



Seneca Creek (Clopper Lake)

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**October 29
Sunday**



This Sunday event requires pre-registration, opening Monday, October 23 at 6 PM and closing Saturday October 28 at noon.

There will be no day-of registration.

Orienteer near the Clopper Lake section of Seneca Creek State Park (Gaithersburg, MD). There will be 7 courses to choose from (2 beginner, 1 intermediate, and 4 advanced). Detailed park and course notes are provided below, thanks to course setter Michael Dickey. Check in and map issue will be in a new area for us, the Doe Pavilion in the Deer Ridge picnic area. We encourage carpooling. Any groups using buses should plan on only dropping off and picking up in the Deer Ridge area. For more details, a park map is [here](#) [2]. Doe Pavilion is in the south portion of the park, and east of the Quail Ridge area. Check in will open about 9:45am and courses will open at 10:00am.



In the spirit of the Halloween, there will be a few Halloween surprises at some controls. **Participants are highly encouraged to come in costume. Trick-or-treaters in costume may get candies at the registration area. Free Beginner Instruction will be offered, but please reach out to the [Event Director](#) [3] if**



you have a group, so we can plan accordingly. Also, make sure to check out our [Your First Event](#) [4] and [Orienteering Techniques For Beginners](#) [5] webpages for helpful information. If they don't answer any remaining questions you have, just use our [Contact](#) [6] and ask. Post-Event Social! After you finish your course, join other orienteers at [Dogfish Head Alehouse](#) [7], located [here](#) [8] just 3.6 miles west of the event. Bring your map, mention QOC and get a \$5 gift certificate, for use Sunday or later! Special thanks to manager Payton for



this generous offer.

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

Pets are allowed but must be kept on a leash.

Reminders:

- The park charges an entrance fee at this time of year: Maryland residents \$3/person; out-of-state residents \$5/person; Maryland Golden Pass holders (62+) have free entry (passes can be purchased at the entry booth if you're eligible). Please have exact change if possible since this will speed up entry.
- There is no water on the course. Participants are responsible for their own hydration.
- There are no snacks offered by QOC.

Location

Seneca Creek State Park, Clopper Lake, Doe Pavilion (Classic)

Registration

Registration for this event opens at 6pm on Monday Oct. 23 via [this link](#) [9]. Registration will close at 12 noon on Saturday Oct. 28 (the day before the event). Pre-registration is mandatory.

Who's registered? Check by clicking [here](#) [10]. Sorting by column is possible too - click on the column name.

Start Times

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

Schedule

Sunday, October 29 10:00 Classic:
am - Check-in
3:00 begins about
pm 9:45 am. All participants must return to the finish and download by 3pm.

Volunteers

Event [Dagmar \(Dasa\) Merkova](#)
Director: [11]
Event [Jan Merka](#) [12]



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Course [Michael Dickey \[13\]](#)

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