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RITBA Foundation Hosts Citizens Bank Pell Bridge Run on Sunday, October 22nd

Motorists Should Expect Delays Due to Brief Road Closures During the Race

JAMESTOWN, R.I. – On Sunday, October 22, 2017, the [Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority \(RITBA\) Foundation](#) will host the [Citizens Bank Pell Bridge Run](#) over the Newport Pell Bridge. The Run is a 4 mile charity run/walk with 100% of the proceeds going to support nonprofits and local community organizations. The Run provides a rare opportunity for the public to cross over the beautiful Newport Pell Bridge on foot and enjoy the stunning natural scenery Narragansett Bay has to offer.

Early morning motorists in the Jamestown and Newport area should be prepared for slight delays and traffic detours due to the Run. The event will begin at 7:00 a.m. and police will begin blocking off some roads starting at 6:45 a.m. No pedestrians other than registered athletes will be allowed on any part of the Newport Pell Bridge during the Run. The road closures are as follows:

Jamestown

- *East Shore Road* - From 6:45 a.m. - 7:45 a.m., East Shore Rd. will be closed between the intersection of Conanicus Avenue and the Rt. 138 on/off ramps.

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- *Conanicus Avenue* - From 6:45 a.m. - 7:45 a.m., Conanicus Ave. will be closed from the Jamestown Golf Course north to the Rt. 138 on-ramp (Newport Pell Bridge).

Newport Pell Bridge

- Motoring travel on the bridge will be reduced to a single lane. State Police detail will be on site to alternate westbound (from Newport) and eastbound (from Jamestown) travel from 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Newport

- Farewell Street- From 7:15 a.m.- 8:45 a.m., Farewell Street will be closed through America's Cup Avenue
- Van Zandt Avenue – Van Zandt Avenue at the corner of Farewell will also be closed to traffic.
- Expect delays using America's Cup and Farewell Street until 9:00 a.m.

The RITBA Foundation currently hosts the Citizens Bank Pell Bridge Run and the 4 Bridges Ride events and donates the proceeds to nonprofits including local community and youth sports organizations. For more information, visit pellbridgerun.com.

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