

# BFL Orienteer

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## Annual Meeting Set for Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

12:00pm at Stohrer Lodge, Emery Park

Celebrate the start of the orienteering year at the annual meeting of the Buffalo Orienteering Club. All members and guests are invited for lunch at 12:00pm. The Club will provide hamburgers and veggie burgers at no charge. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share as well as beverages of your choice. Beer and wine are permitted. RSVP to **Linc Blaisdell** by March 21. The program will commence after lunch and will feature:

- 2011 Map Hike Completion Awards & 2012 Map Hike Sales
- Volunteer Recognition
- Club Financial Report
- 2012 Schedule Review & Volunteer Recruitment
- Board and Officer Elections (see nominating committee slate on page 4)
- A Fun, Non-Competitive Orienteering Activity

## 2012 Orienteering Season Announced

*Chestnut Ridge events kicks things off on April 28<sup>th</sup>*

The 2012 schedule begins with a “Learn and Try” at Chestnut Ridge park, followed by a four-course competitive meet. Emery park, Hunter’s Creek, and Camp Schoellkopf round out the spring meets.

The “Explore Erie County Parks” trail run series enters its second season with races at Hunter’s Creek and Chestnut Ridge.

The annual Club picnic takes place in August before the fall schedule concludes the season at Chestnut Ridge, Holiday Valley, and Sprague Brook parks.

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## 2012 Buffalo Orienteering Club Schedule

*Check website for updates, registration times, fees, and driving directions*

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*Volunteers are needed at all events for registration, start/finish, and flag pickup*

*Contact meet director for details*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Event Type/Start Times</b>	<b>Director</b>
Saturday March 24	Emery Park, Stohrer Lodge	Annual Meeting/12:00pm	Linc Blaisdell
Friday April 13	Amherst, NY	Course Setting Workshop/7:00pm	Jackie Novkov
Saturday April 28	Chestnut Ridge Park	Learn & Try/10:00am 4-Course Meet/11:00am-12:00pm	Jackie Novkov Henry Davis
Sunday May 20	Emery Park	3-Course Meet/11:00am-12:00pm	Rebecca Wightman Ranee Van Natter
Sunday June 3	Hunter's Creek Park South	<i>Explore Erie County Parks Run Series #1</i> 5k & 10k Trail Runs/10:00am 90-Minute Score-O/12:00pm	Patty Lyons Walt Lyons
Saturday June 23	Schoellkopf Boy Scout Camp	Sprint/11:00 am 3-Course Meet/12:00-1:00pm	Phil Wolfling Mark Wolfling
Thursday July 12	Chestnut Ridge Park	<i>Explore Erie County Parks Run Series #2</i> 5.1 Mile Trail Run/6:30pm	Patty Lyons Brigid Maloney
Thursday August 23	Chestnut Ridge Park	Annual Club Picnic/6:00pm	Linc Blaisdell
Saturday September 15	Chestnut Ridge Park	<i>National Orienteering Day</i> Learn & Try/10:00am 4-Course Meet/12:00-1:00pm	Linc Blaisdell Howard Kraus
Saturday September 29	Holiday Valley Resort	<i>Ellicottville Trails Adventure Run &amp; Hike</i> 6-Hour Mini ROGAINE/11:00am 3-Hour Mini ROGAINE/12:00pm	Jackie Novkov Doug Kennedy
Sunday October 14	Sprague Brook Park	<i>Navigation Boy Scout Camporee</i> 90-Minute Score-O/12:00pm	Robert Reeves Phil Wolfling
Sunday January 27, 2013	Byrncliff Resort	3-Course Ski-O/10:30-11:00am	Patty Lyons Walt Lyons

