



September 29, 2008

Mayor Gary Becker & Common Council Members
City of Racine
730 Washington Ave.
Racine, WI 53403

RE: Regular and Alternate Course Approval for Jingle Bell Run for Arthritis 2008

Dear Mayor Becker and Council Members:

On behalf of the Arthritis Foundation, Wisconsin Chapter, I respectfully request that the City of Racine allow us to use the following parks, streets and bikepaths in the City so that we may hold our *Twelfth ANNUAL* Jingle Bell Run for Arthritis-Racine event on Saturday December 6, 2008. I am also attaching a copy of the proposed run route. As you can see this is also a submission for an alternate course in the event that snow again prohibits us from running through Colonial Park. I have spoken with Mr. Jones and his initial opinion was that the change would not present a problem. He stated that he had no objections to the date, time, or location. We are aware that the alternate course, if used, would create a higher cost for street closure due to closure of Lincoln Park Drive at the top of the hill rather than at the bottom. We accept this and will pay the costs to close all three streets...

The streets, parks and bikepaths involved include:

- Island Park Drive a/k/a Horlick Avenue (south from the pavilion to the bridge),
- Horlick Park Drive from the intersection of Horlick Drive, Island Park Drive, and Rupert Boulevard to the intersection of Horlick Park Drive and 12th Street (we will only actually use the Horlick Park Drive to the bottom of the hill but will need to block access from both ends),
- The Bikepath (north from the bridge to and under Spring Street),
- The Bikepath (through Brose Park on the north side of Spring Street)
- The Bikepath north of Lincoln Park Drive (from the Bikepath bridge over the Root River to the bottom of the hill leading up to Jefferson Street), (alternate would eliminate use of Colonial Park but add Lincoln Park Drive to the top of the hill).
- The Bikepath north of the Steelhead facility (leading to the bridge over the Root River) into Colonial Park,
- The Bikepath (through Colonial Park [gravel path] to the bridge leading to West High Street – we will NOT cross over this bridge as in the past),
- Back through center of Colonial Park (on the woodchip trail),
- Over the Bridge (over the Root River) on the Bikepath north of the Steelhead facility,
- Lincoln Park Drive (from the bottom of the hill leading up to Jefferson Street to the bikepath bridge over the Root River),
- The Bikepath through Brose Park and underneath Spring Street, and finally
- The Bikepath from underneath Spring Street leading to the parking lot behind Lutheran High School (the staging area for the event).

I wish to present this proposal to the appropriate committee at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Thank you and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas Rudey".

Thomas Rudey
Co-Race Director, Jingle Bell Run for Arthritis Racine 2007

CC: Rick Jones
Donnie Snow



Jingle Bell Run For Arthritis

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS 2003: 810
TOTAL EVENT Net INCOME: \$31,000+/-
PENDING EVENT SPONSORS:

Arthritis Foundation – Wisconsin Chapter

Abbott Immunology

Assurant Health (Fortis)

Bank of Elmwood

Caribou Coffee

Catalano Fruit Co.

Chippewa Spring Water

CNH Global

Einstein Brothers Bagels

Erickson Ambulance Service

Kohl's Department Stores

Lutheran High School

Pick n Save

Piggly Wiggly Supermarkets

Racine Athletic Club

Racine Police Explorer Scouts

Rud Lighting

Walmart

Wisconsin Institute of Natural Wellness

Wisconsin Runner

WRJN 1410AM/WEZY 92.1FM

Wyeth Laboratories

EVENT DATE: 12/6/08
LOCATION (start/finish): Lutheran High School
EVENT TIME(s):
Course Set-Up 6:00 a.m.
Registration 8:00 a.m.
RAC Warm-up 8:45 a.m.
Run/Walk Begins 9:30 a.m.
Course Tear-Down 10:30 a.m.
Awards Ceremony 10:45 a.m.

Individuals Afflicted: Nationally 40 million (adults & children)
Wisconsin 800,000 (adults & children)

Funds raised to support research for cure/amelioration and quality of life enhancement programs and services to assist those dealing with the daily challenges of arthritis

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