

# TOKYO MARATHON 2019

## Wheelchair Elite Field

Invited Wheelchair Athletes (Men)  
Invited Wheelchair Athletes (Women)  
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Tokyo Marathon Foundation



## **Preview of Elite Wheelchair Race**

### **Tokyo Marathon Wheelchair Race Director**

#### **Masazumi Soejima**

The Japanese athletes won the wheelchair division of Tokyo Marathon for two consecutive years since 2017, the year the new course was inaugurated in the Tokyo Marathon. In 2017 six athletes fought it out till the finish line, while in 2018 two athletes exchanged surges to the end. How will the race unfold this year?

In the wheelchair race, many athletes tend to make their moves on the long-inclined slope, either uphill or downhill, but there is no particular slope that stands out in Tokyo, except the downhill incline just before the 5km point. The athletes are likely to stay in pack from the start, but considering that wheelchair can attain the speed over 50km/h on downhill, someone might make a move on this section in their attempt to pull away from the other competitors to take the lead.

On the other hand, it is possible that athletes may use wait and see approach which keeps the pack intact.

But athletes prefer smaller pack, so we may see an athlete trying to break up the pack by changing their speed constantly. Variety of tactics and approaches involved in wheelchair racing is what makes it exciting. Who will lead the race? And who will fall off from the pack? Watch how the size of the pack changes as the race progress.

Because a high speed is involved in the wheelchair racing, a wind is an important factor and the athletes are likely to race in a single file to avoid breaking the wind. Since the athletes have to spend an extra energy when leading the pack, it is beneficial for the race if athletes take turn to lead the pack to maintain a steady pace. Such tactic is often called "rotation", and when rotation takes place frequently, the race tends to be fast paced.

A leading athlete will shake their head left to right to signal other athletes to take the lead, but some will avoid taking the lead in order to conserve the energy, which sometimes will result in the pack to spread sideways. If you pay close attention to athletes individually, you may recognize each athlete's tactics.

If the race stayed close to the end, the positioning before turning left into the last home-stretch becomes important. Since a single stroke can make a great difference, any athletes will try to take the lead before entering the final stretch. Therefore, the Marunouchi-Naka-Dori Ave, just passed 41km point, will become an important section. Many athletes describe this cobblestone road as "long and tough", and from my experience from the last year, the vibration from the cobblestone road is violent and great maneuvering will become important.

There is one more point to be focused this year. Abbott World Marathon Majors series XII introduced "Sprint bonus points" system in the wheelchair division. The athlete who cleared the pre-set condition wins "bonus points." The pre-set conditions are: (1) Go through the set point in first place; (2) record the fastest time for the pre-set section. The pre-condition (2) was selected as the bonus point criterion for the Tokyo Marathon this year.

More specifically, the bonus points will be given to the athlete with the fastest time in the 1.3km segment from 35.8km point right after the second turn-around point in Takanawa to 37.1km point. Like "Kukan-sho," the fastest stage in Ekiden, anybody can shoot for the bonus point regardless of their current position. Since the pre-set section is near the end of the course where racing start to get tough, the whole race may speed up at this point. Watch for the action in this section.

## ■Battle for the Supremacy at Gathering of Eagles

Wishing to present the truly elite wheelchair race to the world, nine male and eight female athletes including the winners from all six Abbott World Marathon Majors events in 2018 are invited. It is truly a gathering of eagles. However, many of them will race in Tokyo for the first time and thus it may be hard to predict the outcome.

First, on the men's side, Marcel Hug (SUI) who won Boston Marathon in April will lead the field. Currently the best in the world, Hug excels in all aspects of racing. He can race away from the field from the early stage of the race, or out-sprint the competitors just before the finish line. In the Oita International Wheelchair Marathon, he recorded the 2018 season best of 1:23:56. Since Hug was second in the 2017 edition of the Tokyo Marathon, and missed the 2018 edition of the race with flight issues, we expect him to shoot for the victory by racing aggressively in Tokyo this year.

David Weir (GBR) who won the London Marathon in April, is not a front runner. Instead he waits and sees if anybody makes a move and react when the time comes. It is interesting to see his positioning within the pack, for this is his first Tokyo Marathon.

