

PRESS GUIDE

ORLEN
PRAGUE
MARATHON
4. 5. 2025

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ORLEN PRAGUE MARATHON

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PRESS CENTER

Thursday May 1

13:00 – 20:00	Press center/Hospitality Room	Room Libeň, Floor M, Hilton Prague Hotel
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Friday May 2

8:00 – 19:00	Open doors in Running Mall	Running Mall, M. Horákové 461
9:00 – 20:00	Press center / Hospitality room	Room Libeň, Floor M, Hilton Prague Hotel
10:00 – 21:00	Marathon Expo	Výstaviště Holešovice
11:00	Press conference – Elite athletes	Seasons, Floor L, Hilton Prague Hotel

Saturday May 3

10:00 – 21:00	Marathon Expo	Výstaviště Holešovice
9:30	Start of ORLEN Active Breakfast	Letná Park
13:00	Start of dm family day program	Výstaviště Holešovice
15:00	Start of dm family mile	Výstaviště Holešovice
16:00	Start of dm bambini run	Výstaviště Holešovice

Sunday May 4, Race day

7:00	Opening of the technical area, Wenceslas Square - Můstek
8:00	Start of the program of the day
8:30	Opening of the Start Corridors
9:00	Start ORLEN Prague Marathon, Start Czech Republic Marathon Championship
11:03 – 11:05	Expected finish of the first man
11:20 – 11:23	Expected finish of the first woman
11:25 – 12:15	Award ceremony, Old Town Square
16:00	Last runner at the finish line
17:00	Closing of technical area

**PRESS INFO**



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MEDIA ACCESS START/FINISH AREA

There will be a designated area reserved for journalists to take pictures in the start and finish.

The media area at the race start will be available to journalists from 8:40 to 8:58.

The media area at the race finish will be available to journalists from 10:50 to 11:30.

Entry is allowed only from 10:50 to 11:00!

CHECK THE MAP below to see the route you need to take to get to the start and finish line (purple line, purple and green zone). There is also designated area in front of the award podium. All media need to **wear media vest and accreditation** otherwise you may not be allowed to enter the area. Thank you for your cooperation.



HISTORY OF PRAGUE MARATHON

CARLO CAPALBO: THE STORY BEHIND THE MARATHON

What was your favourite moment in all those 30 years of Prague Marathon?

Many moments, I remember a lot and I might have forgotten some as well. One of my favourite memories is when we welcomed Sebastian Coe. Such an amazing athlete and runner, world champion, European champion... he was happy to visit Prague again as he won one of his European titles here. But I cannot say just one memory.

Have you ever thought about running a marathon by yourself or do you prefer to be in charge and organize it?

Not now, of course, but now I can just organize. But I ran 12 half marathons when I was younger, I was thinking of running also a marathon but never did.

What do you think Emil Zátopek would enjoy the marathon today? The course, the atmosphere in Prague?

I think he would be stunned with all the tech and modern shoes! Imagine if we could measure his training today and he could wear carbon shoes like athletes today. I am sure he would want to try all these things. And I think running in Prague would be fun for him.

Is it harder to organize the race in 1995 or today?

In 1995 everything was a bit crazier and freer. We were bold enough to come up with an idea and just did it. Today organizing such an event needs more planning, more deadlines, more structure and a bit more rules and bureaucracy and stamps.

RUNCZECH KINGS AND QUEENS

Our most loyal runners, kings and queens. Those who dare to put on running shoes and run Prague every year to enjoy the atmosphere, joy of movement, and meet old and new friends. We are proud of you and proud to include you in the RunCzech family.

We bow to you and wish you many happy starts and finish!

263 runners who ran 15 Prague Marathons

448 runners who ran 10 Prague Marathons

1 248 runners who ran 6 Prague Marathons



GOLD: 263 RUNNERS

254 MEN
9 WOMEN



SILVER: 448 RUNNERS

414 MEN
34 WOMEN



BRONZE: 1 248 RUNNERS

1 123 MEN
125 WOMEN



SIX PRAGUE MARATHON HEROES

Our six heroes ran all the 28 editions of the Prague Marathon which were open to the public. Runners who deserve the most praise and glory from the whole RunCzech team and all other runners. Thank you for being such an inspiration for all of us.



