

Prince William Forest Pine Grove

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**December 2
Sunday**



Welcome to QOC's classic orienteering event at picturesque Prince William Forest Park near Quantico, VA. This event will have a classic set of courses courtesy of setter Mark Hicks; course stats and course setter comments are now posted below.

Pre-registration is required and is now open [here](#) [2]. Advance online registration with payment is required, since currently we are not allowed to collect fees in this park; a few FAQ's about the (new) registration system are below. Event timing will be our standard: check-in any time between 10:45 - 1:15, start between 11 - 1:30, and make sure to be out of the woods and back to the Finish by 3pm. Even if you don't finish your course, be sure to stop by the e-punch table, download, and let them know you are out of woods.

There is a park entrance fee of \$10 per car (up to 14 passengers). The park also offers an annual pass for \$30 (good for other QOC events at PWFP over the next year) or the National Park Annual Pass for \$80 (good at all National Parks for one year). Those 62+ can buy a lifetime Senior Pass for \$80 or an annual Senior Pass for \$20 good at all National Parks. If there is a PWFP employee manning the booth as you enter the park, you will pay there and get a receipt to put on your dashboard; otherwise, you need to pay at the Visitor Center before going to park at the ball field.

A note about parking: Parking will be at the Williams Ball Field if the weather has been good. The entrance is across from the Visitors Center and is on a one-way road where a volunteer will be stationed to provide directions. When leaving the park, exit via the other (far) end of the field. Do not drive on the road back towards the Visitors Center. If the weather has been wet, the parking volunteer will direct cars to the Telegraph Road lot, which will involve a short walk back to the registration area. New to orienteering? We will hold beginner clinics continuously during the event; just tell the friendly folks at registration if you'd like to be in one and they'll take care of you. Also, make sure to check out our [Your First Event](#) and [For Beginners](#) webpages, and if they don't answer any question you have, just



use our [Contact Us](#) [3] form and ask away!

Group Leaders: please see our [For Group Leaders](#) [4] webpage and then contact the [Event Director](#) [5] so your group can get pre-registered in advance. Do not use the online registration (it's for individuals and groups of 4 or less).

Additional Information:

- As mentioned above, parking for QOC participants will be in the (nearby) Williams Ballfield, a short walk from our registration area in the Pine Grove Pavilion.
- Dogs are welcome in this park but must be kept on leash at all times.

FAQ's about the new registration system, which is integrated with our membership database:

- Q1: What's a "guest"?
 - A1: An additional group member, who will orienteer with the registrant.
- Q2: I have a family membership; how does my additional family member register separately from me?
 - A2: Using their own email, which must be in the membership database to be recognized. If it's not there (yet), the primary member should enter it into the database.
- Q3: I'm a member of another OUSA club (not QOC); how do I register to get discounted entry?
 - A3: Register as a non-member this time, then [email us](#) [6] telling us which club you belong to and when your membership expires. We'll process a (partial) refund for you and enter you in our database; next time you register you will be recognized as qualifying for the member discount.

We look forward to seeing you soon! Please feel free to contact the Event Directors (link below) if you have any questions.

Location	Prince William Forest Park, Pine Grove, Triangle, VA (Classic)	
Registration	Pre-register and pay online here [2]. Note the FAQs about our new registration system shown above.	
Start Times	Start any time between the specified times (usually 11am - 1:30pm).	
Schedule	Sunday, December 2 11:00 Classic: am - 12:00 pm	
Volunteers	Event	Aaron Linville [7]
	Director:	
	Event	Laura Linville [8]
	Director:	
Location Details	Course	Mark Hicks [9]
	Designer:	
	Classic	Take I-95 to exit 150
	Prince	(150B from points north).
	William	Head west on Joplin Road
	Forest Park	(VA-619) and take the
	Pine Grove	second right for the park
	Triangle, VA	entrance. The Pine Grove
	Google Map	pavilion is on the left just
	[10]	before the Visitor Center.

**Course Details**

Classic Course Name	Length (km)	Climb (m)	No. Controls
White	2.3		8
Yellow	3.3	75	12
Orange	4.9	145	11
Brown	4.2	135	7
Green	6.5	210	10
Red	8.9	330	12
Blue	10.1	370	13

Course Notes**Classic**

The map scale for the White and Yellow courses is 1:5,000. For all other courses, the scale is 1:10,000. The contour interval on this map is 5 meters. The park is very open and runnable. Due to the recent rain/snowfall, many of the trails are wet and can be very muddy in some places. With the additional rainfall expected during the week leading up to the event, expect this to not change. White and Yellow runners need to be aware of this. All other runners should know that seasonal streams, small erosion gullies, and some re-entrants are also wet. Flat areas of the park can be swampy. All of the routes with water crossings have crossing points available if you can find them. Otherwise, prepare to get your feet wet. Also, there are several areas where there is unmapped treefall due to the major wind storm in the area last spring. There will be water points on the White and Yellow courses. For the Orange thru Green courses, there will be a water point in a pit near the bridge that crosses the South Fork Quantico Creek. The pit will be overlaid with a cup on your maps. This water point can be accessed each time the bridge is crossed. For Red and Blue courses, the same water point at the pit near the South Fork Quantico Creek can be used plus a second water point will be placed further along the course.

Entry Fees