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3RD ANNUAL MONSTER DASH 5K & CREEPY CRAWL FUN RUN SET FOR OCTOBER 26, 2024

...it's bound to be a San Clemente smash

10/9/2024...San Clemente, California... Get ready to lace up your running shoes and don your most creative costumes for the 3rd Annual Monster Dash 5K and Creepy Crawl Fun Run, happening on October 26, 2024. This year's event promises to be bigger and better than ever, featuring a new race route, a delicious pancake breakfast, and live music from the local favorite band, Wigs and Ties.

Event Details:

- Date: Saturday, October 26, 2024
- Time: 5K starts at 8:00 a.m.; Fun Run starts at 9:00 a.m.
- Location: Race starts at El Camino Real & Avenida Victoria and finishes at the San Clemente Community Center (Avenida Del Mar)

Costumes Strongly Encouraged:

Embrace the Halloween spirit! Participants are strongly encouraged to show off their spookiest, silliest, or most creative costumes. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes in several categories, including Best Group Costume, Funniest Costume, and Scariest Costume.

Registration:

Registration is open now! Sign up for the Monster Dash 5K or the Creepy Crawl Fun Run at www.san-clemente.org/events. Early bird pricing is available until 10/24/24 with early packet pick up available 10/23/24-10/24/24 at the Community Center. Don't wait!

Registration includes chip timing and a Monster Dash race t-shirt. Awards will be given for race winners and best costumes. Please ensure that costumes are family-appropriate.

Race Route:

Runners will enjoy a [refreshed course through downtown San Clemente](#), offering scenic views and spooky surprises along the way. Whether you're an experienced runner or just out for a fun stroll, this event has something for everyone.

Beginning on El Camino Real and Avenida Victoria, the race takes off North on El Camino Real, continues down Calle Valle past Bonito Canyon Park, follows Avenida de Los Molinos back to El Camino Real to head South, deviates down to Max Berg Park via Avenida Aragon for a circle around Max Berg park, continuing back up to El Camino Real via W. El Portal, and onto Avenida Del Mar towards the finish line at the Community Center.

Perfect for kids, families, and participants of all ages, the Creepy Crawl Fun Run is a shorter, non-competitive course designed for maximum fun. Walk, jog, or crawl your way to the finish line in your best Halloween costume! The Creepy Crawl for all ages will run a half mile up and down Avenida Del Mar with the start and finish line at the Community Center.

Traffic will be impacted along the race route from 7 a.m. – 10 a.m. Visit the website for the race route map and detour map.

Sponsors:

The City would like to thank its sponsors for their contributions to this event: Friends of San Clemente Beaches, Parks & Recreation Foundation, Triton Air, Wireless Vision/T-Mobile, Ocean Estate Law, Club Pilates, Orange Theory, The Noble Path Foundation, and Our Lady of Fatima Academy.

Call for Volunteers!

The Monster Dash cannot happen without our wonderful volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering on the day of the event, please contact the recreation department, or find the link to sign up as a volunteer on the website: san-clemente.org/events

Event Timeline:

- 6:30 a.m. – Check-in begins for participants

- 7:00 a.m. – Coffee and refreshments available to participants
- 8:00 a.m. – Monster Dash 5k begins from San Clemente Community Center
- 8:30 a.m. – Pancake Breakfast begins
- 9:30 a.m. – Creepy Crawl Fun Run begins
- 10:00 a.m. – Costume contest and race winners announced

For more information about the Monster Dash 5K and Creepy Crawl Fun Run, visit www.san-clemente.org/events or contact the Recreation Division at (949) 361-8264 or Recreation@san-clemente.org.

Get ready for a fun-filled day of running, pancakes, music, and costumes at the 3rd Annual Monster Dash! We can't wait to see you there!

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