2017 Orlando Go Tournament
Information Packet

Saturday & Sunday
April 22–23, 2017
University of Central Florida

Thank you for participating in the 8th annual Orlando Go Tournament (OGT). We've put this packet together to provide some simple step-by-step information regarding the tournament. Steps include:

1. Tournament schedule

   2015 Location!

2. Finding the UCF's Research Park

3. Finding parking, the building & the room

4. Check-in procedures

5. Tournament play details

6. Sponsors and acknowledgements

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1 Tournament Schedule

To the best of our ability, we will try to maintain the schedule shown below. Please help us by arriving on time, and returning from lunch and breaks by the start of new rounds.

Date	Activity	Start Time	Stop Time
Sat., Apr. 22	Registration & check-in	9:00a	9:30a
	Rules discussion, sectioning & pairing	9:30a	10:00a
	Round 1	**10:00a**	**12:00p**
	Lunch (on your own)	12:00p	1:30p
	Round 2	**1:30p**	**3:30p**
	Round 3	**3:30p**	**5:30p**
Sun., Apr. 23	Announcements & pairing	9:30a	10:00a
	Round 4	**10:00a**	**12:00p**
	Lunch (on your own)	12:00p	1:30p
	Round 5	**1:30p**	**3:30p**
	Standings, awards, & closing	3:30p	4:30p

2   Finding UCF's Research Park

This year, the tournament is in a new location!!! It will be held in the Partnership III building in the University of Central Florida's Research Park. The address for the University is: *3039 Technology Pkwy, Orlando, FL.*, and for those of you with GPS devices, the latitude and longitude for the HEC building is: $28° 35' 6.6084''$ by $-81° 11' 57.5484''$.

http://map.ucf.edu/locations/8126/partnership-iii-p3

From Miami:

- I-95 North to exit 205, "*528 West*"
- 528 West (toll) to exit 16, "*417 North*"
- 417 North (toll) to exit 33, "*408 East*"
- See "From 408 East" below

From Tampa

- I-4 East to exit 82A, "*408 East*"
- 408 East (toll) to exit 18A, "*417 North*"
- 417 North (toll) to exit 33, "*408 East*"
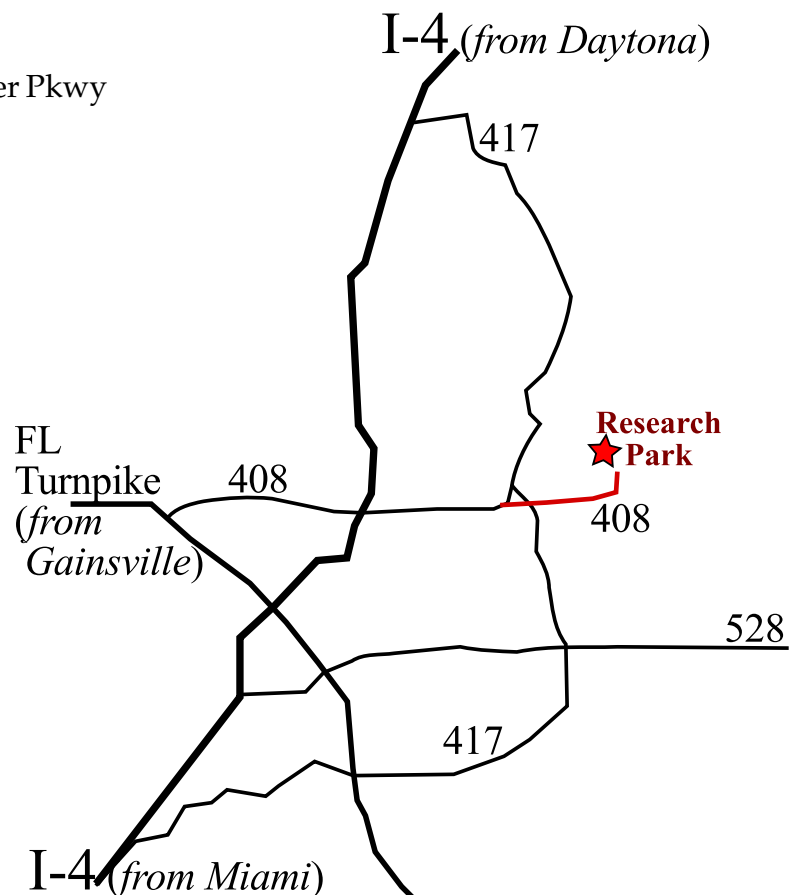- See "From 408 East" below

