

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS Event Date: Saturday 12th July 2025



CROESO / WELCOME

To the 2025 XTERRA Snowdonia Trail Marathon Eryri. This document contains all the information you'll need to have a great day and a safe race.



EVENT TIMETABLE

RACE NUMBER BIB COLLECTION

We encourage those who can to collect their race number bib the

You do not need to attend number collection if you have received your number in the post.

NUMBER COLLECTION TIMES Friday 11th July 12:00 - 16:00 Saturday 12th July 05:45 - 09:00

START TIMES

day before the race.

06:10: Ultra Marathon Safety brief & mandatory kit check 06:30: Ultra Marathon Start (Orange Bibs)

08:10: Marathon Safety Brief & mandatory kit check 08:30: Marathon Start (Green Bibs)

08:40: Half Marathon Safety Brief & mandatory kit check 09:00: Half Marathon Start (Red Bibs)

09:10: 10km Safety Brief 09:30: 10km Start (Blue Bibs)

Safety Briefs are compulsory and will take place at the start-line.

You will need to know your bib number for collection, this can be found by searching your name HERE.

Number Collection will be at the Llanberis Event Field (LL55 4UR).









GENERAL EVENT INFORMATION

The Event Village will be located on the field around the race start & finish. Food, drink, ice-cream and massage will all be available in the village, where you can also enjoy all the race action.

BAG DROP

There will be an un-staffed bag drop where you may leave belongings before your race. All Items will be left at your own risk. Mandatory kit must be carried for the duration of the race.

TOILETS

There will be toilets at the Race Start/Finish. There are also public toilets in Rhyd Ddu, Beddgelert and Pen y Pass.

You will be in an area of natural beauty that is also home to many residents. Please be sensitive and plan your comfort breaks for where there are facilities available.

RACE TIMING

The race will be timed using TDL Event Services electronic timing systems. Your timing chip is attached to the back of your race bib and must be worn and visible at all times during the race. Please ensure your bib is not covered by clothing, hydration vests or packs.

MERCHANDISE

The XTERRA shop is the place to go to treat yourself to some fantastic event merchandise. Crib Goch Outdoor are also in the event village with some great running gear and to replace any forgotten mandatory kit!

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EVENT PHOTOGRAPHY

We are excited to be working with Mel Parry Photography at this year's event. Photos will be available after the race on their dedicated online gallery. You can pre-register with a selfie via the link, to be notified when your photos are online.

If you have pre-purchased photo packages, a code will be sent to you directly by the event photographer after the Race. Please expect to receive an email from the event photographer, and be sure to check your junk email if this hasn't arrived.

RACE TRACKING

The 2025 XTERRA Snowdonia Trail Marathon Eryri races feature race tracking by TDL Event Services. Your friends and family can track you as you pass different points on the course by going to the TDL Live Results Service. Please note the 10K race only tracks at the start & finish.

PRIZE GIVING

Prize giving will take place in the Event Village. Please do join us to receive your prize and take your place on the podium or to congratulate your fellow athletes.

Times are approximate and may be subject to change - please listen out for any announcements.

12:30: Half Marathon and 10k Prize Giving

15:00: Marathon and Ultra Marathon Prize Giving

Prizes will be awarded for overall and age groups. Please see website for prize categories.

All prizes must be collected on the day and cannot be posted after the event.







ROUTE SIGNAGE

Please pay attention to event signs which will direct you in the event village (green/black) and dictate the course (yellow signs, gold arrows & yellow flags). The course will also be marked with the use of Always Aim High Ribbon. Please follow this on the trails.



ROUTES

You must close any gates you pass through, irrespective of how you find them, unless they are secured open.

Where there are stiles along the route be prepared to queue up and wait to cross. Any runners found to be jumping fences or walls will be disqualified from the race. Please use good race etiquette -First come, first served.

Any person found littering will be immediately disqualified from the event and banned from all Always Aim High Events. Please respect the beautiful location you are running in and dispose of any litter responsibly. Litter and gel wrappers can be disposed of at the designated litter points or handed to an event marshal along the route. Be especially careful when opening gel wrappers, as the tops can easily become separated.

REFUELLING STATIONS

This is a cupless event, there are no plastic or paper cups on the course. Please bring your own collapsable race cup to carry during your race. Race cups are available to buy at a discounted price at the event store.

Ultra Marathon: Water and High 5 energy drink and gels will be available at 6, 19, 23 and 27 miles. At 6, 19 and 27 miles there will also be fruit, crisps and sweets.

At mile 31 there will be an emergency water station. There will be limited supply here; please only take water if absolutely necessary. We are unable to re-fill water containers at this point.

Full Marathon: Water and High 5 energy drink and gels will be available at 2, 6, 11, 15 and 19 miles. At 11 and 19 miles there will also be fruit, crisps and sweets.