Brent Lakatos (CAN) who won the Berlin Marathon in September is actually a sprinter who excels at 100m. It is bit surprising that he competes in the T53 category, but won the race against T54 category racers, those with slightly lighter handicap. Such is a fascinating aspect of wheelchair racing.

Daniel Romanchuk (USA) won the Chicago Marathon in October and the New York City Marathon in November. He is the youngest in the field at twenty and perhaps the rising star of the future. Hope to see his aggressive racing style inspires his competitions.

Yoo Byunghoon of Korea, who finished third in the Oita International Wheelchair Marathon in November, is also invited. With the superior speed he honed in the track race, Yoo is rising fast in the marathon distance. He, like Lakatos, competes in T53 category. They are both light weights, and thus their reduced resistances might help them in the competitions. Two rookies in the Tokyo Marathon might fight it out till the end with their superior sprint ability.

Among the Japanese, last year's champion, Hiroyuki Yamamoto (Fukuoka) is the oldest among the invited athletes. He excels over the Tokyo Marathon course, so he will be ready.

Tomoki Suzuki (Toyota), who finished second in Oita International Wheelchair Marathon, may be at the height of his power. He is not a front runner but likely to sit and wait in the pack before unleashing his power near the end of the race.

On the other hand, Hiroki Nishida (Baccarat Pacific), who finished fifth in the Oita International Wheelchair Marathon, can compete aggressively from the start and make the race exciting.

Sho Watanabe (Toppan Printing), who won the Tokyo Marathon two years ago, also has great potential. The Invited Japanese athletes are expected to compete well against the invited athletes from abroad.

On the women's side, last year's champion Manuela Schar (SUI), who set the world record of 1:36:53 on the Berlin course, also won the Chicago and New York City Marathons. It shows that she is in awesome shape.

Madison de Rozario (AUS) who won the London marathon competes in T53 category. She is on the rise and also endowed with superior speed to win the final sprint to the finish line.

The Boston champion Tatyana McFadden (USA) always finishes within the top rank. I expect these three athletes to set a good pace.

Among the Japanese, Tsubasa Kina (Tireland Okinawa) set a personal best of 1:39:36 at Oita International Wheelchair Marathon, and she is steadily improving. Hope to see her stay with the world class athletes until the very end, fighting for a medal.

Both men's and women's field are expected to be great. Watch the race along the course or on air. It will be a nice preview of the 2020 Tokyo Paralympics.

The current course is generally known as "flat and fast course" which explains fast marathon times. However, wheelchair athletes assess the course as "quite tough." In fact the winning time for the men's wheelchair race was 1:28:01 in 2017 and 1:26:23 in 2018, quite a distance away from the world record of 1:20:14.

The pacemakers are not employed for the wheelchair racing and thus each racer need to maintain his/her own pace. It is a difficult part of the wheelchair racing but at the same time, it is the best part of the wheelchair racing.

The field includes those who can aim for the world record. If athletes took turn in leading the pack, the record is possible. Hope everyone can enjoy and cheer the wheelchair racers, for the race is full of speed and power.

# 車いす招待選手(男子)

INVITED WHEELCHAIR ATHLETES (MEN)


※年齢は大会当日(2019年3月3日)のものとなります。


※Age as of March 3, 2019


## プロフィール Biographies

	No.1001	国籍 / スイス・SUI	生年月日 / Date of Birth 16 Jan. 1986 年齢 / Age 33
		名前 マルセル・フグ Name HUG, Marcel	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time	大会名 / Race
		1:23:59 / 2018 大分国際(Oita)	1
自己最高記録 Personal Best		1:18:04 / 2017 ボストン(Boston)	1
備考 / Remark	2016 リオパラリンピック(Paralympic Games-Rio) Marathon 1:26:16 1st		

	No.1002	国籍 / 韓国・KOR	生年月日 / Date of Birth 30 Jun. 1972 年齢 / Age 46
		名前 ユ・ビョンフン Name YOO, Byunghoon	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time	大会名 / Race
		1:24:00 / 2018 大分国際(Oita)	3
自己最高記録 Personal Best		1:24:00 / 2018 大分国際(Oita)	3
備考 / Remark	2018 ソウル国際(Seoul) 1:30:10 4th		

