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## **BOCHOLT HIKES 2024**

# 22 September 2024 from Bocholt-Barlo to the Netherlands

After the Bocholt half marathon, like many other running events worldwide, was unfortunately unable to establish itself properly due to the coronavirus, a new sport and leisure format will now be launched in Bocholt.

With the Bocholt Hiking Day "Bocholt hikes", the up-and-coming outdoor and health trend of hiking is to be taken up and offered in Bocholt.

All hiking enthusiasts are cordially invited to discover the beautiful and partly unspoilt nature around the rural Bocholt district of Barlo individually, without competition and in a completely new way at "Bocholt hikes". Mark the date in your diary now!

#### Date: Sunday, 22 September 2024

### Meeting point: Diepenbrock Castle (Bocholt | Barlo district)

As a special highlight, the longest of the three hiking routes will even cross borders, so that participants can also experience part of the route in our neighbouring Netherlands. There will be refreshment stops along the way where participants can have their hiking pass stamped.

#### On offer:

25 KM STRECKE | BOCHOLT WANDERT I (cross-border D-NL) - Start: 08:30 am 15 KM STRECKE | BOCHOLT WANDERT I - Start: 09:30 am 8 KM STRECKE | BOCHOLT WANDERT I family hike - start: 11:00 a.m. Participation tickets cost €16 for the 25 km hike, €12 for the 15 km hike and €8 for the 8 km hike. For children up to the age of 12, there is a children's ticket for €5, regardless of which route the child is registered for.

The participation fees include refreshment stations, the hiking pass, an orientation map and a small token of appreciation at the finish.

On the family hike, all young hikers can go on a treasure hunt together with Bocholt's beech goblin Bokeltje and receive a small prize at the end.

"We are very excited that we can offer a new and popular theme in Bocholt with the planned hiking event around the beautiful ambience of Diepenbrock Castle and are hoping for many participants who enjoy exercise and nature at "Bocholt hikes", says Stadtmarketing Bocholt employee Anna Schmitz, who is already looking forward to the new sporting event in autumn.

And Maria Rickert from the Bocholt City Sports Association adds "Our big thanks go to the owner of the castle, Gisbert Tenhofen, who is making this special site available to us for the event and is thus providing an impressive backdrop for the Bocholt Hiking Day!

"Bocholt hikes" is organised by Stadtmarketing Bocholt together with the Stadt-Sport-Verband Bocholt and the city of Bocholt. The German Alpine Club, Bocholt section, is also on board to provide support.

All further information can be found at <u>www.bocholt.de/bocholtwandert</u> .