Daniel Dvořák



František Večeřa



Milan Gatial



Pavel Kratina



Radim Kotlaba



Oldřich Vysoudil



ELITE ATHLETES – MEN

START LIST	BIB	NAME	NATIONALITY	PB	BEST SINCE 2023
1	BERHANU	LEMI BERHANU HAYLE		2:04:33 - DUBAI 2016	2:05:48 - AMSTERDAM 2023
2	ANDUALEM	ANDUALEM BELAY SHIFERAW		2:04:44 - BERLIN 2023	2:04:44 - BERLIN 2023
3	GADISA	GADISA BIRHANU SHUMIE		2:04:59 - SEVILLA 2023	2:04:59 - SEVILLA 2023
4	DUMECHA	LEMI DUMECHA BEYI		2:05:20 - DUBAI 2024	2:05:20 - DUBAI 2024
5	TARIKU	TARIKU NOVALES		2:05:48 - VALENCIA 2023	2:05:48 - VALENCIA 2023
6	MULUGETA	MULUGETA DEBASU MEREH		2:06:36 - AMSTERDAM 2023	2:06:36 - AMSTERDAM 2023
7	MARK	MARK KORIR		2:05:49 - PARIS 2015	-
8	FELIX	FELIX KIPKOECH		2:07:39 - AMSTERDAM 2024	2:07:39 - AMSTERDAM 2024
9	KELKILE	KELKILE GEZAHEGN WOLDAREGAY		2:05:56 - ROTTERDAM 2018	2:08:34 - BARCELONA 2023
10	TETSUYA	TETSUYA YOROIZAKA		2:07:55 - OITA 2022	2:08:34 - SHANGHAI 2024
11	DEBESAY	DEBESAY DESALE TEKLEMARIAM		2:09:19 - SHANGHAI 2023	2:09:19 - SHANGHAI 2023
12	AHMED	AHMED EL JADDAR		2:21:31 - BREGENT 2017	HM 1:00:40 - BARCELONA 2024
13	ANDREW	ANDREW COLLEY		2:11:22 - CHICAGO 2023	HM 1:00:47 - HOUSTON 2025
14	PAUL	PAUL KIBET		2:09:51 - MERSIN 2024	2:09:51 - MERSIN 2024
15	IGNACIO	IGNACIO ERARIO		2:12:55 - SANTA ROSA 2024	HM 1:01:09 - BARCELONA 2025
16	TEWELDE	TEWELDE MENGES		2:14:00 - SEVILLA 2025	2:14:00 - SEVILLA 2025
17	PAULOS	PAULOS SURAFEL		2:17:49 - SEVILLA 2025	HM 1:01:21 - GENTBRUGGE 2024
18	JIRKA	JIRKA HOMOLÁČ		2:14:35 - BERLIN 2019	HM 1:05:43 - PRAGUE 2023
19	VÍT	VÍT PAVLIŠTA		2:15:35 - VALENCIA 2020	HM 1:08:15 - ÚSTÍ NAD LABEM 2024
20	HIROHITO	HIROHITO SUGAI		2:16:08 - OSAKA 2025	2:16:08 - OSAKA 2025
21	YONAS	YONAS KINDE		2:17:12 - FRANKFURT 2019	2:19:26 - BERLIN 2023
22	PETR	PETR PECHEK		2:18:28 - PRAGUE 2011	2:21:54 - PRAGUE 2023
23	ONDRA	ONDŘEJ FEJFAR		2:19:54 - PRAGUE 2023	2:19:54 - PRAGUE 2023
24	MARTIN	MARTIN EDLMAN		2:22:19 - PRAGUE 2024	2:22:19 - PRAGUE 2024
25	MATĚJ	MATĚJ ZIMA		2:23:34 - KOŠICE 2024	2:23:34 - KOŠICE 2024
26	DAVID	DAVID VAŠ		2:23:05 - PRAGUE 2019	2:35:20 - PRAGUE 2024
27	TAKETOSHI	TAKETOSHI OE		-	HM 1:09:05 - OSAKA 2025