From Daytona Beach

- I-4 West to exit 101B, "*417 South*"
- 417 South (toll) to exit 33, "*408 East*"
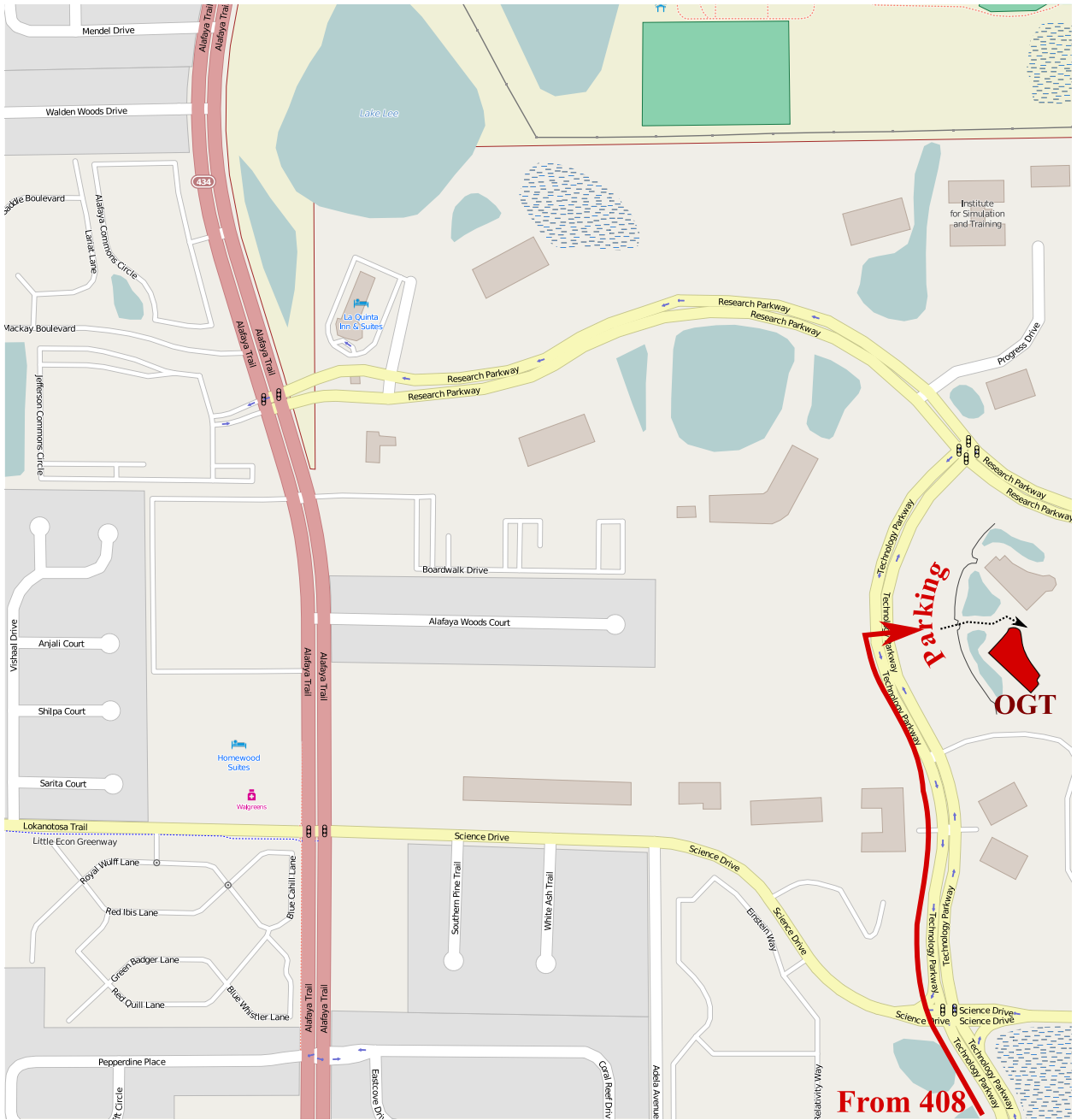- See "From 408 East" below

