#2302)



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MARTAHON MANAGAS 2016 REUTON DES MOINES MARATHON • Des Moines, Iowa • Sunday, October 16, 2016

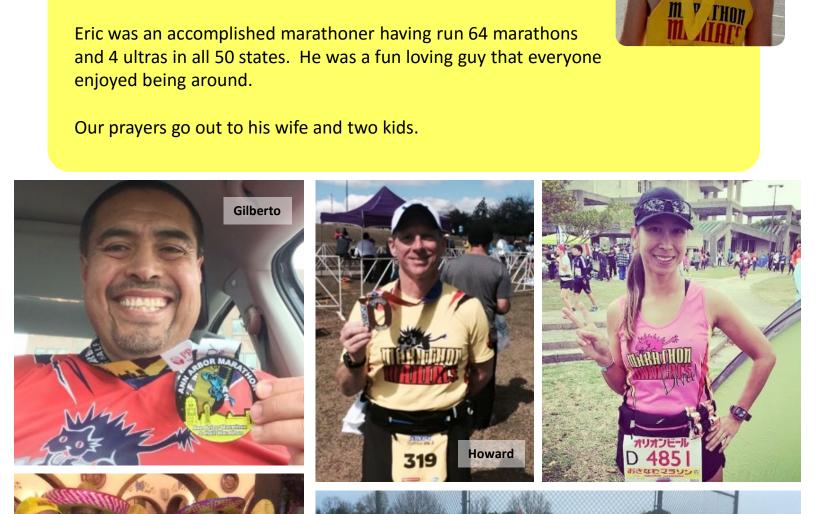
This reunion promises to be our best ever! We are working hard to coordinate all the fun details, so stay tuned to this page as more info becomes available.

This reunion will offer a double (if you're up to the challenge), by running the I-35 Challenge. This will consist of running Kansas City the day before!

More information and updates can be found here: http://www.marathonmaniacs.com/reunion-info



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(MM#2170) passed away after being in a car accident.





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MARATHON MANIACS CRITERIA	New Maniacs at each level	
- 52 Marathons or more within 365 days. - 30 Marathons in 30 different US states within 365 days. - 20 Countries within 365 days.	Don Kern, Alex Feria	
- 45 - 51 Marathons within 365 days. - 23 Marathons in 23 different US states within 365 days. - 28 Marathons within 183 days.	None	
- 38 - 44 Marathons within 365 days. - 20 Marathons in 20 different US states within 365 days - 13 Marathons within 79 days.	Nadia Guimont	
- 31 - 37 Marathons within 365 days. - 16 Marathons in 16 different US states within 365 days. - 6 Marathons within 16 days. - 4 Marathons in 4 days = QUADZILLA.	None	
- 31 - 37 Marathons within 365 days. - 16 Marathons in 16 different US states within 365 days. - 6 Marathons within 16 days. - 4 Marathons in 4 days = QUADZILLA.	None	
- 4 Marathons in 23 days. - 19 - 25 Marathons within 365 days. - 2 Marathons in 2 days (or 48 hours) - 9 Marathons in 9 different US states within 365 days.	Neisa Condemaita, Christopher Hart	
• 4 Marathons within 37 days. - 12 - 18 Marathons within 365 days. - 4 Marathons in 4 different US states within 51 days	None	
 SILVER ★ - 3 Marathons within a 16 day time frame. - 6 Marathons in 6 consecutive calendar months. - 8 - 11 Marathons within 365 days. 	None	
BRONZE ★ - 2 Marathons within a 16 day time frame. - 3 Marathons within a 90 day time frame.	New Titanium Maniacs!!	
If you reached a higher Maniac level and want the recognition in the Newsletter Please fill out this form: http://tinyurl.com/MMupgrade	Don Kern Alex Feria	

Upcoming Races!

