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They say the only thing certain is change, and that's as true for Run Garioch as anywhere else.

After eight years as race director, and many more serving on the race committee, Graham Morrison has handed over his hi-vis vest to a new management team: Event Manager Christine Appel and Operations Lead Jamie Reid.

Everyone who has been involved with Run Garioch – from committee members to runners, charities and spectators – owes Graham a huge debt of gratitude for his tireless work in making the event what it is today.

But he's left Run Garioch in very capable hands. Between them, Christine and Jamie have many years of experience on the Race Committee and as runners – and both look forward to drawing on their own skills and knowledge to make the event even better.



This year also brings change in the form of welcoming a new sponsor. Previously an event patron, premium housebuilders Cala are now supporting our 10k, as well as our Event Village. We're very grateful for their increased support and look forward to many years of partnership with them.

But that's not the only change in our Event Village. Harry Fraser Catering have become our first-ever hospitality sponsor, and will be providing food and drink to the many sponsors and patrons who support our event.

Last but by no means least, there's change over at our CP&Co. Junior Run, too, with a slight tweak in our race distances and age groups, and the introduction of the Mini Mile for pre-schoolers.

That's a lot of change for one year! But what has stayed the same and will always stay the same is our collective commitment to making Run Garioch a fantastic day out for everyone in our community.

We look forward to seeing you in May!

The RG2026 Race Committee

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What an extraordinary response we had to this year's Design the Event Programme Cover Competition. We thought we couldn't top last year's record 275 entries – but we almost doubled it!

With 450 amazing covers to admire, the shortlisting committee – made up of members of the Run Garioch Race Committee and Allan Charles of CP&Co. – had their work cut out.

But it was up to Event Programme sponsors Raeburn Christie Clark and Wallace to make the final decision from the 10 finalists.

After much deliberation, the firm chose a very colourful design by Isla Gerrard (13) of Meldrum Academy (S2).

Faye Donald from RCCW explained their choice: "There were a record number of entries this year which was fantastic and the finalists were all very impressive. It really was a difficult choice!"



"Isla's entry appealed to us because it reflects the beautiful Aberdeenshire countryside where Run Garioch takes place. Well done to Isla!"

Isla tells us her design was, in fact, inspired by what she sees when watching her younger brother James, a member of Young Meldrum Runners, take part in many local events.

In recognition of her efforts Isla wins a £25 Amazon voucher and her school a term-time 3G pitch booking at the GSC.

Lochlan Collie (11) was the winner of the 'best design from an Aberdeen City school pupil' prize. He wins a half-day term-time booking at ASV for Hazlehead School.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE OTHER ARTISTS ON OUR SHORTLIST:

- Morven Tammi [8] Ballater School, P3/4/5
- Samuel Wilkins [13] Inverurie Academy, 2T1
- Grace Bowie [11] Skene School, P5/6/7
- Finn Newton [9] Skene School, P5/6/7
- Finlay Cooper [10] Kellands School, P6
- Isla Stewart [11] Drumoak School, P7
- Ursula Patton [11] Skene School, P5/6/7
- Sienna Stewart [5] Uryside Primary, P1/2



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HALF MILE: GIRLS

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GARIOCH MILE: GIRLS

Please go to your signposted warm-up area at **1:35pm** to be ready for the start at **1:45pm**.

QUARTER MILE: BOYS

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HALF MILE: BOYS

Please go to your signposted warm-up area at **1:20pm** to be ready for the start at **1:30pm**.

GARIOCH MILE: BOYS

Please go to your signposted warm-up area at **1:50pm** to be ready for the start at **2:00pm**.

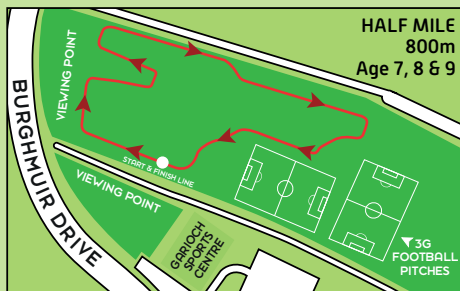
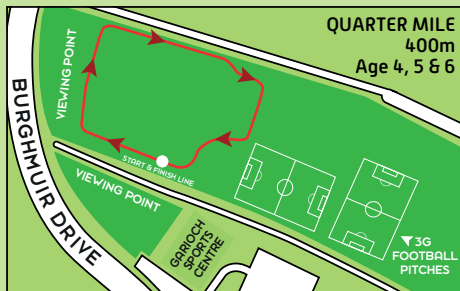
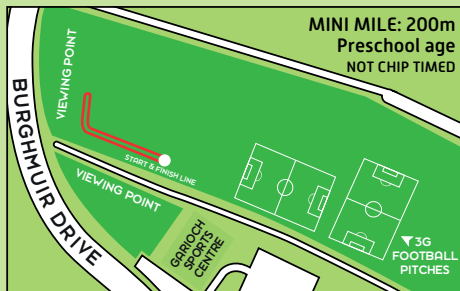
PRIZEGIVING INFORMATION

