2020 All Saints (Red River Ramble) Meet Director Notes

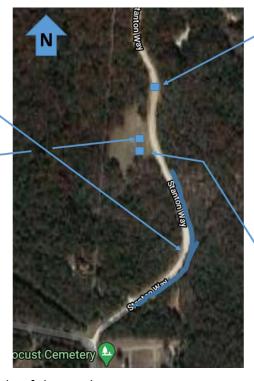
This event will be run as a "Bare Bones" event due to Covid-19. We are following OUSA recommendations for preventing SARS-CoV-2 transmission at events. (OUSA is the US national orienteering organization that NTOA is a member of.)

To minimize social interaction with the normal registration, you will have to preregister and either prepay or make other arrangements.

We will only have three courses set up. A Yellow course, a Short Advanced (Similar to Brown) and a Long Advanced (Similar to Red). All three courses will use electronic timing. NTOA can rent out electronic punches (epunches) to people but the club is limited to 130 rentals. If you have your own, you should be using it. There will be NO water placed along any of the courses. Please carry your own water with you.

To avoid crowding, you can start between 9am and noon.

- 1. Park along side of road
- 2. Wear mask at all times unless out on the course
- Turn in waivers & pick up bag with label, clue sheet, & epunch (if you rented one)



- While socially distancing, you can line up along road until you can start (it first come first served)
- Start official will let one person get ready to go by handing out the map that matches the label on the bag
- 6. Once you get your bag, you can go to the start triangle & start punch
- While you are out on the course you don't have to wear you mask.
 Also, no crowding at controls or on trails out on the course
- 8. Put your mask back on once you complete the course
- Go to finish to download epoch & return epunch (if rented)

- 1. Park along the east side of the road.
- Due to COVID Pandemic concerns, all participants must wear a face mask except when
 out on a course. This includes while checking in and waiting in lines. You may remove
 your mask once you are heading to the start triangle. We ask everyone to maintain six
 feet separation for physical distancing purpose.
- 3. Registration will be in the field (same location as past years). You will need to turn in your waiver and get your bag with label, clue sheet, and epunch (if rented). Remember to put the epunch lanyard around your wrist so you don't lose the epunch since you will then owe \$30 for



replacement.)

Note that due to Covid, we will NOT be holding drivers license until you return the epunch. To reduce physical contact, we encourage you to preprint and fill out your waiver and bring it with you. If you don't we will have a waiver table where you can fill out waiver. Similarly, to reduce physical contact, we ask you to prepay online or make other arrangements with the registrar.

No walk ups are allowed or accepted. You have to preregister. We only printed out the number of maps needed for the people who preregistered. This also means that you can't switch courses.

- 4. Once you get your bag, you can start going towards the start area. You need to socially distance while you wait your turn. Since this is a Bare-bones event, there will not be a beginner's clinic/class. There are a bunch of good begineering classes on the internet. For example, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OZOI9kKuA4I is a good video from UK that shows how to use the epunch, map, and compass. (Note that they call an epunch a "dibbler" in the video.)
- 5. Since everyone is using epunches, no start times are assigned. Instead, starts will be on based order of people lined up along the road to the start. You show your bag with label to the start captain and you will get the map for your course. You will also need to clear and check your epunch.
- 6. Once you get your map, you can go to the start triangle where the start control is at. Remember to epunch the start so that your time counts. You can start between 9am and noon but we ask that you go out as soon as you reasonably can so that we don't have a bunch up close to noon.
- 7. Once you are out on the course, you can remove your mask. But don't congregate at controls or elsewhere out on the courses.
- 8. Once you finish, you need to put your mask back on.
- 9. You need to then go to the finish table to download your epunch. (This lets us verify that you got back safely off the course. So even if you don't complete your course, you need to check.) If you rented an epunch, you need to return it.

Since this is a Bare-bones event, there will be no awards but the results will be posted on the NTOA website.

Once you have everyone back in your group, we ask that you head on back so we don't have a large crowd standing around.