

## Big Woods NRE Meet Notes

**Model:** Remember to print out the [Model event map](#) if you plan to attend the Model Event area at French Creek State Park, from Noon to 4pm on Friday March 18, 2022. Controls will be removed starting at 4:15pm.

**Directions:** 410 Park Road, Elverson, PA will get you to the road leading to the Model Event and Day 1 area. Day 2's start is adjacent to Camp Adahi, Fernbrook Lane, Pottstown, PA.

**No Water Provided:** There will be no water at the start or on the course either day, so plan accordingly.

**Rental E-punches:** Available for pickup at the Check-in Table in the Assembly Area.

**Control descriptions** (separate) will be available at Start line #2 for each day; they are also printed on the maps. For those without description holders, tape will be available.

**Trash:** Day 1 - French Creek State Park has large trash dumpsters near the start. Please use them or carry-out your trash.

Day 2 - Coventry Woods is a trash carry-out township park. All participants should make sure no trash is left behind.

On Day 2 at Coventry Woods, the Blue Course will use 2 maps which will be included back-to-back in their sealed map case.

For those who have registered to camp at French Creek State Park's campground, you will be camping in **Loop C**. **All other campground loops are out-of-bounds prior to starting the course on Saturday** and all woods except those shown on the Model event map are also out-of-bounds prior to starting their course on Saturday.

**Vendors:** The Bermans and Gale Teschendorf's Go-Orienteering will be offering orienteering supplies at the meet sites both days.

## Map Notes

Both maps, French Creek North and Coventry Woods, have been revised to reflect current conditions and vetter feedback, using the same standards, as recently as late February 2022.

### **Notable ISOM Conformities:**

- On both maps, charcoal terraces are shown with the newer brown line triangle, 115, replacing the traditional solid brown triangle.
- Collier hut remnants are shown with a circular 5-dot ditch symbol, conforming with 508, which hasn't always been the case.

### **Notable ISOM Exceptions:**

- North lines are spaced at 250 meters.
- Rootstocks are shown with a brown X, continuing the regional tradition.

**Out Of Bounds (OOB):** At French Creek North there are two out-of-bounds areas within the competition area. They are marked (red-cross-hatched) on the map but not in the terrain. One area has obvious "No Trespassing" signs. The other area is Campground **Loop C**, which is open for camping. Other parts of the Campground (Loops A,B,D) are not OOB **while on your course**. There is no advantage to be gained by passing through an area marked OOB.

At Coventry Woods there are a series of areas marked as out-of-bounds. One area is diamond shaped and is marked with "No Trespassing" signs around its perimeter but the main trail running through this area can be used and this trail is not cross-hatched.

The water company that adjoins the park is allowing us access to part of their property. Their property also contains wetlands that will be shown as red-cross-hatched on the map and will also have yellow caution tape in the woods around the western approach to these wetlands.

**Please respect the out-of-bounds (OOB) areas and private property marked as such on the maps.**

**We wish you safe travels and look forward to seeing you this coming weekend!**

**The Big Woods 2022 Team**