

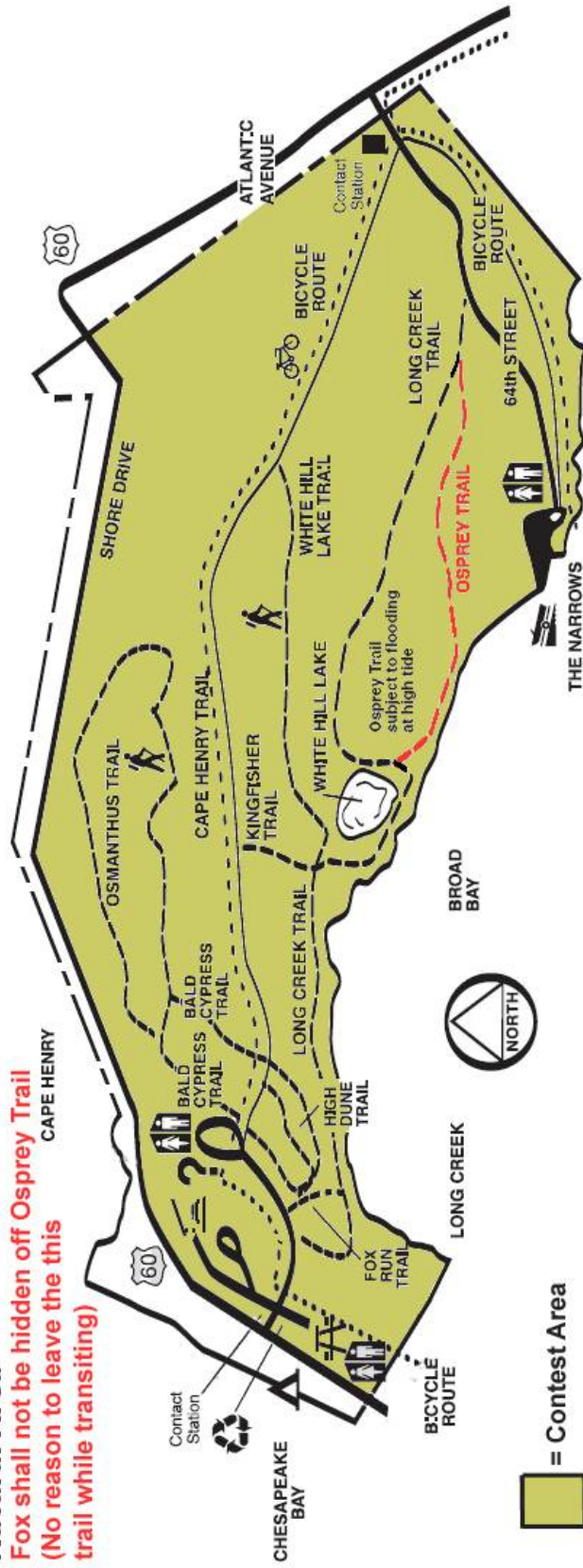


1. Registration for the contest is required and may be accomplished via email request to wt4m@wt4m.com, by visiting the September VBARC meeting or Virginia Beach Hamfest and filling out the required information. There is no charge to register or participate in the contest. The deadline for registration is midnight 26 September, 2008.
2. For the purpose of these rules the word "hunter" refers to a contestant or team of contestants and "fox" refers to the transmitting device to be located.
3. All are welcome to compete in this contest. An amateur radio license is NOT required, as the ability to transmit on amateur frequencies is NOT required. This of course, is not to imply that unlicensed hunters may transmit on amateur frequencies at any time.
4. Hunters may compete as a team or individually. Teams shall register under a team name of their choice; individuals register by name or call sign. Additionally for teams, all team member names and call signs (if licensed) must be provided at registration.
5. The fox shall transmit the call W4UG in Morse code on 145.565 MHz beginning on 27 September, 2008 at 1400 UTC (10 AM EDT) at an interval of no less than every 10 minutes.
6. The fox shall be hidden within the confines of First Landing State Park, but limited to that area of the park that is south and west of Shore Drive.
7. The fox shall be hidden on land. That is to say, it will not be buried, on or in water, but may be concealed by leaves or other debris (nothing that would require more than a nominal effort to clear).
8. The vicinity of the fox shall be visible from one of eight published park trails. That is to say, though the fox itself may not be visible (because of debris/brush), its immediate vicinity will be. There are nine published trails in the park, but the fox will NOT be hidden adjacent to Osprey Trail which can flood at high tide (park officials request that you stay on the trail when transiting Osprey Trail, as the area is easily damaged).
9. Any lawful means of transportation to and inside of the park is allowed. Thus you may drive on the roads and bike on Cape Henry Trail (only trail that permits bikes). Additionally, you may navigate to the park via personal watercraft. Keep in mind that there is a fee for parking and launch fees, when applicable. No fees are required if you bike or walk into the park.
10. All hunters may use any method available to locate the transmitter; GPS, directional antennas, attenuators, compass, sextant, slide rule, receivers, or any other electronic/mechanical devices they wish to employ.
11. To preclude an unfair advantage of hunting teams over individual hunters, only one receiver is allowed to be in use to locate the fox during the contest. Additional receivers may be brought for backup, but once another receiver is used for hunting any previously used receivers may no longer be used for hunting.
12. Hunters shall carry all of their own equipment (teams or individuals). Additional help may not be enlisted merely to carry equipment (they must be registered).
13. Hunters MUST check in with John WT4M on the morning of the contest in order to receive a certificate of participation or win the contest plaque. This may be accomplished by licensed amateurs by calling on the 146.97- W4KXV repeater (146.895- W4KXV repeater as backup). Additionally, unlicensed hunters may call 757-589-5837. Check in can be accomplished as early as 9:30 AM EDT and continues through the end of the contest.
14. Upon locating the fox, leave it where it is and read the attached placard. Follow the instructions on the placard.

Natural Area

**Fox shall not be hidden off Osprey Trail
(No reason to leave the this
trail while transiting)**

CAPE HENRY



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