	No.1003	国籍 / カナダ・CAN	生年月日 / Date of Birth 1 Jul. 1980 年齢 / Age 38
		名前 ブレント・ラカトス Name LAKATOS, Brent	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time	大会名 / Race
		1:29:41 / 2018 ベルリン(Berlin)	1
自己最高記録 Personal Best		1:29:41 / 2018 ベルリン(Berlin)	1
備考 / Remark	2016 リオパラリンピック(Paralympic Games-Rio) 100m 14.44 1st		

	No. 1004	国籍 / アメリカ・USA	生年月日 / Date of Birth 3 Aug. 1998 年齢 / Age 20
		名前 <b>ダニエル・ロマンチュク</b> Name ROMANCHUK, Daniel	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time 大会名 / Race 1:29:45 / 2018 ベルリン (Berlin)	順位 / Place 5
	自己最高記録 Personal Best	1:26:26 / 2017 ボストン (Boston)	16
備考 / Remark	2018 シカゴ (Chicago) 1:31:34 1st		

	No. 1005	国籍 / イギリス・GBR	生年月日 / Date of Birth 5 Jun. 1979 年齢 / Age 39
		名前 <b>デイビッド・ウィアー</b> Name WEIR, David	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time 大会名 / Race 1:29:55 / 2018 ベルリン (Berlin)	順位 / Place 12
	自己最高記録 Personal Best	1:29:55 / 2018 ベルリン (Berlin)	12
備考 / Remark	2018 ロンドン (London) 1:31:15 1st		

	No. 1006	所属 / 千葉・トヨタ自動車	生年月日 / Date of Birth 14 Jun. 1994 年齢 / Age 24
		名前 <b>鈴木 朋樹</b> Name SUZUKI, Tomoki	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time 大会名 / Race 1:24:00 / 2018 大分国際 (Oita)	順位 / Place 2
	自己最高記録 Personal Best	1:24:00 / 2018 大分国際 (Oita)	2
備考 / Remark	2018 東京 (Tokyo) 1:26:24 2nd		

	No. 1007	所属 / 福岡	生年月日 / Date of Birth 31 May. 1966 年齢 / Age 52
		名前 <b>山本 浩之</b> Name YAMAMOTO, Hiroyuki	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time 大会名 / Race 1:24:01 / 2018 大分国際 (Oita)	順位 / Place 4
	自己最高記録 Personal Best	1:19:32 / 2017 ボストン (Boston)	3
備考 / Remark	2018 東京 (Tokyo) 1:26:23 1st		

	No.1008	所属／大阪・バカラパシフィック	生年月日／Date of Birth 11 Mar. 1984 年齢／Age 34
		名前 西田 宗城 Name NISHIDA, Hiroki	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time	大会名/Race
自己最高記録 Personal Best	1:24:01／2018	大分国際(Oita)	5
備考／Remark	2018 ベルリン(Berlin) 1:29:47 6th		

	No.1009	所属／福岡・凸版印刷	生年月日／Date of Birth 23 Nov. 1991 年齢／Age 27
		名前 渡辺 勝 Name WATANABE, Sho	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time	大会名/Race
自己最高記録 Personal Best	1:26:22／2017	ソウル国際(Seoul)	2
備考／Remark	2017 東京(Tokyo) 1:28:01 1st		


# 車いす招待選手(女子)

INVITED WHEELCHAIR ATHLETES (WOMEN)

※年齢は大会当日(2019年3月3日)のものとなります。

※Age as of March 3, 2019

## プロフィール Biographies


	No.1101	国籍 / スイス・SUI	生年月日 / Date of Birth 5 Dec. 1984
		名前 マニュエラ・シャール Name SCHAR, Manuela	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time	大会名 / Race
自己最高記録 Personal Best	Time	大会名 / Race	順位 / Place
備考 / Remark	2018 東京 (Tokyo) 1:43:25 1st		

	No.1102	国籍 / アメリカ・USA	生年月日 / Date of Birth 21 Apr. 1989
		名前 タチアナ・マクファーデン Name MCFADDEN, Tatyana	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time	大会名 / Race
自己最高記録 Personal Best	Time	大会名 / Race	順位 / Place
備考 / Remark	2018 東京 (Tokyo) 1:44:51 2nd		

