

MCM50K Awarded RRCA District of Columbia Ultra Championship *2021 Event to Feature Additional Level of Pageantry in Recognizing Top Finishers*

QUANTICO, VA (March 31, 2021) – The MCM50K was awarded the District of Columbia Ultra Championship for 2021 by the Road Runners Club of America (RRCA). This is the second year the event has earned championship status.

The 50-kilometer run is part of the 2021 Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) Weekend currently scheduled as a virtual event. Runners from across the country will participate in the MCM, MCM50K and MCM10K from October 1 through November 11. Runners registered for the virtual event will have the first option to participate in any event that is ultimately approved to host a live, in-person version in October in accordance with local guidelines.



The RRCA Championship Event Series is the largest grassroots-organized running series in the U.S. with over 200 races participating that attract nearly 300,000 participants. The designation of the MCM50K as the RRCA District of Columbia Ultra Championship for 2021 means that only runners competing in an in-person version of the event will be eligible for RRCA honors in addition to MCM age group and overall awards.

The inaugural MCM50K held in 2019 was the largest ultramarathon in the United States with nearly double the participants of the 2018 record. The physical course begins in Arlington, VA, between Arlington National Cemetery and the Pentagon and moves throughout the nation's capital taking participants on a course featuring the country's most prominent sites and significant landmarks.

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About the Marine Corps Marathon:

The Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) is one of the largest marathons in the world. Recognized as "Best Marathon in the Mid Atlantic," and the "Best Marathon for Charities," the MCM honors honor, courage and commitment of its participants. Also known as "The People's Marathon," runners from all 50 states and more than 50 countries participate in the MCM, the largest marathon not to offer prize money. No federal or Marine Corps endorsement is implied. Connect with the Marine Corps Marathon on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#) and [Flickr](#). #RunWithTheMarines