



OTSEGO BULLDOG INVITATIONAL 2017



~~HOME OF MT. BULLDOG!!!~~

Saturday, September 30th, 2017

COURSE: Located across from the high school (550 Washington St. Otsego, MI 49078) – Very flat and fast (EXCEPT FOR MT. BULLDOG), no concrete, spectator friendly, run through open fields and shaded trails. High school runners – two lap course (accurate 5k). Middle school runners – one lap course (2 miles).

REGISTRATION: PLEASE REGISTER ALL ATHLETES AT ATHLETIC.NET BY 5PM ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th. THIS INCLUDES ANYONE IN THE PUPS (3rd – 5th GRADE) RACE!

RACE SCHEDULE:

8:00AM	D1 Women's Varsity
8:25AM	D1 Men's Varsity
8:50AM	D1 Women's JV
9:15AM	D1 Men's JV
9:45AM	D2 Women's Varsity
10:15AM	D2 Men's Varsity
10:45AM	D2 Women's JV
11:15AM	D2 Men's JV
11:45AM	D3/D4 Women's combined Varsity & JV (top 7 are varsity)
12:15PM	D3/D4 Men's combined Varsity & JV (top 7 are varsity)
12:45PM	Middle School Girls Varsity (top 10 runners from each team)
1:20PM	Middle School Boys Varsity (top 10 runners from each team)
1:45PM	Middle School Boys and Girls JV combined (anyone not varsity)
2:10PM	Pups Race (3-5 graders)

HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS:

Michigan - Division 1 – Box Assignments

Empty	1
Caledonia	2
Holland West Ottawa	3
East Grand Rapids	4
Battle Creek Lakeview	5
Mattawan	6
Byron Center	7
Grandville (girls only)	8
Portage Central	9
East Kentwood	10
Holland	11

Michigan - Division 2 – Box Assignments

Battle Creek Harper Creek	1	Marshall	12
Allegan	2	Paw Paw	13
Hudsonville Unity Christian	3	Hastings	14
Otsego A	4	Vicksburg	15
Grand Rapids Christian A	5	Plainwell	16
Ada Forest Hills Eastern	6	Wayland Union	17
Coldwater	7	Grand Rapids Christian B	18
Dowagiac	8	Otsego B	19
Hamilton	9		20
Holland Christian	10		21
Sparta	11		22

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Michigan - Division 3/4

School	Div	Box
Fennville	3	1
Mendon	4	2
Decatur	4	3
Gobles	4	4
Bangor	3	5
Kalamazoo Homeschool Sports	4	6
Bloomingtondale	3	7
Berrien County Youth Track	4	8
Parchment	3	9
Bronson	3	10
Delton-Kellogg	3	11
Kalamazoo Hackett	4	12
Kalamazoo Christian	4	13
Comstock	3	14

MIDDLE SCHOOL TEAMS:

Comstock	1
Bronson	2
Portage North	3
Otsego	4
Hackett	5
Wayland	6
Fennville	7
Parchment	8
Hastings	9
Bloomingtondale	10
Hamilton	11
Mattawan	12
Gobles	13
Lakeview (Battle Creek)	14
Colon	15
Holland Black River	16
Legg (Coldwater)	17
Plainwell	18
Delton	19
Kentwood	20
Decatur	21
Berrien County Youth Track	22
L. E. White (Allegan)	23
Kalamazoo Cougars	24
Grand Rapids Christian	25

AWARDS SCHEDULE: *Coaches, please be aware of the award schedule and be on time, so that it runs smoothly and efficiently. Please instruct athletes not to be doing a cool down during this time.*

10:00AM	D1 Awards
12:00PM	D2 Awards
1:00PM	D3/D4 Awards
2:15PM	MS Awards

AWARDS: Trophies to the top two teams in each division.
D3 & D4 will run together, but team scores will be divided by division. To be clear, medals will be awarded to the top 25 in the race, but trophies will be awarded by division.
Medals to the top 25 individuals in each varsity race.
No JV medals will be awarded.

Trophies to the top three middle school teams.
Medals to the top 25 in the varsity middle school race.
No JV medals will be awarded.
Medals to the top 20 in Pups Race (3rd, 4th & 5th graders) – given at the chute.

One “Hungry Dawg” Medal per team to the runner who had a memorable performance.
Coaches choose who gets the Hungry Dawg medal for their team.
No Hungry Dawg medal for the Pups race.

TSHIRTS: Tshirts will be available again this year at a cost of \$20.
Other apparel may also be available.