	No.1103	国籍 / アメリカ・USA	生年月日 / Date of Birth 9 Jun. 1986
		名前 アマンダ・マグロリー Name MCGRORY, Amanda	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time	大会名 / Race
自己最高記録 Personal Best	Time	大会名 / Race	順位 / Place
備考 / Remark	2017 東京 (Tokyo) 1:43:27 1st		

	No.1104	国籍 / オーストラリア・AUS	生年月日 / Date of Birth 24 Nov. 1993
		名前 マディソン・デロザリオ Name DE ROZARIO, Madison	
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time	大会名 / Race
自己最高記録 Personal Best	Time	大会名 / Race	順位 / Place
備考 / Remark	2018 ロンドン (London) 1:42:58 1st		

	No.1105	国籍／アメリカ・USA	生年月日／Date of Birth 16 May. 1991 年齢／Age 27	
		名前 スザンナ・スカロニ Name SCARONI, Susannah		
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time 1:41:44／2018	大会名/Race ベルリン(Berlin)	順位/Place 2
	自己最高記録 Personal Best	Time 1:33:17／2017	大会名/Race ボストン(Boston)	順位/Place 3
備考／Remark	2016 リオパラリンピック(Paralympic Games - Rio) Marathon 1:38:47 7th			

	No.1106	国籍／オランダ・NED	生年月日／Date of Birth 30 Mar. 1974 年齢／Age 44	
		名前 マルフリート・ファンデンブルーク Name VAN DEN BROEK, Margriet		
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time 1:44:06／2018	大会名/Race 大分国際(Oita)	順位/Place 2
	自己最高記録 Personal Best	Time 1:38:33／2017	大会名/Race ボストン(Boston)	順位/Place 8
備考／Remark	2018 ニューヨークシティ(NYC) 1:57:30 5th			

	No.1107	国籍／沖縄・タイヤランド沖縄	生年月日／Date of Birth 18 May. 1990 年齢／Age 28	
		名前 喜納 翼 Name KINA, Tsubasa		
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time 1:39:36／2018	大会名/Race 大分国際(Oita)	順位/Place 1
	自己最高記録 Personal Best	Time 1:39:36／2018	大会名/Race 大分国際(Oita)	順位/Place 1
備考／Remark	2018 東京(Tokyo) 1:46:17 3rd			

	No.1108	所属／神奈川・アクセンチュア	生年月日／Date of Birth 22 Jun. 1983 年齢／Age 35	
		名前 中山 和美 Name NAKAYAMA, Kazumi		
	資格記録 Qualified Time	Time 1:46:14／2017	大会名/Race 東京(Tokyo)	順位/Place 6
	自己最高記録 Personal Best	Time 1:46:14／2017	大会名/Race 東京(Tokyo)	順位/Place 6
備考／Remark	2018 大分国際ハーフ(Oita) Half 52:59 1st			



