

Manassas

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**February 9
Sunday**



QOC invites you to the historic Stuart's Hill section of Manassas National Battlefield Park once again! Stuart's Hill terrain is more open, with large fields rare for our venues but also with woods of all degrees of runnability. Course details ([White through Blue](#)) are now posted below, along with course setter notes - note especially the water-related comments.

Youth groups or other large groups planning to attend this event: Please contact Event Director [James Chaplin](#) [2] directly so that we can coordinate pre-registration for your group; the group registration and waiver [form](#) [3] is part of the information on our [Group Leaders](#) [4] page.

Nearby Attraction: The park's Henry Hill Visitor Center, located at 6511 Sudley Road, Manassas, VA, will be open from 8:30am - 5pm, and your park fee (for orienteering) covers admission. This museum has both static and dynamic [displays](#) [5], plus a 45 minute movie ('Manassas: End of Innocence') focusing on the Civil War battles that took place here, including over the terrain covered by our orienteering courses.

Directions: Take I-66 to Exit 47 in Manassas. Go South on Sudley Road (route 234). After a short distance, turn right onto Balls Ford Road (route 621). Proceed ~2 miles, then turn right onto Groveton Road (route 622). Go North ~1 mile to the picnic area entrance on the left. Google map link is below (in Location Details).

Please note the following about this park:

- A \$3 per person (over 15 years old) park entrance fee should be deposited in the "iron ranger" park collection boxes located quite close to our registration area.
- Climbing on cannons and monuments is not allowed.
- Pets must be kept on a leash.



- Hunting for relics is strictly forbidden.
- Map scale and sizes: Letter size for white through brown, legal size for green through blue. Scale 1:5000 for white, 1:7500 for yellow, 1:10000 for orange through blue.
- **Orienteering Option for Saturday!** Fork Union Military Academy invites QOC orienteers to an event there this Saturday. Three courses (beginner, intermediate, advanced), start between 10 - 1, 3 hr max course time, \$6/\$4 adult/junior registration fee. Questions? Email [Carl Muench](#) [6].
Update Th pm: this event has been confirmed.



Post-Race MeetUp: We'll have some \$5 gift cards to give away for those heading to the nearby Five Guys right after our Sunday Manassas meet - must be present to win! Course setter Trish Strat recommends the Manassas location for this burger & fries specialty chain since it's roomy and has plenty of free peanuts. It's located in the shopping/cinema area just northwest of the I-66 exit at Sudley Rd; driving directions from our event are [here](#) [7].

Location Manassas National Battlefield Park, Brownsville Picnic Area, Manassas, VA (Classic Orienteering)

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, February 9** 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Classic Orienteering:

Volunteers Event [James Chaplin](#) [8]
Director:
Course [Tom Strat](#) [9]
Designer:
Course [Trish Strat](#) [10]
Designer:

Course Details

Course Name	Length (km)	Climb (m)	No. Controls
White	2	50	8
Yellow	3	90	10
Orange	3.9	100	12
Brown	3.8	120	11
Green	6.1	135	13
Red	8.6	165	21
Blue	10.5	190	24



Course Notes

Classic Orienteering

Some portions of the fields are mowed, and some are not. Areas mapped as Open (bright yellow) have been mowed and runnability is very high. Areas mapped as Rough Open (pale yellow) or Rough Open with Scattered Trees (pale yellow with white dot pattern) are mostly unmowed, although you may encounter some regions within those fields that have been mowed recently. Unmowed areas have very tall grass (up to 6 feet) and can be very difficult to pass through. Generally, though, this is a pretty friendly terrain and one that is suitable for "running up" on one level more difficult course than normal if you feel you're ready for it. Vertical green bars indicate areas of fallen trees. It may be very difficult to pass through areas where the vertical bars are closely spaced. Many of the dot knolls indicated on the map are no longer extant in the terrain. A small black O on the map indicates a small fenced enclosure. A few rootstocks (green X) have been added to the map, but most rootstocks are unmapped. The main river that flows west-to-east through the terrain is very difficult to cross in many places. it can be up to 6 feet deep. Runners are advised to scout along the banks for a good crossing place before jumping in!

Entry Fees

Individual Entries

Note: juniors = under 21

	Club Member, adult	Club Member, junior	Non-Member, adult	Non-Member, junior
Epunch Owner	\$5	\$5	\$10	\$5
Epunch Borrower	\$10	\$5	\$15	\$10

Team or Group Entries

Participants are welcome to compete together as a single team entry. Teams containing one or more nonmembers are charged the nonmember individual rate. Teams containing one or more adults are charged the adult individual rate. For teams to receive member or junior rates, all members of the team must be members or juniors, respectively. Each extra team map beyond the first is an additional \$2. Individuals or teams desiring to compete on a second course can do so for a reduced fee of \$2/map.

Important Notes

- At the event, we can only accept payment in cash or check; online, you may use a credit



card or PayPal account.

- You may become a member at the event or by joining online via [this webpage](#) [13] (which also explains the member benefits). Membership is completely optional.
- Most of our events use an 'epunch' timing chip for electronic timing. Individuals or groups without their own epunch pay a higher entry fee (see above), which includes the loan of an epunch for that event. Loaned epunches that are lost incur a \$40 replacement fee. Epunches (also known as SI-cards or finger sticks) are usually available for sale at each event as described [here](#) [14].
- Compasses are available at no charge, but if lost incur a \$15 replacement fee.
- Please provide collateral (driver's license or car keys) when borrowing a compass or epunch.
- For additional safety, whistles are available for sale at \$1/each.
- Free beginner instruction is always available - just ask at the registration table.

Source URL: <https://www.qocweb.org/events/2014/2/9/manassas>

Links:

[1] <https://www.qocweb.org/events/2014/2/9/manassas>

[2] <http://qocweb.org/contact/Chaplin/James>

[3] <http://qocweb.org/sites/default/files/maps/waiver.htm>

[4] <http://qocweb.org/content/group-leaders>

[5] <http://www.nps.gov/mana/planyourvisit/things2do.htm>

[6] <http://qocweb.org/contact/Muench/Carl>

[7] https://maps.google.com/maps?saddr=7079+Groveton+Road,+Manassas,+VA&daddr=Five+Guys,+10972+Bulloch+Drive,+Manassas,+VA+20109&hl=en&ll=38.810453,-77.535238&spn=0.030565,0.066047&sll=38.810654,-77.537813&sspn=0.030565,0.066047&geocode=FY4UUAldJbJg-ynDxidoQ122iTE4R9P4GXt_7w%3BFUwWUAldZxVh-yhmioJLJF22iTFxHodmRbIsIA&gl=us&mra=ls&t=m&z=15

[8] <https://www.qocweb.org/contact/Chaplin/James>

[9] <https://www.qocweb.org/contact/Strat/Tom>

[10] <https://www.qocweb.org/contact/Strat/Trish>

[11] <https://maps.app.goo.gl/sVxuUNMY58T2AMz5>

[12] <https://maps.apple.com/?ll=38.8036,-77.5521&q=Manassas Park&t=m>

[13] <http://qocweb.org/get-involved/join>

[14] <http://qocweb.org/epunch>