

Isle of Man
Easter Athletics Festival 2009



THREE DAYS, THREE RACES – WHAT A WEEKEND!

www.easterfestival.info

Suitable for clubs, university teams and individuals

10th – 12th April 2009

What's on?

Good Friday:

10k road race – Port Erin – evening start

Easter Saturday:

Hill Race – Peel – afternoon start

Easter Sunday:

Road Relay – Douglas Promenade- 4x5k per leg (men), 5k race (women) – morning start

Plus Junior Races

In addition, there is the famous prize presentation on Sunday evening including the fourth event of the weekend - the 4 x 1 pint beer drinking races! – Separate competitions for men and women!! This is held at a privately hired sports themed bar/nightclub in Douglas.

How much will it cost?

We are pleased to announce that **Isle of Man Steam Packet Holidays** have a range of packages offering travel accommodation. Prices start at just **£109** for your travel and 2 nights B and B. Contact them on **08457 585833** (charged at local rate) for more information. You may of course, wish to arrange your own transport and accommodation. Please see contact details on our Festival website www.easterfestival.info for some useful websites and phone numbers.

Full festival entry costs just £22 which includes all 3 race entries, coach transport to and from Friday & Saturday's races, a festival t-shirt and a ticket to the prize presentation on Sunday evening. Races can also be entered individually if preferred (see website for details)

How would we get there?

The main – and usually cheapest - transports links are through the North West of England; Liverpool and Heysham for ferries and Liverpool and Manchester for air travel.

Where could we stay?

There is a large range of accommodation available from small guesthouses to 4* chain hotels. Most athletes stay in Douglas.

Can we speak with someone who has organised a tour in the past?

We appreciate that organising trips for groups can be a tricky affair. Therefore, we are delighted that one Isle of Man Easter Festival regulars has offered to help guide you through the process. Please contact Emma Waterhouse; phone 07890 734711 or E-mail e.k.waterhouse@durham.ac.uk

What do we need to do?

Tasks you might want to consider:

- Obtain agreement to run all finances through club funds.
- Obtain a deposit from all those making the trip – athletes and supporters
 - Book your UK to IOM travel
 - Book your accommodation in the IOM
 - Maybe arrange your own tour t-shirts
 - Submit event entries
- Set a final date for all monies to be paid

Please come and join us in this unique event – don't take our word for it, speak to Emma for more information. They will be pleased to help.

For full information on the 2009 Easter Festival including entry forms see our website www.easterfestival.info or visit the organising club website www.manxharriers.com

If you have any other questions please contact **Kim Harding** on **01624 628403** or e-mail kimharding@manx.net We would be delighted to see you in 2009.

Yours in sport,

Manx Harriers
Easter Festival Organising Team