



News Release:

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Make It Happen 20k Race Series Kicks Off April 7th in Oswego

OSWEGO, New York (March 9, 2018) – Running enthusiasts throughout Central New York will have a unique new racing series and collaborative starting April 7th in Oswego, New York.

The “Make It Happen 20k Race Series” combines the traditional 5k races of the Oswego County Autism Task Force, Oswego Little League, Oswego Health Foundation, and the Buc Boosters, into a new 20k series.

Participants can now compete in all four individual events to determine an overall race series winner. The overall winners will be based on age group divisions and race time results from the combined four individual races.

According to event organizers, runners can still register for the individual races, however, and not necessarily participate in the 20k series.

Participants are encouraged to visit www.lightboxreg.com and do an event search

and register for the individual 5k races listed below, or a convenient registration link for the entire race series has been established at

<http://www.lightboxreg.com/makeithappenraceseries2018>

The race dates are as follows:

April 7, 2018 – 3rd Annual OutRun Autism 5k Run/Walk

June 1, 2018 – 4th Annual Oswego Little League 5k Run/Walk

August 11, 2018 – 3rd Annual Run for Your Health 5k Run/Walk

September 29, 2018 – 3rd Annual Go Bucs 5k Run/Walk

“We are very excited about the new Make It Happen 20k Race Series and the community partnership between Oswego County Autism Task Force, Oswego Little League, Oswego Health Foundation, and the Buc Boosters,” said Make It Happen Committee Member and Buc Booster President Sean Callen. “This unique racing series will allow runners through Central New York with an opportunity to compete in four well established events throughout the upcoming racing season, while challenging for an overall series championship.”

“Our planning is well underway for 2018 and we will continue to work through details and new ideas to make this an awesome event series year after year,” he added.

The first race of the “Make It Happen 20k Race Series”, the “3rd Annual OutRun Autism 5k & Break of Autism Champions”, will kick off April 7th at 8:30 a.m. with a Kids Fun Run, followed by the 5k event all taking place in front of the Press Box Restaurant on East First Street in Oswego, with awards to follow.

The event, which has drawn nearly 100 runners and walkers annually, will support the Oswego County Autism Task Force (OCATF), a non-profit organization that

seeks to enhance the lives of those touched by Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) in Oswego County. The participants of the 5k race represent families, caregivers, teachers, service providers, siblings, friends, and children themselves on the Autism spectrum.

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