

## **2006 BELE CHERE 5K ENTRY FORM TEXT**

### **THE COURSE**

The 27th running of the Bele Chere 5K will have a completely new course for 2006 due to the construction at City/County Plaza. McCormick Field will be the setting of the Start/Finish line and the post-race celebration.

In keeping with Bele Chere tradition, the new course will be challenging but exciting (USATF certification pending), taking runners from Ballpark Road in front of the stadium up Charlotte Street to College Street. The excitement starts here because for the first time runners will be able to run out and back through the Beaucatcher Tunnel. After leaving the tunnel, the route will wind around through surface streets eventually meeting up again on Charlotte Street for the downhill run to the finish line.

Following the race, runners will be invited up to the stadium for post-race refreshments - courtesy of Greenlife Grocery (?), Citi Stop and PowerAde - the finish of the Asheville Tourists Fun Run and the awards ceremony. Award winners will see their name shown on the new stadium matrix board so bring your family, friends and camera.

### **THE ASHEVILLE TOURISTS FUN RUN**

**The Fun Run (approx. 1 mile)** will start at 9:00 a.m. inside Memorial Stadium and finish at the baseball field at McCormick Field. The first 100 Fun Run registrants will receive a special Fun Run T-shirt and all runners will receive a finishers ribbon.

### **OFFICIAL TIMING**

The Bele Chere 5K uses chip timing. Runners who do not return chips will be charged \$3

### **COST**

\$20 for entries received **on or before July 22.**

\$25 for entries received **after July 22** and on the day of the race.

Asheville Track Club members receive a \$3 discount for the 5K

\$7 for Fun Run

\$2 from each 5K entry will be donated equally to the Asheville Track Club's shoe program and the Association for Retarded Citizens.

### **COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRT**

The official 2006 Bele Chere design will be on the race t-shirt. The first 1,100 5K registrants are guaranteed to receive a shirt.

### **ON LINE REGISTRATION**

Registration can be done on-line at [www.Active.com](http://www.Active.com). until July 27, 2006.

### **GROUPS**

Military units, middle and high school teams, youth camps and youth running clubs may register for \$15 each if 5 or more runners register from a single organization. Individual entries must be submitted together in a single envelope to receive the discount.

### **PACKET PICK UP/LATE REGISTRATION**

The Asheville Track Club and The Asheville Tourists will host a Packet Pickup Party inside McCormick Field from 5 to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, July 28. In addition to picking up your race information and t-shirt, runners and their families are invited to look around the stadium,

purchase food and drink (including beer), and enjoy some fun entertainment. After partying at the stadium, everybody is encouraged to head downtown for the Southeast's largest free street festival.

### **AWARDS**

Special commemorative trophies will be awarded to the top three male and female finishers for Overall, Masters and Grand Masters.

Age group medals for male and female will be awarded for first, second and third in the following age groups: 12 & Under, 13-15, 16-18, 19-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, and 70 & Over. No double dipping!

### **INFORMATION**

For registration questions, please call: (828) 253-8781; for sponsorship or other race questions, please call (828) 452-5572, email [greg@gloryhoundevents.com](mailto:greg@gloryhoundevents.com) or go to [www.ashevilletrackclub.org](http://www.ashevilletrackclub.org)

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