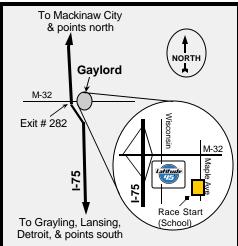
Aspen Park XC, Gaylord, Michigan

This race is on trails in Aspen Park in Gaylord, MI.

Registration and Start is at Gaylord Middle School on Maple Ave. Take I-75 to Exit #282 (M-32 or Main Street in town). Go East on M-32 and go past the 2nd traffic light to Maple Avenue. Turn right onto Maple and take it to the Middle School.

To get to **Latitude 45 Cycle** and **Sport,** take the M-32 Exit and go east to Wisconsin St. (first traffic light). Turn right, the store is ~1/4 Mile on the left at 757 S. Wisconsin.



Course Information

This Cross Country race course is a beautiful combination of Single Track and Two Track trails! The race course is approx. 6 1/2 miles per loop - we could make it almost entirely out of challenging single track, but we know you want to pass racers from time to time, so we put in lots of two track sections so you can! Challenging AND Fun.

Elite Men racers →	5 loops	10:00a
Expert racers —	4 loops (Men & Women)	10:00a
Sport racers ←	3 loops (Men & Women)	12:30p
14-Under Beg. →	1 loop (Men & Women)	2:30p
All other Beg.	2 loops (Men & Women)	2:30p

The Kids race will be on a special short loop at Noon.

The <u>Specialized Kids Race Team</u> will be giving away a Specialized Bicycle to one lucky Kids Racer at this event!

Entry Fee & Registration

You can register for this race <u>AT Latitude 45 CYCLE AND SPORT</u> in Gaylord, on Saturday, Sept 28, from 4 to 6pm

Address: 757 S. Wisconsin, Gaylord, MI, 49735 Ph: 989/731-4540 (Race Entries taken at the store will be at Pre-Reg Prices.)

Race Day Reg. & Number Pick-up: 8:30a to 1/2 hr before each race.

Pre-register **by Sept 23:** \$25 Register **after Sept 23:** \$30 14 & Under Categories: \$10 Kids Race is FREE!

All racers must sign a waiver at registration. Racers under the age of 18 must have the waiver signed by a parent or legal guardian.

A portion of the proceeds from this event go to the MMBA to help work towards land access and trail developement issues in Michigan. Support your Trails by becoming a member...TODAY!

Stop by the MMBA tent at this race.

2002 TAILWIND CROSS COUNTRY RACE INFORMATION

RACE DATES for 2002 —

MMBA #4 June 16 Whiskey Creek Resort Custer, Michigan Rochester Hills, MI MMBA #5 July 21 Ruby Campground Ruby, Michigan MMBA #8 August 4 Big "M" Manistee, MI MMBA #10 Sept. 8 Stony Creek Shelby Twp, MI MMBA #12 Sept. 29 Aspen Park Gaylord, MI

THESE 6 RACES ARE MMBA/FESTINA CHAMPIONSHIP POINT SERIES EVENTS! **Required:** Bicycle in proper working order <u>and</u> Lap Counting ability!

An ANSI Approved HELMET IS REQUIRED for Participation!!!

For more information, contact:

Tailwind: 248/634-6178 **Latitude 45**: 989/731-4540

E-Mail: tailwind@tir.com **Web:** www.tailwind.net

Results & Scoring

Results available at the race, and posted on-line at: www.tailwind.net

AWARDS

Cash Purse is provided by Latitude 45 Cycle and Sport and Tailwind...

\$300 Cash Purse for Elite Open Category Racers (Pay top 5)

\$200 Cash Purse for Elite 35 + Racers (Pay top 3)

\$250 Cash Purse for Women's Expert Racers (Pay top 5)

Awards to top 5 Finishers in all other Categories

Medal to EVERY Kids Racer and, one Lucky Child wins a SPECIALIZED Bike!

— Compliments of the Specialized Kids Race Team —

Award Presentation: Elite / Expert 1:00p Sport 3:00p

Beginner 4:30p

Kids Race Awards & Drawing for Specialized Kids Bike will be at their Finish Line

Prize Drawings

Drawings for great gift giveaways from our sponsors will be at 4:15p. You must be present to win, and all who register to race are eligible.

Fill out a card and drop it in the "Prize Mail Box" at registration.

Festina has donated a fine watch to give away at this event!

Thanks

THANK-YOU's go to all of the volunteers who help make this event run smoothly, and of course to all of our sponsors. Special thanks go to Bill Snow, Jeff Wegmeier, Latitude 45 Bike Shop in Gaylord, and the Northern Chapter MMBA for working so diligently b get this trail system up and running in time for this event. Many thanks to the City of Gaylord for their support and willingness to put in a great mountain biking trail system at Aspen Park! Tech support will be provided by the good folks at **Latitude 45.**