



Leavitt Hornet Classic  
January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
@ Quarry Road Trails, Waterville



Welcome to the 2016 Leavitt Hornet Classic at Quarry Road Trails. Our many thanks to the Quarry Road crew, Chad Sisson, the city of Waterville, and Matt Skehan for hosting this race. Here is some important information to make this meet successful.

**Race times for Saturday:**

10AM start: CMSC Middle School race, girls and boys, 3K individual start

12PM start girls: Hornet Classic, 4.5K individual start= 3 laps

1:30PM start boys: Hornet Classic, 4.5K individual start= 3 laps

**Grooming Plan:**

Groomers will set a track on Friday late afternoon during the falling temperatures. We will have a double track for the entire 1.5K course (except steep downhill of course). We do not plan on grooming between the middle school and HS races, as this could make the track less firm. The only way we would groom the day of the race is if the predicted snow ends up being more than 2 inches.

**Course:**

The course is a 1.5K loop with three laps per racer. Speaking with USSA representatives this fall, they encourage racers to experience technical courses with often “crowded” conditions. Our club supports this advice, and recommend the 3 laps for racers, even though it may be congested at times. See the course map on the website. Start and finish will be adjacent to the timing shed.

You can see the Quarry Road trail map at <http://quarryroad.org/winter-trails/>. This will give you a feeling for where we are on the trail complex, but does not reflect the groomed race course.

The course will close 10 minutes prior to each race. Only coaches will be allowed on course. Always ski in the direction of the race course. This winter has not been in our favor for weather. We appreciate your cooperation and flexibility.

This is a lap course. Racers who do not ski the required number will be disqualified.

**Jan. 8th Course Report:** The loop is in awesome condition! There is one FIS-level “B” climb and two smaller climbs. The track may be thin in a couple of places, but those are very, very few and far between.

**Registration Info:** Registration will be from 10:30-11:30am. It will be located in the parking lot across from the welcome center. Look for the R on the map!

**Facility:** There are no indoor facilities at Quarry Road Trails. Teams should come prepared for the weather. There is outdoor power for waxing adjacent to the registration desk. There will be porte-potties but no places to change.

**Parking:**

Parking is limited at Quarry Road. We encourage all spectators to carpool when at all possible. There is parking available adjacent to the Welcome Center and Maintenance Building. PLEASE DO NOT PARK ALONG THE ENTRANCE ROAD AS THIS IS A POTENTIAL SAFETY ISSUE. There is also parking at the Kiosk Parking lot (see trail map), where spectators can then ski into main venue (approximately 1.5K with rolling beginner hills). There is also parking available at the designated bus parking lot.

Bus Parking: We ask that busses drop off their passengers at the Maintenance Building in order to allow for a safe turnaround. Busses can then park near the entrance to Quarry Road at the Thayer Center of Health (Maine General Hospital). It is on the corner of Quarry Road and North Street. <https://www.google.com/maps/@44.5665279,-69.6483759,17z>

Thank you for your patience and cooperation with parking, as we continue to improve our venue's capacity.

**Skiing:**

There will be a Middle School race in progress prior to the start of the Hornet Classic. Please be considerate of these racers as you warm up for your event. The River Loop starting at the Maintenance Building provides an excellent warmup, just when you get off of the bus. We will make an effort to set a track on this loop, although coverage is thin in spots. There is also space to warm up through the Meadow trails and the North Koons Loop.

**Spectators:**

Spectators can watch the race on foot at the Welcome Center or Maintenance Building. Please do not cross the race course on foot in order to preserve grooming. We encourage spectators to ski at Quarry Road for the day, but must purchase a trail pass at the Welcome Center (\$10 adult, \$5 HS/College, \$3 Youth, 10 & under free). We encourage classic style skiing for the day in order to preserve the groomed race course. Please see [quarryroad.org](http://quarryroad.org) for information and a trail map, and thank you for supporting Quarry Road Trails!

**Concessions:**

A concession stand will be set up adjacent to the Welcome Center yurt, on the southeast side (closest to the Maintenance Building). There will be hot drinks, mac and cheese, baked goods, and other goodies.

**Results:** Results will be posted in the stadium. Printed race results may not be available. Results (along with photos) will be posted on the MHSS website and be sent to area newspapers. Awards will take place in the stadium area as soon as results become official. There will be an announcement indicating the award ceremony start.

**Contact:** For race questions, email [dustin.williamson@msad52.org](mailto:dustin.williamson@msad52.org) Also don't hesitate to talk to me on race day.