

# Hemlock Overlook

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**November 24  
Sunday**



Exactly 160 years ago today (November 24 th 1859)

Charles Darwin published Origin of the Species. Darwin may have had orienteering in mind when he said 'it will not be the strongest or most intelligent that survive, but the one most responsive to change.' Unlike baseball, and every other major sport, orienteering does not have a prescribed field, court or playing field dimension, every course is different, and we love it that way. Are those who orienteer more adaptive to change than others and better equipped to survive in today's world? Could be! Come out this Sunday and test your skills in Hemlock Overlook Park.

Details:

**Update: This event is no longer an NRE event.**

For this season's Hemlock Overlook event, we will be operating out of the pavilion (not the lodge up on the hill as with last winter's bumble). The pavilion is 200 meters straight inside the Hemlock main gate on the left and easy to find. Event timing is our usual: register any time between 10:45 - 1:15, start between 11 - 1:30, and be done before 3pm.

This event is also the venue for this year's course setter training course. Our course setter students, Tavia Sullens, Paul Morris, Rob Field, and Mark Thomsen have designed and set a full set of classic courses under the tutelage of Andrew Komm. So feel free to provide them with feedback when you are done with your course; course data and course setter comments are now posted below.

Note that the start location is 250 meters from registration.



Parking is always slightly complicated at Hemlock Overlook because of the configuration of roadways inside the venue. Please drive slowly, be patient and look out for pedestrians.

The rest rooms are just up the hill from registration, less than 50 meters away.

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 [form](#) [3] is part of the information on our [Group Leaders](#) [4] page.

## Location

Hemlock Overlook Regional Park, Hemlock Pavilion, Clifton, VA (Classic)

## Registration

No advance registration required. Just show up and have fun!

## Start Times

Start any time between the specified times (usually 11am - 1:30pm).

## Schedule

**Sunday, November 24** 11:00 Classic:  
am -  
3:00  
pm

## Volunteers

Event [DennisAndHelen Doherty](#)  
Director: [5]  
Course [Andrew Komm](#) [6]  
Designer:

## Classic

Hemlock Overlook  
Regional Park  
Hemlock Pavilion  
Clifton, VA  
[Google Map](#) [7]