

BFL Orienteer

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Summer Training Events

The Buffalo Orienteering Club will hold three evening practice sessions at Chestnut Ridge Park for those who would like instruction in orienteering.

The sessions are scheduled for August 15, 22, and 29 at 6:30 PM. All of the dates are Mondays. You may attend any or all of the sessions. The only charge is \$2 for the map.

Meet in the casino parking lot at a location marked by orange and white control markers.

This would be a good opportunity to get out and brush up on old skills or learn new ones. The sessions will be beneficial for everyone from beginners to the more experienced.

Jackie Novkov is the organizer. She can be reached at 834-2922.

2006 Rogaine Receives North American Championship Status

The 2006 Rogaine at Allegany State Park that the Buffalo Orienteering Club is organizing in cooperation with the Rochester Orienteering Club has been designated as the North American Rogaine Championships for 2006. This is a big deal indeed as it will bring competitors from all over the continent to the event. The weekend is June 10 - 11, 2006.

The club is already recruiting volunteers to help out that weekend or ahead of time by vetting or setting controls. If you can help, mark the dates on your calendar and then contact Phil Wolfling to get on the list of workers.



-Registration at the mini Rogaine in Rock City

Map Hikes Resume

After a forced hiatus caused by uncertainty over access to Erie County Parks, Map Hikes have resumed on a limited basis.

As a result of last minute hustling by Lincoln Blaisdell, Jackie Novkov, and Phil Wolfling, a Map Hike has been set up in Chestnut Ridge Park for the rest of the summer and the fall.

Map Hike Kits are available at the usual locations; ie, all Hyatt's All Things Creative Stores and by phone order from Phil Wolfling (832-9758) or Lincoln Blaisdell (759-6215). The cost is \$5 with a small additional postage and handling charge for those mailed.

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Greetings from your President.

I'm so new to orienteering that it feels strange to be President of an orienteering club. Luckily, however, one doesn't have to be an expert orienteer to serve as a manager.

As I begin this year as President, I see a couple of priorities for the club's continued success. In the first place, we need to attract new members and to get older members more involved. Many of the longtime members of the club have borne the burden of running the O-meets for many years, and some of them are getting a little weary. We need to recruit new members to help them and to ultimately take their place.

In an effort to introduce people to orienteering, there will be three practice sessions run by members of the club at Chestnut Ridge park. That information is included in this newsletter, and it appears in the Outdoor pages of the Sports section of Sunday's Buffalo News. If any of you would like to help with the training sessions or would simply like to participate, show up at the casino parking lot at the time and dates mentioned. If you have any friends who have expressed an interest in orienteering, invite them to join us.

The 2005 Chestnut Ridge map hike will be available at the sessions.

Sometimes the meet directors have a hard time finding volunteers to help with all the tasks involved in running a meet. Look at the dates of the fall meets posted in this newsletter. If you are able to help with any aspect of a meet -- registration, start/finish, refreshments, flag pickup-- call the meet director and offer your services. Don't wait until the meet director calls you.

Check the web site occasionally to remind yourself of Buffalo Orienteering Club events and activities. Note, for example, that we will join with the Rochester O-club in hosting the 2006 National Rogaine Championships at Allegany State Park.

We are also in the process of incorporating the club and creating a constitution and bylaws. We hope to create a board of directors that will meet more frequently than just the annual meeting in January.



Let us know if you may be interested in serving on this board. One priority of the new board will be to institute educational initiatives to expand awareness of orienteering in Western New York, and, thus, to gain new club members.

The second priority of our club is new maps. Our Chestnut Ridge, Emery Park, and Sardinia maps all need updating to make them more accurate, and we need to make maps of new areas so that the sport doesn't become dull for those who know our three main parks intimately. If any of you would like to serve as members of the mapping committee, please contact me at 716-479-9431 or by e-mail at linc43@adelphia.net. We would like to have a mapping committee meeting in September so that work on maps can be done in the off-season.

I hope to meet more of you and see you at the various activities and events in the fall!

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Websites of Interest

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| BfIO | www.buffalo-orienteering.bfn.org |
| USOF | www.us.orienteering.org |
| Rochester | roc.us.orienteering.org |
| Central NY | cnyo.us.orienteering.org/cnyo |
| Adventure Racing | www.adventureheads.com |
| Juniors | www.thewaterstop.org |

BUFFALO ORIENTEERING CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____ Date _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____
 email _____

New Member Family \$15
 Renewal Single \$10

For Family Memberships, please
 list additional family members _____

Make check payable to "Buffalo Orienteering Club"
 and mail to Dave Cady, 148 West Humboldt Parkway, Buffalo, NY 14214

Niagara Wine-O Classic and Sprint

The Niagara Wine Orienteering event (aka "The Wine-O") is the highlight of the orienteering season on the Niagara Peninsula. Take in a day of orienteering with a sprint event and a classic event on the beautiful Niagara Escarpment and you could win a variety of famous Niagara wines.

DATE: Sunday, October 23, 2005.

SPRINT STARTS: 10:00 - 10:30.

CLASSIC STARTS: 11:30 - 12:00.

