

# Porcupine Mountains Trail Run

Full Marathon &  
Half Marathon  
September 16<sup>th</sup> 2017

Registration – <http://theporkies.ltibooking.com/>

The Porcupine Mountains are one of the largest tracts of wilderness east of the Mississippi River. The Porcupine Mts. overlook Lake Superior, the largest freshwater lake on Earth and offers a beautiful and rugged trail run with elevation changes sure to test your abilities.

## Travel & Lodging

Nearest Airports: Gogebic-Iron County Airport & Houghton Memorial Airport (CMX)

Lodging: <http://www.porcupineup.com/>

Camping at Porcupine Mountains State Park: 1(800)44-parks

Convention and Visitors Bureau: [www.porcupinemountains.com](http://www.porcupinemountains.com)

## Packet Pick Up & Dinner

Where: Porcupine Mountains Chalet  
36606 Engineers Memorial Hwy  
Ontonagon, MI 49953

When: Friday, September 15, 4:00 to 9:00 p.m. or Race Day starting @ 6:30 a.m.

Dinner: During Packet Pick Up 6:30 p.m.

- Baked Pasta, Salad, and Garlic Bread – Meat sauce and without
  - o 1 dinner included with registration - additional meals \$8

## Marathon

The marathon starts in front of the Porcupine Mtns. Ski Lodge and ascends the mountain via cross country ski trails. The course then travels on mostly single track through the rugged highlands surrounding the remarkable Carp River Valley. Runners will enjoy world class scenic vistas, with one river crossing. The course is well marked. The Marathon will be 2 loops of the Half-Marathon course.

**Marathon Start: 8:00 a.m. Saturday, September 16, 2017, Porcupine Mtns. Ski Lodge.**

## Half Marathon

The Half Marathon will be one loop around course

**Half Marathon Start: 8:30 a.m. Saturday, September 16, 2017 Porcupine Mtns. Ski Lodge.**

## Aid Stations

The marathon will have six aid stations at miles 4, 11, 13, 17, 24 and 26. The half marathon will have three aid stations at miles 4, 11 & 13. All runners will be required to carry a **20 oz. water bottle** or other functional hydration system which they can refill at each station. Aid station volunteers will have large pitchers with cold water and Sports Drinks. Simply have it open and ready to fill. We will also provide gels, fruit, and cookies.

## Time Limits

**There is a seven-hour time limit for the marathon.** This is strictly enforced due to safety reasons and the remote nature of the race course. Do not register if you cannot finish within seven hours. Those runners who decide to drop out of the race are advised to drop out at an aid station where transportation back to the race start at the Porcupine Mountain Ski Lodge will be available. A sweep runner will follow the runners, closing the course.

## Race Fees

Event	Until 12:00 a.m. August 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2017	Until 12:00 a.m. September 16, 2017
Marathon	\$75	\$90
Half Marathon	\$50	\$70

## Registration – (*porkies online store link*)

## Refund & Transfer Policy

**Refunds.** You may Refund full race fee up until 30 days before the race.

**Participant transfers.** You may transfer your registration to another racer up until 7 days before race day.

- *Racers transferring from Half to Full Marathon will pay the difference at packet pickup*

**No year to year transfers.** This means that you cannot transfer your entry to any future events.

**Event transfers.** You may transfer from the marathon to the half marathon up to and including September 15, 2017. Email the race director ( [info@porkiesfun.com](mailto:info@porkiesfun.com) ) to request an event change prior to September 15, 2017. There are no refunds for entry fee differences between events.

## Age Groups

Event	Age Groups
Marathon	15-29, 30-49, 50-64, 65+
Half Marathon	15-29, 30-49, 50-64, 65+

## Awards

Medals will be awarded to top 3 finishers in each age group

## Included with entry fee:

- 1 Pre-Race Dinner @ Packet Pick up
- 1 T-Shirt
- 1 Free fall color chair lift rides Saturday for registered runners (additional tickets \$7, 12 and under free)
- 1 entry Refreshment Tent
- 1 Beer/Root Beer Mug

## Littering

Please do not litter. Runners who litter will be disqualified. A volunteer at each aid station will be glad to take any litter you may have and/or transport something back to the finish line for you to pick up later.

## Bikes

For runner safety, bikes are not allowed on the race course. The race course enters designated wilderness, this means no wheeled vehicles of any kind. Failure to abide by this policy will result in a runner's disqualification.

## Dogs

Dogs are allowed at the start finish area near the ski lodge, but not on the race course; they must be current on vaccinations and rabies shots. Dogs may not be left unattended in a vehicle, camper, or a campsite at any time, and they must be quiet, on no more than a 6-foot leash, and cleaned up after at all times. Dogs may not be left outside tied up alone, and they are not allowed in park buildings or at swim beaches.