At mile 23 there will be an emergency water station. There will be limited supply here; please only take water if absolutely necessary. We are unable to re-fill water containers at this point.

Half Marathon: Water and High 5 energy drink and gels will be available at 2 and 11 miles.

At mile 7 there will be an emergency water station. There will be limited supply here; please only take water if absolutely necessary. We are unable to re-fill water containers at this point.

10 km: Water and High 5 energy drink and gels will be available at 2 miles/3.2km and 4 miles/ 6.4km

NB – Please be prepared to carry your own water with you on the route which you can refill at most drink stations. We also recommend carrying your own sweets, gels and other high energy snacks with you. Remember, at times you will be in remote areas between marshals and feed stations.







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CUT OFF TIMES

There will be staged cut-offs across the race. If you do not make the cut off you will be transported back to the event village. Please be patient. We will transport you back as quickly as possible.

ULTRA MARATHON CUT OFF TIMES

- 08:10 Runners must get to Rhyd Ddu at mile 6.7 within 1 hour and 40 minutes of the race start. This allows for a race average speed of 4mph.
- 11:20 Runners must get to Beddgelert at mile 19.4 within 4 hours and 50 minutes of the race start. This allows for a race average speed of 4mph.
- 14:15 Runners must get to Pen y Pass at mile 27.3 within 7 hours and 30 minutes of the race start. This allows for a race average speed of 3.5mph.
- 18:30 Runners must get to the Finish Line before 18:30. This allows for a race average speed of 3mph.

MARATHON CUT OFF TIMES

- 11:20 Runners must get to the Beddgelert feed station at mile 11.5 within 2 hours and 50 minutes of the race start. This allows an average race speed of 4.1mph.
- 14:15 Runners must get to Pen y Pass at mile 19.6 within 5 hours 45 minutes of the race start. This allows for an average race speed of 3.4mph.
- 18:30 Runners must get to the Finish Line before 18:30. This allows for an average race speed of 2.7mph.

HALF MARATHON CUT OFF TIMES

• 14:30 - Runners must get past the feed station at mile 11 by 14:30 otherwise they will be directed to the Finish line.

Please respect these cut off times in the interests of your safety and the safety of our volunteers.

- Ultra Marathon 12Hrs
- Marathon 10Hrs
- Half Marathon 6Hrs 30 Mins
- 10km 2 Hrs 30 Mins

MANDATORY KIT

All competitors must carry the mandatory kit listed below (apart from the 10k). This kit is for your safety due to the often unpredictable and quickly changing mountain conditions and isolated nature of the route.

MANDATORY KIT (NOT APPLICABLE TO 10K RACE)

- Waterproof jacket and trousers (with taped seams and integrated, attached hood)
- Suitable off road running shoes fell/trail shoes
- Hat/Buff and Gloves (Head and hand cover)
- Whistle
- Emergency food
- Foil Blanket/bag
- Drinking water
- Reusable race cup/bottle
- Mobile Telephone (fully charged)

Random kit checks will take place. You must be prepared to show that you are carrying the full mandatory kit, when requested by one of our team. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

ADDITIONAL PERMITTED / ADVISORY KIT:

- GPS Device (with route downloaded)
- Extra Long Sleeved Warm Layer
- Compass & Map (If you know how to use them)
- Poles (we permit people to use poles)
- Suntan Lotion

BAD WEATHER CONTINGENCIES

In the interest of competitor safety, as with all events it might be necessary to implement contingencies on the race. We will do all that we can to ensure you have the best experience and will only make changes to the race if it is absolutely necessary. Thank you for your understanding.







CROESOIGYMRU



A message of Welcome from Jack Sergeant - Minister for Culture, Skills & Social Partnerships.

Rwy'n falch iawn o gael y cyfle i estyn Croeso cynnes i'r cystadleuwyr, y timau a'r gwylwyr sy'n ymweld ag Eryri ar gyfer Pencampwriaeth Rhedeg Llwybrau'r Byd XTERRA 2025 a digwyddiadau cysylltiedig. Rwy'n hyderus, ni waeth o ble yn y byd rydych chi wedi teithio i fod gyda ni'r wythnos yma, y byddwch chi'n teimlo nad oes lle gwell y gellid bod wedi'i ddewis ar gyfer y rhaglen gyffrous yma o gystadlaethau.

Gan gynnig golygfeydd godidog, cymunedau croesawgar a her gorfforol go iawn i athletwyr, mae hwn yn argoeli i fod yn lleoliad bythgofiadwy i'ch ras, ar ba bynnag lefel. Gobeithiwn y byddwch chi'n cofleidio'r sialens, y gymrodoriaeth, a'r dirwedd unigryw sy'n gwneud Eryri mor arbennig.

