## Rosaryville

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## April 29 Sunday

Come and do mountain bike orienteering or classic orienteering or both! Course setter Russ Damtoft has prepared a full slate of white through blue classic orienteering courses, and Tom Nolan has designed three MTBO courses of varying lengths, and all course stats are now posted below. **Update: Online registration with payment is required.** MTBO registration is now open <a href="here">here</a> [2]; classic/foot registration is also now open and is located <a href="here">here</a> [3]. If you are doing both events you will need to register in both places.

Any youth or large groups attending, please contact the <u>Event Director</u> [4] so that we can coordinate pre-registration for your group; the group registration and waiver <u>form</u> [5] is part of the information on our <u>Group Leaders</u> [6] page.

Wondering what Mountain Bike Orienteering is about? Check out these videos (there are 3) from the Australian Orienteering Association:

The other two videos are <a href="here">here</a> [7] ('How To Navigate") and <a href="here">here</a> [8] ('Things You Need To Know').

If you don't want to click through to any of those at the moment, suffice it to say that MTBO is navigational racing on mountain bikes, in which each participant is given a map showing a series of checkpoints to be found in a designated order in the shortest possible time, with the choice of route between checkpoints left up to the racer. Success therefore depends on raw speed, of course, but also on the ability to read the map, make good route choices and execute them efficiently.

## **Rules for the MTBO event:**

Helmet use is mandatory.

Start your course any time between 9 - 10am and return no later than 11:30am.

Participants are required to stay within 10 feet of their bikes at all times while racing.

Participants are required to stay on trails, tracks, roads and fields. No short cuts through the forest.

Participants must yield to horses and pedestrians, in accordance with park rules.

Note: Poor or wet trail conditions may require the MTBO to be cancelled. The foot-O in the afternoon will take place rain or shine. After racing, our meet director will, weather permitting, get some charcoal going on one of the grills and provide some hot dogs and rolls (maybe). Feel free also to bring your own food to throw on the grill.

**Map Board Information** If you wish to use a map board, you will need to bring your own. They are available to purchase; make sure to place your order before April 22 to allow enough time for shipping (and installing). The AutoPilot map board (either style) can be purchased as described <a href="here">here</a> [9]. These map boards are the preferred choice of Team USA riders, and a portion of each purchase helps support the MTBO Team as well.

After The Event use our updated RouteGadget [10] software to enter your routes to all controls, and then compare your way to the way others went. The user interface is now tablet- and smartphone-friendly as well as Java-free. Event maps and split times for all participants are usually online within a day of the event.

Have questions? Feel free to use our **Contact** [11] form anytime!

Location

Rosaryville State Park, Pavilion parking area, Rosaryville, MD (Classic & MTBO)

Registration

**Start Times** 

**Schedule** 

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Sunday, April 298:45 amClassic & MTBO:

- 9:45 MTBO

am Registration 9:00 am Classic & MTBO:

- 10:00 MTBO Start

Window am

10:45 Classic & MTBO:

Classic am -1:15 Registration

Open pm

11:00 Classic & MTBO: Classic Start am -1:30 Window

pm

11:30 Classic & MTBO: MTBO Courses am

Close

3:00 Classic & MTBO: Classic Courses pm

Close

**Volunteers** Event Jane Leggett [12]

Director:

Russ Damtoft [13] Course

Setter:

**Location Details**