ELITE ATHLETES – WOMEN

START LIST	BIB	NAME	NATIONALITY	PB	BEST SINCE 2023
F1	GLADYS	GLADYS CHESIR KIPTAGELAI		2:20:30 - AMSTERDAM 2024	2:20:30 - AMSTERDAM 2024
F2	EVALINE	EVALINE CHIRCHIR		2:20:33 - VALENCIA 2024	2:20:33 - VALENCIA 2024
F3	BERTUKAN	BERTUKAN WELDE SURA		2:21:54 - DUBAI 2025	2:21:54 - DUBAI 2025
F4	PASCALIA	PASCALIA CHEPKOGEL		2:22:49 - CAPE TOWN 2024	2:22:49 - CAPE TOWN 2024
F5	URGE	URGE DIRO SOBOKA		2:23:05 - SEVILLA 2023	2:23:05 - SEVILLA 2023
F6	EMEBET	EMEBET NIGUSE MAMO		2:25:25 - LJUBLJANA 2024	2:25:25 - LJUBLJANA 2024
F7	SINTAYEHU	SINTAYEHU LEWETEGN HAILEMICHAEL		2:22:36 - LJUBLJANA 2022	2:26:33 - HOUSTON 2023
F8	NETSANET	NETSANET GUDETA KEBEDE		2:27:24 - RIYADH 2025	2:26:09 - BOSTON 2021
F9	VIVIAN	VIVIAN JEPKEMEI MELLY		DEBUT	HM 1:07:35 - PARIS 2023
F10	NELLY	NELLY JEPTOO		DEBUT	1:09:14 - NAPOLI 2025
F11	TEREZA	TEREZA HROCHOVÁ		2:26:38 - SEVILLA 2024	2:26:38 - SEVILLA 2024
F12	TRUPHENA	TRUPHENA CHEPCHIRCHIR		2:27:52 - DONGYING 2019	2:31:06 - MERSIN 2024
F13	ELISSA	ELISSA LEGAULT		2:33:27 - OTTAWA 2022	2:34:02 - HOUSTON 2023
F14	MITSUKO	MITSUKO INO		2:34:39 - OSAKA 2017	2:42:14 - OSAKA 2025
F15	PETRA	PETRA PASTOROVÁ		2:36:44 - PRAGUE 2013	2:42:25 - WARSAW 2024
F16	KRISTIN	KRISTIN JOHANSEN		2:42:39 - SACRAMENTO 2019	-
F17	EVA	EVA FILIPOVÁ		2:43:50 - PRAGUE 2023	2:43:50 - PRAGUE 2023
F18	KATEŘINA	KATEŘINA KAŠPAROVÁ		2:44:43 - PRAGUE 2023	2:44:43 - PRAGUE 2023
F19	ZUZANA	ZUZANA PIČMANOVÁ		2:53:36 - MALTA 2024	HM 1:20:59 - OLOMOUC 2023

START NUMBERS

Below you can see the design of start numbers for both the elite and hobby runners. Elite athletes have their first name on the bib in yellow square to be easily recognised.

Main favorit in the mens field is Lemi Berhanu Hayle (last years winner) and Andualem Belay Shiferaw, both representing Ethiopia, who can run the race record. Gladys Chesir Kiptagelai and Evaline Chirchir will battle for the womens title and the race record.

Traditionally, Prague Marathon also hosts the Czech Republic Marathon Championship in cooperation with Czech Athletic Federation.



MARATHON EXPO

Prague Exhibition Grounds
Holešovice, Křižík pavilions B, C

Opening hours
Friday, May 2 10.00 – 21.00
Saturday, May 3 10.00 – 21.00

One of the largest sports fairs in the Czech Republic will be at the Prague Exhibition Grounds. Your first steps will lead right here, to pick up your starting number. And not only that. Expect exhibitors of sportswear, accessories and nutritional supplements.

How to get there?
Metro C – Nádraží Holešovice station or Vltavská station
Tram no. 6, 17 – Výstaviště Holešovice tram stop

By car:
You can find the nearest parking lot (P2 and P3) right at the Prague Exhibiton Grounds. This is a paid parking lot.

We do not recommend travel by car as there is a lot of construction work in the surrounded area.



