

## **Bud Break FAQs**

### **Q: What time do runners start arriving for the race?**

A: Our gates will open by 7:00am. Registration and check-in starts at 7:30am. The Bud Break 5K race starts at 9:00am. For those who want to walk the course, the race begins at 9:05am.

### **Q: Is this a timed race?**

A: Yes, this is a timed race. Runners will receive a time chip when they pick-up their race bib.

### **Q: Where do I check in or register on race day?**

A: Race check in and day-of registration will be inside the Oswald Visitor Center.

### **Q: What is the Bud Break 5K course?**

A: The Bud Break course is a challenging 3.1 mile certified asphalt race that winds around our grounds with hills and valleys. Participants start at the Sensory Garden Parking Lot and run 3-Mile Drive backwards finishing the race back at the Sensory Garden Parking Lot.

### **Q: What is the Daffodil Dash course?**

A: The Daffodil Dash course is 1K run fun through the Grace B. Dayton Wildflower Garden next to the Sensory Garden Parking Lot.

### **Q: How can I register for the Bud Break?**

A: You can register for the race on the Arboretum event website

<http://www.arboretum.umn.edu/budbreak.aspx>. You will need to create an account with the Arboretum Online Store to register.

### **Q: I have an account but I forgot my password and I can't register. HELP!**

A: Go onto the Bud Break 5K website. Click the register button? In the top left hand corner of the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum store there is a "Login" tab.

1. Click on the **Login** tab
2. Under the **Returning Customers** section you will see a link that says "*If you are locked out or forgot your password, click here to reset*"
3. Click on the link to reset your password
4. Enter in your email address and a link to reset your password will be emailed to you

### **Q: I want to register my friend. Can I register more than 1 person at a time?**

A: Yes, you can. But you must enter in each runner(s) age, birth date, gender, t-shirt size and city & state. If we do not receive all of the required information that runner will not be entered into the race. We need to collect each runner's information individually so we order enough race bibs, t-shirts, time chips and get an accurate runner count for results.

### **Q: Do you offer a group rate?**

A: Yes, we do. You must register your entire group/club as a team.

### **Q: How do I register my team?**

A: We recommend you elect one person from your team to register your entire team. You will need to enter each person individually to complete your team. There are directions on how to register on the registration page.

**Q: Is everyone guaranteed a race t-shirt?**

A: Only those who register by April 20<sup>th</sup> will be guaranteed a t-shirt *in their size*. We'll have enough t-shirts for all runners but if you register after April 20<sup>th</sup> you may not get your size.

**Q: Do you post results?**

A: Yes, we post results on our website and [raceberryjam.com](http://raceberryjam.com)

**Q: Are dogs allowed?**

A: No, dogs are not allowed to be a part of this event.

**Q: Can I run/walk with my stroller?**

A: Yes, you can run with your stroller but it is your responsibility to run safely. The Arboretum is not responsible for any injuries to you or other runners. Runners with strollers will have a 5 minute race delay. Their race will start at 9:05am.

**Q: Are there awards?**

A: Our awards ceremony will be held in the Sensory Garden Parking Lot after the Daffodil Dash fun run.

**Q: Okay, I ran my race. What else is there to do at the Arboretum?**

A: What else is there to do?! Plenty!

1. Show your race bib at the amazing gift shop and receive a 10% discount. The discount is good only on race day.
2. If you have any garden questions you've been meaning to ask, stop by our Let's Talk Plants Q&A desk in the Great Hall and chat with a Master Gardener.
3. Re-fuel your tank in the Arboretum Cafe at our Sunday Breakfast from 9am- 12pm.
4. Kids can plant rose milkweed to take home to attract monarch butterflies and learn how to help the monarch population at our Plant Maker Studio in the Learning Center from 12pm-4pm.
5. Quietly say "Hi" to our librarians and catch-up on some reading in our Anderson Horticultural Library
6. Check-out the Snyder Conservatory where gorgeous plants are in bloom!
7. Don't forget about visiting any of our 36 botanical gardens, 16 miles of hiking trails and **so much more!** Bring a camera and explore!