



RACE: The 103rd Running of the Dipsea Race will be Sunday, June 9, 2013. Each entrant receives headstart minutes based upon age and gender. There are two race sections. The Invitational section starts promptly at 8:30 am. The Runner section starts promptly at 8:57 am. The course is from Lytton Square in downtown Mill Valley, California through Muir Woods, around the slopes of Mt. Tamalpais and down to the finish line at Stinson Beach. The course will be marked, but potential race leaders should familiarize themselves with the route. The distance is approximately 7.5 miles. The course is open except at certain noted locations. Accepted runners will be mailed pertinent information.

ELIGIBILITY: To alleviate crowded conditions on the trail we must limit the fields to 1,500 entrants, 700 in the Invitational Section and 800 in the Runner Section. Unregistered runners will not be permitted to start or finish the race. Athletes under 18 years of age must have a parent's or guardian's signature on their entry form and must have a parent or guardian at the race. Because the course is narrow and rugged, responsibility for children lies with the parents or guardians.
We recommend first time entrants familiarize themselves with the trail before race day.

HOW ENTRANTS ARE ACCEPTED!

AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATIONS FOR INVITATIONAL (INV) STATUS

(Approximately 500-600 Places)

You are guaranteed qualification in the 2013 Dipsea Invitational Section if you finished the Dipsea Race in 2012 in the top 450 places starting from the Invitational Section or the top 750 places starting from the Runner Section. You will not be subjected to the first-come-first-served rule. This will give you ample time to receive and return your application. Your application must be received, not post marked, by April 1, 2013.

RUNNERS FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVED

(Approximately 500 Places)

After the automatically qualified runners are entered into the 2013 Dipsea Race, places will be assigned on a first-come-first-served basis, up to a total of 500 entrants. This system continues as in previous years. We expect that these places will be filled in a few days. Runners not qualified for Invitational status or who did not run last year should enter early! This is still the best way for you to gain entry into the race. We fully realize that this rule favors local runners.

DIPSEA AUCTION

(100 Places)

In order to create an opportunity to run the Dipsea Race, and for highly motivated runners who have been frustrated by the postal system or who don't like the odds of the Dipsea Lottery System, we will auction off 100 places in the 2013 Dipsea Race.

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THIS IS HOW THE AUCTION WORKS:

- A.** No separate application is required.
 - B.** We will enter into the auction every runner who submits a completed application form with an entry fee larger than the regular entry fee of \$75 for adults and \$50 for children. No separate application is required, just send *more* money!
- All auction proceeds above the regular entry fees are donated to the Dipsea Foundation, a 501, C-3, non-profit, which uses them for trail maintenance programs, scholarships and other Dipsea Foundation Programs and may be tax deductible subject to the advice of your tax advisor. **NOTE:** The amount of the money sent has continued to increase steadily since this opportunity was added.
- C.** These applications will be sorted according to the amount submitted. Entrants with the largest extra fees will be accepted into the Race, without preference for Invitational Section or Runner Section status. Success in the auction **does not** guarantee Invitational status.
 - D.** Applicants unsuccessful in the Auction will be automatically entered in the Dipsea Lottery, see below, providing one last chance at Race entry.

DIPSEA LOTTERY

(300 Places)

The final 300 places in the 2013 Dipsea Race will be filled by lottery. After the three above scenarios are completed, all remaining applications received, not postmarked, by April 1, 2013 are eligible. No special application is required. The drawing will be conducted randomly. We cannot predict the chances of success. The odds will be based upon the total number of applications received.

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