

**LEHIGH CYCLING**

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*The 2009 Lehigh  
Mountaintop Classic*

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# Schedule

Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am	Registration opens at XC start	
8:00 am	Relay course and XC practice open	
8:30 am	Intro Skills Clinic at XC start	
9:00 am	Men's C XC	[ 1 lap ]
9:05 am	Women's B XC	[ 1 lap ]
10:15 am	Men's A XC	[ 3 laps ]
10:20 am	Men's B XC	[ 2 laps ]
10:25 am	Women's A XC	[ 2 laps ]
2:00 pm	ClusterHuck Relay start (all categories)	

Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am	Registration opens at South Mt. Park	
8:00 am	DH practice open	
8:30 am	Men's C STXC	[ 20 min ]
8:30 am	Women's B STXC	[ 20 min ]
To follow (approx. 9:00)	Men's B STXC	[ 25 min ]
To follow (approx. 9:00)	Women's A STXC	[ 25 min ]
To follow (approx. 9:30)	Men's A STXC	[ 35 min ]
To follow (approx. 10:15)	TRXC (all categories)	
12:30pm	DH start (all categories)	

Collegiate categories are open only to current, eligible students holding USAC Collegiate licenses. One-day and yearly collegiate will be available at registration.

## Registration and Fees

XC:	\$14
ClusterHuck Relay:	\$22 per team
STXC:	\$11
TRXC:	\$20 per team
DH:	\$13

Teams are encouraged to pre-register on BikeReg. If this does not work, you may contact [pgb210@lehigh.edu](mailto:pgb210@lehigh.edu) for more options. Race numbers and all forms will be taken care of at the race registration, please allow extra time for day-of registration. Pre-reg will be accepted no later than 11 pm on Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Day-of registration will be available both days, with a \$5 late fee per rider.

# Course Descriptions

## Cross Country (XC)

The course is approximately 5 miles in length and starts atop Lehigh's south mountain. A furious starting sprint leads into a ¼ mile of fast downhill fire road, which turns suddenly into a short technical single track climb. A long single track descent ensues, which is littered with rock gardens, small bridges, quick climbs and tight turns. The track continues to the bottom of the mountain, where a flowing single track section opens into a half mile fire road. This road leads into a burning single track climb that continues up half the mountain, and dumps into a short flat section of treacherous rock gardens. The final ascent includes a technical climb with switchbacks that seem to multiply each lap. Eventually you will see daylight, and return to the start.

## ClusterHuck Relay

A unique and challenging time-trial DH & XC medley to be raced in teams of two. The XC start will be fast and furious, with about two minutes of descent featuring small drops, ladders, jumps, and berms. This will open to a familiar and fast fire road before assaulting the legs with a grinding climb to the tradeoff area. The last 50 feet will feature steep climbing in view of the waiting crowd, expect a lot of screaming. The DH portion will also start furiously, with a steep and rocky descent to a series of log rides, a stair gap (yes, urban section), and dirt jumps. Then the ground drops away again leading through a final rock garden before bursting into the open fire road finish, which may be further away than it seems.

## Short Track Cross Country (STXC)

This ECCC favorite is approximately ½ mile in length. The start line is on a wide fire road with a gradual uphill grade. After an initial climb the course makes a hard left into a slalom-like downhill with fast winding turns and returns to the bottom of the fire road incline, where most of the passing will take place.

## Team Relay Cross Country (TRXC)

This course will be a slightly modified version of the STXC course, with added technical single track sections leading from the fire road into the fast downhill section.

## Sunday Downhill (DH)

This downhill course is a largely unchanged favorite over the last several years. The middle of the course features a technical bridge drop onto a steep rocky grade, with a slower go-around. Average run time is under 3 minutes. Pickup is accessible by car and riders are ultimately responsible for shuttling themselves, though several shuttle vehicles will be running non-stop (practice will open on Sunday at 8 am, there will be no official shuttles running on Saturday).

# Event Map and Directions



\*Signs will be posted from exit ramp of I-78 to race registration

## Directions to Lehigh University Mountaintop Campus

- From New Jersey: Take I-95 to I-78 West and follow below
- From Philadelphia, PA: I-476 North to I-78 East and follow below.
- From NH/MA: Take I-90 West to I-84 West; follow to I-87 South, then take I-287 South to I-78 West and follow below
- From Upstate NY/VT: I-87 South to I-287 South, then I-78 West and follow below

From I-78, take exit 67. Go straight at ramp bottom onto Silvēx Road. Pass through small tunnel, under I-78, and follow road by turning left at small “Y” intersection. Go straight through next stop sign and past Lehigh University Football Arena on the left. Turn right at the “T” intersection onto Mountain Drive. Continue straight through at stop sign and follow Service Dr. to summit of mountain. Signs will be posted on Mountaintop campus leading to registration area and parking.

Mapquest/Google Maps Input: 111 Research Dr. Bethlehem, PA 18015

- Registration:** Saturday registration will take place at the XC start  
Sunday registration will take place at South Mountain Park
- Medical:** Lehigh EMS and University Police will be onsite at all times.
- Lodging:** Hotels are available in [Bethlehem](#), PA 18015
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