

# Charmouth Challenge and Fun Run

*Challenge: FRA Grade BM*

**Saturday 3 July 2010**

at 1430 (Fun Run) / 1500 (Challenge)

*A summer race and day out for serious runners, fun runners and families.*

The Challenge follows a hilly multi-terrain course of about 8 miles through some of the finest coastal scenery in the South West. It includes an ascent of Golden Cap, the highest point on the south coast of England at 191m. The Fun Run follows a 2.5 mile course in the same area. The venue for both runs is Dorset's beautiful Jurassic Coast, a World Heritage site and is metres of Charmouth's famous fossil beach. There is a fete to entertain spectators.



**Information and entry forms:** overleaf, at the school and [www.charmouth.dorset.sch.uk](http://www.charmouth.dorset.sch.uk)

**Enquiries:** Nick Bale Tel: 01297 560341, e-mail: [organiser@charmouthchallenge.co.uk](mailto:organiser@charmouthchallenge.co.uk)

**Organiser:** Charmouth School PTA. Tel: 01297 560591 (Charmouth School)

Lyme Bay Holidays are pleased to continue their association with 'The Challenge'.

Good luck to all the runners



## The Course

**Challenge:** This is a multi-multi-terrain running experience. Tarmac, stone tracks, gravel, grass, mud, wooden bridges, steps, stiles, gates..... you name it, it's here. The start is fast with half a mile of flat tarmac leading out through the village to the bottom of Stonebarrow Lane, which then gives a grueling climb of about a mile rising over 120m. The next mile on stone tracks and grass rises steadily another 60m to the top of Chardown Hill. You can see most of the rest of the course from up here, including Golden Cap looming in the distance. A fast and steep downhill section on grass and stone tracks leads to a farm yard, then a fast downhill lane takes you past the 3 mile point. A flattish section on grass with a couple of stiles leads to a boggy field then a pleasant woodland path before the start of the long 140m climb to Golden Cap through fields. A fierce final climb up a gravel path gives out onto the flat summit of Golden Cap. A quick blast along the top and then you take the short way down, down a steep gravel path followed by even steeper grass to the ruined church of St.Gabriels at 5 miles. A rough stone track and a couple of fields lead out to the cliff edge and the coastal path. This is followed for over a mile, continually either up or down, through grassy fields to the final steep climb up a concrete track, then flatter grass to the top of Stonebarrow Hill. Hopefully, the final section down to the finish at Charmouth School will be an exhilarating swoop down the coastal path but winter landslides may preclude this.

**The Challenge is an official FRA fell race grade BM, held in accordance with FRA rules and safety requirements, (www.fellrunner.org.uk). There will be at least two drinks stations.**

**Fun Run:** This will follow a course of about 2.5 miles on a route yet to be decided. It will start and finish at the school and include an ascent of Stonebarrow Hill, where there will be a drinks station. The fun runners will go first so that they will clear the final descent before the challenge runners arrive.

## Entries

Previous events have attracted an entry of about 250 in each race  
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## Team Entries

Why not make this a special club day or weekend? There is something for everyone with two runs, a fete, and Charmouth's famous fossil beach just yards from the venue. You can even set up your own HQ tent and barbecue on the riverbank. Please enquire for details.

## Prizes

**Medals:** All Fun Run finishers. Commemorative Mug Available  
**Trophies:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> male and female in Challenge and Fun Run.  
1<sup>st</sup> Boy and Girl School Years 9, 6, 4 and 2  
1<sup>st</sup> male and female vet 40+, 50+ (Challenge only)  
1<sup>st</sup> male and female team (Challenge only)  
**Mugs:** Commemorative Mugs available to buy at discount to runners

ENTRY FORM Charmouth Challenge and Fun Run Saturday 3 July 2010	
Please write in BLOCK LETTERS:	
Surname: _____.	First Name: _____.
Date of Birth: _____.	Female (please tick box) <input type="checkbox"/>
Club: _____.	
Event entered (please tick box):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Challenge (open to 18 yrs and over – Age at 3 July 2010 to comply with FRA rules)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fun Run (open to all) Previous adult winners must enter the Challenge.	
Address:	
Phone No: (____) _____.	Email: _____.

You will automatically be entered in the appropriate prize categories:

Challenge: All male; all female; male and female team, vet 40+ & 50+.

Fun Run: All male; all female; male and female 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> for school years 9, 6, 4 & 2  
(according to age on 1 September 2009)

Team Entries: Male and Female, 1<sup>st</sup> four 'times' from each club to count (Challenge only).

**Please SIGN: (Parent to sign for child under 16)**

**I understand that this race is held in accordance with both the rules and safety requirements of the FRA. I confirm that I am aware of the organiser's information and requirements in connection with this race. I accept the hazards involved in fell running and acknowledge that I am entering and running this race at my own risk. Other than the organiser's liability for causing death or personal injury by negligence, I confirm that I understand that the organiser accepts no liability to me for any loss or damage of any nature to me or my property arising out of my participation in this race.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please PAY: Challenge: **£6** (£2 extra on the day)

Fun Run **£3.50** (£2 extra on the day)

I enclose a cheque for £\_\_\_\_\_ payable to 'Charmouth School PTA'

Please RETURN the completed form, fee and min. A5 size S.A.E. to:  
PTA Secretary, Charmouth School, Charmouth, Dorset DT6 6LR.

Run numbers for entries posted after Wednesday 23 June 2010 can be collected on the day