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The Eastern Collegiate Cycling Conference Championships October 14-15, 2006 at Holiday Farm and Jiminy Peak

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The UMass Bicycle Racing Club will host the ECCC MTB Championships in Western MA at Holiday Farm and Jiminy Peak Resort on October 14/15th 2006. Look forward to a fun filled weekend with lots of intense racing and celebrating. Holiday Farm and Jiminy Peak both offer exceptional terrain for the final, inter-team Conference battle for the title of ECCC MTB Champions and the final qualifying races for Nationals points!

We will have **XC, STXC, DS, and DH** events. This is first-class Western Massachusetts mountain biking land and located central to the ECCC. There will also be a **Premium Banquet** on Saturday night. Seats will be limited for this event and the cost will be low so pre-reg yourself and your team early to secure your spot. And because the ECCC loves event **T-shirts**, we will make one just for 2006 MTB Easterns!

ALL EVENTS, THE BANQUET, AND THE OFFICIAL MTB EASTERNS T-SHIRT WILL BE ONLINE AT BIKEREK.COM ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2006. PRE-REGISTRATION CLOSSES MONDAY OCTOBER 9TH

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**The ECCC MTB Championships are graciously and generously supported
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I) THE WEEKEND SCHEDULE:

Saturday October 14th: Location Holiday Farms

Cross Country – XC			Dual Slalom – DS	
<i>Event</i>	<i>Start Time</i>	<i>Laps</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Time</i>
Men C	9:00	2	Morning Practice	8am-1pm
Women's B	9:05	2		
Alumni Women	9:10	2	Qualifying Runs	1:30-3:00pm
Men A	10:30	4	Finals	3-5pm
Men's B	10:32	3		
Alumni Men	10:34	3		
Women A	10:36	3		
BANQUET !!! To follow completion of DS events!				

Cross-country: Bring your climbing legs!! Entry fee is \$13. What a deal! So much pain; so little cash! Course will include fast singletrack, fire roads, and an over-under.

Dual Slalom: Jumps, berms, you know how it goes. The entry fee for DS will be \$13.

Banquet: **\$12 PASTA DINNER – SKYLINE COUNTRY CLUB - CAN'T BEAT IT!**
Take your appetite from the race course over to the Official Easterns Banquet
 Guest Speaker: *to be announced, 20 minute talk.*
 Arrive between 6:00 and 6:30 – dinner is served at 6:45
 The menu: Pasta, Meatballs, Salad, Bread & Butter, and **Brownie Sundaes**
 Directions from Holiday Farm to Skyline Country Club (405 S Main St. Lanesboro, MA)
 Head out of Holiday Farm – Right onto RT 9 (head West). Bear right at Main St (RT 9/8). Turn Right at Crane Ave. Turn Right onto Route 7 North (North St).
 Continue on Rt 7 for 1 mile - Arrive at Skyline C.C. on your right. ([Google Map](#))
 Seating is limited and registration for this event ends on Monday October 9th - sign yourself and your team up early.

Sunday October 15th: Jiminy Peak

Short Track Cross County - STXC			Downhill - DH	
<i>Event</i>	<i>Start Time</i>	<i>Distance</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Time</i>
Men C	8:00am	15 minutes	Saturday practice	12pm-5pm
Women B	8:20am	15 minutes	Sunday practice	12pm-2:30pm
Men B	8:40am	20 minutes	Race: All categories	2:30pm
Women A	9:05am	20 minutes		
Men A	9:30am	25 minutes		

Short-track Cross-country: Wet slippery grass, cold temperatures, fast racing! Entry fee is \$9.

Downhill: Did I mention that **there is a lift**? No hike-a-bike today! Entry fee is \$30, which includes the \$13 race registration and \$17 lift ticket. Practice starts at 12:00 noon, and is available Saturday (also opening at 12:00) for an extra \$18. C category will race first, and A's last.

II) RACE FEES AND REGISTRATION:

Cross-Country (XC) and Dual Slalom (DS) entries will be \$13 per person/per event. Short Track Cross-Country (STXC) is \$9 per person/per event. Downhill (DH) is \$30 (\$13 registration, \$17 lift ticket), Saturday practice lift ticket is an additional \$18.

For the banquet: Registration ends MONDAY October 9th (register on bikereg.com or include in your team email as below) There will be NO DAY OF registration for the banquet!

For all race events: A single team email with racer names, categories, and license numbers will be accepted until Monday October 9th @ 10:00pm, but please don't format it all weird! Or register on Bikereg.com @ <http://www.bikereg.com/races/>

Entries received after 10/09/06 will be assessed a \$5 late fee per event. Day of registration will begin Saturday at 8:00am, and Sunday at 7:00am, ending a half hour before the start of each race. The \$5 late-fee applies to day-of registrations.

