

# Wheaton

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**March 19**  
**Sunday**



Welcome back to Wheaton Park! We will be offering a full set of courses, thanks for course setter Mihai Sirbu. Course notes and stats for all \*8\* courses are now posted below.

Timing will be standard: Registration will be from 10:45am to 1:15pm, start any time between 11-1:30. Everyone must be out of the woods and back at the registration/finish area by 3:00pm, which is when we will begin picking up the controls. Note that the registration/start area being used this time is near the "Train Station".

**Intermediate/Advanced Training:** Intermediate and up orienteers are invited to training sessions at this event. The types and times are as follows: 1pm - precision pace counting; 1:30pm - precision compass use; 2pm - route choice. Look for Mihai near the registration table a bit before each of those times, and feel free to join one or more of these sessions.

Any youth or large groups attending, please contact the [Meet Director](#) [2] 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.

Additional information:



- Dogs are welcome, so long as they are on a leash at all times.
- We do have access to full restroom facilities.
- There are no entrance fees to this park, and parking is also free.
- Have any questions? Just use our [Contact Us](#) [5] form and fire away.

**Post-Event Meet-Up!** Event Director Florence Tan is encouraging orienteers to head to the Full Key restaurant after the event is over. They don't serve alcohol but there is a liquor store next door and you are allowed to bring alcohol. Located [here](#) [6] ~7 minutes away from Wheaton Park, the Full Key is a very fine "Hong Kong" style restaurant (Yelp review [here](#) [7]). Please let Florence Tan if interested so she can have a count of the numbers for reservations. Florence suggests arriving by 5:15pm and that we order and eat our meal family-style.

**Location** Wheaton Regional Park, Shorefield Area, Train Station Party Room, Wheaton, MD (Classic)

**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, March 19** 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Classic:

**Volunteers** Event [Florence Tan](#) [8]  
 Director:  
 Course [Mihai Sirbu](#) [9]  
 Designer:

**Location Details** **Classic** From I-495 take Exit 31 Wheaton for Georgia Avenue/MD Regional 97 North. Follow Georgia Park Avenue north for almost Shorefield 3 miles, then turn right Area, Train onto Shorefield Road. Station Party Room Continue on Shorefield Road until you reach the Wheaton, parking area. MD Registration will be just [Google Map](#) beyond the south end of [10] the parking lot, in the Train Station Party Room (near the Carousel).

| Course Details | Classic Course Name | Length (km) | Climb (m) | No. Controls |
|----------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|
|                | White               | 2.2         | 35        | 7            |
|                | Yellow              | 2.7         | 50        | 7            |
|                | Orange              | 3.3         | 70        | 9            |
|                | Beige               | 3.3         | 85        | 8            |
|                | Brown               | 4           | 110       | 10           |
|                | Green               | 6           | 140       | 14           |
|                | Red                 | 7.1         | 175       | 16           |
|                | Blue                | 9.4         | 210       | 16           |

**Course Notes** **Classic**



A full set of courses (white-blue, including beige) have been set in a small urban park. Woods are open, navigation is fairly easy, courses are flat and on the longer side for each level. Be ready to run, and run hard if you want to stay ahead of the pack. Most controls have close attack points (due to the park size), so this would be a good time to move up a level.

Root stocks on the map are old, so they have been avoided as markers.

Club Member, adult

Epunch Owner \$5

Epunch Borrower \$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.
- If you have access to a smartphone, you may become a member at the event by joining online via [this webpage](#) [11] (which also explains the member benefits). Membership is completely optional. If you wish to join or renew, we strongly recommend joining (or renewing) online **before the event** rather than at it to save time and because it's easier.
- 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](#) [12].
- Former QOC members who have let their membership lapse pay non-member fees.
- 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.

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**Links:**

- [1] <https://www.qocweb.org/events/2017/3/19/wheaton>
- [2] <http://qocweb.org/contact/Tan/Florence>
- [3] <http://qocweb.org/sites/default/files/maps/waiver.htm>
- [4] <http://qocweb.org/content/group-leaders>
- [5] <http://qocweb.org/contact>
- [6] <https://www.google.com/maps/place/Full+Key/@39.0418649,-77.051107,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m5!3m4!1s0x89b7cf04c8ece923:0xb96e16508e6e1b67!8m2!3d39.0418649!4d-77.0489183>
- [7] <https://www.yelp.com/biz/full-key-restaurant-wheaton>
- [8] <https://www.qocweb.org/contact/Tan/Florence>
- [9] <https://www.qocweb.org/contact/Sirbu/Mihai>
- [10] [http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&source=s\\_q&hl=en&geocode=&q=loc:39.0519,-77.0431&sll=39.0519,-77.0431&sspn=0.076258,0.086346&ie=UTF8&z=14](http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&source=s_q&hl=en&geocode=&q=loc:39.0519,-77.0431&sll=39.0519,-77.0431&sspn=0.076258,0.086346&ie=UTF8&z=14)
- [11] <http://qocweb.org/content/membership-types>
- [12] <http://qocweb.org/epunch>