TERRAIN: Escarpment and Limestone.

SPRINT COURSE: Individual start, cross-country (point to point) format, 2.5 km long, one course.

CLASSIC COURSES: Individual start, cross-country, three courses: novice (3 km), intermediate (5 km), and advanced (7 km).

COST: Adults \$10, Juniors \$5.

REGISTRATION: You must register for the sprint and classic course separately and you must pre-register by 4 days prior to the event through Orienteering Ontario Online.

AWARDS: A fine selection of Niagara grape juices and wines.

INFO: For updated information including location and directions, monitor www.dontgetlost.ca/gho/wine.htm.

Buffalo Orienteering Club Contacts

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 Unsolicited submissions are welcome. Please send articles two weeks before publication date. Email is preferred:
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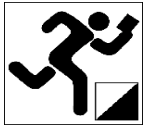
BfIO Calendar of Events

Entry fees for Bflo events (listed first) are \$8 for guests and \$4 for members. All are welcome. Events are held rain or shine. Registration opens at 10:30 AM with starts from 11 AM - 12:30 PM. Exceptions are noted and other clubs may have different schedules. Informal instruction for beginners is always available. Call the contact person for more information.

| Date | Location | Details |
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| Monday Aug 15 | Chestnut Ridge | Training session. 6:30 PM. Info: Jackie Novkov, 834-2922. |
| Monday Aug 22 | Chestnut Ridge | Training session. 6:30 PM. Info: Jackie Novkov, 834-2922. |
| Monday Aug 29 | Chestnut Ridge | Training session. 6:30 PM. Info: Jackie Novkov, 834-2922. |
| Sunday Sept 18 | Chestnut Ridge | Regular event with a variety of courses. Info: Jackie Novkov, 834-2922. |
| Sunday Oct 9 | Camp Schoellkopf | Regular event with a variety of courses. Info: Phil Wolfling 832-9758 |
| Saturday Oct 29 | Emery Park | Regular event with a variety of courses. Info: Mike Gasiewicz 896-8597. |

Rochester Orienteering Club events. For more info call their hotline at 585-377-5650.

August 13 (Sat.) Black Creek Park - West side. Score-O (mass start at 10am) plus White (starts from 10 to 11am). **Sept. 10 (Sat.)** Rattlesnake Hill. Rogaine 3, 6 & 12hr, + mountain bike division. **Sept. 17 (Sat.)** Highland Park. Includes GPS-O. - Starts from Noon to 2pm, National O-Day. **October 8 (Sat.)** Powder Mills Park - West Lodge. Starts from Noon to 2pm. **October 23 (Sun.)** Oatka Creek Park. Starts from Noon to 2pm.



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Thanks to Greg Hyatt for the photos in this issue.

Results

Camp Schoellkopf

May 1, 2005

Meet Director: Charles Wightman

Advanced, 12 controls, 4.8 km

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| 1 | Rick Slattery (ROC) | 87 |
| 2 | Patricia Lyons | 90 |
| 3 | Gary Maslanka | 95 |
| 4 | Jackie Novkov & Jordan Kolev | 130 |
| 5 | Walt Lyons | 147 |

Medium, 8 controls, 2.5 km

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| 1 | Mike Lance & Jen Neudecker | 36 |
| 2 | Paul Roche (ROC) | 37 |
| 3 | Douglas Flewellen | 44 |
| 4 | Al Booth | 54 |
| 5 | Anna Wolston | 54 |
| 6 | Wayne & Dora Maul | 64 |
| 7 | Justin & James Acker | 85 |
| 8 | Fred Gordon | 111 |

Beginners, 6 controls, 1.9 km

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| 1 | Carrie Leising & John Turski | 67 |
| 2 | Roger Keeney | 86 |

Results

Rock City State Forest - Great Valley

June 12, 2005

Meet Director: Lincoln Blaisdell

Weather: very warm (80's), humid, hazy bright.

| 3- Hour mini-Rogaine | | (Pts) | (Min:Sec) |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------|-----------|
| 1 | David Levine | 425 | 175:20 |
| 2 | Patty Lyons | 355 | 172:20 |
| 3 | Greg Hyatt | 340 | 168:00 |
| 4 | Walt Lyons | 340 | 168:10 |
| 5 | Jackie Novkov | 340 | 172:00 |
| 6 | Gary Maslanka | 335 | 178:30 |
| 7 | Rick & Dayle Levine | 290 | 178:30 |
| 8 | Katy Carrier Team | 130 | 151:00 |
| 9 | Adventureheads | 0 | 207:00 |

90 Minute Score-O

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|---|-----------------------|-----|--------|
| 1 | Tom Wightman | 145 | 90:00 |
| 2 | Rebecca Wightman | 125 | 88:00 |
| 3 | Wolfling Team | 120 | 85:00 |
| 4 | Paul Fehringer Team | 105 | 75:00 |
| 5 | Maul / Burgess | 75 | 87:00 |
| 6 | Roger Keeney | 60 | 82:00 |
| 7 | Anna Woolston | 0 | 97:00 |
| 8 | Caffiero / Rentschler | 0 | 113:00 |