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Marathon/Ultra Calendar between April 29-May 18

4/29	Salt Flats 100	100mi	UT
4/30	Greenland Trail Race - 50K	50K	CO
4/30	Run for the Lakes Marathon	26.2	MN
4/30	Three Sisters Ultra Festival	Ultra	TN
4/30	C and O Canal	100mi	MD
4/30	NWTR - Spring Eagle	26.2	WA
4/30	Kentucky Derby Festival Marathon	26.2	KY
4/30	Plym Trail Marathon Day One	26.2	ABE
4/30	Indiana Trail 100m/50m	Ultra	IN
4/30	Hurt the Dirt Marathon	26.2	MI
4/30	Rock N Roll Nashville	26.2	TN
4/30	Ghost of Tacoma	26.2	WA
4/30	Illinois Marathon	26.2	IL
4/30	North Face Endurance Challenge NY 50m/50k/26.2	Ultra	NY
4/30 4/30	Red Rock and Beyond Virginia Run for Cancer 24h	Ultra Ultra	NV VA
4/30	Frisco Railroad Run 50m/50k/26.2	Ultra	MO
4/30	Texadega Nights Speedway Run	Ultra	TX
4/30	Jailbreak Marathon	26.2	WI
4/30	The Queens Marathon	26.2	NY
5/1	Prairie Fire Marathon (Spring Race)	26.2	KS
5/1	Palm Bluff Trail Race and Ultra Marathon	50mi	FL
5/1	Mississauga Marathon	26.2	ON
5/1	San Luis Obispo Marathon	26.2	CA
5/1	Pony Express Marathon	26.2	CA
5/1	Lincoln Marathon	26.2	NE
5/1	Potomac River Run Marathon	26.2	MD
5/1	Tillamook Burn trail run	50K	OR
5/1	Flying Pig Marathon	26.2	ОН
5/1	Pittsburgh Marathon	26.2	PA
5/1	New Jersey Marathon	26.2	NJ
5/1	Michelob ULTRA Tacoma City Marathon	26.2	WA
5/1	Vancouver Marathon	26.2	BC
5/1	Colorado Marathon	26.2	CO
5/1	Eugene Marathon	26.2	OR
5/1	Plym Trail Marathon Day Two	26.2	ABE
5/1	Toronto Marathon	26.2	ON
5/1	Badwater Salton Sea 81m	Ultra	CA
5/1	Avenue of Giants	26.2	CA
5/1	OC Marathon	26.2	CA
5/1	Long Island Marathon	26.2	NY
5/1	Providence Rhode Races Marathon	26.2	RI
5/1	Eau Claire Marathon	26.2	WI
5/1	Downtown River Run	26.2	NV
5/1 5/1	Backside Trail Marathon Holyoke Marathon	26.2 26.2	KY MA
5/1	Borneo International Marathon	26.2	14
5/2	Milton Keynes Marathon	26.2	BKM
5/2	Summer SolstASS	50K	WA
5/4	Mainly Marathons Independence Series (Day 1)	26.2	DE
5/5	Mainly Marathons Independence Series (Day 2)	26.2	MD
5/6	Mainly Marathons Independence Series (Day 3)	26.2	PA
5/6	Canyons Endurance Runs	Ultra	CA
5/6	Spruce Woods Ultra	Ultra	MB
5/7	Farm Park Challenge - Marathon	26.2	MD
5/7	CLE Trail Marathon & 50k	26.2	ОН
5/7	Horseshoe Lake Marathon & 50K	26.2	CA
5/7	REVEL Mt Charleston	26.2	NV
5/7	Miwok 100k	100K	CA
5/7	Whoo's In	50K	CA
5/7	Grand Valley Marathon	26.2	CO

