47th Annual MD Scout Orienteering Day Balto. Area Cncl. BSA

PATUXENT RIVER PARK's JUG BAY NATURAL AREA, near Upper Marlboro, <u>SAT. OCT 28, 2023</u> 8:30-5:00 <u>You must REGISTER</u> (on line at <u>BaltimoreBSA.org/orienteering BY SUN. OCT. 22!11:59 p.m.</u>

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

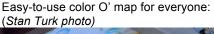
<u>A one-day event; however, camping, modern rest rooms are available Fri-Sun. right at the event site.</u>

"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 2022 440 Scouts+leaders from 40 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. <u>Girl Scouts</u> 10 thru 17 & <u>parents</u> welcome; not Cubs / Webelos. Venture (<18) can come as a unit <u>or</u> merge w/ a troop. *Beforehand, try the fun public beginner O' events at* <u>gocweb.org</u> -arrive 10:30 -12:30; color maps like ours, instruction available, most Sundays.

Brand new color O' maps this year at Pax. R. Park. Also, Broad Creek Scout Res. has permanent practice O' courses: info on the color camp map (sold at camp for \$1; 75¢ for >20).

Our *self*-guided <u>instructional map hikes</u> & <u>"lost-proof"</u> Route O' start the day. This "*more map, less compass*" approach has proven to be very popular, much more fun than compass courses, valuable in developing self-reliance & map skills. We don't sign off requirements, but some of the tougher O' merit badge ones (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 <u>awards to the top 115 scouts</u> (+patches & <u>color maps for all</u> who pay (**below.)) After registering, you'll get directions, our schedule, & what-to-bring. For tips on skills, try <u>orienteeringusa.org/resources/training/</u>or the merit badge pamphlet.





Scouts orienteer in "younger" or "older" pairs. <u>"Older"</u>: Everyone 14 to 17, 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.) We can make switches easily on Sat.

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! At the event additions <u>over</u> your total registered can still be added for **\$5** +\$2/nt. camping. No refunds <u>at</u> the event. Patches, maps only to paying** participants with us all day. To earn a **troop** award in our <u>main</u> category, you need at least ten scouts, but with less you still do <u>all</u> events & compete for all 115 individual awards.... But it's more fun & challenging to combine with another unit for the p.m. (SM's of troops w/ <10 will do this Sat.) See <u>BaltimoreBSA.org/orienteering</u> for info or write volunteer event chair <u>DaveLinthicum@earthlink.net</u>. See you there!

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It's a fun event, especially late-a.m. "lost-proof" courses (100+ awards) & the p.m. "free-for-all" Score O'!

By Sun. Oct. 22 if you want to attend, YOU	MUST go to on line registra	ation at BaltimoreBSA.org/or	enteering; have all the info below	ahead of time.
It helps to bring a copy of this sheet to				
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 bbq ch	icken sandwich lunches we lov	e every year?: Yes No	If yes, email by Oct.16 pitbeefsa	e@gmail.com
Special-needs youth?List only if to be ac	companied in the woods by an	adult:		
A minimum of two youth is required; Form	n a "triple" only if you have an o	odd number of total scouts. (Do	not mix "older" and "younger" in the s	ame pair (except
if necessary for that one left-over pair; list t	hat mixed pair under "older".))	Names of "younger pairs" of	scouts (see above):	
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Names of "older pairs" of scouts (see ab	ove.) We keep th	ne <u>same pairs all day</u> :		
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Name(s) of any Scout(s) you feel can comp	pete by themselves in the "Sup	er-advanced" group, and why (pr	revious success at this or other orien	teering events)
You'll have few or no scouts in this catego	ry; 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) <u>p</u>	e <u>r night</u> = \$
Grand total: \$	If buying hot lun	iches, send a check <u>by Oc</u>	t. 19; contact by Oct. 16 pitbee	efsale@gmail.com