



Morven Park

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**April 12
Sunday**



Pre-registration is required

**and will open Monday, April 6 at 6pm. It will close on Saturday, April 11 at 12 noon.
There will be no day-of registration.**

Orienteering at Morven Park

Welcome back to Morven Park! This season's event in Loudoun County will be run by Chief Martinez (Ret.) and the Naval Junior Reserve Office Training Corps cadets from Loudoun County High School. Course Setter Sam Listwak has prepared a set of 6 classic orienteering courses (White through Red) for this event. To view the Morven Park parking and check-in locations, see our [locator map](#) [2].

A National Register Historic Property, [Morven Park](#) [3] was for 40 years the home of Virginia Gov. Westmoreland Davis. Now a private park, more than 100,000 people visit it each year, primarily for its equestrian center and courses, museums, historic gardens, sports fields and festivals.

Reminder: White's Ferry remains closed (so don't plan to use it to get to or from this event!)

What to Expect: Participants will navigate through diverse terrains, including wooded areas, open fields, and waterways, using a map and compass. This event is designed to test your navigation skills, endurance, and for groups, teamwork. Various courses will be available to accommodate all skill levels:

- Beginner Courses (white and yellow): Perfect for newcomers, offering a gentle introduction to orienteering with straightforward checkpoints and kid-friendly terrain. Beginner Instruction will be available.
- Intermediate Course (orange): A bit more challenging, great for those with some orienteering experience looking to improve their skills and navigate off-trail.
- Advanced Courses: For experienced orienteers seeking a rigorous and demanding course with complex navigation.



Back By Popular Demand - Jersey &

Jacket Orders: Come check out the custom QOC jerseys and confirm your preferred size and style! We'll have them on display at this event (and at next week's event) from ~10:30am - 12pm. Orders must be placed by April 30; details are [here](#) [4].

What to Bring: Participants should come prepared with the following items:

- Comfortable outdoor clothing and sturdy footwear
- Water bottle and snacks
- Compass and whistle if you have them. Loaners are available if needed.

Volunteers: Our club doesn't run on autopilot but on the incredible energy of our amazing volunteers - a massive thank you to those who volunteer week after week! Thanks to you, we're able to offer an event almost every weekend in the season. We're always looking for new volunteers to help share the load so that our regulars don't end up running totally off-course! If you have a sense of adventure and a little time to spare email the Event Director directly (listed below) for volunteering opportunities.

Beginners: Make sure to check out our [Your First Event \[5\]](#) and [For Beginners \[6\]](#) webpages, and if they don't answer all your questions, just ask them via our Contact Form . We will also offer beginner instruction at the event.

Groups: QOC allows groups of up to 4 people to orienteer together. Please see our [Group Leaders webpage](#) [7] webpage and then contact the Event Director so they are aware of your plans.



Apres-Event: As in past years, some folks may head to the Vanish Farmwoods Brewery, located [here](#) [8], just 8.5 miles north of Morven Park off of Route 15. Vanish serves a great selection of pub grub - bar snacks, wood fired pizzas, BBQ, burgers, oysters plus more - and features both wine and 20+ beers brewed on site with local ingredients. See the [Vanish website](#) [9] for more information.

Other notes and reminders:

- QOC will continue to use pre-registration as the ONLY method of signing up for our events. There will be NO day-of, on-site registration. Refunds are paid only in case of event cancellation.
- No water or food will be provided. Participants are responsible for meeting all their own food and hydration needs.
- Port-a-johns will be located near the check-in/start/finish.
- Everyone must be out of the woods and back at the registration/finish area **no later than 3:00pm**, when control pick-up will start. Allow yourself time to get back to the registration area to download, regardless of whether you finished the course. We want to ensure that all participants are safe and accounted for.
- Pets are allowed but must always be kept on a leash and under the owner’s control.

Location

Morven Park, Athletic Fields Parking (Classic)

Start Times

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

Schedule

Sunday, April 12 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Classic:

Volunteers

Event [Jesus Martinez](#) [12]
Director:
Course [Sam Listwak](#) [13]
Designer:

Location Details