

TO: ALL PATCH SPRINT PARTICIPANTS

FROM: Erin, Greg and Tim

FINAL NOTICE FOR THE 2013 PATCH SPRINT

PRE-RACE

CHECK-IN: If you have not already done so, payment must be made prior to the race. Friday evening is preferred; a registration booth will be set up at the race expo. Cash and personal checks are accepted. At that time you will receive your race packet, consisting of your number, T-shirt, safety pins and more. **Registration has closed**, but you are welcome to give a small donation and watch the race. There will also be a fee for t-shirts, meals and lodging, if availability remains.

CHECK IN DEADLINES: In order to receive your packet, with race number (required to be on course), you must check-in **NO LATER THAN** the following times (If you cannot make the deadline, please have someone else pick up your packet):

- Early Bird starters: by 9:00 Friday evening
- 8:00 Starters: by 7:30 Saturday morning
- 9:00 and 10:00 Starters: by 8:45 Saturday morning
- Kindersprint: by 10:45 Saturday morning at base of Pok-O

WAIVER FORM: The Patch Sprint is staged on both private and public land. The event can be dangerous; in the past, some people have gotten lost. Therefore, **all racers and trekkers must sign a “waiver liability” sheet.** This includes an insurance waiver that has not yet been signed by anyone.

DOGS: are permitted but must be under yours, or someone's care and behavioral control at all times. Please honor another guest's request to have you dog on a leash. Please pick-up after your pet.

LODGING: being provided by Pok-O-MacCready camps is for ***REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS ONLY.***

Accommodations have been assigned for requesting registrants, who have received a separate policy letter. Lodging is available for the evening of Sunday (5/26), **only if you are planning to take part in Sunday's Alumni Work project** (see below). Pillows, towels and linens are not provided.

If you are not assigned housing, but wish to stay at camp, please CONTACT us immediately.

All cabins must be cleaned prior to your departure. In accordance with camp regulations, alcohol will not be permitted on Pok-O-MacCready property.

PRE-RACE MEAL: A free pasta dinner will be held on Friday at 7:00pm at Pok-O-MacCready's Robinson Hall, preceded by a **Race Expo**, beginning at 6:00. This is also a good time to pay outstanding fees, and check the information board featuring course maps, photos, products, past results and last minute notices.

Weigh-In for Clydesdale Racers will take place Friday evening. If you fail to exceed 200 pounds, you may be switched to the division of your choosing.

SATURDAY BREAKFAST: Complimentary bagels, cream cheese, coffee, juice and fruit will be served in Robinson Hall from 7:00-8:45am.

VOLUNTEERS: Have been contacted individually regarding specific duties. A poster, located in the dining hall, will display the full volunteer schedule (also see schedule [HERE](#)). Please join us on Friday evening at 8:00pm for a volunteer meeting or, at the very latest, Saturday morning by 7:30am, prior to Start #1.

THE RACE

-EARLY BIRD START - for requesting Trekkers: Please check in Friday night. Participants are responsible for their own race timing.

-START #1 - for Trekkers, and other selected Racers : Please check in at the start no later than 7:45am. **The start will be at precisely 8:00am!**

-START #2 - for General racers: Please check in at the start no later than 8:45am. **The start will be at precisely 9:00am!**

-START #3 - for Elite racers: Please check in at the start no later than 8:45am. **The start will be at precisely 10:00am!**

-START #4 - “KINDER-SPRINT”: Will be at 11:00am at the base of Mt. Pok-O-Moonshine. Please report 15 minutes prior to start time for a group photograph. Late Registration will take place Saturday morning at the Patch Sprint start, or at approx. 10:45am at the base of Pok-O. All racers must arrive with a designated chaperone (although chaperones are welcome to supervise multiple racers).

You may verify your start time online [HERE](#)

AID STATIONS: Along the course will feature water; KobakathonRX2K13®; cookies; candy; energy gels (GU); fruit.

Dropout runners/trekkers: Those choosing to retire from the course are asked to report to the homestead aid station, the base of Pok-O-Moonshine, or tell a summit timer. This will allow race officials to have an accurate accounting of anyone who fails to arrive at the finish of the course, or the top of each mountain.