5/7	New River Marathon	26.2	NC
5/7	Hachie 50-Miler, 50K and Marathon	50mi	ТΧ
5/7	Smith Rock Ascent	50K	OR
5/7	Strolling Jim 40 miler	Ultra	ΤN
5/7	Lost Lake 50k & 25k	Ultra	WA
5/7	Mainly Marathons Independence Series (Day 4)	26.2	NJ
5/7	OBX Ultramarathon	50K	NC
5/7	Wisconsin Marathon	26.2	WI
5/7	Shiprock Marathon	26.2	NM
5/7	Run for Kids Challenge	Ultra	AL
5/8	Mainly Marathons Independence Series (Day 5)	26.2	NY
5/8	Sudbury Rocks Marathon	26.2	ON
5/8	Kalamazoo Marathon	26.2	MI
5/8	Delaware Marathon	26.2	DE
5/8	Harmony Geneva Marathon	26.2	GE
5/8	Skopje Marathon	26.2	OTH
5/8	Prague Marathon	26.2	JC
5/8	Fredericton Marathon	26.2	NB
5/12	NJ Trail Series Three Days at the Fair	Ultra	NJ
5/13	Born To Run Ultra Marathons	Ultra	CA
5/13	Cruel Jewel (50M + 100M)	50mi	GA
5/14	F50 (50K/50m relay)	Ultra	KY
5/14	10th Tie Dye 32 Miler	50K	OH
5/14	Darkside 8hr	Ultra	GA
5/14	Starved Rock Country Marathon	26.2	IL
5/14	Rhinebeck Hudson Valley	26.2	NY
5/14	Ultra-Trail Australia	100K	NSW
5/14	Quicksilver 100k & 50k	100K	CA
5/14	Rock On Lake Perry	50K	KS
5/14	Cinderella Marathon & 50K Trail Run	26.2	CA
5/14	Ice Age Trial 50M/50K	Ultra	WI
5/14	Lake Wobegon Trail Marathon Gold Rush 50k	26.2	MN CA
5/14 5/14	PCT 50	50K 50mi	CA
5/14		26.2	AZ
5/14	Whiskey Row Marathon Brookings Marathon	26.2	SD
5/14	Whispering Pines Trail Run	20.2 50K	TX
5/14	Singletrack Maniac 50k	50K	VA
5/14	Journey's Marathon	26.2	WI
5/14	Thunderbunny 50K	50K	OH
5/14	Massanutten Mountain Trails 100 Mile	100mi	VA
5/14	Chasing Jefferson Davis Marathon	26.2	GA
5/15	Dirty German Endurance Fest	50mi	PA
5/15	Beer Lovers Marathon	26.2	WLG
5/15	Conquer the Wall Marathon on the Great Wall		11
5/15	Colfax Marathon	26.2	CO
5/15	Gate City Marathon	26.2	NH
5/15	Cleveland Marathon	26.2	OH
5/15	Mainly Marathons New England Series (Day 1)		ME
5/15	Capital City Marathon	26.2	WA
5/15	Shipyard Maine Coast Marathon	26.2	ME
5/15	Sugarloaf Marathon	26.2	ME
5/15	Chicagoland Spring Marathon	26.2	IL
5/15	Pocono Marathon	Ultra	PA
5/16	Blue Nose International Marathon	26.2	NS
5/16	Mainly Marathons New England Series (Day 2)	26.2	NH
5/16	Pine Tree Marathon (New England Challenge Day One)		ME
5/17	Granite State Marathon (New England Challenge Day Two)	26.2	NH
5/17	Mainly Marathons New England Series (Day 3)	26.2	VT
5/18	Mainly Marathons New England Series (Day 4)	26.2	MA
5/18	Red Island Marathon (New England Challenge Day Three)	26.2	RI

New Maniacs in March 2016

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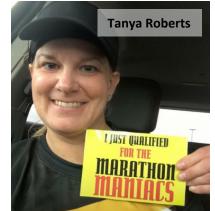
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FROM THE EDITOR...

Spring is here. March featured some from races. April of course includes many more including of course the Boston Marathon. I hope your training is going well and that you are ready to rock it this Spring!

Happy Running!

- Steve "Marathon Freak" Walters MM#338

Monte, Heidi, Janice and Steve

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MANIAC ONGOUNG DISCOUNT

With the new website comes a new way to identify race discounts. All discounts are now located on the race calendar page. Look for the gold coin following the race name, that signifies a discount. Click the coin and after a brief disclaimer reminding us that discounts are for members only, the code will be revealed along with the amount saved.

The programmers are working on lots of website items and one is a non-race related discount link. Until that's complete, you'll need to email Jeff Bollman (jeff@marathonmaniacs.com) for the running warehouse discount.

