

Coach Gerard “GP” Pearlberg



Helping Ordinary People Do Extraordinary Things

Start/Finish Line Emcee Extraordinaire

Passionate, high energy, and hardworking, GP brings a “Perfect Storm” of ingredients to make up the ultimate race start/finish line emcee.

“Your start/finish line emcee work is a perfect blend of passionate athlete, knowledgeable coach, and electric-energy, eloquent cheerleader. You rock the house. We love you in Detroit!”

—PATRICIA BALL,
RACE DIRECTOR, DETROIT FREE
PRESS/FLAGSTAR MARATHON

About Coach GP

- Born and raised in England.
- Has a unique and formidable accent and powerful voice that resonates with the spectator and participant alike.
- He’s been an athlete for over 30 years in various sports on multiple continents.
- He’s a runner who trained himself from a novice to an elite athlete—from a 10-minute miler and 4:41:00 marathoner to a 4:20 miler and 2:34 marathoner, respectively.
- Has completed hundreds of road and track races.
- Author of *Run Tall, Run Easy: The Ultimate Guide to Better Running Mechanics*.
- Has extensive broadcasting experience in TV and radio.
- Has been a professional coach for 15 years and has coached thousands of runners to compete in the marathon—from first timers to Olympic athletes.
- His philosophy as a coach is “Helping Ordinary People Do Extraordinary Things” and this down-to-earth, blue collar approach marries beautifully with the runners scratching and clawing their way to the end of their 26 mile journey.

Just some of the major races featuring GP as emcee and/or TV color commentator:

- ING Miami Marathon
- Detroit Free Press Marathon
- Fargo Marathon
- Glass City Marathon
- Illinois Marathon
- Wharf to Wharf, in Santa Cruz, California