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Greetings Blue Moon Trail Run participants and supporters,

On this, the first day of summer, we hope that you are enjoying the extended daylight and moderate climates that this time of year provides. On Friday evening we look forward to seeing you at the second leg of the series, featuring the 5k and 8K trail runs and ¼ mile, ½ mile and 1.5 mile kids runs. After a highly spirited and well attended opener on May 27, including an inaugural biathlon and triathlon, we hope to continue along that same road, or trail, this time around.

In advance of the event, please note the following:

- With a forecast of 77 degrees, 90% cloud cover and only a 10% chance of storms, conditions seem ideal for all events. But this is Colorado and a sudden shift in weather, featuring wind, hail and/or lightning has been known to occur this time of year. We will do all that we can do safely conduct the event but, should it be necessary, a delay will be imposed until it is considered safe to return. Listen for the airhorn, which signals first a delay and then a 15-minute warning of the return to activity. If unable to safely return due to conditions or darkness, the series will be based on the first and third races in May and July.
- Bib pickup and race day registration will begin at 4:30 p.m. at the Piñon Valley Park pavilion. Kids races are first and will run concurrently at 5:30 p.m., with the ¼ mile and ½ mile distances running north in a clockwise loop and the 1.5 mile trail run heading south along the 5K/8K courses. There is no fee to participate but day of registration is required. This will be followed by the 8K race at 6 p.m. and 5K race at 6:15 p.m.
- Online registration closes 5 p.m. Wednesday. Thursday 10 a.m.-Friday noon onsite registration is available at Meadows Park Community Center, 1943 S El

Paso Avenue 80905. Day of registration (additional \$15) again is at the Piñon Valley Park pavilion beginning at 4:30 p.m.

- All competitors will be treated to a post-race meal featuring Marcos Pizza and salads from Mollica's Italian Market. A hydration station with infused waters and root beer floats will be available as well. A beer garden will return for the final events on July 22.
- Awards will be provided to all kids race finishers and to first place winners in the men's and women's 5K and 8K. Overall, age group and finisher awards for all who complete the full series will be provided following the final races on July 22.
- All race and performance information, including FAQ's and course maps can be found at the race website: www.coloradosprings.gov/bluemoon.

We look forward to seeing you Friday and thank you for supporting your Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department. Be happy and be well!

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