

## **St. Patrick's Day – 3 Legged Charity Race 2019** **\*Sunday 17th March 2019, Copenhagen, Denmark\***

**The 19<sup>th</sup> annual 3-Legged Charity Race takes place in Copenhagen on Sunday 17th March 2019. This unique tradition raises money for worthy causes while celebrating the Irish national holiday. Sponsored by Guinness, the event has put Copenhagen on the list of the best places in the world to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.**

The Race requires skill and balance as it involves being tied at the ankle to a willing partner, also known as the 3-Legged Race. Race participants are asked to move at a steady speed and follow a route that passes through 5 pubs in the centre of Copenhagen. They complete the course by drinking a half pint of beer at each pub.

According to organizer Siobhán Kelleher-Petersen; “Since becoming a charity in 2007 we have raised over 460,000 DKK (~€62,000) for various charities and in 2019 our goal is to reach over ½ million DKK in total donations. This year we are very honoured to again raise funds for Danske Hospitalskløvne, Laura Lynn-Ireland's Children's Hospice, and CCAFO in Cambodia.”

Siobhán also wants to thank the main sponsors of the event; “Guinness are a very generous sponsor each year and their continued commitment allows us to give 100% of donations to our charities. And of course, all the pubs involved for their fantastic support every year.”



*Racers heading towards the Finish Line,  
Amagertorv, Copenhagen, St. Patrick's Day 2018*

Race participants are asked to make a minimum donation of 75 DKK per person (150 DKK per team) to enter the race. Registration starts at 12:00 at Kennedy's Irish Bar, Gammel Kongevej 23. Once registered, participants are asked to make their way to Axelborg.

In 2019, the Race welcomes Axelborg Bodega to join in the fun. From 12:00 to 16:00 on St. Patrick's Day this traditional Danish bodega will get an Irish touch. The Race warm-up party starts at 12:00 and there'll be merchandise and face-painting stalls and a real festive atmosphere as we get everyone ready to start the Race. The traditional tying of the legs will take place in the Start Pavilion outside Axelborg Bodega, from where the Race officially starts at 14:00.

The 3-Legged Charity Race 2019 passes through the following pubs:

- 1<sup>st</sup> stop - The Shamrock Inn, Jernbanegade 7
- 2<sup>nd</sup> stop - Pub & Sport, Vester Voldgade 7-9
- 3<sup>rd</sup> stop - The Globe, Nørregade 43-45
- 4<sup>th</sup> stop - Victoria Pub, Gammeltorv 24
- 5<sup>th</sup> stop/Finish Line - The Dubliner, Amagertorv 5

Even if you don't plan on entering the race, everyone is welcome to drop by Axelborg Bodega to join the party. You can support the charity by buying your St. Patrick's Day party hat and t-shirt or having a drink at the bar. If you are unable to attend but would still like to contribute, you can send a Mobile Pay donation. The fundraising period is open from 8<sup>th</sup> March to 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and 100% of the donations are given directly to the 3 charities.

The 3-Legged Charity Race association is a non-profit organization, ran by volunteers from the Irish-Danish community and friends.

**Press:** If you would like more information about the race or wish to view pictures of previous years events you can visit: [www.paddysday.dk](http://www.paddysday.dk) or email - [info@paddysday.dk](mailto:info@paddysday.dk)

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