

BOBCAT INVITATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY MEET

Saturday, September 16, 2017

**Hosted by Oyster River High School
at Tibbett's Fields & the Powder Major Forest, Madbury NH
25 Lee Road (Rt 155), less than 2 miles off Rt 4**

Meet Schedule:

Course Walk	8:30
Girls JV Race	10:00
Boys JV Race	10:40
Girls Varsity	11:20
Boys Varsity	12:00

Meet Information:

Entry fees: \$150 for both boys and girls; \$75 for one team; \$10 per individual

Electronic timing by Lancer Timing

Team awards to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams in varsity races and the 1st place JV team

Medals to the top 20 in the varsity races

Unlimited

T shirts and refreshments available for sale

Athletic trainer will be onsite, and ice and water will be available at the finish line

Buses will be asked to drop teams off and park at nearby Moharimet Elementary School

How to enter:

RSVP to Oyster River girls coach Fergus Cullen, fergus@ferguscullen.com, 603-520-5450

Fergus and boys coach Scott McGrath are the co-Meet Directors.

Rosters will be pulled from Direct Athletics

Make checks payable to "Oyster River High School" and send to:

Oyster River High School

Attn: Andrew Lathrop, Athletic Director

55 Coe Drive, Durham, NH 03824

Our new course is 100% grass and trails with zero pavement. It is designed to be very spectator-friendly; a fan will be able to see the runners five times during the race. Tibbett's Fields is a soccer / lacrosse venue with three playing fields managed by the Oyster River Youth Association. It is adjacent to the Powder Major Forest, a 195 acre tract recently put into conservation by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests.

The course runs through the old farm once owned by John DeMeritt (1728-1826). Back in 1774, inspired by Paul Revere's ride to Portsmouth, a group of Seacoast patriots raided Fort William & Mary in New Castle and made off with some 100 barrels of gun powder. Some of that powder ended up stashed somewhere on DeMeritt's property, and that powder is said to have supplied the patriots at the Battle of Bunker Hill the following year. Whatever the precise facts, Demeritt went down in history as the Powder Major.