I chi gyd, pob lwc – ac unwaith eto, Croeso i Gymru!

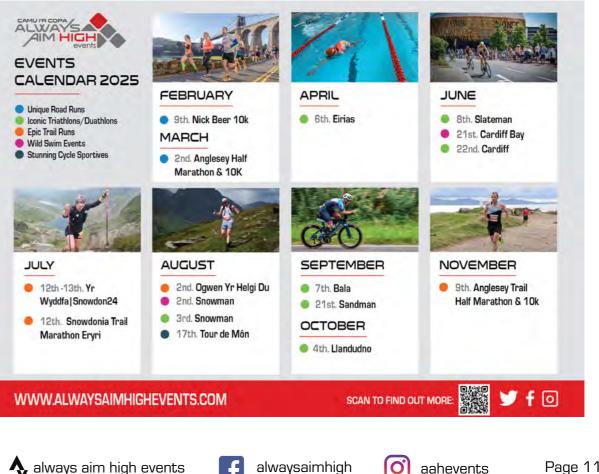
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I am delighted to have the opportunity to extend a warm Welsh Croeso to the competitors, teams and spectators visiting Ervri for the 2025 XTERRA Trail Run World Championship and associated events. I am confident that, no matter where in the world you have travelled from to be with us this week, you will feel there really is no better place that could have been chosen for this exciting programme of competitions.

Offering breathtaking scenery, welcoming communities and a real physical challenge for athletes, this promises to be an unforgettable setting for your endeavours, at whatever level. We hope you'll embrace the challenge, the camaraderie, and the unique landscape that makes Eryri so special.

To all of you, pob lwc – good luck – and once again, Croeso i Gymru!

ARE YOU RACING WITH US AGAIN THIS YEAR?







SAFETY INFORMATION

All competitors **must attend** the compulsory safety briefing in the start area on race day 20 minutes before your race start time.

PLEASE MAKE YOURSELF AWARE OF THE FOLLOWING SAFETY INFORMATION:

Remember the Ultra Trail Marathon, Full Trail Marathon, the Half Trail Marathon and the 10k Trail Race take place in a mountainous environment and at times you will be in remote areas. Furthermore, there will be rough technical sections in some areas. Therefore, you must be vigilant at all times. In the spirit of trail running please keep a look out for your fellow competitors.

Half Marathon, Marathon and Ultra distances must be prepared to carry the mandatory kit detailed on the previous page.

- The race is run on public footpaths, please be aware of, and be considerate to, other people enjoying the beautiful Eryri scenery. Keep left at all times.
- All four routes run on the roads through Llanberis at the start.
- You must exercise caution when crossing roads.
- The 10km route includes a variety of trail, grass track and a small amount of tarmac.
- The Full and Ultra Marathon run along the A4085 for about 1.5 miles. Please be aware of traffic and exercise caution. Run on the right-hand side of the road.
- The Full and Ultra marathon will cross through Beddgelert on the road. Please be aware of traffic.
- The Full and Ultra marathon will cross the A498. Please exercise caution and be aware of traffic.
- There is a road crossing for all distances over the A4086 near the Victoria Hotel in Llanberis. Please exercise caution and be aware of traffic.

SAFETY INFORMATION

- All four of the routes will run on the roads near the Llanberis Slate Museum. Please exercise caution and be aware of traffic.
- The Ultra, Full and Half Marathon routes will climb the slopes of Yr Wyddfa (Snowdon) (Marathon and Ultra on the PyG track, Half Marathon on the Ranger path). This is a mountainous environment and can be particularly slippery in inclement weather. Please remain vigilant at all times.
- The Ultra and Full Marathon climbs the PyG Track on the slopes of Yr Wyddfa. YOU MUST NOT veer on to Crib Goch at Bwlch y Moch.
- The descent from the slopes of Yr Wyddfa is fast. Be respectful and aware of other users on the mountain. Also, take care on rocky sections particularly if it is wet.

WITHDRAWAL FROM THE RACE

- If you pull out of the race you must report to Race HQ or call 07527 034 308 guoting your race number.
- We can recover you at the nearest feed station and transport you back to Llanberis and the race start/finish area. Please be patient; we will recover you as quickly as possible.
- If you decide to pull out whilst off road you must make your way to the nearest feed station. Please note this may be behind you.

MEDICAL ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY

In the event of a medical emergency please contact our Emergency number on 07527 034308

When life is at risk dial 999

If you come across a fellow competitor who is injured or unwell call this number 07527 034308 and report it to the nearest marshal.





CAR PARKING & THE LOCAL AREA

Glyn Rhonwy will be the official parking for athletes and spectators (Please see map below). The car park will open at 5am and close at 8.30pm. Parking will be a £7.50 donation for the day. All proceeds will go to a local community group.

