

MATAWAN'S TURKEY TROT IS GOING VIRTUAL!

-from the desk of the Recreation Department

This past Monday 11/16/20, Gov. Phil Murphy issued an executive order decreasing the number on public outdoor gatherings from 500 to 150. In addition, the increase in NJ Covid-19 cases in advance of the Thanksgiving holiday weekend has raised significant concerns. To ensure the safety of our racers and volunteers, Matawan Recreation is transitioning its 14th Annual Turkey Trot (scheduled for Saturday, November 28th) from a live event to a virtual 5k to be held from November 28th to December 5th.

All your hard work practicing for this race will pay off and we encourage you to participate virtually. This race still benefits our "Beautification Program" in Matawan as well as funds various recreation programs. Runners will still receive a once in a lifetime, "masked turkey gone virtual" race shirt as well as a chance to medal.

You just need to download the RaceJoy app which will track your progress in real-time as you run your race at your convenience around your neighborhood, on the Henry Hudson trail, at the beach, or at any venue that you choose. Alerts are sent to the runner at every mile including location, pace, elapsed time and estimated finish time. Your finish time will be uploaded for consideration of medals that will still be distributed to the winners of the different age categories.

Registered runners will receive an email with more information regarding further race instructions and shirt pick-up times. Additionally, instructions will be posted via Matawan Borough's website www.matawanborough.com, and our Facebook page.