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University of Illinois Cross Country
Friday, October 24, 2014
Women's 5km 4:00pm; Men's 8km 4:40pm

Meet Information

Contact Information

For questions regarding University of Illinois Cross Country meets, contact Director of Operations Eric Vetter at (217) 333-0534 or eavetter@illinois.edu.

Race Times

Women's 5km Race Time: 4:00pm

Men's 8km Race Time: 4:40pm

Eligible Teams

NCAA Division 1 teams will be given priority for acceptance into the meet. Other teams may be accepted based on overall number of teams. Contracts are required for all teams to compete. Teams must contact Eric Vetter at eavetter@illinois.edu by August 1 in order to be guaranteed acceptance into the meet.

Team Entry Instructions

Teams should email entries (Last name, First name) to Eric Vetter at eavetter@illinois.edu by **NOON** on **Wednesday, October 22**. Team packets including maps and bib numbers will be available at the yellow moving truck 2 hours prior to race time.

Team Entry Fees Per Team Per Gender: \$100

Unattached Entries

Unattached collegiate and post-collegiate athletes that meet the entry standard will be allowed to compete with a signed waiver form. HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES ARE NOT ALLOWED. The unattached entry fee is \$10 per athlete. Unattached athletes are required to sign a waiver form available at bib pick-up or the www.fightingillini.com cross country meet information website. Entry fee & signed waiver form should be turned in on race day to the yellow moving truck. The deadline for unattached entries is Wednesday, October 22, at NOON.

Unattached Entry Standards

Men: Must have run the equivalent of an 8km in 30 minutes or under in the last 12 months

Women: Must have run the equivalent of a 5km in 20 minutes or less in the last 12 months

Parking

Parking for teams and spectators is on a first come basis with no areas specifically reserved for team or spectator parking. Parking is available along Lincoln Ave, or in the lots marked on the course maps. All parking lots and parking meters are enforced until 5pm on weekdays. **We cannot confirm nor deny meters or lots will be enforced and the University of Illinois Division of Intercollegiate Athletics is not responsible for citations.**

Team Camp Area

Teams are invited to set up camp in the wooded area west of the start area marked on the course map.

Warm-up Times

The Arboretum course will be available after 2pm on race day.

Results

Once verified by the meet director, results will be posted and available for teams at the yellow moving truck. Results will be posted at www.fightingillini.com following the meet.

Facility Information

University of Illinois Cross Country races are held at the University of Illinois Arboretum located at 1800 South Lincoln Ave; Urbana, IL at the corner of Kirby/Florida Ave. and Lincoln Ave. For additional facility information, maps, and course videos visit www.athletics.illinois.edu/facilities/facilities/arboretum/default.htm or arboretum.illinois.edu.

Race Course: Races start in a relatively flat open area but quickly changes to a winding path passing around a pond, through a walnut grove, and over a manmade hill that serves as the high point of the property. Once over the hill, it opens back up and skirts the edges of both the University President's house and the Hartley Garden which highlights the Arboretum. The running path is painted with a double line designating an alley for athletes to run between. Athletes are expected to run within the lines. The majority of the surface is grass with a few exceptions when the course parallels a gravel road and crosses wood chipped paths. All kilometer and mile splits are signed. Course signs with an orange and blue background apply to both races. Signs with an orange background and blue text apply to the women's course. Signs with a blue background and orange text apply to the men's course.

Admission/Gates

Admission is free. There are no defined entry or exit points.

Restrooms/Facilities

Portable toilets will be located near the start area. Only athletes are allowed to use the toilets 15 minutes preceding each race. There are no buildings or shelters at the Arboretum. Locker or shower facilities are not available.

Medical Facilities

The U of I athletic training staff will be on site providing basic modalities. Visiting athletic trainers will be able to use the provided area although modalities will be limited. An ambulance will also be on hand. To arrange services or inquire about what will be provided, please contact Eric Vetter.

Emergency Plan

In the case of inclement weather, teams & spectators should evacuate to their vehicle for protection. There is no interior space available to teams or spectators in the case of inclement weather.



