

Little Bennett

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January 28
Saturday



Forecast is fine, so this EVENT IS ON!

Please check this event page on the morning of the event: Because of rain forecast earlier in the week, it is possible that the park may not let us use the field for parking and we may need to postpone the event. We think this is unlikely, but please check to be sure. There is likely to be some mud in any case.

Welcome back to Little Bennett Regional Park, the largest natural area in Montgomery County with over 3700 acres. Event Directors Jane Leggett and Sharmagh Yepremian and Course Setters Mihai Sirbu and Mike Manteuffel will have a full set of courses (White through Blue) for you to enjoy. Parking, registration, and porta potties will be at the Prescott Road Horse Trailer area in the northern



part of Little Bennett.

Check in will open about 9:45am and courses will open at 10am.

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 Directors if you have a group, so we can plan accordingly. Also, make sure to check out our [Your First Event](#) [2] and [For Beginners](#) [3] webpages. Beginners are also encouraged to watch relevant videos such as [this one](#) [4] created by QOC's instructional guru David Onkst. If they don't answer any remaining questions you have, just use our [Contact Form](#) [5] and ask!



[\[6\] Volunteer SignUps: If you'd like to help out at this event click here \[6\]. You can also contact the event director \(listed below\).](#)

[Welcome to QOC's first social opportunity of 2023! This location will have a fire pit and we plan to use it for warming. If you'd like, bring firewood/charcoal to add, perhaps a folding chair, or your own food to grill. Marshmallows and some toasting forks will be provided. Bring extra along with graham crackers and chocolate to make s'mores with your little ones. Pack a lunch and come hang out and catch up with old O friends or make some new ones!](#)

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 orienteering basics for newcomers to the sport or those who just want a refresher.](#)
- [There is no water on the course.](#) Participants are responsible for their own hydration. A very limited supply of bottled water for emergency use will be on hand with the Meet Director; but it is vital to stay well hydrated. Please come prepared!
- [There are no snacks offered by QOC \(other than marshmallows - see above!\).](#)
- [For this event \(as with most others this season\) there will be eight 15-minute check-in windows followed by two 45min windows.](#)

Other points:

- [Any large groups planning to attend the event or anyone with questions please contact the Event Directors.](#)
- [There are no pavilions or park shelters at this registration/parking area.](#)
- [The size of start teams \(groups of individuals orienteering together with one e-punch\) on a course must be no more than four \(4\) individuals \(juniors and adults combined\).](#)
- [Port-a-johns will be located nearby.](#)
- [Pets are permitted in the park but must be leashed at all times.](#)

Location

[Little Bennett Regional Park, Prescott Rd Parking Area, Clarksburg, MD \(Classic\)](#)

Registration

[Registration for this event opens at 6pm on Monday Jan. 23 via this link \[7\]. Registration will close at noon on *Friday* Jan. 27 \(since this is a Saturday event\). Pre-registration is mandatory.](#)

[Who's registered? Check by clicking here \[8\]. Sorting by column is possible too - just click on the column name.](#)

Start Times

[Start times will be by windows \(to be defined](#)



Schedule

Volunteers

Classic

[Little Bennett Regional Park](#)
[Prescott Rd Parking Area](#)
[Clarksburg, MD](#)
[Google Map \[13\]](#)

[for this event before registration opens\).](#)

Saturday, January 2810:00Classic:

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[3:00](#)

[pm](#)

[Event](#) [Jane Leggett \[9\]](#)

[Director:](#)

[Event](#) [Sharmagh Yepremian](#)

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[Course](#) [Mike Manteuffel \[11\]](#)

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