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CHICHESTER WELL ON COURSE FOR AN AUTUMN HALF MARATHON

The 'Chi Half' is a challenging yet beautiful half marathon through Chichester city centre and the South Downs that aims to raise vital funds for Children on the Edge, a Chichester based international children's charity.

The route, which includes a mixture of road, cross country and cycle path terrain, will start at Chichester College and take in the historic sites of Chichester, including the Cathedral and the walls. It will then lead up to the pinnacle of the Downs before wending its way back down Centurion Way.

Children on the Edge is organising the event in conjunction with Chichester District Council. Due to take place on the 14th October 2012, the event is expected to be hugely popular and is already being supported by local running clubs. The main sponsors of the race are Montezuma's Chocolates and Store Property with other locals firms including Harwoods and Evans Weir lending their support.

Where war, natural disaster, poverty and abuse rob children on the essential ingredients that make up a full childhood, Children on the Edge aims to give these things back.

From setting up safe Learning Centres for working and refugee children in Bangladesh, to preventing sex trafficking in Moldova, to working with children fleeing ethnic cleansing in Burma and helping children from the slums in Port au Prince, Haiti; they work with children who really are living 'on the edge'.

The marathon will be a fantastic way to raise funds for these and many more of their projects. By paying an entry fee and running the 'Chi half' you will already be helping the charity where a little really can go a long way in the places where they work. Better still you can set up a just giving page and get sponsored for your run, or purchase a T shirt or running vest with proceeds going to their work.

The race will take up to 1,000 runners and is open to all entrants whether you're an elite athlete or jogging around dressed as Elvis.

You can register at www.racetimingsystems.com or call the Children on the Edge office for a form on 01243 538530. There is an Early Bird rate for applications received before June 30th of £20 (affiliated UK Athletics Association) and £23 (non-affiliated). After June 30th, the cost for athletes is £22 (affiliated UK Athletics Association) and £25 (non affiliated).

To keep updated on news and tips just go to <http://www.childrenontheedge.org/chichester-half-marathon.html> , 'like' the Chichesterhalf facebook page or follow @Chichesterhalf on twitter.

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