



**MEDIA ALERT**

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**J&A RACING AND THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH WORK TOGETHER TO  
UPDATE AND CERTIFY RACE COURSES AHEAD OF YUENGLING SHAMROCK MARATHON  
WEEKEND**

**Virginia Beach, VA – MARCH 9, 2026** - J&A Racing, in partnership with the City of Virginia Beach, has worked diligently to create and certify 2 adjusted race courses, ahead of the 54<sup>th</sup> Yuengling Shamrock Marathon Weekend. With current government restrictions limiting access to military installations, the 2026 Yuengling Shamrock Marathon and Sentara Shamrock Half Marathon will both feature slightly modified race courses.

J&A Racing has a longstanding partnership with Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story and State Military Reservation/Camp Pendleton. For decades, race participants have had the unique opportunity to run through these historic grounds, able to see treasured landmarks and beautiful sea landscapes, while touring Virginia Beach by foot. Due to the current state of affairs, the City of Virginia Beach has worked tirelessly with J&A Racing to ensure that the adjusted routes will not only provide race participants with a safe and secure updated course, but also with an effort to have minimum additional impact to residents and neighboring communities.

“We recognize what an honor and privilege it has been to showcase Fort Story and Camp Pendleton all of these years as part of Shamrock Weekend,” said Jerry Frostick, owner and race director for J&A Racing. “We respect the work that is done in both of these installations, and in this moment, our thoughts and prayers go out to all of those men and women serving our country.”

While parts of the Marathon and Half Marathon courses might feel a little different compared to previous years, there is no less excitement or entertainment available for all to enjoy. J&A Racing has filled the courses with high level activations, sure to keep participants entertained at every mile.

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**About J&A Racing**

J&A Racing is a nationally recognized race management company based in Virginia Beach, Virginia. With a portfolio of 9 events, J&A Racing’s mission is to promote and support healthy lifestyles and the sport of running through all stages of life. Since 2003 when J&A Racing owners, Amy and Jerry Frostick, took over the Shamrock Sportsfest, the Yuengling Shamrock Marathon Weekend has become one of the most popular running events in the country. Additionally, J&A Racing organizes the ADP Corporate 5K; the Getem Services Big Blue 5K; Virginia Beach 10 Miler and 5K; Sentara Crawlin’ Crab Half Marathon & 5K; Wicked 10K & 5K; the Chartway Norfolk Harbor Half Marathon, 10K & 5K; the BayPort Credit Union Surf-N-Santa 5 Miler; and the Sun Up to Sun Down 50K. For more information on J&A Racing’s events, visit [jandaracing.com](http://jandaracing.com).