Atlanta Area Council

Orienteering Training Site

Location: Allatoona Aquatics Base, Lovinggood Dr., Woodstock, GA Cherokee-Pickens District

Description: This is a course that when all 15 markers are run, is approximately 3 miles long. It is set up to have ten separate courses that can be run concurrently, by Scouts and Scouters of different experience levels. The control markers are built using 1 1/2 "PVC pipe over steel fence posts. The PVC is white with the top half of the marker painted blaze orange. Using a modified course, Scouts can partially complete the First Class requirement to complete an orienteering course covering at least one mile that includes measuring the height and/or width of an object. This course cannot be used to fulfill the Second Class requirement to conduct a five mile hike using map and compass.

History: This course had been previously set up for use by Troops and visitors to the Allatoona Aquatics Base, but has been in disrepair for the last few years. During the weekend of 14-16 May 2010, Troop 465 of Hickory Flat, GA, sponsored by 465 Alumni, Inc., reestablished and expanded the overall course from ten (10) points to fifteen (15) points, allowing for more variance in the number of courses that can be run concurrently.

Materials: Training materials will be made available to be permanently maintained by the Base Ranger. These materials will be made available for Units to sign out for use while operating the course, but must be returned to the Ranger before leaving the Base. It will be the responsibility of the using Unit to replace or repair any material lost or damaged during training. Master map sheets, competitor map sheets and course sheets will be available for download from Atlanta Area Council website and Cherokee-Pickens District website.