## 車いすエリート選手(男子)リスト ELITE WHEELCHAIR ATHLETES (MEN)

No.	氏名 Name	国籍・所属 Nationality・Club	年齢 Age	出場資格記録 Qualified Time	自己記録 Personal Best Time
1001	マルセル・フグ	HUG, Marcel	SUI スイス	33 1:23:59 2018 大分国際	1:18:04
1002	ユ・ビョンフン	YOO, Byunghoon	KOR 韓国	46 1:24:00 2018 大分国際	1:24:00
1003	ブレント・ラカトス	LAKATOS, Brent	CAN カナダ	38 1:29:41 2018 ベルリン	1:29:41
1004	ダニエル・ロマンチュク	ROMANCHUK, Daniel	USA アメリカ	20 1:29:45 2018 ベルリン	1:26:26
1005	デイビッド・ウィアー	WEIR, David	GBR イギリス	39 1:29:55 2018 ベルリン	1:29:55
1006	鈴木 朋樹	SUZUKI, Tomoki	千葉 トヨタ自動車	24 1:24:00 2018 大分国際	1:24:00
1007	山本 浩之	YAMAMOTO, Hiroyuki	福岡	52 1:24:01 2018 大分国際	1:19:32
1008	西田 宗城	NISHIDA, Hiroki	大阪 パカラパシフィック	34 1:24:01 2018 大分国際	1:20:28
1009	渡辺 勝	WATANABE, Sho	福岡 凸版印刷	27 1:26:22 2017 ソウル国際	1:26:22
1010	久保 恒造	KUBO, Koze	北海道 日立ソリューションズ	37 1:24:01 2018 大分国際	1:23:24
1011	エルンスト・バンダイク	VAN DYK, Ernst Francois	RSA 南アフリカ	45 1:24:03 2018 大分国際	1:18:04
1012	洞ノ上 浩太	HOKINOUE, Kota	福岡 Yahoo!	44 1:24:04 2018 大分国際	1:20:52
1013	吉田 竜太	YOSHIDA, Ryota	東京 SUS	37 1:24:07 2018 大分国際	1:23:18
1014	ホルディ・マデラ	MADERA, Jordi	ESP スペイン	39 1:29:45 2018 ベルリン	1:22:10
1015	河室 隆一	KAWAMURO, Ryuichi	大分 ホンダアスリート	45 1:29:58 2018 ベルリン	1:29:58
1016	副島 正純	SOEJIMA, Masazumi	長崎 ソシオSOEJIMA	48 1:30:13 2018 大分国際	1:18:50
1017	吉田 高志	YOSHIDA, Takashi	大阪 奥アンツーカ	40 1:30:24 2018 ソウル国際	1:30:24
1018	ジョシュ・キャッシュディ	CASSIDY, Josh	CAN カナダ	34 1:31:19 2018 ソウル国際	1:18:25
1019	アレクサンドレ・デュボン	DUPONT, Alexandre	CAN カナダ	34 1:31:27 2017 シカゴ	1:31:27
1020	樋口 政幸	HIGUCHI, Masayuki	千葉 ブーマジャパン	40 1:31:36 2018 東京	1:22:02
1021	廣道 純	HIROMICHI, Jun	大分 ブーマジャパン	45 1:31:54 2018 東京	1:23:20
1022	レオナルド・デメロ	DE MELO, Leonard	BRA ブラジル	23 1:32:32 2018 大分国際	1:32:32
1023	安岡 チョーク	YASUOKA, Choke	東京 リーフラス	46 1:38:05 2018 大分国際	1:22:17
1024	佐藤 健	SATO, Ken	埼玉 コロンビアスポーツウエア	35 1:41:57 2018 大分国際	1:41:57
1025	武村 浩生	TAKEMURA, Koki	福岡 Yahoo!	31 1:42:58 2018 東京	1:42:58
1026	西原 宏明	NISHIHARA, Hiroaki	京都 ファイテン	38 1:46:40 2018 大分国際	1:46:40

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1101	マヌエラ・シャー	SCHAR, Manuela	SUI スイス	34 1:36:53 2018 ベルリン	1:28:17
1102	タチアナ・マクファーデン	MCFADDEN, Tatyana	USA アメリカ	29 1:39:15 2017 シカゴ	1:35:05
1103	アマンダ・マグローリー	MCGRORY, Amanda	USA アメリカ	32 1:39:15 2017 シカゴ	1:33:13
1104	マディソン・デロザリオ	DE ROZARIO, Madison	AUS オーストラリア	25 1:39:22 2017 シカゴ	1:39:22
1105	スザンナ・スカロニ	SCARONI, Susannah	USA アメリカ	27 1:41:44 2018 ベルリン	1:33:17
1106	マルフリート・ファンデンブルーク	VAN DEN BROEK, Margriet	NED オランダ	44 1:44:06 2018 大分国際	1:38:33
1107	喜納 翼	KINA, Tsubasa	沖縄 タイヤランド沖縄	28 1:39:36 2018 大分国際	1:39:36
1108	中山 和美	NAKAYAMA, Kazumi	神奈川 アクセンチュア	35 1:46:14 2017 東京	1:46:14

### 車いすエリート選手(男子)出場選手数

TOTAL NUMBER OF ELITE WHEELCHAIR ATHLETES (MEN)

車いすエリート男子 Total Number of Elite Wheelchair Athletes	26 名
うち海外招待選手 International Invited Wheelchair Athletes	5 名
うち国内招待選手 Japanese Invited Athletes	4 名

### 車いすエリート選手(女子)出場選手数

TOTAL NUMBER OF ELITE WHEELCHAIR ATHLETES (WOMEN)

車いすエリート女子 Total Number of Elite Wheelchair Athletes	8 名
うち海外招待選手 International Invited Wheelchair Athletes	6 名
うち国内招待選手 Japanese Invited Athletes	2 名