

**Bert Adams Scout Reservation
Sunday, February 23, 2014**

On February 23, GAOC will be holding an open public meet which will be held at the Bert Adams Scout Reservation. GAOC access to the reservation is at the courtesy of the Atlanta Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). This 1,300 acre property includes both wooded and open terrain, including buildings. (NOTE 2 special announcements at the end of this information.)

Courses will include: (course stats will be posted later)

White	Beginner with all controls along/near paths
Yellow X	Novice with control just off easily followed
Yellow Y	features
Orange	Intermediate
Brown	V. Short Expert
Green	Short Expert
Red	Standard Expert

Since the meet will be held at a BSA facility, we encourage scout packs, troops, or crews to attend. Although this is not a scout event, GAOC members, who are also registered scout leaders, will be available to sign advancement and merit badge accomplishments. One beginner (White) and two novice (Yellow) courses will be available. Each of these three courses are greater than 1-mile, as per first class and merit badge requirements. The larger number of beginner and novice courses will allow scouts working on the Orienteering merit badge the opportunity to complete more than one of their three required courses. If you plan to do

this, try to begin as close to 11:00 am as possible in order to get two courses completed.

Basic instruction will be available for all interested participants (scouts and other participants).

The meet will begin at approximately 11:00 am with instruction beginning at approximately 10:30 am. Please do not arrive before this time and expect to begin; we will allow starts to begin IF we are ready to go. Last starting times will be at 1:00 pm. All participants are expected back within 3 hours or 3:00 pm whichever comes first.

Standard meet fees apply as posed on the GAOC web site. Members are \$7, Non-members are \$10. Electronic punch (e-punch) will be used. E-punch rental is \$3. These fees are per start, so small groups going together with one map will only pay one fee. (All, however must have a waiver, see below.) No parking fee is required. Parking is in the lot next to the registration pavilion (Arnold Pavilion) ONLY. Do not traverse, by automobile, beyond this parking area into the camp.

PLEASE NOTE: In order to participate in any GAOC event, ALL youth under the age of 18 MUST present a Waiver of Responsibility that has been signed by their own Parent or Legal Guardian. It is NOT sufficient that the Waiver of Responsibility be signed by any other adult such as a scout leader, coach, teacher or chaperone. Please access this web site, print a waiver for each youth and have their Parent or Legal Guardian sign for them.

http://www.gaorienteeing.org/Club_Info/GaocAnnualWaiver.pdf

PLEASE NOTE: Special considerations for those attending the meet are that BSA youth protection guidelines will be observed for restroom facilities. Not only are restrooms segregated by sex, but also by age (17 and younger vs. 18 and older). The four facilities are youth boys, adult men, youth girls and adult women. Female restrooms are in the same building, but the girls facilities will be unlocked and women will have a locking code for entry into adult areas. The same arrangement is observed for men/boys building. Adult are to use only the locked adult areas. Locations of the facilities and lock combinations for accessing adult areas will be available at the meet registration. Leaders of non-scouting youth groups are expected to inform your members to observe these requirements. We are guests at this camp, so please be courteous about following these rules and keeping the facilities clean.