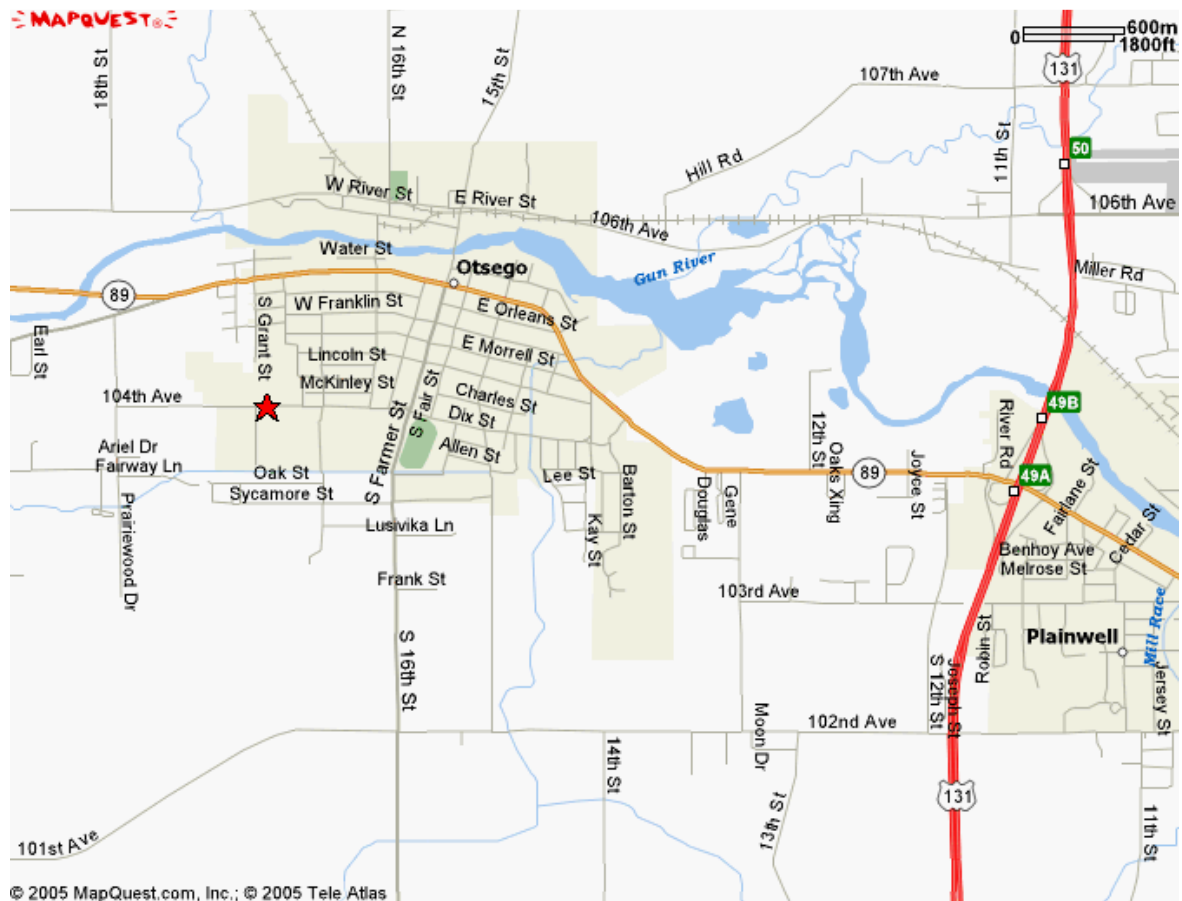
PARKING: Parking will be \$5 per car.

BUS DROPOFF/PARKING: Buses will need to drop off and park in the designated parking lot. Do NOT drop off directly in front of the course as this backs up traffic significantly.

SCORING: Scoring will be done by Michianatiming
Live results will be published at: michianatiming.com/otsego

ENTRY: \$100 per high school team/\$175 for both Men’s & Women’s
B team is an additional \$75 per gender
\$80 per middle school team/ \$130 for both Boys’ & Girls’
3rd, 4th & 5th graders are FREE but must be entered in athletic.net.

