



# Lake Needwood

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**November 13  
Sunday**



**Pre-registration is required and will open on Monday, Nov. 7 at 6pm and will close at Noon Saturday Nov. 12. There will be no day-of registration.**

Welcome back to Lake Needwood! This will be our eleventh event at this beautiful lakeside park, nestled within the 1,800 acre Rock Creek Regional Park. On offer is a full slate of beginner through advanced courses. Detailed course setter comments and course stats are now posted below.

Check-in will be in Pavilion C near the playground and restroom building. This is in the center of the loop formed by Needwood Lake Circle and Beach Drive. Driving directions to the main parking area are in the location details below. If the weather is nice the parking lots may fill up. If that occurs there is additional parking along the road, just make sure you park in one of the marked spaces.

Check in will open about 9:45am and courses will open at 10:00am. As always, please be off the course no later than 3pm and remember to download at our e-punch station even if you did not finish. We want to make sure of everyone's safety and status.

Free Beginner Instruction will be offered, but please reach out to the Event Director if you have a group, so we can plan accordingly. Also, make sure to check out our "[Your First Event](#) [2]" and "[Orienteering Techniques For Beginners](#) [2]" web pages, and if they don't answer any remaining questions you have, just use our [Contact](#) [3] Form and ask away!

Junior training will also be offered at this event starting at 10am. If you have children between the ages of 10 and 21 who can already orienteer on their own, bring them to meet coaches [Adam Smith](#) [4], [John Cumings](#) [5], and [Alex Merka](#) [6]. They have a fun hour of



orienteering instruction planned for QOC juniors wishing to improve their skills. [Junior training is an ongoing program and is separate from beginner training, which is designed to get orienteers of all ages out on the trail at that event.] If you have any questions about Junior training, just contact any coach (by clicking on their names).

Group Leaders: Please see our For Group Leaders page if you are leading a youth or large group - even though you will be pre-registering online. Please contact the [Event Director](#) [7] with your plans and numbers for her awareness.



[8] [Volunteer SignUps](#): If you'd like to help out at this event click here [8]. You can also contact the event director (listed below).

Reminders:

- [QOC will continue to use pre-registration as the ONLY method of signing up for our meets.](#) There will be NO day-of, on-site registration. Refunds are paid only in the case of event cancellation.
- [Masks are optional](#) at all locations connected with the event. Please continue to minimize clustering at and around the check-in, e-punch, start and finish areas.
- [As mentioned above, beginner instruction has resumed to provide an overview of the orienteering basics for newcomers to the sport or those who just want a refresher.](#)
- [There is no water for drinking on the course.](#) Participants are responsible for their own hydration, so please come prepared. A very limited supply of bottled water for emergency use will be on hand with the Event Director.
- [For this event \(as with most others this season\) there will be eight 15 minute check-in windows followed by two 45min windows.](#)
- [Dogs are allowed, but must be on leash at all times.](#)

**Location**

[Lake Needwood, Circle Parking Area, Derwood, MD \(Classic\)](#)

**Registration**

[Registration for this event will open at 6pm on Monday Nov. 7 via this link \[9\]. Registration will close at noon on Saturday Nov. 12. Pre-registration is mandatory.](#)  
[Who's registered?](#) Check by clicking here [10].  
[Sorting by column is possible too - just click on the column name.](#)

**Start Times**

[Start times will be by windows \(to be defined for this event before registration opens\).](#)

**Schedule**

[Sunday, November 13](#) 10:00 Classic:  
am -  
3:00  
pm

**Volunteers**

Event [Iva Zicha \[7\]](#)  
Director:  
Course [Ken Walker, Jr \[11\]](#)  
Designer:  
Course [Samantha Walker \[12\]](#)  
Designer:

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