BASIC INFORMATION



13 687 RUNNERS

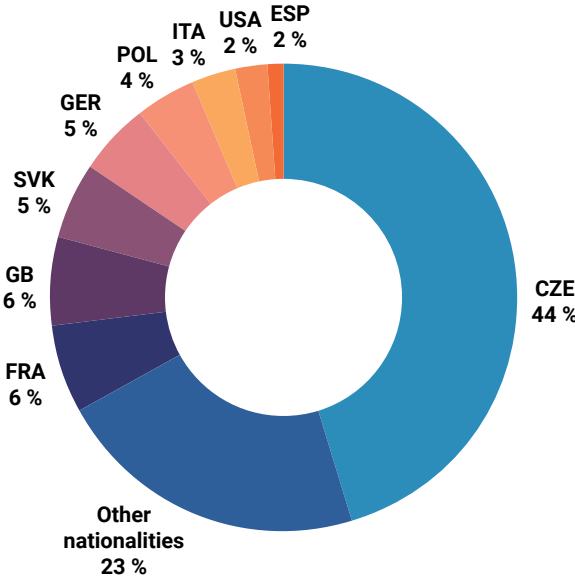
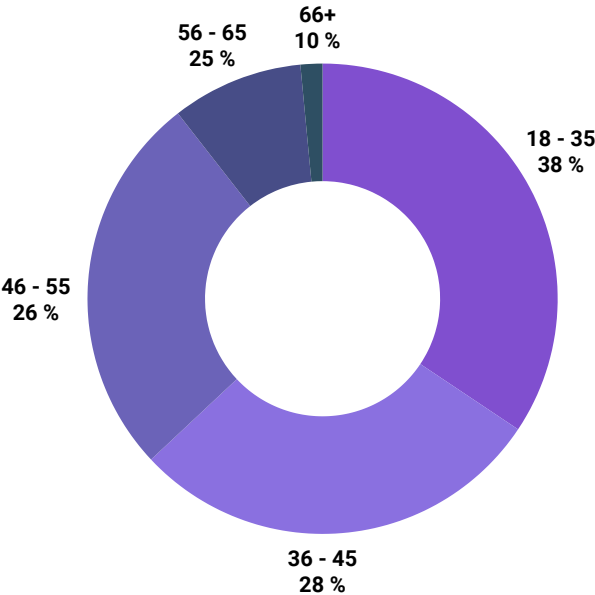
COMPETITIVE 10 357, NON COMPETITIVE 3 330

RACE RECORD

♂ ALEXANDER MUTISO (KEN) 2:05:09 - 2023
♀ LONAH CHEMTAI SALPETER (ISR) 2:19:46 - 2019

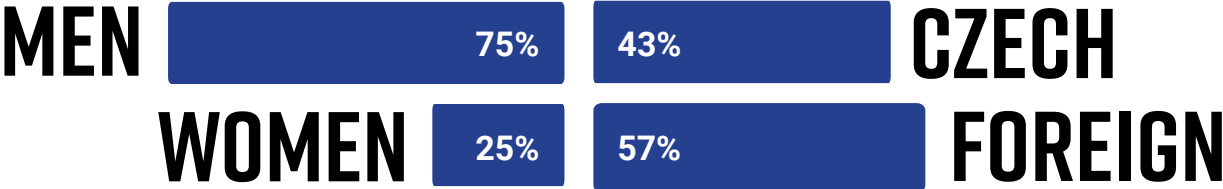
CZECH RACE RECORD

♂ RÓBERT ŠTEFKO 2:12:35 - 2004
♀ EVA VRABCOVÁ NÝVLTOVÁ 2:23:41-2016



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NATIONALITIES



TIME LIMIT – 7 HOURS

JUNIOR MARATHON CHAMPIONSHIP

THE JUNIOR MARATHON CHAMPIONSHIP IS THE BIGGEST RUNNING EVENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND THEIR TEACHERS. THE FIRST EDITION WAS HELD IN 1997.

The Junior Marathon is a relay race for 10 runners, at least three of whom must be girls. Each member runs 4.2 km and together they run the full marathon distance. A semi-final round are held in each Czech regional city, the winners advance to the grand final at the Prague Marathon. Students start right behind the elite athletes and have the opportunity to fully enjoy the atmosphere of the big race.

