



**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY — RACE IS SOLD OUT.
PARKING & SHUTTLE INSTRUCTIONS ARE IMPORTANT!**

2025 AVL Runway 5K Racer Instructions

PACKET PICK UP

Wednesday, October 8 (4-6pm)



Sierra Nevada

100 Sierra Nevada Way, Fletcher, NC 28732

Meet us at the big green tent in the gardens!

It is strongly recommended that you pick up your race packet at this time, as access to the race site is via shuttle only, and timing could be tight the day of the race. You may pick up a packet for someone else if that person has signed the waiver. You will be asked the person's date of birth and to sign for the packet.

RACE DAY — Saturday, October 11 — ARRIVE EARLY!

No joke. We don't want you to miss the event!

Race time is 10am — but it will take significant time to shuttle all 1,000 participants and their friends/family to the event site.

Event site opens at 7:30am — The FIRST shuttle leaves the parking area at 7:30am, the LAST shuttle before the race leaves at 9:40am (racers will be given priority closer to race time). Each shuttle seats 44 people, so we can't accommodate everyone if you all arrive later. PLEASE, PLAN AMPLE TIME TO SHUTTLE TO THE EVENT.

- Before and during the race there will be music, plane spotting, the AVL merch popup shop, Black Bear Coffee Co. truck, Donut I Love U truck, photo opportunities and more!

PARKING — IMPORTANT!



PARKING FOR THE EVENT IS IN
THE SAME LOCATION AS LAST
YEAR!

[CLICK HERE FOR DIRECTIONS](#)

Parking entrance is directly across
the street from
Corcoran Paige River Park:

9 Pinner Road, Arden, NC 28704

(Note for GPS users:
Do not come to the airport first.
Event parking area CANNOT be
accessed through airport.)

Parking for event — 9 Pinner Road, Arden, NC 28704. Entrance to parking is on Pinner Road directly across from Corcoran Paige River Park. Watch for EVENT PARKING signs and event staff pointing the way.

Directions from Asheville:

Take I-26 East to Exit 37. Head right on ramp for NC-146 toward Skyland. Keep right, toward Brevard. Turn left onto Ledbetter Road. In 1.7 miles, turn left onto Glenn Bridge Road SE, then in 1 mile, left on Glen Bridge Road. In half a mile, turn right onto Pinner Road. Watch for event signs.

Directions from Hendersonville:

Take I-26 West to Exit 40. Make a right turn off of ramp on to Airport Road, 280. Turn left onto Rockwood Road (at the first light/McDonald's intersection). In 1.2 miles, turn left onto Glenn Bridge Road, then in 0.4 miles turn left onto Pinner Road. Watch for event signs.

After you park — You will take a shuttle to the event site. All attendees must arrive and depart via shuttle. The shuttles will operate continuously between the parking area and the event site, starting at 7:30am, and ending at approximately 1:30pm. One ADA accessible bus will be available for those with special needs or strollers (watch for signage marking the ADA shuttle line in the parking area).

PLAN AMPLE TIME TO SHUTTLE TO THE EVENT! Racers will be given priority closer to race time, and the last shuttle prior to the race departs at 9:40am.



NO PETS ALLOWED ON SHUTTLES OR EVENT SITE

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE EVENT SITE

- **EVENT SITE OPENS AT 7:30am**
- **BAG CHECK TENT** — Drop off bag and pick up by 12:30pm.
- **AWARD TENT** — Catch the awards ceremony after the race (11:15ish).
- **DJ** — Great mix of jams playing throughout event.
- **FOOD/DRINK** — Black Bear Coffee Co. truck and Donut I Love U truck available for purchasing items. You may also bring your own snacks and water.
- **WATER & GRANOLA BARS** — Available at the finish for all racers.
- **PLANE SPOTTING!** Event site is adjacent to Asheville Regional Airport's active runway. Bring a camp chair or blanket to enjoy the view!
- **PHOTO OPS** — **FREE** 360° Photo Booth and more.
- **AVL MERCH** — Popup shop with exclusive AVL items for sale (*Credit Card Only*).
- **STAR 104.3 FM VAN**
- **SPONSOR DISPLAYS**
- **RECIPIENT DISPLAYS:** AB-Tech Aviation, WNC Pilots Association aviation experts and Big Brothers Big Sisters of WNC representing their organizations

WATER ON COURSE

- You may bring your own **non-disposable** water bottle on the course.
 - If needed, airport event crew members will have water on the course.
 - **YOU MUST DISPOSE OF WATER BOTTLES IN THE PROVIDED BINS.** We cannot have debris on the racecourse that could blow over onto the airfield.
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T-SHIRT INFORMATION

Those who registered by the t-shirt deadline will receive the shirt/size they ordered at packet pick-up. Those who registered after the cutoff may receive shirts at packet pick-up, while sizes/supplies last.



AWARDS & RESULTS

Awards Ceremony will take place at approximately 11:15am. No awards will be mailed.

LIVE RESULTS will be available during the race via QR Codes located throughout the event site.

WALKERS & STROLLERS

We hope everyone will enjoy running and/or walking on the airfield. However, there is a possibility that if you are a walker and are not going to be clear of the taxiway by 11:15am, an airport crew member will direct you to turn around in order to exit that portion of the course. NOTE: Participants pushing strollers will be asked to line up in the back of the pack at the start line.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW BEFORE YOU ARRIVE!

NO PEDESTRIAN OR PARTICIPANT VEHICLE ACCESS

on road to and from the event site.

The AVL Runway 5K is on an active airfield and we must follow very stringent safety and security rules. This means — all participants must ride shuttles to and from the event site.



NO PETS

**NO FEET ON
GRASS ALONG
COURSE – or you
will be removed
from race.**

The AVL Runway 5K course is on an airfield, adjacent to an active runway. There are significant safety protocols – and all racers **MUST** remain on the hard surface (the gravel entry road and the paved taxiway). Airport security will be stationed along the course. If a racer is seen walking/running in the grass area adjacent to the taxiway, airport security will have to remove that racer from the event.

**PARENTS – please ensure
your children understand
this rule. Thank you!**

**NO BIKES,
SKATES,
SCOOTERS, ETC.**

**Strollers are
acceptable**

(Children in strollers do not
have to be registered for the
race.)

Sorry! Thank you for your
cooperation and
understanding!



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