

#### **OVERVIEW**

Welcome to the 2026 Caerleon Running Club Championship!

As with last year, the championship will be split into 5 smaller championships (Paths) modelled after a God from the Roman Pantheon.

Each of these highlights a different aspect of Club Life and has it's own awards and prizes meaning absolutely anyone in the club is able to achieve greatness!

This guide has been created as an easy reference point to tell you which events are included, how you can score points and explains the scoring systems (which have been tweaked slightly this year following members feedback)



#### THE PATH OF JUPITER

In the path of Jupiter, there are a wide variety of public races covering a range of distances and terrain types - so there should be something for everyone to enjoy!

Any member who takes part in at least 8 events will earn themselves a Path of Jupiter Medal





#### **Scoring System**

In every one of these events, you will score Path of Jupiter points as follows:

Position	Points
1st	50
2nd	42
3rd	35
4th	29
5th	24
6th	20
7th	19
8th	18

From 6<sup>th</sup> Position
Onwards, the amount of points accrued goes down in intervals of 1

Men & Women are scored separately, so both the first Man and Woman would get 50 points etc.

At the end of the year, the top male and female scorers will win themselves

The Path of Jupiter Champion Trophies

## THE PATH OF JUPITER January THE PATH OF JUPITER February

Lliswerry 8 - Koad Kymin Winter Race - Fell Pontypool Home Run - Road Sorbrook Slog - Mixed Terrain

#### March

Admiral Newport Half Marathon - Road
 GLCL XC (Griff/Fairwater) - Cross-Country

#### May

Caerphilly 10k - Road
Sirhowy Challenge (10mile)
& Sirhowy Loop (6 mile) - Mixed Terrain

#### July

The Viaduct Run - Road
The Tintern Trot - Trail

#### September

Blaenavon Heritage 5 Miler - RoadCoity Fell Race - Fell

#### November

- Severn Bridge Night Race (Both Dates) Road
- MoRun Cardiff (5k/10k/half) Road
- The Twmbarlwm Terror Trail

#### April

Bluebell Blunder - Trail The Kymin Dash - Mixed Terrain

#### June

Blade Runner - Road Caerleon 5 - Road

#### August

**GLCL Road Race - Road** 

#### **October**

GLCL XC - Cross Country
Afan Forest Trail Half & 10k - Trail

#### **December**

The Festive 5 - Road Cardiff Festive 10k - Road

Most dates are not available as of writing the guide, but as soon as dates are known each event will be put on heja along with entry links where applicable

#### East Wales Road Race Championship (EWRRC)

As of writing this guide, the races in the EWRRC have not yet been announced, however once they are they will be added as bonus events to the Path of Jupiter as applicable







In the path of Mercury - The God of Travelers, we will be visiting 1 different parkrun event per month.



Any member who takes part in at least 8 events will earn themselves a Path of Mercury Medal

#### **Scoring System**

There will once again be a competitive element in The Path of Mercury, however this year there is a twist... Rather than points being awarded on finish position, they will be awarded on your <u>age-graded position!</u>

From 6<sup>th</sup> Position
Onwards, the amount of points accrued goes down in intervals of 1

Men & Women are scored separately, so both the first Man and Woman would get 50 points etc.

Position	Points
1st	50
2nd	42
3rd	35
4th	29
5th	24
6th	20
7th	19
8th	18

Every member who either runs or volunteers at one of these events will also earn themselves 35

Participation points



At the end of the year,
the top male and
female scorers will win
themselves
The Path of Mercury
Champion Trophies



THE EVENTS

17th January

21st of February

21st of March

18th of April

16th of May

20th of June

18th of July

15th of August

19th of September

17th of October

21st of November

19th of December

Three Brooks parkrun

Lydney parkrun

Cardiff parkrun

**Cosmeston parkrun** 

Coed Cefn Pwll Du parkrun

**Clevedon Salthouse Fields** parkrun

Blaise Castle parkrun

**Barry Island parkrun** 

Aberbeeg parkrun

**Ashton Court parkrun** 

**Grangemoor parkrun** 

Cwmbran parkrun

#### **Bonus Events**

Each year, Caerleon RC runs at least one Couch to 5k program and these culminate by completing one of our local parkruns in the final session.

There will be no competetive points available at these events, but every club member who attends will earn 35 participation points and a credit towards their medal!





In the path of Vesta - The Goddess of the Home, there will be one internal, free event for members each month on a normal club night

Any member who takes part in at least 8 events will earn themselves a Path of Vesta Medal



#### **Scoring System**

In each event, you will earn 35 Participation points for attending, as well as scoring competitive points as follows:

Position	Points
1st	50
2nd	42
3rd	35
4th	29
5th	24
6th	20
7th	19
8th	18

- From 6<sup>th</sup> Position Onwards, the amount of points accrued goes down in intervals of 1
- For Individual events Men & Women are scored separately, so both the first Man and Woman would get 50 points etc.
- For team events, all team members will earn the same score (eg: every person in the team that gets 1<sup>st</sup> place would score 50 points)

At the end of the year, the top male and female scorers will win themselves

The Path of Vesta Champion Trophies

# THE EVENTS

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July
All of August
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Newport Riverfront Relays
5 Mile Hare & Hound
Club Time Trial
CRC Olive Tree Relays
CRC Murder Mile
Two Bridges Duo
CRC Wentwood Relays
Power of Four Virtual Challenge
Internal Equinox Race
CRC Crooked Mile
Handicapped Time Trial
Caerleon X-Mas Challenge

Team Event
Individual Event (LPF)\*
Individual Event
Team Event
Individual Event
Team Event
Team Event
Team Event
Individual Event
Individual Event
Individual Event
Individual Event
Individual Event

#### **Vestas Volunteers**

Our Internal Events can not take place without some members giving up their runs and volunteering.

