

## **Glen Artney**

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May 20 Sunday



**New area and new map!** Glen Artney is in the Patapsco River State Park system, close to, but separate from, the Avalon/Orange Grove areas, where a number of previous meets have been held. According to the Maryland DNR, "...miles of trails flow through these three areas, taking the hiker on a journey that features stunning vistas, hidden treasures of the past, babbling brooks, pleasing waterfalls, and a sense of wilderness..." - sounds like a nice place to get lost. So, come and enjoy a full range (details below) of courses set by Ted Good, on a brand new map. Also of note:

- Event registration will be from 10:45am 1:15pm; start your course anytime between 11am 1:30pm, and be back no later than 3pm.
- Two port-a-potties will be available at the parking/registration area.
- Dogs are welcome but must be on a leash at all times.
- Epunching will be used on all courses.

Any youth or large groups attending, please contact the Event Director [2] so that we can coordinate



pre-registration for your group; the group registration and waiver <u>form</u> [3] is part of the information on our <u>Group Leaders</u> [4] page.

Safety note: The start/finish and registration will be on a strip parking lot directly on South Rolling Road. While the parking strip is fairly wide, South Rolling Road carries regular traffic traveling at perhaps 40 mph. Please exercise caution and particularly, keep children under close supervision. Parking is across the road between South Rolling Road and Metropolitan Boulevard in the large Park-and-Ride parking lot.

Map Notes: Map scale is 1:10,000 with 5m contours. The woods are generally very open and very fast. However this part of the map has more green which does contain thorns. Slash on the map is almost always thorny. Gators are recommended as there are lot of bushes with little thorns and raspberry bushes. This late in the season the undergrowth has grown a lot and visibility is reduced in many areas.

The rough open fields were previously mowed but now have been planted with seedlings. These small trees are not on the map and won't impact your ability to run in the fields. In some areas the seedlings have grown significantly. There are also now bushes growing up in the fields. It is late enough in the season that the rough open fields now have substantial grass in them and are not very fast running. There are areas of stilt grass in the woods and based on other areas of the park it is now tall enough to slow you down. It doesn't impede your visibility but hides your footing so will slow you down. It is not mapped as it won't affect route choice.

There are many private areas along the edges of the park. These are clearly marked out of bounds on the map with either the settlement (black lines) or dangerous areas (purple slash). There are lots of trails and many of the trails are heavily used by bicyclists.

Root stocks are green Xs and are at least 2 meters high. There may be some new ones since the park was mapped.

Most rock you will see is mapped. The more grouped the rocks are, the larger they tends to be. Isolated rocks tend to be fairly small (0.5-0.75 m).

Sewers/man holes are mapped as a circle with an S in them. These tend to look like a sloppy rock piles on the map.

Poison Ivy: While hinging controls Friday, the course setter saw a lot of poison ivy along the trail and field edges. Wear long pants.

| Location     | Patapsco Valley State Park, Glen Artney,<br>Catonsville, MD (Classic Orienteering)  |
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| Registration | No advance registration required. Just show up and have fun!  |
| Start Times  | You may start your course at any time during the start window listed below for your event.  |
| Schedule     | Sunday, May 2010:45 Classic<br>am - Orienteering:<br>1:15 pm Registration<br>Open<br>11:00 Classic<br>am - Orienteering:<br>1:30 pm Start Window<br>3:00 pm Classic<br>Orienteering:<br>Courses close:<br>all runners to be<br>out of the woods |
| Volunteers   | EventAnne Jepsen [5]Director:EventDirector:CourseTed Good [7]   |



Location Details

Designer: