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Josh Arneson  
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Dear Josh,

I am writing to request that Green Mountain Athletic Association have permission to reschedule the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Round Church Women's Run to September 10. Details are listed below. As we did last year, we will maintain practices consistent with the most current Covid 19-related social policies and practices. We are currently planning an in-person 5k and 10k distances. Please see the note about turn-around locations below.

We feel grateful to have been able to host this event that benefits the physical and mental health of so many members of our community for so many seasons, especially now.

While GMAA usually shares the proceeds of this race with Girls on the Run, according to the Town of Richmond Charitable Event Policy, this year we would additionally like to contribute to flood recovery efforts in Richmond. I have been considering the impact to recreation areas along the river and welcome any further guidance you might offer.

As in the past, I plan to contact the Richmond Historical Society for permission to use their parking area. I will also contact Heidi Bormann from Mann & Machine as well as all the other business owners/stakeholders involved in the Shops & Services at Round Church Corner.

Here is more detailed information about the race:

Date:	<b>Sunday, September 10, 2023</b>
Time:	7:30am – 10:00am (Most participants will be off the course between 8:55-9:10.)
Start:	Farr Rd, behind Mann & Machine
Finish:	Farr Rd, behind Mann & Machine
Distances:	5k turn on Cochran Rd 19'4" west of utility pole #110404
Public spaces requested to close:	Farr Rd east/west and Thompson Rd north/south starting at 7:25 and Cochran Rd <b>east</b> bound only, where the race is occurring, also starting at 7:25. All roads will re-open at 9:15, although some participants may still be on the course.
Other public spaces to be used:	Round Church <b>lower</b> parking area
Other requests:	Police presence (from another jurisdiction) at the start and the turn-around.

Regarding turn-arounds, we have worked with our GMAA course certifier to move the location of the turn-arounds about 100 yards west, allowing a greater sight-distance for vehicles traveling westbound to be able to see both road crossings better, especially the 5k turn.

If I have left out any information that would be useful for you to have, please feel free to email me or call with any questions.

Sincerely,

Hillary Holmes