From Gainesville

- Florida Turnpike South to exit 265, "*408 East*"
- See "From 408 East" below

From 408 East

- 408 East (toll) until becomes Challenger Pkwy
- Right on Ingenuity Dr.
- Left of Science Dr.
- Right on Technology Pkwy
- Right into parking lot

28° 35′ 6.6084″ **by** −81° 11′ 57.5484″

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3   Finding Parking, P3 & Room 233

There is a single parking lot shared by the Partnership II and Partnership III buildings, and there should be plenty of room. *Between* the two buildings is a gate, which should be open. Park close to the gate, the follow the walk through the gate to the buildings. Partnership III is on the **right**.

Unfortunately, these buildings are **access controlled** over the weekends, so the front doors to Partnership III will be locked. Use the following six-digit code at the pin-pad by the door: **600001**. You may also **text or call me (407.446.7204)** to send someone to let you in.

After entering the building, take the elevator or the stairs from the lobby to the second floor. Proceed through the double doors to the right of the elevator. Once you have entered the floor, take the right hallway until it reaches an intersection, the take the left hallway. You will immediately see a large, open "collaboration area". Room 233 is through the doors behind the collaboration area. All of this will be marked.

If you have trouble, please contact Paul at 407.446.7204 for additional direction.

4   Check-In Procedures

Upon arrival, you will notice three "*stations*" to be visited in order:

1. **Registration** — Use this station to register for the tournament. *If you have already registered on-line, you may skip this station.*

2. **AGA Membership**[1] — Use this station to confirm AGA membership or resolve AGA membership issues. *We would prefer **not** to handle this onsite, so please handle this yourself online prior to arrival:* https://www.usgo.org/members/login

3. **Rounds Entry** — At this station, your attendance is recorded, and you are entered into the system for pairing for the first round.

Note that *check-in ends at 9:30a* on Saturday morning. We will make every effort to make sure everyone plays all the rounds that they can play. Still, if you arrive later than 9:30a then you may have to wait until round 2 to participate. Note that there is always a bit of chaos before the first pairings are announced, and this chaos is greatly reduced if people are prepared before they arrive and arrive on time.

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5 Tournament Play Details

Rules: We will use the official rules of the *American Go Association*:
`http://www.usgo.org/resources/downloads/completerules.pdf`

Time: Games will be timed. For each game, each player will receive 45 minutes *main time*, with five 30 second byo-yomi periods

Divisions: There will be four separate strength divisions for prize purposes. These will depend on the field of participants and will be announced prior to the first round. There will be prizes in all divisions.

Komi & Handicap: Handicaps will be used between opponents of different strengths, with 0.5 points of komi given to white when there is a handicap. For even games, 7.5 points of komi will be given to white. Where possible, reverse komi will be given for small rank differences.

Pairing: Participants will be paired using *Swiss-MacMahon* pairing

Equipment: If you have boards, stones, and clocks then please bring them for use in the tournament. *It's a good idea to label your equipment with your name.* If you do not have any equipment, it's fine — there should be plenty of sets.

Clock shortage: If we do not have enough byo-yomi capable game clocks, clocks will be prioritized to the matches between stronger players. If there is such a shortage, we will permit the usage of main-time only clocks.

Laptops & Mobile Devices: Players may use laptops or mobile devices to record games or for time-keeping purposes under the following conditions:

1. Use of the device *must* be acceptable to *both* players.
2. The device is not an obvious distraction to others.
3. *Advised but not required:* Sportsmanship suggests you offer to provide any recorded SGF to your opponent, as well.

6   Sponsors & Acknowledgements

Please thank and support our generous sponsors for providing prizes for the tournament:
- Yellow Mountain Imports (`www.ymimports.com`)
- Slate & Shell (`www.slateandshell.com`)

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Also, we would like to thank the Institute for Simulation & Training at UCF for allowing us to use their room resources for the tournament.

`http://www.ist.ucf.edu`

We would also like to thank all those who volunteered their time to help with tournament setup and break down. Finally, and most notably, thanks to all those who will attend and participate!