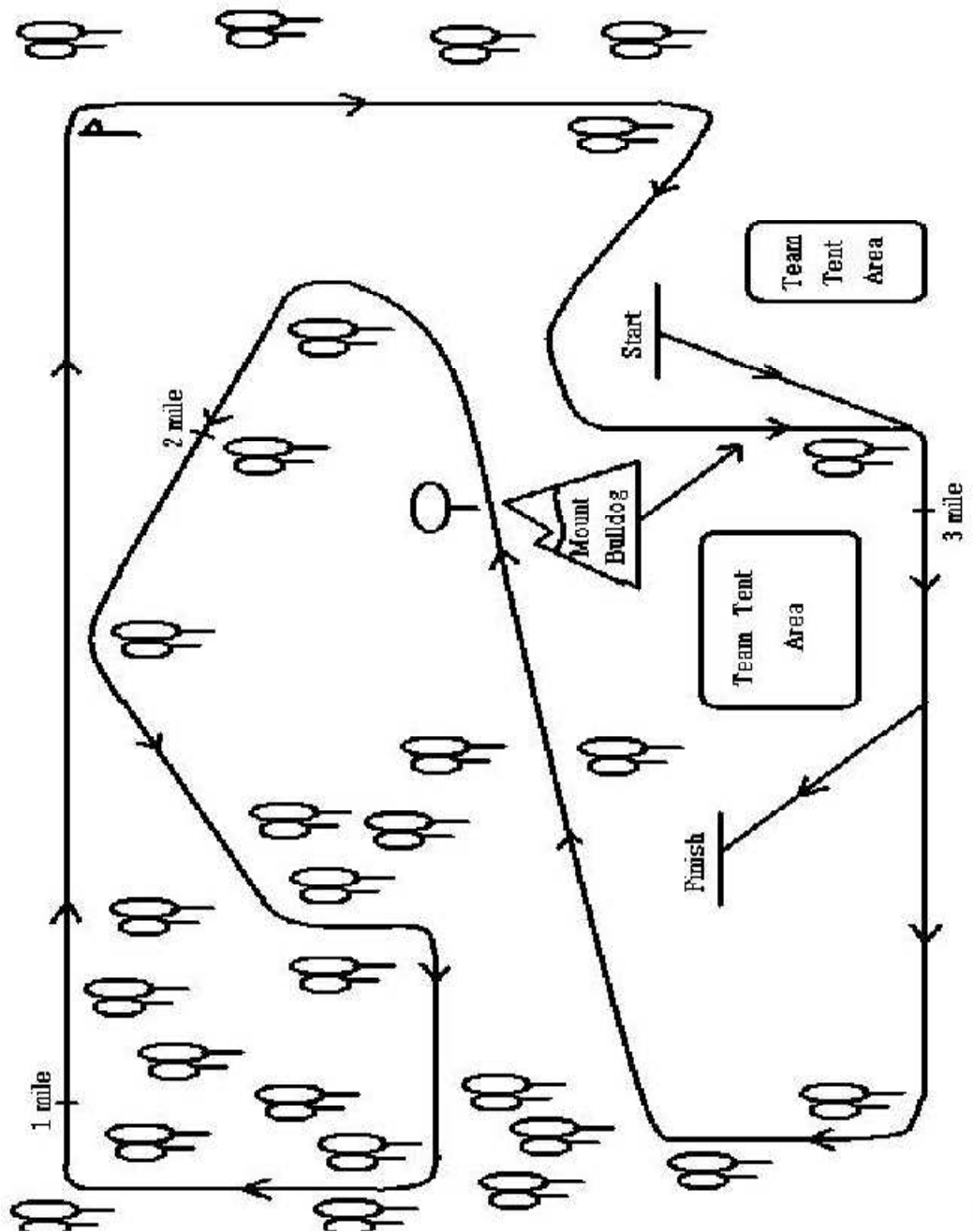
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DIRECTIONS FROM US-131: Take US-131 exit 49b (M-89 West) toward Otsego. Go through 3 lights and just after Upper Crust (A pizza joint) and a car wash, turn left onto Dix St. Stay on Dix St. until it turns into Washington St. (No turns, just keep going straight.) The cross country course is on the left side of Washington St. which is directly across from our high school. If you want a GPS address, please use 550 Washington St., Otsego, MI 49078

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PARKING MAP: Please be aware of bus dropoff and parking to alleviate traffic issues!



Otsego High School Cross Country Course - 5k

Note: Run the 1.5 mile course twice and turn into the finish after the second loop.

Attention Runners/Coaches: Please be very careful on Mt. Bulldog. Tow ropes will not be provided. Runners/coaches accept all risks associated with climbing this treacherous terrain. Only the hungriest of dawgs will conquer this beast. Good luck!!!

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The Legend of the Hungry Dawg:

As told by one of the lucky ones.

Many, many fall seasons before us, on these very same fields that you are about to run upon today, lived a pack of wild dawgs. These dawgs found shelter and safety in the woods while hunting upon the open fields before you. They preyed upon the slowest cross country runners that ran the loops of this course. At first, when the runners were many, it was easy to catch their food and the pack thrived. But one by one, as the slower runners were eaten, it became increasingly difficult to catch them as they ran by.

The pack of dawgs began developing traps and elaborate schemes to catch runners. Still, the runners became fewer and fewer. It was the duty of the pack, working together, to maintain the food supply – their livelihood. And now, nearly a month of the fall cross country season had gone by and not a runner was eaten. The pack grew weak and tired. The outcome wasn't looking good for this team of dawgs. Alas, another home meet, perhaps one final chance to eat and save this prideful group.

The runners zipped by on the first loop, much too quickly for the pack of tired dawgs. Only one lap left. The dawgs could hear the pounding feet of the cross country runners making their final trip around. The leaders rushed by, and the weary dawgs leapt from their hiding places and raced after. The pack ran as hard as they could, but only lost ground to the swift-footed cross country runners. Hope was lost. Then, from nowhere, ran a single dawg. He surged through the pack and quickly closed on the runners. With a final burst of energy, he leapt up and caught the jersey of the last cross country runner. That day, he found something deep down – the hunger. And he raced with that hunger. He made a difference for his team - his pack of weary dawgs.

Now a message for the runners about to race through this field... Everyone has the chance to make a difference for his or her team. Every day you are given an opportunity. What will you do with your opportunity? Will you make a difference for your team? Will you be a hungry dawg?

~Coach Long

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