

Manassas

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March 18
Sunday



QOC invites you to the historic Stuart's Hill section of Manassas National Battlefield Park once again (and we do mean again, since this a newly rescheduled event)! Stuart's Hill terrain is more open, with large fields rare for our venues but also with woods of all degrees of runnability. Event timing is our standard: register any time between 10:45 - 1:15, start any time between 11 - 1:30, and be back before 3pm.

Preliminary course lengths are now posted below and comments will be posted closer to the event. For those of you thinking of moving up a level, this is probably a good event to go for it, since the park is fairly flat and constrained, so you may enjoy running on a course that is a bit longer than your usual. Youth groups or other large groups planning to attend this event: make sure to let the [Event Director](#) [2] know in advance about your group 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 it's free. 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.

Please note the following about this park:

- **Good news!** This national park no longer charges any entrance fee.
- 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 will be posted closer to the event date.

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Schedule	Sunday, March 18 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Classic:																																
Volunteers	Event Daniel Heimgartner [6] Director: Course Vido Aleksiev [7] Designer:																																
Location Details	Classic Take I-66 to Exit 47 in Manassas. Go South on National Sudley Road (route 234). Battlefield After a short distance, Park turn right onto Balls Ford Stuart's Hill Road (route 621). Manassas, VA Proceed ~2 miles, then Google Map [8] turn right onto Groveton Road (route 622). Go North ~1 mile to the picnic area entrance on the left.																																
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Course Notes	Classic The Start and Finish locations for all courses are next to the registration and download area. All courses have little climb and this is usual for this pretty much flat park. The map was partially updated during the course preparation. A few rootstocks (green X) have been added to the map. Many of the dot knolls indicated on the map no longer exist in the terrain or are quite indistinct. The "black circle" symbol indicates either Park Benches or Historical Markers. The "black x" illustrates rusting farm machinery or other human junk. Some of them are used as control features. All creeks and the main river were crossable the weekend before the event but they can be deep in some places especially after the rain last few days																																



so choose your crossing point accordingly. There are barbed wire pieces from old ruined fences. Some of the missing ruined fences are mapped and probably, there are some that are not. No courses cross roads with vehicle traffic, but the first or/and the last legs may cross the parking lot, so watch out for moving vehicles when you start and finish. This is a pretty friendly terrain and it is good for moving up a level in course difficulty.

The map scale for the beginner (White and Yellow) courses is 1:5000. The scale for intermediate (Orange) and advanced (Green and higher) courses is 1:10000. The contour interval on all course maps is 2.5 meters contours, rather than the usual 5 meters, so the terrain looks steeper than actually is. Every course has at least 2 water controls. In addition, the advanced course runners can use some of the beginner course water controls as they are marked with the refreshment symbol.

The vegetation on the map is not updated. Some parts of the semi-open areas are overgrown and now they are almost wood areas and are difficult for running.

Beginner (White and Yellow) courses use the large fields next to the parking lot. Some portions of the fields are mowed (bright yellow), and some are not (pale yellow). Unmowed areas have very tall grass and can be very difficult to pass through. The beginner courses do not cross the main river.

Advanced courses will cross some areas of deadfall (vertical green bars). There are few places with significant deadfall (closely spaced vertical green stripes) and it may be very difficult to pass through these areas. These areas will slow you down a lot, and it is better to be avoided.

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