To make sure this doesn't come at a detriment to their championship aspirations, any member who volunteers at one of these events will earn points equal to one postion below the last place finisher: e.g. if last place earns 55 points (20 competitive + 35 participation), all volunteers will earn 54



# THE PATH OF VENUS

In the path of Venus - The Goddess of Love, the focus is volunteering.

Any member who volunteers at running-related events throughout the year at least 12 times will earn themselves a Path of Venus Medal!



On top of this, every volunteering effort throughout the year will earn you 5 points.

At the end of the year, the top male and female scorers will win themselves

The Path of Venus Champion Trophies

#### **Supporting your Club**

- Volunteering when we host the Caerleon 5
   Miler, Spring Equinox Run (TBC) & our XC
   GLCL Course will earn you 30 volunteer
   points
- During the year we run up to two couch to 5k courses consisting of 18 sessions across 9 weeks. Any members who volunteers at 8 or more of these in one course will earn 30 points

\*For the purposes of the championship, Volunteering is limited to "Active Volunteering" i.e. Marshalling, Setting Up, Timekeeping etc. Physical attendance at the event is required



### THE PATH OF FAUNUS

As the Roman god of the Wilds, those woo wish to follow the Path of Faunus will need to take part in the Gwent League and GLCL Cross-country Races



Any member who takes part in at least 5 events will earn themselves a Path of Faunus Medal!

#### **Scoring System**

In each event, you will score 50 participation points for attending, as well as scoring competitive points as follows:

Position	Points
1st	50
2nd	42
3rd	35
4th	29
5th	24
6th	20
7th	19
8th	18

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Onwards, the amount of points accrued goes down in intervals of 1

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At the end of the year, the top male and female scorers will win themselves

The Path of Faunus Champion Trophies





Monmouth XC 4th January 2025

Parc Bryn Bach XC 1st February 2025

Griff/Fairwater XC 8th March 2025

October XC
(Date and Host TBD)

Chepstow Racecourse XC 7th February 2025

Parc Bryn Bach

28th February 2025

(Venue TBC) XC
October 2025

(Venue TBC) XC
(Early November 2025)

November XC (Venue TBC) XC

(Date and Host TBD) (Late November 2025)

# THE OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIPS



At the end of the year, the scores from all five individual paths will feed into a central championship.

From this score, overall category prizes and championship winners will be awarded!

#### CRC Championship 2026 AWAIRID TITERS Path of Path of Path of Path of Path of **Jupiter Mercury** Venus **Faunus** Vesta **Participation** Tier Earned once you have attended 8 have attended 8 have attended 8 have volunteered have attended 5 events events events 12 times events **Highest Scoring** Highest **Highest Scoring Highest Scoring Highest Scoring** Scoring Male & Male & Female Male & Female Male & Female Male & Female Path Female to Win to Win to Win to Win to Win "Path of Faunus **Champion** "Path of "Path of Jupiter "Path of Vesta "Path of Venus Mercury Champion" Tier Champion" Champion" Champion" Champion" Trophy Trophy Trophy Trophy Trophy Points from all five paths to be combined. Age Category/ Highest scoring Male & Female in each Age Category/Pace Group to be awarded Trophies **Pace Group Trophies** Overall Age Graded Trophies also awarded. Highest scoring Male & Female overall will win the Championship and be awarded Trophies. Overall Championship As points will be a combination of all 5 paths, these will be the members who have participated Winners the most and actively represented the club in all five pathways/disciplines.



## SUIVILARY

I hope you enjoy the 2026 Championship!

The 2025 series was a huge success which we hope to build on in the 2026 season!

The format is largely the same with some minor changes to the points systems that we believe succeed in making the competition both fairer for all and more competitive at the top end.

Most Path of Jupiter and Path of Faunus events do not have dates set yet but I will be putting them on heja and putting out monthly brief posts as and when they are announced to keep you all informed.

I also aim to be putting out the full current standings monthly in the hope that giving everyone a clear idea of where they stand will encourage even higher levels of participation!

If any of you have any questions regarding anything within this document then please do get in touch and I will be happy to go over it with you.

You can reach me via facebook messenger, heja or on <u>caerleonrcchampionship@gmail.com</u>

Finally, another huge thank you to you all for supporting me through my two years managing the championship and especially as I've tried to get this new format off the ground in 2025! It really does mean the world to see it being engaged with and enjoyed!

- Christian Ford



### GOOD LUCK EVERYBODY!