ALL PARTICIPANTS:

Must pay their fees and sign the waiver form prior to receiving a race number....**Must have their RACE NUMBERS visible** (This is essential for timing and private property access). Failure to wear number may result in disqualification.

Please make arrangements to have your personal gear (no more than five pounds) brought to the finish, on the summit of Pok-O-Moonshine. If you

cannot make arrangements for this, please see Erin Canning. (**NOTE-** Trekkers are responsible for carrying their own gear)... **Remember** to either carry all empty food and beverage containers, or dispose of them at the next garbage bag along the course... It is advised that you **wear a watch** and keep track of your own summit splits in the event of a race timing breakdown. Check with us for the official race time.

-WE STRONGLY ADVISE PARTICIPANTS NOT INTIMATELY FAMILIAR WITH THE ENTIRE COURSE TO CARRY DETAILED DIRECTIONS (download [HERE](#)).

- Race number assignments are based on most recent Patch Sprint placing.

DIRECTIONS: 112 N. Reber Road, Willsboro, NY.

PARKING: Please use the large lot (CPL) at the start of the race course rather than parking on the street. **For anyone planning to bring a vehicle to the base of Mt. Pok-O-Moonshine:** Park your car on the road beyond (South of) the fence and proceed directly to the hiking trail. If the State Park is open, parking/trespassing restrictions will be in effect.

SPECTATORS, et al: All guests, spectators, and volunteers relieved of their duties should make arrangements to be on top of Pok-O-Moonshine by 11:20am. The first “Kinder Sprinters” should be at the finish shortly thereafter, with other runners and trekkers arriving between 11:45am - 1:30pm. Car-pooling and ride coordination is suggested. During the race, the 1812 Homestead, The Start Area, and the base of Pok-O make for a fine viewing areas.

POST-RACE

PARTY #1: We hope that, as a courtesy, all participants **will remain on top of Pok-O-Moonshine until the final “Patch Sprinter” has completed the course.** On top, there will be an unofficial award presentation, a group photograph, and a sweeping view of the entire 12-mile Patch Sprint course.

***** Summit Group photo is scheduled for 1:30pm. *****

RETURN TO CAMP: Courtesy vans will depart from the base of Mt. Pok-O-Moonshine, returning to Pok-O-MacCready. Shuttle will run approximately every 40 minutes between 2:00-4:00pm.

PARTY #2: An awards dinner will start at 6:00pm at Robinson Hall. This event is sold out, so please do not plan on bringing unregistered guests. **Featured events** include a chicken dinner, raffle, auction, awards, giveaways and a slide show. This will be an alcohol-free event.

PARTY #3: Stay tuned for announcements regarding possible after-hours gatherings at various private residents and commercial establishments. The private gatherings will be BYOB. Persons under 21 may neither drink, nor be given alcohol.

PROTESTS and COMPLAINTS: Must be brought to our attention no later than 3:00pm on Saturday. The race committee will try and resolve all issues as soon as possible.

POK-O-MacCREADY ALUMNI WORK DAY will be held Sunday, May 26, following a 9:00 breakfast. This semi-annual event has been purposely scheduled and cross-promoted in conjunction with the Patch Sprint. Camp maintenance chief Shai Walker will lead in a selection of group projects. Our thanks, in advance, to the 65 people who have signed up. As Pok-O-Macready is generously offering its facilities and services for our race, your support- if even only for a few hours- would be greatly appreciated by both camp, and the Patch Sprint committee. Breakfast and lunch will be served.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: An informal golf outing is planned for Sunday, May 26, 2:00pm at the Willsboro Golf Course.

IN CASE OF RAIN: The Race/Trek will go on as scheduled. Lightning/thunder may compel the postponement or cancellation of the race.

OFFICIAL RESULTS: Will be posted on the Patch Sprint web site by Tuesday, May 28, if not sooner.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: We urge you to check the web site and click on "EVENT INFO", "FAQ" and "BREAKING NEWS".

If you have any questions, please contact us at:
<mailto:patchsprint@gmail.com>

**GOOD LUCK TO ALL 2013 PATCH SPRINT
PARTICIPANTS!**