



Multnomah County ARES Drill Guide

EC's Cup - Geocache Man Hunt January 3rd 2015

Type: EC's Cup: Outdoor Field Exercise

Goals: VHF mobile HT operation, tactical net operation with tactical reporting.

Scenario: The Multnomah County EC wants you to catch him if you can. He's gone A.W.O.L., somewhere in inner SE. Clues to his location are located throughout his last known area of operations. A tactical net for the search will be initiated at 0900 on Saturday, January 3rd, 2015.

Initial clues will be distributed on the morning of the event in person from the physical location of net control.

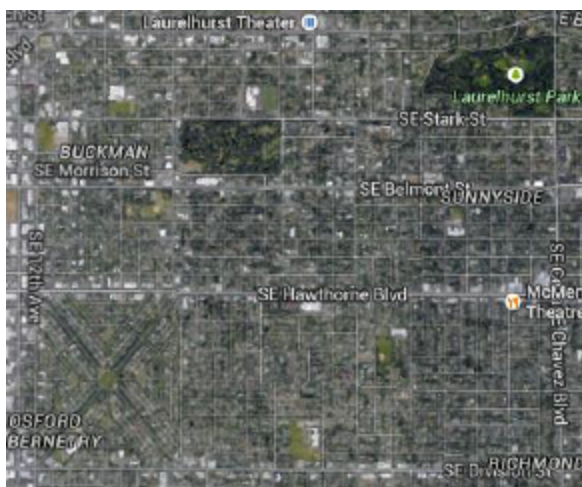
Location: Playing Field Boundaries:

South of Burnside

North of Division

East of 12th

West of 39th



Participants: Any area ARO. Participants may not drive and operate. Participants can operate by foot, bicycle, or coordinate vehicle operation with a separate radio operator; operating both a radio and vehicle simultaneously will lead to disqualification. Bicycle or foot transport is recommended.

Date/Time From: 0900 PST 1-3-15

Date/Time To: 1300 PST 1-3-15

Safety Notes: Be prepared for current weather conditions. Exercise appropriate caution while operating motor vehicles. No operating and driving during this drill. Heads up and be safe, making sure to avoid traffic infractions or jaywalking in this busy area.

Frequencies:

MC 1: 146.840 Standard Offset, No Tone

MC 3: 146.940 Standard Offset, No Tone

Walkthrough:

Note: Operators will muster, prepared for the weather and ability to operate VHF portable, in person at net control on Saturday January 3rd. We'll meet at 3315 SE 43rd Ave.

This event is a fundraiser for our trailer project, so please consider donations. No donation is necessary to participate.

Most clues will involve GPS coordinates. Be prepared to copy information (pen and paper) and have the ability to coordinate search via map and GPS.

0900: Muster and distribution of initial coordinates. Operators disperse to the field.

0900-1300:

When a cached clue is located, report the information contained in that clue to net control. The operator who found that clue should remove it from the playing field, so that we don't leave a bunch of geocaches in the field after we are done. Clues that have been reported may be repeated by net control whenever requested by a field operator.

The operator reporting the information in the clue to net control will receive one point.

Clues will contain information for finding the EC and information for finding the next clue, so all operators should keep an ear out for new clues on the net. Net control can repeat any reported clues that are requested from the field.

As subsequent cached clues and coordinates are collected, they are to be reported to net control. 1 Point apiece for each clue collected and properly reported, 10 points for finding the EC. EC's Cup champion will be awarded to individual with the highest point total as reported by net control. Following along which geocaches and clues that have been reported is key to scoring well. Net control can provide fills for any clues missed.

1300: Secure from exercise.