# Information to Post onto Milesplit

# We are excited to host the first ever Georgia XC Meet of Champions

When: Saturday, Nov 12: 9:00am Boys, 9:30am girls 10am Awards

• USATF-GA Junior Olympics XC Championship Meet starts at 11:00am

**Where:** Heritage Christian Church (Starr's Mill home course)- Large venue, great footing/scenic, spectator friendly

 2130 Redwine Road, Fayetteville, GA 30215, just outside of Peachtree City, GA

## Who is invited:

- Teams
  - The top 18-20 boy's teams and top 18-20 girl's teams in the state of Georgia
  - 1st place team from each of the 8 classifications will automatically get an invitation (8 teams)
  - The next best 10-12 teams will be invited based on the following selection criteria: Head to Head Competition, Place at State, and Times; Final selections to be made by the 5 Coach selection committee
  - If any of those teams decline, we may extend an invitation to the next highest performing team;
- Individuals
  - Top 2 Individuals who are not on winning teams across all 8 classifications will get automatic invitations (16 runners)
  - The next best 9-14 individuals not on selected teams will be invited based on selection criteria used by selection committee. Performances will be based on the end of the season performances, not just 1 meet.
  - If any of those individuals decline, we may extend an invitation to the next highest performing individual.
- 150-170 runners on the line for each race: (126-140 runners from the top 20 teams + 25-30 individuals who are not on teams)

**Awards:** Top 10 individuals will Medal; Top 3 teams: each member of top 3 will get Meet of Champions medal

All athletes invited and who race will receive a Meet of Champions- Knit Beanie Hat

#### How:

- Teams must compete as Club teams; these do not need to be official USATF clubs; They do not compete for their high school
- Teams must be from the same high schools, no all-star teams
- We will follow GHSA rules regarding post season competition, including athletes will not wear their high school uniforms
- Teams should try to wear similar uniforms
- If runners or team want to continue on to run USATF- junior Olympics, they will be given a bye to the region championships; to get a bye you must have a USATF membership & birth verification; note: Nationals are in Birmingham, AL in 2016
- Coaches will send in names of their athlete(s) via spreadsheet to the timer: teams = 10 athletes, 7 will run, 3 are alternates.

## Cost

No cost to teams nor to individuals, USATF is covering the cost to promote this meet.

# **Communications about the meet and the Selection Process**

- Send out email to all the Coaches in the GATFXCCA
- Post on Milesplit;
- Send out email to teams likely to be in the top 20-25, to determine their interest in coming if selected
- Saturday afternoon after the state meet, the selection committee meets to select top team and individuals
- Sunday, Nov 6, we will send an email out to all coaches of invited teams/ individuals (including those on the bubble), ask for confirmation by Monday
- Monday, Nov 7, receive confirmation on who is coming to the meet.
- Tuesday, communication to coaches which teams and individuals are invited; and post on Milesplit
- Tuesday, coaches send in their entries via spreadsheet to the timer