

# WELCOME TO THE 2024 PUBLIX GASPARILLA DISTANCE CLASSIC RACE WEEKEND!

YOUR RACE...OUR PASSION.

The Gasparilla Distance Classic Association is excited to announce registration for the 2024 PGDC Race Weekend will open on Mon., May 1, at 9 a.m.

In 2024, the association will continue to offer its Event Cancellation Refund & Deferral Policy – one we hope will never be needed. Additionally, the opportunity to purchase RegShield Entry Fee Coverage Protection will be available.

We hope you'll join us on Sat. & Sun., Feb. 24-25, for the 2024 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend.

## EVENT CANCELATION BY THE GASPARILLA DISTANCE CLASSIC ASSOCIATION

If it is determined that the 2024 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend cannot take place for reasons outside the control the Gasparilla Distance Classic Association, there will be NO postponement, NOR will the events convert to a virtual experience. If the 2024 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend Events are cancelled, registered participants can choose from two recovery options that consider a participant's financial commitment to the event, as well as the cost and resources required to stage the Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend. Every dollar collected through registration fees is invested back into the event to help cover these expenses and to enhance the overall experience for our participants. Planning and financial commitment for each year's event begin well in advance of the registration window for the next event.

#### The recovery options for 2024 PGDC registered participants are as follows:

- Receive a partial refund of 2024 PGDC entry; or
- Defer 2024 PGDC entry to the 2025 PGDC and receive a discount on their 2025 entry fee.

If the 2024 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend is cancelled on or before Sept. 30, 2023 registered participants will be offered:

• A 40% refund of their 2024 entry fee or a 50% discount on a deferred entry for a 2025 PGDC Race Weekend Event.

If the 2024 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend is cancelled between Oct. 1, 2023, and Dec. 31, 2023, registered participants will be offered:

• A 30% refund of their 2024 entry fee or a 40% discount on a deferred entry for a 2025 PGDC Race Weekend Event.

If the 2024 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend is cancelled between Jan. 1, 2024, and Feb. 12, 2024, registered participants will be offered:

• A 10% refund of their 2024 entry fee or a 20% discount on a deferred entry for a 2025 PGDC Classic Race Weekend Event.

## 2024 PUBLIX GASPARILLA DISTANCE CLASSIC RACE WEEKEND FAQS

#### When is the 2024 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic (PGDC) Race Weekend?

• Sat. & Sun., Feb. 24 - 25, 2024

#### What is the anticipated field size for the 2024 PGDC Race Weekend Events?

- When 2024 PGDC Registration opens, the participation caps for each distance will be as follows:
  - PGDC 15K 4,500
  - PGDC 5K Run 8,000
  - PGDC Kashi 5K Walk 1,700
  - PGDC Kellogg's 5K Stroller Roll 300
  - Publix Gasparilla Half Marathon 4,500
  - Publix Gasparilla 8K 4,000
  - Publix Gasparilla 8K Walk 500

- Michelob Ultra Challenge 500
- Michelob Ultra Pure Gold Challenge 300
- Stella Artois Challenge 400
- Kona Big Wave Challenge 400
  NEW NAME, NEW LOOK COMING SOON!

• In November, if increasing the participation caps are warranted, the association will review the numbers and increase accordingly.

#### In addition to the in-person 2024 PGDC Race Weekend events, will there be a virtual option?

• We are not planning to offer a virtual option at this time.

### What if I am injured and/or cannot run the event (family commitment, work obligation, etc.)? Can I get a refund, donate my entry or transfer my entry to someone else?

 Sale and/or transfer of race entries/bib numbers is strictly prohibited and will result in the disqualification and/or banning of any individuals involved from future events. All entry fees are non-refundable. An entry fee donation to GDCA would be welcome.

#### Why does the event not allow participants to defer their place and entry fee?

 Our current policy in the event of a cancellation considers a participant's financial commitment to the event, as well as the cost and the resources required to stage the PGDC Race Weekend.
 Planning and financial commitment for each year's event begins well in advance of the registration window for the next event. Every dollar that is collected through registration is invested back into the event to help cover these expenses and to enhance the overall experience for our participants.

#### What would prompt race to cancel the 2024 event?

• The 2024 PGDC Race Weekend could be cancelled for circumstances beyond the Gasparilla Distance Classic Association's reasonable control, including, without limitation, war, epidemic, civil or political unrest, terrorism or severe inclement weather conditions.

### 2024 REGSHIELD ENTRY FEE PROTECTION COVERAGE

Individuals who are concerned they may not be able to participate in the 2024 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend can purchase RegShield Entry Fee Protection Coverage for an additional service fee, excluding event processing fees.

Those who purchase coverage, and are unable to participate in the race, for one of the wide range of perils covered, will receive a 100% refund of their entry fee and products purchased during the registration process, excluding official PGDC Branded Apparel/Accessories, within 30 days of claim submission.\*\*

For complete coverage details and prior to purchasing RegShield's Coverage during 2024 PGDC Online Registration, please Click Here.

\*\* If a participant purchases the RegShield Coverage and is unable to participate, they must submit a claim in order to be eligible for a refund. The claims form will remain open for 60 days after the event. Claims are generally processed within 30 days of the submission. The claims process will be administered by the Protecht.



