

**2026**

**34<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**

**WAYNE VALENTINE MEMORIAL INVITATIONAL**  
(DOVER TRACK COACH, MCTCA OFFICIER)

**JANUARY 10, 2026**

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**MORRIS COUNTY TRACK COACHES ASSOCIATION**

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## ORDER OF EVENTS:

### Running Events: 4:30pm

B-55m. High Hurdles	Semis (7 Fastest to Final)
B-JV-55m Hurdles	Final
G-55m. High Hurdles	Semis (7 Fastest to Final)
G-JV-55m Hurdles	Final
G-55m. High Hurdles	Final
B-55m. High Hurdles	Final
<b>B Wayne Valentine 1000m</b>	Final
JV-B-1000m	Final
<b>G Wayne Valentine 1000m</b>	Final
B-55m. Dash	Semis (7 Fastest to Final)
G-55m. Dash	Semis (7 Fastest to Final)
B-JV-55m Dash	Final
G-JV-55m Dash	Final
B-55m. Dash	Final
G-55m. Dash	Final
B-600m. Run	Final
G-600m. Run	Final
G-JV-600m Run	Final
B-400m. Dash	Final
G-400m Dash	Final
B-JV-300m. Dash	Final
G-JV-300m Dash	Final
B-1600m. Run	Final
G-1600m. Run	Final

### FIELD EVENTS

4:30pm

#### Shot Put

##### (Circle #1)

Boys (Minimum Measure 30')  
Seeded Flights : Seeds 1-27 Top 7 to Finals  
Followed by JV Boys  
Followed by Frosh Boys (4K) – First available circle

##### (Circle #2)

Girls (Minimum Measure 20')  
Seeds 27 + compete after finals  
Followed by JV Girls

#### High Jump

Girls 4-0, 4-3, 4-6, 4-8 +2 “  
Followed by Boys 5-0, 5-3, 5-6, 5-8 +2

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## DEDICATION

This meet is dedicated to a man who has dedicated his life to the sport of Track and Field, Wayne Valentine. He has touched the lives of athletes throughout Morris County for more than 50 years.

An outstanding distance runner himself, Wayne began his coaching career at his Alma Mater, Dover HS in 1964. He started the first girls Cross Country and Winter Track programs in Morris County. His 1974 girls Cross Country team won the Morris County Championship.

His boys Cross Country teams at Dover HS experienced much success. Seven Conference Championships, five State Sectional titles, and five Group runner-up finishes made the Dover program one of Morris County's finest.

Wayne's girls Spring Track team of 1985 and 1986 won Morris County Relay titles and the 1985 & 1986 team added 2 State Sectional Championships. The boys Spring Track teams' won a State Sectional title in 1986 and his 1979 Winter Track team was co-Champion at the Group II meet.

The girls 1000m run was selected as the featured event of this meet. Mr. Valentine has produced some of Morris County's best women distance runners. Gale Thomson (1976), Lynn Puchalski (1982), and Yolanda Santana (1987). All won numerous Conference, County, and State titles.

Wayne's coaching career has spanned three high schools: Dover 1964 - 1988, 1996 - present, Morris Hills 1988 - 1992 and Morristown 1992 -1995. He has served as President of the Morris County Track Coaches Association and has been active on committees serving the N.J.S.I.A.A. Most of all he has made the sport of Track & Field better for all involved. The Morris County Track Coaches thank Wayne for his 50 years of leadership and undiminished enthusiasm for the sport of Track and Field.

## Wayne Valentine Invitational Meet Records

<b>55m-B</b>	Justin Yazdi	Delbarton	2018	6.58
<b>55m-G</b>	Keturah Orji	Mount Olive	2013	7.32
<b>55m HH-B</b>	Jackson Koury	Chatham	2022	7.71
<b>55m HH-G</b>	Elly Scherer	Randolph	2016	8.32
<b>300m-B</b>	Keith Tweedy	Morristown	1996	36.10
<b>300m-G</b>	Jordan Robinson	Morristown	2022	41.97
<b>400-B</b>	Greg Stickle	Randolph	2015	50.48
<b>400-G</b>	Andrea Bush	Morris Knolls	2013	60.20
<b>600m-B</b>	Marcel Van Eeden	Mendham	2005	1:22.71
<b>600m-B</b>	Josefine Kvist	Ridge	2006	1:38.22
<b>1000m-B</b>	Keenan Byers	Randolph	2025	2:34.65
<b>1000m-G</b>	Lauren Gregory	Morris Knolls	2006	2:56.84
<b>1600m-B</b>	Andrew Hanko	Trinity Christian	2007	4:26.36
<b>1600m-G</b>	Kylene Cochrane	West Morris	2014	4:57.48
<b>4 x 400-B</b>		Morris Hills	2008	3:36.03
<b>4 x 400-G</b>		Hunterdon Central	2010	4:10.81
<b>Shot Put-B</b>	Nick Vena	Morristown	2011	71-5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
<b>Shot Put-G</b>	Nickolette Dunbar	Whippany Park	2016	51-0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
<b>High Jump-B</b>	Mark Jones	Summit	2010	6-9
<b>High Jump-G</b>	Rebecca Baskinger	Butler	2003	5-7
<b>Pole Vault-B</b>	Cade Zeolla	West Morris	2024	15-6
<b>Pole Vault-G</b>	Chrissy Finkel	Montville	2007	12-0

### FROSH BOYS RECORDS

<b>1600m</b>	Peter Ehmann	Mendham	2009	4:50.33
<b>Shot Put</b>	Donyell Bourgeois	Whippany Park	2009	45-7

### JV GIRLS RECORDS

<b>55m</b>	Evelyn Swayze	Randolph	2017	7.97
<b>55m Hurdles</b>	Savanna Brackelmanns-Puig	Randolph	2016	9.44
<b>300m</b>	Olivia Capala	Morris Knolls	2024	44.11
<b>600m</b>	Define Sement	Mendham	2014	1:51.18
<b>Shot Put</b>	Lisbeth Lopez	Randolph	2009	32-1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>

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<b>55m</b>	John Kaschak	Jefferson	2007	7.08
<b>55m Hurdles</b>	Billy Gleason	Morris Knolls	2018	8.58
<b>300m</b>	Cameron Kemp	Morris Knolls	2019	38.94
<b>1000m</b>	Tom Carney	Morris Knolls	2018	2:49.38
<b>Shot Put</b>	Carlos Ortiz	Parsippany Hills	2018	40-5