JMC LIST OF SCHOOL IN THE FINAL

GYMNÁZIUM, SOŠ A SZŠ JILEMNICE	GYMNÁZIUM MATYÁŠE LERCHA, BRNO	GYMNÁZIUM JANA KEPLERA, PRAHA
GYMNÁZIUM F. X. ŠALDY, LIBEREC	SLOVANSKÉ GYMNAZIUM, OLOMOUC	GYMNÁZIUM VÁCLAVA HRABĚTE, HOŘOVICE
GYMNÁZIUM ANTONA RANDY, JABL. N. NISOU	GYMNÁZIUM JAKUBA ŠKODY, PŘEROV	GYMNÁZIUM DOBRŠÍŠ
SPORTOVNÍ GYMNAZIUM DAŠICKÁ, PARDUBICE	GYMNÁZIUM ZLÍN	JERGYM, GYMNAZIUM LIBEREC
LEPAŘOVO GYMNAZIUM JIČÍN	POLSKÉ GYMNAZIUM, ČESKÝ TĚŠÍN	GYMNÁZIUM VIMPERK
GYMNÁZIUM TŘEBÍČ	SLEZSKÉ GYMNAZIUM, OPAVA	PODKUŠNOHORSKÉ GYMNAZIUM MOST
SPŠ STROJNICKÁ A SOŠ PROFESORA ŠVEJCARA, PLZEŇ	GYMNÁZIUM OTY PAVLA, PRAHA	GYMNÁZIUM LOUNY
	GYMNÁZIUM NA VÍTEZNÉ PLÁNI, PRAHA	I. ČESKÉ GYMNAZIUM, KARLOVY VARY

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

FOR MORE THAN 25 YEARS, RUNCZECH HAS PROMOTED A CULTURE NOT ONLY OF PHYSICAL FITNESS AND MENTAL HEALTH, BUT OF SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY. IN FACT, WITH EVERY RACE WE STAGE WE PLEDGE OUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO A VARIETY OF CAUSES THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO RUNNERS, AND TO THEIR COMMUNITIES.

Světluška (Firefly) was launched in 2003 as the flagship project of the Czech Radio Endowment Fund. The purpose of 'Světluška' is to enable the visually impaired to aim to independent and authentic life based on their own choices. We support individuals with visual impairment of all ages as well as NGOs throughout the whole Czech Republic. Each year we distribute direct financial support to more than 300 children, teenagers,

adults as well as seniors with visual impairment helping them cope with daily activities, enabling them study, work, do sports or use special assistive technologies. More than two thirds of all support is distributed to NGOs including social services, special schools, or disability sports clubs.



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HALL OF FAME

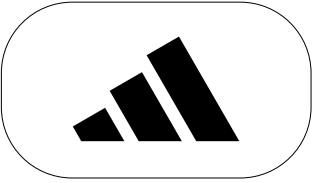
MEN

1995	Turbo Tumo (ETH)	2:12:44
1996	William Musyoki (KEN)	2:12:21
1997	John Kagwe (KEN)	2:09:07
1998	Elijah Lagat (KEN)	2:08:52
1999	Eliud Keiring (KEN)	2:11:19
2000	Simon Chemoiywo (KEN)	2:10:35
2001	Andrew Sambu (TAN)	2:10:14
2002	Henry Tarus (KEN)	2:11:41
2003	Willy Cheruiyot (KEN)	2:11:56
2004	Barbanas Koech (KEN)	2:12:15
2005	Steven M. Cheptot (KEN)	2:10:42
2006	Mubarak Hassan Shami (QAT)	2:11:11
2007	Ornelas Helder (POR)	2:11:49
2008	Kenneth M. Mungara (KEN)	2:11:09
2009	Patrick M. Ivuti (KEN)	2:07:48
2010	Eliud Kiptanui (KEN)	2:05:39
2011	Benson K. Barus (KEN)	2:07:07
2012	Deressa Chimsa (ETH)	2:06:25
2013	Nicholas Kemboi (QAT)	2:08:51
2014	Patrick Kipyegon (KEN)	2:08:07
2015	Felix Kipchirchir Kandie (KEN)	2:08:32
2016	Lawrence Cherono (KEN)	2:07:24
2017	Gebreksadik Abraha (ETH)	2:08:47
2018	Galen Rupp (USA)	2:06:07
2019	Dawit Wolde (ETH)	2:06:18
2020	N/A	
2021	Benson Kipruto (KEN)	2:10:16
2022	Nobert Kigen (KEN)	2:07:54
2023	Alexander Mutiso (KEN)	2:05:09
2024	Lemi Berhanu Hayle (ETH)	2:08:44

