

A Decade of Running

Ucluelet, BC (April 27, 2009) - The Pacific Rim of Vancouver Island hosts the 10th Annual Edge to Edge Marathon on Sunday, June 14, 2009. Ten years ago on Sunday, June 11, 2000 the Edge to Edge Marathon was first introduced to the wild West Coast.

It has become an exotic destination race for both runners and their fans alike. Over the years, the marathon has grown to become a world class event. It is an international race and a certified Boston Qualifier.

From its first year, the Edge to Edge Marathon has always been extraordinary. Perhaps it is fate and an astounding coincidence that the towns of Tofino and Ucluelet are perfectly marathon distance apart. Elite athletes from around the world run from the “Force of Nature” to “Life on the Edge”.

The Marathon is a mixture of hard packed sand on Chesterman Beach and a road portion through the Pacific Rim National Park Reserve. Racers are surrounded with the rustic beauty of old growth forests and glances of the majestic Pacific Ocean.

The Ekiden style Team Relay is the most popular category and is always a sell out! The relay is also a point-to-point race as it follows the full marathon route. In 2006, the Half Marathon was introduced. It takes place in Ucluelet on the world famous Wild Pacific Trail. Racers surround themselves with temperate rainforests, lush ferns, mosses and lichen that ensure them of the purest air quality.

For 10 years, the Ucluelet Chamber of Commerce along with the communities of Tofino, Ucluelet and the Pacific Rim National Park Reserve have worked, volunteered and supported each other to welcome runners to this unique experience.

This June, celebrate 10 years of training, experiencing and believing in the world-class Edge to Edge Marathon.

Celebrate the 10th Annual Edge to Edge Marathon! For information about the event please call Kim Trudgeon, Race Coordinator at 250-726-4641 or visit www.edgetoedgemarathon.com