2023 UC Riverside Cross Country Invitational

DATE:	Saturday, September 16, 2023			
SITE:	UCR Agricultural Operations Course			
RACE TIME:	7:15am: Women's 6000m Invitational 7:50am: Men's 8000m Invitational			
	8:25am: Women's 5000m Open 8:55am: Men's 8000m Open CROSS COUNTRY			
	UPDATE: This year, meet management will be selecting a max of 24 teams (min of 5 & max of 10 athletes per team) that will run in the invitational section. All other teams/athletes will be put in the open section. If a coach wants all of their athletes to race in the open section, please notify us through email.			
	In an attempt to manage the size of the meet, while still providing opportunities to race, there will be an additional "Surplus" entry link for any team wishing to enter more than 20 athletes per gender. Each surplus entry will be an additional \$25.			
COURSE:	The UC Riverside course is mostly flat with a few rolling hills, and hard packed dirt with pre-competition watering to reduce dust. It is run through agricultural operations center which features 100-year-old citrus trees.			
PARTICIPANT ENTRY FEE:	\$800 - Combined Team (men and women) \$400- Per Gender (men only or women only.) \$50 - Individual/unattached entry <i>(for individual athletes or teams w/ less than 5 athletes)</i> \$25 – Team Surplus Entry (per entry over 20 entries. Found in separate registration link)			
	Teams & Individuals must pay online on Direct Athletics			
ENTRIES:	ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ENTERED & PAID FOR AT <u>https://www.directathletics.com</u> BY 6PM MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 th . NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED. <i>All scoring teams (5 athletes or more) must pay the team rate.</i> No more than 10 will be allowed to run in the Invite races; all remaining athletes will run in the Open races.			
	Unattached athletes: will be entered the Open races.			
	Elite unattached athletes seeking to run in the Invite races must get prior approval from the meet director prior to the close of registration on September 11 th .			
AWARDS:	There will be an award for the team champion in each of the 4 races. Top 20 finishers in the Invitational and top 10 in the Open races will receive a top finisher T-shirt. Ceremony will follow the conclusion of the Men's 8000m Open race and will be located across the canal from the Pavilion area.			
CHECK-IN:	Teams/Clubs: All teams must check-in and pick-up race numbers no later than 30 minutes before their event. Numbers will be available by 6:15am on race day at the <u>check-in table adjacent to the</u> <u>finish chute.</u> Please do not give an unused number to another athlete. Each number is pre-assigned to an individual by the timer.			
	Unattached Athletes: You will need to park in Lot 30 – Show proof of registration (screenshot) at the gate for entry. Check-in and pick-up race numbers no later than 30 minutes before their event. Numbers will be available by 6:30am on race day at the <u>check-in table adjacent to the finish chute</u> .			
TEAM SCORING:	The races will be scored according to NCAA Division I scoring guidelines.			
TIMING/RESULTS:	Results will be available online at <u>www.finishedresults.com</u> , or on the Finished Results app for iPhone or Android.			

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SPECTATOR ADMISSION:	https://highlanderstickets.universitytickets.com Tickets only available for online purchase. There will be no sales at the entrance gate. Ticket Questions: <u>highlandertickets@ucr.edu</u> Spectator access begins at 6:00am and representatives will be on site to answer questions. \$10– General Admission FREE – Children under age 3 and UCR Undergraduate students with a current UCR ID
COURSE AVAILABILITY:	The Cross Country course will be open for team preview on Friday, September 16 th from 2pm-5pm and on meet day beginning at 5:45am.
DIRECTIONS/PARKING:	From the 215/60 freeway, exit Martin Luther King Boulevard and go west. Turn left at the Canyon Crest Drive traffic light and travel approximately 300 meters to the course entrance (across from Saint Andrew's church). Please check in with gate personnel upon arrival for instructions.
Team Vans:	UPDATE: LIMIT 1 vehicles per INSTITUTION. All additional team vehicles will need to park in Lot 30 . This update is an attempt to maintain good relations with the agricultural operations staff by limiting vehicle acces.
Team Buses:	Team Bus drop off will be in UCR Lot 30 (due to recently installed bike lane delineators on Canyon Crest Drive). Buses will stay in Lot 30 for duration of the meet.
Spectators:	General parking IS <u>NOT</u> available in Agricultural Operations or on nearby neighborhood streets. From the 215/60 freeway, exit Martin Luther King and go west. Pass through the Canyon Crest Driver traffic light and make a right into UCR Lot 30. Parking in Lot 30 is FREE on weekends and no permit is required. Persons with disabilities that have designated license plates or placards may follow the Team Vans directions above to park at the course.
FACILITIES/TEAM CAMP:	Portable restrooms will be available at the start/finish/team camp area located near the Hammer Cage . The old location at the pavilion area across from the course is reserved for spectators only and will have portable restrooms available. There are NO dressing or shower facilities on site.
CONTACT INFO:	For further information, please visit our <u>Visitor's Guide</u> located on our website or contact Eric Fremd (<u>eric.fremd@ucr.edu</u>).

PREFERRED HOTELS

Hampton Inn Riverside Downtown 3505 Market Street, Riverside, CA 92501 Contact – Jennifer Ortega jennifer.ortega@greens.com https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/raldohx-hampton-riverside-<u>downtown/</u> (951) 788-5000 Quality Inn Riverside 1590 University Avenue, Riverside, CA 92507 Contact – Mohammad Haque <u>mhaque@qualityinnriverside.com</u> <u>https://www.qualityinnriverside.com</u> (951) 683-6000

RESTAURANT PARTNERS						
<u>Restaurant</u>	<u>POC</u>	<u>Number</u>	A <u>ddress</u>			
Chick Fil A		951-300-2029	3640 Central Avenue, Riverside, CA 92506			
Flame Broiler	Clare Chung	951-228-9303	1201 University Avenue #109A, Riverside, CA 92507			
In-N-Out Burger			7467 Indiana Avenue, Riverside, CA 92504			
Old Spaghetti Factory	Ryan Durrett	909-784-4417	3191 Mission Inn Ave Riverside, CA 92507			