

Gunston Hall

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**April 8
Sunday**



Welcome to QOC's event at

Gunston Hall, the home of the father of our Bill of Rights, George Mason. The terrain includes forest of varying density, open fields, historic structures, and bluffs along the Potomac shore east of Lorton, VA, and we have a full set of seven courses (details below) thanks to course setter. Event timing is standard: register any time between 10:45 - 1:15, start any time between 11 - 1:30, and be back before 3pm.

The entrance to Gunston Hall (see directions below; overview map [here](#) [2]) is about 600 meters beyond the Pohick Bay Regional Park entrance on Gunston Road. Please drive with particular caution as you enter Gunston Hall. The first 300 meters of the entrance road is curvy and hemmed in by vegetation reducing the visibility of oncoming vehicles. Parking will be in the lot adjacent to the visitors center. The parking lot and the registration site right across the entrance road from it will be easily discernible as you drive in. Rest rooms will be available inside the visitors center and also in a separate outbuilding adjacent to the mansion itself.

Guided Tour Included: At registration QOC will collect a \$5 surcharge in addition to the regular meet fees. This surcharge covers Gunston Hall grounds fees for each participant, and it entitles participants to take one of the guided tours of the Hall offered during the day at no additional cost. [Gunston Hall staff would appreciate it if you would sign up before your orienteering run for a later tour so they know when to expect you.] Tours will be available on the hour and half hour starting at 10am, with the last tour at 4:30pm; just present your course map (before or after your run) at the front desk inside the visitors center to sign up (max tour group size ~20). To learn more about Gunston Hall, the home of the principal designer of the Bill of Rights, George Mason, visit the [Gunston Hall website](#) [3].

Any youth or large groups attending, please contact the [Event Director](#) [4] so that we can coordinate pre-registration for your group; the group registration and waiver [form](#) [5] is part of the information on our [Group Leaders](#) [6] page.

Additional notes:



- Dogs are allowed, but must be on a leash at all times.
- Spikes are not allowed in the Visitor Center.
- Please respect the out-of-bounds areas shown on your course map.

Location	Gunston Hall, Main parking area, Lorton, VA (Classic)			
Registration	No advance registration required. Just show up and have fun!			
Start Times	You may start your course any time between 11 - 1:30, and be back before 3pm.			
Schedule	Sunday, April 811:00 Classic: am - 3:00 pm			
Volunteers	Event Director:	Scott Sharp [7]		
	Course Designer:	Ken Walker, Jr [8]		
Location Details	Classic From southbound I-95, Gunston Hall take exit 163 (Lorton). Go Main left ontoLorton Rd at the parking area end of exit ramp. Go Lorton, VA under the 2nd overpass Google Map [9] and turn right onto Lorton Market St (Z-pizza is in the shopping center on the left), then go about 1.5 miles to the traffic light at Route 1. Go straight through light (the road name changes to Gunston Rd) and go about 4 miles to the entrance to Gunston Hall on left (identified with orienteering sign; overview map here [2].)			
Course Details	ClassicCourse Name	Length (km)	Climb (m)	No. Controls
	White	1.6	0	10
	Yellow	2.6	35	13
	Orange	4.6	65	13
	Brown	4.1	85	9
	Green	5.8	130	16
	Red	7.5	175	21
	Blue	8.8	200	25
Entry Fees				