**THE PRIZEGIVING WILL BE HELD AT 2:45PM
IN THE CALA EVENT VILLAGE**

After finishing their races, runners will be directed to the Finish Zone where they will await collection. Please also feel free to ask the Marshalls or Staff at Junior Run HQ for assistance or information at any time.

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Mackie's 5k Race Information

RACE ASSEMBLY

9:05am

RACE START

9:15am

RACE DISTANCE

5km

2025 WINNING TIME

15:38

PRIZEGIVING DETAILS

The Mackie's 5K Prizegiving will be held at
9:45AM IN THE CALA EVENT VILLAGE

PRIZE INFORMATION

OVERALL WINNER, MALE & FEMALE:
£100 cash and trophy
PLUS a year's supply of Mackie's ice cream

2ND OVERALL, MALE & FEMALE:
£75 cash

3RD OVERALL, MALE & FEMALE:
£25 cash

FASTEST JUNIOR (AGE 12-17), MALE & FEMALE:
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PLEASE NOTE: The Mackie's 5K route has been marked throughout with BLUE / WHITE SIGNS and ascending kilometre markers. Please follow these signs as well as directions from our race marshals.

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CALA 10k Race Information

RACE ASSEMBLY

10:20am

RACE START

10:30am

RACE DISTANCE

10km

2025 WINNING TIME

32:33

PRIZEGIVING DETAILS

The Cala 10K
Prizegiving will be held at
**12:15PM IN THE
CALA EVENT VILLAGE**

PRIZE INFORMATION

**OVERALL WINNER,
MALE & FEMALE:**
£100 cash and trophy

**2ND OVERALL,
MALE & FEMALE:**
£75 cash

**3RD OVERALL,
MALE & FEMALE:**
£25 cash

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(AGE 16-17),
MALE & FEMALE:**
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PLEASE NOTE: The Cala 10k route has been marked throughout with BLACK / WHITE SIGNS and ascending kilometre markers. Please follow these signs as well as any directions from our race marshals.

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McWilliam Lippe Half Marathon Information

RACE ASSEMBLY

10:05am

RACE DISTANCE

13.1 miles

PRIZEGIVING DETAILS

The McWilliam Lippe 1/2M Prizegiving will be held at
12:45PM IN THE CALA EVENT VILLAGE

RACE START

10:15am

2025 WINNING TIME

1:14:50

PRIZE INFORMATION

OVERALL WINNER, MALE & FEMALE:
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2ND OVERALL, MALE & FEMALE:
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MCWILLIAM LIPPE HALF MARATHON 2026

PLEASE NOTE: The McWilliam Lippe Half Marathon route has been marked throughout with ORANGE / BLACK SIGNS and ascending mile markers. Please follow these signs as well as any directions from our race marshals.

THERE ARE 4 WATER STATIONS ON THE MCWILLIAM LIPPE HALF MARATHON AT APPROXIMATELY 4M, 6.5M, 10.5M & 12M.



All-day food and fun for **EVERYONE** in the Cala Event Village

Open from 9am to 3pm and located in the lower car park of the Garioch Sports Centre, the Cala Event Village is back – and better than ever!

Whether you're needing to refuel after your race or pass the time while waiting for friends and family to cross the line, our Event Village has something for everyone.

We've got pizza, burgers, bratwurst, home bakes, donuts, coffee and more! And of course, our 5K sponsors Mackie's of Scotland will be selling their famous ice cream all day long, with the help of the 1st Daviot Oldmeldrum Scouts.

This year, we'll also be joined in the Event Village by several local crafters and a few of our local race patrons, so leave plenty of time to browse.

For the kids, we'll have inflatables as well as games and challenges, provided by our charity partners and local sports clubs. Everyone is also welcome in the Marquee for our prizegivings too!

Entry to the Cala Event Village is FREE and open to EVERYONE in our community.

For a full list of food & drink, vendors, charity stalls and family fun see www.rungarioch.co.uk/event-village.



