



Racing for recognition: KM foot race, trail marking set

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KINGS MOUNTAIN — Where's the connection between a 5K run, an historic sign and a groundbreaking tourist route?

The three converge Saturday at the Kings Mountain Gateway Trail entrance.

In an important milestone for Kings Mountain and Cleveland County, the first marked segment of the Carolina Thread Trail in the county will be unveiled as runners refresh from the Gateway 5K.

The footrace will take place within the Gateway park, enjoying its first season as a popular recreation destination just south of downtown Kings Mountain.

This segment of The Thread will eventually connect the city to Crowder's Mountain State Park, Kings Mountain State Park and Kings Mountain National Military Park, touching 2.3 million citizens in many communities and destinations within the 15-county "footprint."

Registration for the 5K closes at 7:45 a.m. and the race starts at 8. Trophies go to the top three male and female over-all finishers and the top male and female in the Masters (40+) Division. Age division winners also get trophies.

The unveiling follows the race.

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KM Gateway Trail 5K/Carolina Thread Trail event

Saturday, May 1, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

807 S. Battleground Ave., Kings Mountain

5K registration: \$25, deadline 7:45 a.m.

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