Mail or E-Mail registration to:

Alex Duggan
403 Webster
141 Orchard Hill Dr.
Amherst, MA 01003
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***Make checks payable to: University of Massachusetts Bicycle Racing Club (UMBRC)**

III) USEFUL INFORMATION FOR VISITING TEAMS/SPECTATORS:

Contact Info:

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Matt Brewster: Brewster@student.umass.edu

Volunteer:

We appreciate and welcome everyone who wants to contribute to making this event fun and safe for everyone. We will need a lot of help; if you would like to be a volunteer please contact Matt Brewster at Brewster@student.umass.edu

Hotels:

Berkshire Inn

150 West Housatonic Street

Pittsfield, MA 01201

413.443.3000

413.443.3549

Free Continental Breakfast

Group Rate guaranteed only until September 14th (available after the 14th if rooms are vacant)

Groups is "Easterns Bike Race"

Howard Johnson Express Inn

213 Main St

Williamstown, MA 01267

413.458.8158

413.458.8158

Group Rate guaranteed only until September 13th

Group is "ECCC Mountain Bike Championships"

Ramada Limited Inn & Suites

1350 West Housatonic St

Pittsfield, MA 01201

413.442.8714

413.443.9831

Group Rate guaranteed only until September 14th

Group is "ECCC Mt. Bike Championship"

There are other hotels (without group rate) in the area, [\[click here\]](#) to link for Google hotel results

Where to find food:

- A) Go to the **Official Easterns Banquet** Saturday Night!
- B) **Coffee:** Find it on Google [\[click here\]](#)
- C) **Lunch:** Sandwich shops near the races [\[click here\]](#)

Web Info:

Jiminy Peak Website: <http://www.jiminypeak.com/> - information about the resort

UMass Bike Website: <http://www.umbrc.com> – postings about the race and our club

Holiday Farms Website: <http://www.holidayfarm.com>

Jiminy Peak Trail Map: *the map image links to the larger map at jiminypeak.com*



IV) DIRECTIONS TO THE RACE:

Saturday: Holiday Farms

From the West: Route 7 intersects the beginning of Route 9 at the Park Square rotary in the center of Pittsfield. Bear right on to Route 9 (East Street) and continue east through the mothballed GE plant. Bear left over the RR bridge. Continue east on Route 9 (Merrill Rd) past Burger King, straight through the lights at the Super Stop&Shop and bear right at the next set of lights. Follow Route 9 & 8 (Route 8 joined Route 9 at this intersection) past Berkshire Crossings (shopping center w/ Price Chopper, Wal-Mart and Staples) and the Crane & Co. Old Government Mill and bear left at the next intersection in front of the Crane & Co. main office. Route 9 & 8 pass through the center of Dalton then divide again after the Cumberland Farms. Route 9 bears left, running through a residential part of town. After 1.5 miles the landscape becomes agricultural. The Moody Energy sign (which is lit) is on the right about 200 yards in front of Holiday Cottage Road. There is a Holiday Farm sign directly across from the entrance. The sign is on the right, the road is on the left. Holiday Cottage Road crosses a bridge, passes the barnyard and ends at the Cottage.

From the Mass pike: Take the Lee exit off the Mass Pike. Take Route 20 north to Pittsfield. Route 7 joins Route 20 in Lenox and they both continue north to Pittsfield where Route 20 divides and goes west. Follow Route 7 one more block to Park Square and bear right onto East Street (Route 9). Then follow the directions above.

From the East: Route 2 intersects I 91 to the north of Route 9 (Northampton) and the Mass Pike intersects I 91 to the south of Route 9.

From either direction take the Route 9 exit off of I 91 and go straight across the intersection with Route 9 at the bottom of the ramp. Follow this road straight through the next intersection and for another 1.5 miles until it reconnects with Route 9 by bearing to the right. Follow Route 9 for 25 miles through Williamsburg, over the small town of Goshen, down into the Westfield River valley and Cummington, up to Windsor and down the mountain to Dalton. At the bottom of the long hill look for a small sign on the left saying Wahconah Falls State Park just before a big field. Holiday Cottage Road is a .5 mile on the right. The Holiday Farm sign is directly across from the entrance.

Sunday: Jiminy Peak:

From the New York Metro Area:

Taconic Parkway North to Route 295 East, to Route 22 North to Route 43 East*. Four miles on Route 43 to Brodie Mountain Road. Turn right. Watch for Jiminy Peak on your right hand side.

Alternate Route (also from New Jersey):

NYS Thruway North to Exit 17 to I-84 East to Taconic Parkway, then proceed as above.

From the Albany Area:

I-90 East to Exit 8 (DeFrestville, just outside Albany) to Route 43 East*. Continue about 25 miles to our sign at Brodie Mountain Road. Turn right. Watch for Jiminy Peak on your right hand side.

Alternate Route:

NYS Thruway to I-90 East (Berkshire Spur section) to Exit B-3. See Connecticut directions below.

From Boston and Eastern Massachusetts:

Mass Pike West (I-90) to Exit B-3 (Berkshire Spur section). See Connecticut directions below.

From Western Connecticut:

I-91 North to Mass Pike West (I-90) to Exit B-3 (Berkshire Spur section). Route 22 North to Route 43 East*. Four miles on Route 43 to Brodie Mountain Road. Turn Right. Watch for Jiminy Peak on your right hand side.

*Route 43 East becomes Route 43 North in Massachusetts

