

45th Annual MD Scout *Orienteering Day* Balto. Area Cncl. BSA

PATUXENT RIVER PARK's JUG BAY NATURAL AREA, near Upper Marlboro, **SAT. OCT 23, 2021 8:30-5:00**

You must REGISTER (on line at BaltimoreBSA.org/orienteering **BY SUN. OCT. 17!** 11:55 p.m.)

Designed for Scouts BSA/ Girl Scouts new to orienteering (O'). Map skills instructional activities start the day.

A one-day event; however, camping, modern rest rooms are available Fri-Sun. right at the event site.

"Orienteering is meant to be a cross-country race with map and compass through unknown terrain, a kind of treasure hunt for strategically placed markers. A good orienteer needs strong legs, a subtle brain, and the ability to exert both at the same time, which is rare."- Outside Magazine. **In 2019 660 Scouts+leaders from 69 units orienteered; half of the attendees camped one or both nights.**

Your **troop / Venture** unit is invited to BAC's annual day of orienteering instruction & fun!
\$4.00 cost. Girl Scouts 10 thru 17 & **parents** welcome; not Cubs / Webelos. Venture (<18) can come as a unit or merge w/ a troop. *Beforehand, try the fun public beginner O' events at gocweb.org -arrive 10:30 -12:30; color maps like ours; instruction available: most Sundays in Howard, Montg, Balto, PG Counties + N. VA. Also, Broad Creek Scout Res. has permanent practice O' courses: info on the 2018 color camp map (sold at camp for \$1; 75¢ for >20).*

Easy-to-use color O' map for everyone:



Our self-guided instructional map hikes & "lost-proof" Route O' start the day. This "more map, less compass" approach has proven to be very popular, much more fun than compass courses, & more valuable in developing self-reliance & map skills. We don't sign off badges, but some of the tougher O' merit badge requirements (4 a-b,d-f, 6c, 7a, & 10) can be met, + the 1st Class O' requirement. After the ever-popular **Score O'** we have at 4:30 pm awards to the top 115 scouts (+patches & color maps for all who pay (**below.)) After registering, you'll get directions, our schedule, & what-to-bring (via email; all also at BaltimoreBSA.org/orienteering.) Our camping is near cars; only a few sites have a campfire pit. For tips on skills, try links at orienteeringusa.org.

Scouts orienteer in "younger" or "older" pairs. **"Older"**: Everyone aged 14 to 17 as of the event, plus those 13 with the 1st Class O' requirement (#4a) passed. All others are in the **"younger"** category (all 10 to 12 year-olds regardless, plus some 13 year-olds.)

Bring lots of scouts; troops with more than 13 scouts get to drop their lowest score in the troop competition, 17 or more their two lowest, etc! No refunds, so don't over-register below... But most troops drop or swap names **at** the event, where additions over your total registered can be added for **\$5 +\$2/nt.** camping. Patches only to paying** participants with us all day. To earn a **troop** award in our main category, you need at least ten scouts; with less you still do all events & compete for all 115 individual awards.... *But it's more fun, more challenging to **combine** with another unit for the p.m. Score O' to get over 10 scouts (SM's of troops with <10 do this at a 10 a.m. meeting.)* Questions not answered on our web page?...write DaveLinthicum@earthlink.net. Our event staff hopes to see you there...**Scouts BSA, Venturers, Girl Scouts, parents/ adult leaders-alike. It's really a fun event, especially late-a.m. "lost-proof" courses (100+ awards) & the p.m. "free-for-all" Score O'!**

By Sun. Oct. 17 if you want to attend, YOU MUST go to **on line registration** at BaltimoreBSA.org/orienteering; **have all the info below ahead of time.**

It helps to bring a copy of this sheet to the event **when you'll fill in a new form with your changes** & will make additional payments (if any.)
 Troop/ Venture # _____ Unit's town _____ District _____ Council _____ Leader at event: _____
 His/her email: _____ & Cell phone _____ Street Address: _____ Zip _____

Interested in more info on the great roast beef sandwich lunches we love every year?: Yes ___ No ___ If yes, email by Oct.18 pitbeefsale@gmail.com

Special needs youth?...List only if to be accompanied in the woods by an adult: _____
 A minimum of two youth is required; Form a "triple" only if you have an odd number of total scouts. (Do not mix "older" and "younger" in the same pair (except if necessary for that **one** left-over pair; list that mixed pair under "older".)) **Names of "younger pairs"** of scouts (see above):

_____ & _____
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Names of "older pairs" of scouts (see above.) **We keep the same pairs all day:**
 _____ & _____
 _____ & _____
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Name(s) of any Scout(s) you feel can compete by themselves in the "Super-advanced" group, and why (previous success at this or other orienteering events)
 You'll have **few or no** scouts in this category; **max.: 3:** _____ Why? _____
 _____ Why? _____ / _____ Why? _____

Names of participating (paying) adults/parents/Venture 18 or over:** 1) SM from above: _____ 2) _____
 3) _____ 4) _____ 5) _____ 6) _____ 7) _____

Total names above: _____ at \$4 each = \$ _____ **IF CAMPING, how many people Fri. nt.? _____ Sat. nt.? _____ at \$2 per person (adult+youth) per night = \$ _____**

Grand total: \$ _____ **If buying hot lunches, email by Oct. 18 pitbeefsale@gmail.com**