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TIMETABLE OF EVENTS

Cala Event Village	Opens 09:00
Mackie's 5K	09:15
Mackie's 5K Prizegiving in the Cala Event Village	09:45
McWilliam Lippe Half Marathon	10:15
McWilliam Lippe HM Prizegiving in the Cala Event Village	12:45
Cala 10K	10:30
Cala 10K Prizegiving in the Cala Event Village	12:15
CP&Co. Mini Mile (Preschool & Parents/Carers)	12:30
CP&Co. Junior Run Cat 1 Girls (ages 4, 5, 6)	13:00
CP&Co. Junior Run Cat 1 Boys (ages 4, 5, 6)	13:10
CP&Co. Junior Run Cat 2 Girls (ages 7, 8, 9)	13:20
CP&Co. Junior Run Cat 2 Boys (ages 7, 8, 9)	13:30
CP&Co. Junior Run Cat 3 Girls (ages 10, 11, 12)	13:45
CP&Co. Junior Run Cat 3 Boys (ages 10, 11, 12)	14:00
CP&Co. Junior Run Prizegiving in the Dandara Event Village	14:45

GETTING TO RUN GARIOCH

If you're driving to Run Garioch from the north of Inverurie, we would encourage you enter the town via the old A96 (Crawford Road). If you're driving from the south, please enter via the A96 at Port Elphinstone (BP station roundabout). Burghmuir Drive will be closed all day from the Morrisons roundabout to the Brankie Road junction. Burghmuir Circle will only be open for local access and VIP parking (and both only via the Strathburn Hotel junction). There are many public car parks in town, free to use on a Sunday. Parking for our disabled athletes and spectators is available at the Strathburn Hotel with their kind permission. Please ensure you enter your registration details at Reception. More detailed information about road closures and the suggested driving routes to Inverurie is available on the website.

RACE NUMBERS & TIMING CHIPS

Your electronic timing chip is incorporated into your race number. Please follow the instructions included in the Event Programme following the Essential Race Day Information pages.

RACE T-SHIRT COLLECTION

Shirts will be available for collection from the GSC before, during and after the event. Collection days/times will be posted on our social media accounts closer to race day. Please bring ID/a copy of your order. If you entered the race after 27th April, please collect your bib from Race HQ on **RACE DAY**

INFORMATION / LOST PROPERTY / ENQUIRIES

Race HQ will be located in a gazebo outside the Garioch Sports Centre Reception.

BAG DROP & CHANGING AREAS

Our changing areas and bag drop will be located in the Garioch Sports Centre. Volunteers from 1st Daviot Oldmeldrum Scouts will be operating the bag drop and will be collecting donations for their activities. Please use the personalised bag tag included in your race pack.

TOILETS

Toilets and urinals will be located in the lower car park. Accessible toilets, space for nursing mothers and baby change facilities will be available inside the Garioch Sports Centre.

FIRST AID

Qualified first aid professionals will be based at the Garioch Sports Centre as well as at the finish line and various points around the race routes.

MASSAGE & PHYSIOTHERAPY

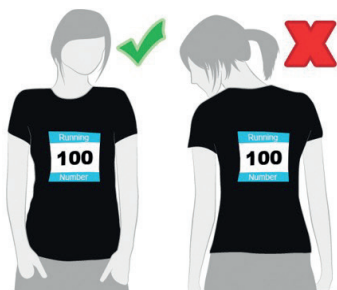
For any pre or post-race aches or niggles, several professionals will be providing sports massage and physiotherapy in the Cala Event Village.

WATER STATIONS

There will be four water stations on the route of the McWilliam Lippe Half Marathon, two on the route of the Cala 10k, one on the route of the Mackie's 5k. Water will also be available at the finish lines of the main races and the CP&Co. Junior Run. All waste collected from Run Garioch, including plastic bottles on the routes, is recycled.



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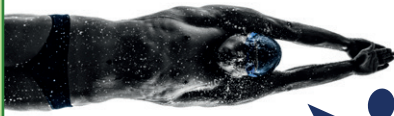
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THE ACTIVE FUND – MAKING SPORT AFFORDABLE

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GARIOCH SPORTS KIT FOR ALL

IYSF also runs Garioch Sports Kit for All, recycling donated sports kit and redistributing it within the local community. Some kit will be available at Run Garioch. Please come and have a look!

SUPPORTING JUNIOR RUNNERS

As in previous years, IYSF is covering entry and t-shirt costs for children taking part in Run Garioch's CP&Co. Junior Run and the Mackie's 5K who might not otherwise be able to participate.

GET IN TOUCH WITH IYSF

If you know a child or family who could benefit from support, or would like to learn more about IYSF's work, please reach out to the Inverurie Youth Sports Foundation (IYSF). Your referral or enquiry could help ensure every child has the opportunity to take part in sport.



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