

RESIDENTS INFORMATION

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES - ADVANCE NOTIFICATION

Australian Running Festival

The Canberra Times

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marathon

The Australian Running Festival, incorporating *The Canberra Times* Canberra Marathon, will be held the weekend of April 12-13, 2014. The 5km and 10km fun runs will take place on the morning of Saturday, April 12, while the half marathon, marathon and ultra marathon events will take place early on Sunday, April 13.

This year the course routes have been redesigned to reduce the duration of the impact on the community whilst improving the event experience for participants.

The Canberra Marathon has taken place in the streets of Canberra since 1976 and for the first time in 2014 runners will have the opportunity to pass through Yarralumla on the morning of Sunday, April 13.

Although successfully run over the years there were various reasons for the change of course which include:

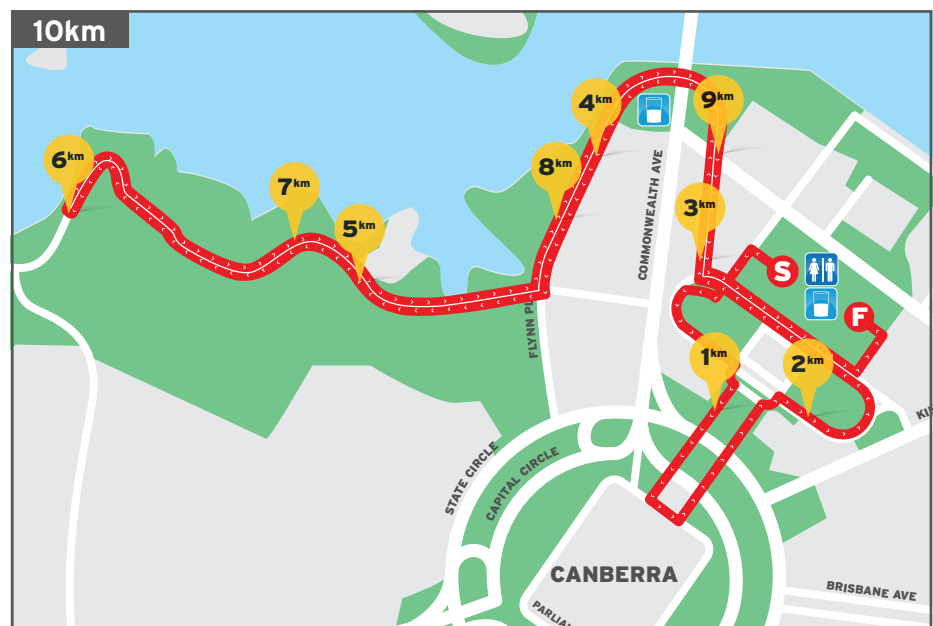
- The one-lap course provides the opportunity for Elite Wheelchair Athletes to compete - this has not been possible in previous years due to the lap format of the course.
- The one-lap course offers an improved running experience for participants.
- The one-lap course will reduce the duration of impact to the non event community.

At various times over the weekend some streets will be closed and have traffic flow restrictions in place. Further details in regards to road closure timings will be communicated directly to residents prior to the event. The most up-to-date information will also be available at www.runningfestival.com.au, it is expected that this information will be available from mid-March.

Saturday, April 12

To reduce the impact on local residents and businesses, the marathon eve events in 2014 have moved from the traditional start and finish area in Telopea Park to the Parliamentary Triangle.

The 5km and 10km runs will commence at 7.00am and conclude at 10am. It is predicted that road closures will be implemented from 5.00am and reopened by 10.30am on Saturday morning.



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Sunday, April 13

The half marathon, marathon and ultra marathon courses will start and finish in the Parliamentary Triangle, as opposed to previous years' start and finish areas in Telopea Park.

Telopea Park

The course will bring runners through Telopea Park West and New South Wales Crescent between the hours of 6.30am and 9.15am. It is predicted that road closures will be implemented from 5.00am and that all roads will be reopened by 9.30am.

Yarralumla

Runners are expected to reach Cotter Road at 7.50am via Lady Denman Drive, with the last runner expected to clear Alexandrina Drive by 12.10pm. It is predicted that road closures will commence from 5am, with all roads reopened in Yarralumla to Hopetoun Circuit by 12.30pm.

By designing the course to utilise Banks Street it is predicted that Novar Street will remain open at all times. This will allow businesses and residents, to the East of Banks Street to have access at all times.

Residents to the West of Banks Street, will be provided designated crossing points to access and egress their properties. We are currently finalising Traffic Management arrangements and will provide detailed information to residents prior to the event weekend.

Marathon Course - 6.25am to 1.00pm



If you would like to be kept up-to-date via email with traffic changes and road closure timings, please email runningfestival@fairfax.com.au with the subject line 'ARF road closure information updates'.

If you have any questions regarding the Australian Running Festival please feel free to contact us via runningfestival@fairfax.com.au

