

Littledown Harriers London Marathon Ballot

Upon rejection from the official London Marathon ballot, eligible members* can apply for one of the clubs allocated places**, subject to club rules detailed below.

The draw will take place on a club night after the run in the Littledown Centre Leisure Centre bar. In exceptional circumstances the draw may be moved to another location, such as after parkrun, and ample notice will be given.

The draw will normally be held in the October/November/December prior to the marathon in April. This is subject to change if the date of the marathon event changes.

The draw date will be announced by club email, social media, website and on club nights.

All eligible members will have their name entered into a draw. The number of allocated places will be drawn plus two reserve places (first and second reserve respectively.) All remaining names will be checked against original entries immediately after the draw.

Results of the ballot will be circulated via club email and social media. Members do not have to be present at the draw to be allocated the place if their name is drawn, however the club encourages all entrants to attend where possible.

Eligibility and Rules

- 1 The ballot is open to all fully paid-up, first claim members who are registered as competing athletes and have been club members since at least 1st April of the calendar year prior to the ballot year and are still paid-up members when the draw is made. Eligibility to be confirmed by Memberships Secretary.
- 2 To enter the club ballot, the applicant must have been unsuccessful in the main London Marathon ballot. The official marathon rejection email must be given to the Club Secretary by the deadline given, and no later than 24 hours prior to the draw being made without exception.
- 3 Any club members who have entered the previous two London Marathon events in any capacity (be that via the main ballot, club ballot, Good For Age or charity places or similar) are **not** permitted to enter the club ballot. This will be checked against Power of 10 where possible, but the club would appreciate member honesty to assist with this process.
- 4 Members winning a club place cannot pass the number to any person other than the first reserve and then the second reserve. This must be before the entry deadline set by race organisers, which is usually late January for an April event, and before the winning member

has paid for their place. The Club Secretary must be notified of any place being transferred to a reserve. Once the place has been confirmed and paid for by the winning member, it can no longer be transferred to the reserve under any circumstances.

- 5 First reserve takes priority over second reserve. If no reserves are available to run, the number will be allocated to a paid-up club member by the Club Secretary, in discussion with committee members.
- 6 Upon allocation of a club place, the runner is subject to the <u>official rules and conditions</u> of entry of the London Marathon and it is the runner's responsibility to ensure that payment is made by the entry deadline, which the Club Secretary will inform of. Please be aware that Littledown Harriers **do not** pay for the race entry, this must be paid by the winning member themselves.
- 7 For any member who does not use their number and does not transfer it to a reserve or defer their entry to the following year, rule 3 will apply unless agreed otherwise by the committee.
- 8 The committee reserves the right to delay the ballot or change the rules in extreme circumstances e.g. if the marathon is cancelled or due to personal, unavoidable or unexpected circumstances.

*Eligible members agreed by committee.

**Allocated places refers to the number of race places allocated to Littledown Harriers by the London Marathon organisers for that year.