There are also numerous pay and display car parks located in Llanberis. Please make sure you buy a ticket because you are very likely to get fined if you don't!

Please DO NOT park on the streets opposite and around the event village as this is residents parking only. Please be respectful that people live here and need access to their homes. Use the car parks shown on the map below only. Thank you.



CAR PARKING & THE LOCAL AREA

The event village will have several local food vendors, services and retailers on site, but the village of Llanberis has lots to offer too. Making the time to explore the businesses on the High Street is a great way to support the local community. We have identified some highlights on the map below, but this is far from a complete list of the great food, drink, art and outdoor equipment available in the village!



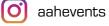
VOLUNTEERING

If any of your supporters would like to assist with marshalling, we have a great reward scheme in place that recognises the effort and shows our appreciation of our amazing volunteers. Individuals can choose between shop vouchers, race entries or charity donations and there are a number of positions available - we can even accommodate dogs!

Contact marshals@alwaysaimhighevents.com to get involved







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EXPO & ACTIVITIES

KIDS RACE JOIN US FOR THE JONES O GYMRU **DOLBADARN DASH!**

Always Aim High Events presents a family-friendly fun run for kids up to 15 years old, taking place in the event field in Llanberis (LL55 4UR) at 09:35 on Saturday, 12th July - the day of the Snowdonia Trail Marathon Eryri.

Take part in our 500m run; every child who finishes will receive a medal from our medal muddle! There is no entry fee, however we suggest a minimum donation of £3 as all proceeds are in support of the Llanberis Mountain Rescue Team. Kids under eight must be accompanied by an adult.

We can't wait to see you all there! Entries on the day at Registration (09.00am).

XTERRA RUN CLINIC

Friday 11th July. 09:00-10:30 | At the event field

Join us on Friday morning for a free and open-to-the-public trail run clinic offering athletes the opportunity to preview part of the championship course. This short and manageable run is open to all, regardless of whether you're participating in the World Championship or simply looking to enhance your trail running skills.

Coach: Weronika Ceglowska

When: Where to meet: Event Village, next to Registration Tent What to bring: Your trail running shoes as well as adequate hydration.

This activity is open to only 20 athletes. Please sign up through this link.

FILM NIGHT

SHAKEOUT RUN WITH NNORMAL & CRIB GOCH OUTDOOR

Friday 11th July. 17:30-19:00 | Crib Goch Outdoor, High Street Local Llanberis trail running experts Crib Goch Outdoor have teamed up with our footwear partner NNormal to host a shakeout run the evening before the race.

Take this opportunity to meet other runners, get your legs ready for the race the next day and try out some awesome NNormal shoes. They will be on had with demo shoes you can take out on the run!

Meet at the Crib Goch Outdoor store, on Llanberis High St (LL55 4EU). There is no cost for the run, or to try out the NNormal range. Limits apply though, so be on time!

You can find out more about NNormal's sustainable ethos on their website, and check out the range at Crib Goch Outdoor.

FILM NIGHT

Friday 11th of July. 19:30 - 21:00 | Padarn Hotel, Llanberis.

We will be showing a selection of films from our partners Black Diamond & NNormal. Films include Always Alive - Hilary Geradi's epic FKT attempt on Mt Blanc and Nomad, a film following NNormal athlete Elhousine Elazzaoui, born into a nomadic family in the Moroccan desert, and his journey to victory in the Golden Trail World Series.

Join us at Padarn Hotel in Llanberis for the films showing at 7.30pm on Friday 11th of July. Entry is free, but we would ask that participants make a donation to Llanberis Mountain Rescue or Riding for the Disabled.

The Padarn Hotel will have their great menus and drinks available all evening.







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GUIDED MINDFULNESS NATURE WALK

Friday 11th July. 08:00 -11:00 | At the event field.

Take a break from the race-day buzz and join Davy Greenough for a guided mindfulness walk around Llanberis. This is a relaxed, moderate walk with regular pauses for short, guided meditations, a chance to slow down, take in the surroundings, and reconnect with nature.

You'll also be joined by Bethan Wynne, Assistant Warden for Yr Wyddfa, who will share insights into the local landscape, wildlife, and the conservation work taking place in this special part of Eryri.

There are 12 spots for this activity, please pre-register through this link.

Organised by: Eryri National Park When: July 11th (Fri) 8:00 -11:00 Location: Cwm Dwythwch, Llanberis Where to meet: Snowdon Mountain Railway Station, Llanberis What to bring: Comfortable walking shoes and adequate hydration.

VENDORS & REFRESHMENTS

There will be a great selection of food, drink and kit shopping available in the event village throughout the event.















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