- **Run for the Lakes Marathon (MN) 4/30/16: <u>www.runforthelakes.com</u>
- Colorado Marathon 5/1/16: <u>www.thecoloradomarathon.com</u>
- Eugene Marathon 5/1/16: <u>http://eugenemarathon.com</u>
- Providence Marathon (RI) 5/1/16: <u>www.runri.us</u>
- New Jersey Marathon 5/1/16: <u>www.thenewjerseymarathon.com</u>
- Tacoma City Marathon 5/1/16: <u>www.tacomacitymarathon.com</u>
- New River Marathon (NC) 5/7/16: www.newrivermarathon.com
- Wisconsin Marathon 5/7/16: <u>www.wisconsinmarathon.com</u>
- Brookings Marathon (SD) 5/14/16: <u>www.brookingsmarathon.com</u>
- Shipyard Maine Coast Marathon 5/15/16: <u>http://mainecoast262.com</u>
- Fargo Marathon 5/21/16: <u>www.fargomarathon.com</u>
- **Horse Capital Marathon (KY) 5/21/16: www.horsecapitalmarathon.com
- **Med City Marathon (MN) 5/29/16: www.medcitymarathon.com
- Vermont City Marathon 5/29/16: <u>www.vermontcitymarathon.org</u>
- Casper Marathon (WY) 6/5/16: <u>www.runwyoming.com</u>
- Deadwood Mickelson Trail Marathon (SD) 6/5/15: <u>www.deadwoodmickelsontrailmarathon.com</u>
- Windermere Marathon(WA) 6/5/16: <u>http://windermeremarathon.com/</u>
- Bear Lake Marathons (WY, UT & ID) 6/9-6/11/16: www.bearlakeendurance.com
- Utah Valley Marathon 6/11/16: www.utahvalleymarathon.com
- HFM Maritime Marathon (WI) 6/12/16: http://maritimemarathon.org/
- **Kona Marathon (HI) 6/26/16: www.konamarathon.com
- **Angel Fire Adventure Marathon (NM) 7/3/16: www.geminivirgoproductions.com/events/angel-fire-adventure-marathon
- Madison Marathon (MT) 7/23/16: www.themadisonmarathon.com
- Big Sky Marathon (MT) 7/24/16: www.themadisonmarathon.com
- **Endless Summer 6 Hour (MD) 7/30/16: <u>https://ultrasignup.com/register.aspx?did=37665</u>
- Idaho Falls MAD Marathon 7/30/16: www.idahofallsmarathon.com
- Lost Turkey Trail Marathon (PA) 7/30/16: www.lostturkeyultra.com
- Humboldt Bay Marathon (CA) 8/14/16: http://humboldtbaymarathon.com/
- Anchorage Run Festival 8/21/16: <u>www.anchoragerunfest.org</u>
- **East Canyon Marathon (UT) 8/27/16: <u>www.eastcanyonmarathon.com</u>
- Lehigh Valley Marathon (PA) 9/11/16: www.viamarathon.org
- That Dam Hill (ON) 9/17/16: http://thatdamhill.ca/home/
- Greater Binghamton Marathon (NY) 9/18/16: http://GreaterBinghamtonMarathon.com
- HITS Omaha Marathon (NE) 9/18/16: http://omahamarathon.com
- Monument Marathon (NE) 9/24/16: <u>www.monumentmarathon.com</u>
- Quad Cities Marathon (IL) 9/25/16: http://qcmarathon.org/
- New Hampshire Marathon 10/1/16: <u>www.nhmarathon.com</u>
- Hartford Marathon (RI) 10/8/16: <u>www.hartfordmarathon.com</u>
- Baltimore Marathon 10/15/16: <u>www.thebaltimoremarathon.com</u>
- Kansas City Marathon (MO) 10/15/16: <u>http://waddellandreedkansascitymarathon.org</u>
- Des Moines Marathon [MANIAC REUNION!!] 10/16/16: <u>www.desmoinesmarathon.com</u>



PLEASE RENEW YOUR ANNUAL MANIAC DUES (ON YOUR MANIAC BIRTHDAY) YOUR DUES HELP MAINTAIN THE CLUB AND KEEP THE COVETED MANIAC GEAR IN STOCK!! A REMINDER IS SENT WITH THE MONTHLY E-FLASH AND SOME OF YOU ARE OVERDUE!!

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RHETORICAL REVELATIONS AND W(RITES)... FROM THE RAMBUNCTIOUS REV

Hiya Prez!

