

Central New York Orienteering

30th Annual Scout-O

Highland Forest County Park, Fabius November 11-12, 2023

For the 30th year in a row, the Central New York Orienteering Club is offering an opportunity for Scouts and other youth groups to learn and practice the art of using a map and compass. Our two week format is still in effect this year with the main event on November 11-12. We will be offering overnight camping on the 10th and 11th (\$20 camping fee per troop) and a patrol competition on the 12th. For those wanting more flexibility, instruction by CNYO club members will be available for beginners by appointment and self-serve map hikes will be available for experienced groups, all during the two weeks of November 4-18.

Assisted beginner hikes: CNYO offers private instruction for youth groups and their leaders on one of two mapped courses. These assisted hikes will be available by appointment from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM on November 11th or by appointment on other dates starting November 4th. Meeting times and locations are prearranged, so choose a time slot when you register.

Self-serve hikes: We offer two additional courses for groups to hike on their own starting November 4th. Groups may start between 8:30 AM and 1:30 PM and must be off the trail by 4 PM. Scout leaders must handle their own timing and monitoring. You must notify us of your plan.

CNYO members will teach:

- map orienting
- map symbols
- terrain features

- catching and safety features
- route choice
- basic compass use

Cost: \$5.00 per scout. Event patches are available for the first 250 registrants. Maps are free if you print your own from our website after registering, or \$2.00 per map if you ask us to print them for you with 10-day advanced notice. Four different maps are available (2 beginner, 2 advanced).

Register: You must register as a troop. Parents and leaders need not register unless they want a patch, but all participants must complete a waiver. Registration information is available at https://cnyorienteering.net/scout-o/.

Directions: Take I-81 to Exit 14 (Tully, NY). Follow Rt. 80 east for 10 miles, passing through Fabius, to the park entrance on the right. Follow the orange-and-white orienteering signs to the meet headquarters. The 2023 event is based at the old park office below Pines Camp.

Volunteer: Opportunities are available for older, experienced scouts to lead map hikes.

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