



PRRO Circuit 2019-20 Summary

Circuit 2019-20 events will award more than \$275,000 in prize money including \$74,000 U.S.-only money; 42nd Boilermaker 15K kicks off the Circuit racing season on Sunday, July 14 and the summer road race classic will also present the 2020 PRRO Championship

The **Boilermaker 15K**, on Sunday, July 14, opens the 2019-20 **PRRO Circuit** racing season. The PRRO Circuit showcases world class competition at three classic American road race events shorter than the marathon distance and offers more than \$275,000 in guaranteed prize money overall with \$74,000 for U.S. athletes. The summertime classic U.S. road race that attracts 11,500 participants annually will also host the 25th **PRRO Championship** on Sunday, July 12, 2020 in Utica, NY.

Each Circuit event champion will automatically qualify to compete for the \$10,000 [PRRO Super Bonus](#) available at the 2020 PRRO Championship. See the current schedule below.

PRRO CIRCUIT 2019-20 SCHEDULE

[Boilermaker 15K](#), July 14, 2019, Utica, NY

\$65,100 in prize money (\$14,500 U.S. prize money)

[Credit Union Cherry Blossom Ten Mile](#), April 5, 2020, Washington, DC

\$65,000 in prize money (\$25,000 U.S. prize money) plus performance bonuses

[Lilac Bloomsday Run 12K](#), May 3, 2020, Spokane, WA

\$81,000 in prize money (\$20,000 U.S. prize money)

[Boilermaker 15K: 25th PRRO Championship](#), July 12, 2020, Utica, NY

\$65,100 in prize money (\$14,500 U.S. prize money)

NOTE: The Publix Gasparilla Half Marathon is taking a sabbatical from the 2019-2020 PRRO Circuit because it will not be offering its traditional \$30,000 American-only prize money due to the event being held the week before the U.S. Olympic Marathon Trials in Atlanta, GA on February 29, 2020. The event will return to the Circuit in 2021.

At the **PRRO Championship**, reigning champions (**Gabriel Geay** and **Rosemary Wanjiru**) and any athlete who has won one of the 2019-20 Circuit events are eligible to compete for the \$10,000 [PRRO Super Bonus](#), which is awarded to the winner of the 2020 PRRO Championship (bonus split if an eligible male and female win the PRRO titles). Those aforementioned runners are also eligible for the **PRRO Event Champion's Bonus** (\$1500 cumulative for eligible athletes who do not win the PRRO Championship but do finish in places 2-10 at the PRRO Championship). Any athlete who wins the PRRO Super Bonus is not eligible for the PRRO Event Champion's Bonus.

If the male and female winners of the PRRO Championship have not won any of the events on the current Circuit, they will be awarded \$2500 each as the PRRO Championship Circuit winners in addition to the prize money at the PRRO Championship event.

To-date, PRRO Circuit events have produced 17 world and 17 U.S. road records, awarded more than \$7.6 million in prize money and seen more than 2.5 million runners cross their finish lines. In addition, since 1996, the PRRO Championship race has paid out more than \$1.9 million including \$160,000 in PRRO Championship bonus money.

Don Kardong, 1976 Olympic marathoner and the recently retired Lilac Bloomsday race director, is the current PRRO Circuit President.

The PRRO Circuit, a long-time pioneer and champion of a clean sport, has funded drug testing at its events since 2006. During the 2018-19 season, more than 50 in-competition tests and an undisclosed number of pre-competition tests were conducted. The 2019-20 season will have a similar number of tests.

PRRO Championship and Circuit Year

The PRRO Circuit, launched in 1995, starts and finishes the Circuit Year at the same event that will also host the season-ending PRRO Championship race. The reigning titlists of the PRRO Championship and the event winners on the current Circuit are eligible to compete for the PRRO Super Bonus at the PRRO Championship.

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