

Georgia Orienteering Club 2026 Annual General Meeting

McIntosh Reserve, May 17, 2026

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by Fred Zendt at 12:40pm

Members Present: Jody Addicott, Kristen Addicott, Lily Addicott, Andi Berger, Daniel Bond, Martha Carr, Jeremy Carter, John Chambers, Piaras De Cleir, Fred Dolder, Bill Farrell, Sarah Hoffman, Ron Hojnowski, Ehan Johnson, Robbie Lanigan, Yvonne Lanigan, Alleta Monts, Siargey Pisarchyk, Patty Royal, Rick Shane, Sam Smith, Lauren Steimle, Cole Stilwell, Geoff Work, Fred Zendt

Minutes from the 2025 AGM were approved.

1. Reports

- a. Treasurer – Rick Shane presented written reports; mentioned GNC expenses
- b. Meet Summary – Vinton Wolfe presented written report; mentioned that we need more meet directors and someone to set up LiveloX for every local meet
- c. Secretary - Andi Berger reported that the club has 336 Full members (90 Individual, 70 Family, 31 Couple, 14 Youth Groups with 145 members)

2. Elections

- a. President 2026-2028: Fred Zendt asked to step down as president as he will be out of town July through September; Jody Addicott was nominated and voted in
- b. Member at Large 2026-2028: Fred Zendt
- c. Member at Large 2026-2028: Sam Smith

3. Items for Discussion

- a. National Meets
 - i. Fred Zendt proposed MLK Weekend (Jan 16-18) at Hard Labor Creek State Park, Camp Rutledge. Meet Director: Fred Zendt. Need course setters and Vettors; *Friday, 1-15*: Middle distance at Lake Brantley; *Sat, 1-16*: Camp Rutledge; *Sun, 1-17*: Camp Rutledge; *Monday, 1-18*: GAOC will sponsor the Extreme-O, probably at Lake Brantley. XO Director: Andi Berger. Proposal approved. Camp Rutledge and Lake Brantley are embargoed as of today. No GAOC meets there this fall. Discussed history of GNC and possibility of moving to another weekend. Since many out of town competitors depend on having the meet on MLK weekend, we will keep it there
 - ii. Please volunteer for vetting, zone checking, etc.
- b. Local meets
 - i. reiterate that we require an emergency phone number on all maps
preregistration & prepayment – keep
e-stick rentals – meet director discretion
water on courses – meet director discretion
beginner instruction – meet director discretion
second courses - meet director discretion
course close time – is 2pm working well? Most present agree that we like it. Ron H recommended that we end starts earlier; meet director discretion
- c. Southeast Interscholastic Championships
 - i. In 2025, we removed from Nav Cup and added as a standalone event. Scheduled for Nov 22-23 at Camp Rutledge, Hard Labor Creek SP; only 3 schools signed up, so we had a 1 day meet and

added SEIS back to GNC; Ron H suggested removing Southeast residency requirement renaming it to Georgia Navigator Cup Open Interscholastic Championships - approved

d. Equipment and Resources

- i. Storage Unit – Extra Space Storage: 2489 Cheshire Bridge Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30324
- ii. Mapping: Chattahoochee Bend SP and McIntosh Reserve updated for GNC 2026. Lidar base map – Andi field checked; Cochran Mill, Joe Kurz, Bert Adams
- iii. Kolomoki Mounds SP – Andi is making map this summer
- iv. Please look for new areas for Orienteering - Little Magnolia Park in Gwinnet County, Allatoona Creek
- v. Permanent Courses: Red Top, Sweetwater – Andi will design; Jeremy will help install at Red Top, Lauren and Sara will help install at Sweetwater
- vi. Andi presented semi-permanent sign designs

e. Online Store

- i. GAOC pays sales tax and service fee on all sales; need to check link
- ii. Email Anna B and Fred Z to request sizes and short/long sleeve to be ordered; minimum order size?
- iii. Desirable to keep club's gross income below 50,000 for tax filing simplification
- iv. Ron H suggested loaning jerseys to people traveling to events
- v. More stuff? Hats – coupons only

f. Other business

- i. Summer Training – Sam will hang ribbons somewhere and send an email to gaoc group list
- ii. add link to gaoc group list to website
- iii. Membership – set up coupons for annual and lifetime membership; officers to decide how many coupons;

Meeting was adjourned at 1:54 pm.