WOMEN

1995	Svetlana Tkach (UKR)	2:39:33
1996	Elena Vinickaya (BLR)	2:37:33
1997	Elena Vinickaya (BLR)	2:32:58
1998	Elena Vinickaya (BLR)	2:35:25
1999	Franca Fiacconi (ITA)	2:28:33
2000	Alina Ivanova (RUS)	2:27:42
2001	Maura Viceconte (ITA)	2:26:33
2002	Alevtina Ivanova (RUS)	2:32:24
2003	Anne Kibor Jelagat (KEN)	2:31:10
2004	Leila Aman (ETH)	2:31:49
2005	Salina Jebet Kosgei (KEN)	2:28:42
2006	Alina Ivanova (RUS)	2:29:20
2007	Nailya Yulamanova (RUS)	2:33:10
2008	Nailya Yulamanova (RUS)	2:31:43
2009	Olga Glok (RUS)	2:28:27
2010	Helena L. Kirop (KEN)	2:25:29
2011	Lydia Cheromei (KEN)	2:22:34
2012	Agnes Kiprop (KEN)	2:25:41
2013	Caroline Rotich (KEN)	2:27:00
2014	Dado Firehwot (ETH)	2:23:34
2015	Yebrgual Melese (ETH)	2:23:49
2016	Lucy Karimi (KEN)	2:24:46
2017	Valary Jemeli Aiyabei (KEN)	2:21:57
2018	Bornes Jepkirui Kitur (KEN)	2:24:19
2019	Lonah C. Salpeter (ISR)	2:19:46
2020	N/A	
2021	Purity Rionoripo (KEN)	2:20:14
2022	Bekelech Borecha (KEN)	2:22:56
2023	Workenesh Edesa (ETH)	2:20:42
2024	Bedatu Hirpa BADANE (ETH)	2:23:41

THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS



RUNCZECH CALENDAR *2025*



**MARATHON WEEKEND:
ORLEN PRAGUE MARATHON
DM FAMILY MILE
DM BAMBINI RUN
3.-4. 5. 2025**

42.2 KM 1.6 KM



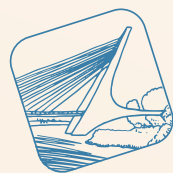
**ADIDAS
WOMEN'S
5K RUN PRAGUE
6. 9. 2025**

5 KM



**MATTONI
RUNNING FESTIVAL
KARLOVY VARY
17. 5. 2025**

21.1 KM 10 KM 1.6 KM



**MATTONI
RUNNING FESTIVAL
ÚSTÍ NAD LABEM
20. 9. 2025**

21.1 KM 10 KM 1.6 KM



**MATTONI
RUNNING FESTIVAL
ČESKÉ BUDĚJOVICE
31. 5. 2025**

21.1 KM 10 KM 1.6 KM



**MATTONI
LIBEREC
TRAIL RUN
5. 10. 2025**

22 KM 12 KM 1.6 KM



**MATTONI
RUNNING FESTIVAL
OLOMOUC
14. 6. 2025**

21.1 KM 10 KM 1.6 KM



**PRAGUE
AIRPORT
VALENTINE'S RUN 7K
14. 2. 2026**

7 KM



**UNICREDIT
PRAGUE RELAY
24.-25. 6. 2025**

4 × 5 KM



**NAPOLI CITY
HALF MARATHON
22. 2. 2026**

21.1 KM 2.5 KM



**BIRELL
IOK NIGHT RACE
PRAGUE
6. 9. 2025**

10 KM



**GENERALI
PRAGUE
HALF MARATHON
28. 3. 2026**

21.1 KM



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