Mr. Prez, I love Boston. I love New York. I thoroughly enjoy Miami. But, Stevie Boy?It's time to get the word out!

 We've been talking about this for 14 years. What's the best marathon? What's the prettiest marathon? Americans are hung up on the "-est" part of comparisons unnecessarily: many are always worth attention. That's why Halls of Fame are not Closets.

2) But a problem is developing. With more marathon runners, more marathons are created; but now the number of race slots to be filled is exceeding the number of registrations occurring, so smaller – and often, very much *better* -marathons suffer and are starting to fade out of business. This is not because they are not good. Some aresuperb, gorgeous, and an experience quite delightfully unlike the bigger races.

A similar plight is affecting golf. A club professional near Orlando, Fl., whose beautiful club is closing in April, told me that a National Golf Foundation reportbelieves <u>12,000</u> golf courses in America need to be closed so that available golf dollars will channel into fewer coursesso to keep at least those viable.

Ahhh, but April in Paradise at a small marathon! When Mother Nature gets to painting, she generates indescribable beauty. Now, at the famous St. George's Marathon in Utah, one gorgeous scene is presented, but remains the same for the majority of its 26 miles. Far more entertainingly presented at Mom Nature's *Varieties-on-a-Theme* gallery, tucked into 26 miles of Washington State hills, lives the point-to-point, winding river canyon course called Yakima.

Here, the views evolve and change. The river twists, the hillside road rolls high and low through the valley, tumbleweed tumbles, ranches lounge proudly, a long, lazy freight trainrumbles through, elk might line a ridge or a bald eagle surprise, lifting off out of tall grasses just fifty feet off the road with massive wings creating an unforgettable sound of fla-flomp... fla-flomp... . Birdman spotted 44 varieties of birds during one run down the canyon.

The whole experience is enveloped by an unofficial annual reunion of Maniacs. A night-before pasta dinner on Friday is capped with captivating speakers in running like Bart Yasso, Kathrine Switzer and John "The Penguin" Bingham. And completely uncharacteristic of bigger races, an awards dinner at 4 p.m. the next afternoon brings friends all back together to relax and debrief one another on the adventure accomplished. Afterwards casual relaxing in smaller gatherings might develop, and the next morning an informal breakfast with the race directors is an option. This combination of socializing opportunities really is extraordinary.

You are treated personally here. "Nancy" cheerleads one up the 1.5 mile hill at 21.5 by jogging down to its beginning, escorting you back up the beast, distracting one with casual conversation on running, or the real importance of Packanack Lake. The oldest race director in the country watches over all details, and offers her congratulations to finishers with a hug and infectious smiles.

The weather is typically comfortable. Reasonably-priced hotelsare nearby. The drive from Seattle(and drive the canyon before the race!) is 2.5 beautiful hours.





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It would be sad indeed to lose this course as a marathon route option. There's nary a gas station, strip mall, or industrial park to be found. Save for official vehicles, cars are absent: the road is ours alone, and the setting is iconic.'Tis like running through the set of a western movie.

Tony (#3) just ran it for the 13th time,Prez, you've managed 14,and I've flown across the continent8 times now for this Yakima River Canyon Marathon.

Just a few years ago, 600 runners entered the race. This year's event added a half-marathon (though if one can, run the full course: it is entirely worth it). Even so, numbers are down, about 190 in the half, 220 in the full. So the negative trends are a real threat. I'd like to reverse that:

- 1) This one is a genuine bucket list Gem.
- 2) The course will thrill future runners.
- 3) If a small marathon deserves to survive on its merits, this one surely does.
- 4) The people stories are no clichés, but vivid and welcoming.

Put the Yakima River Canyon Marathon on Your Calendar next year. It will be on April 1, 2017 (I'll pull out the Reverend cardhere: April 1 is the truth, not a joke).

It is a *unique* beauty, and well worth the logistics to drive from Seattle to get there (he of Pennsylvania insists). The tulips in the Northwest are a bonus.

Blessings Prez. Get the word out, or next year I will write about how I've waxed you two years in a row there(never mind your flimsy medical excuses). See you there again next year.





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