***\*Check the website soon for details on an additional August event.***

## 2012 Rochester Orienteering Club Schedule

*Hotline: (585) 377-56750 Website: roc.us.orienteering.org*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Start Times</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Event Type</b>
April 15	12:00-2:00pm	Mendon Ponds Park	Regular Meet & Club Series #1
April 21	11:00am-1:00pm	Rochester Inst. of Technology	White, Score-O, Sprint Series #1
May 5	10:00am	Mendon Ponds Park	Trail Challenge #1
May 20	12:00-2:00pm	Webster Park	Regular Meet & Club Series #2
June 3	11:00am-2:00pm	Rotary Sunshine Camp	Regular meet, Club Series #3, Sprint Series #2
June 10	TBD	Highland Park	Urban Park Challenge
June 26	6:00-7:00pm	Black Creek Park	White, Score-O, Sprint Series #3
July 14	10:00-11:00am	Mendon Ponds Park	White, Score-O, Sprint Series #4
August 1	6:30pm	Cobbs Hill Park	Trail Challenge #2
August 18	10:00-11:00am	Seneca Park	White, Score-O, Sprint Series #5
August 25	10:00am-12:00pm	Powder Mills Park	Regular Meet & Club Series #4
September 9	10:00am	Webster Park	Trail Challenge #3
September 15	12:00-2:00pm	Highland Park	White, Yellow, Score-O, Sprint Series #6
September 30	12:00-2:00pm	Letchworth State Park	Regular Meet & Club Series #5
October 28	12:00-2:00pm	Oatka Creek Park	Regular Meet & Club Series #6
November 3	8:00-9:30am/6:30pm	Mendon Ponds Park	Trail Run & Night-O
December 1	5:00pm	Powder Mills Park	Annual Meeting & Scrooge-O
January 20, 2013	TBD	Mendon Ponds Park	Ski-O
February 3, 2013	TBD	Harriet Hollister Park	Ski-O

## **Course Setting Workshop Set for April 13<sup>th</sup>**

*Open to all members*

The Buffalo Orienteering Club will be hosting its first course setting workshop on Friday, April 13 at 7:00pm. Anyone who is interested in learning more about the subject is encouraged to attend. No previous meet directing experience is needed and no future commitment is expected.

Topics to be covered include: route choice, control visibility, avoiding dog legs, and other considerations to take into account when designing orienteering courses. At the conclusion, participants will have the opportunity to design a sample course and receive feedback from experienced course setters. This is a great way to deepen your appreciation for the sport!

The training will take place at the home of board member **Jackie Novkov**. Please RSVP to her by April 9 at [jezibon@yahoo.com](mailto:jezibon@yahoo.com) or (716) 834-2922.

## **Board Forms Committee to Plan Future Mapping Projects**

*Three parks to be mapped in 2012*

At the board meeting on 1/19/12, a committee was formed to prioritize future Club mapping projects. Current members are **Robert Reeves, David Cady, Jackie Novkov, and Rainee VanNatter**. A priority list has been developed with member input and is available for review at <http://freepdfhosting.com/0920cad3c9.pdf>.

Plans are underway to commission new maps this year for Sardinia County Forest and Delaware Park, as well as an expanded Ellicottville area map. Future plans include establishing a five-year rotation schedule for meets and map hikes, adding additional mapped parks in the northtowns and Niagara County, and establishing a permanent course at Allegany State Park.

Club members are needed this summer to visit parks to help determine suitability for orienteering events. Contact a mapping committee member for details.

## **Nominating Committee Announces Board of Directors Slate**

*Election to be held at the Annual Meeting on March 24th*

In accordance with Club bylaws, the nominating committee recommends the following members to be elected to the Board of Directors. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the annual meeting. Terms are for two years, concluding at the 2014 annual meeting.

President: **Lincoln Blaisdell**

Secretary: **Phillip Wolfling**

Treasurer: **David Cady**

Directors: **Jennifer Borowicz, Henry Davis, Jackie Novkov, Rainee VanNatter**

## Editor's Notes

### *News from around the Club*

- The planned Ski-O at Byrncliff Resort in January was a victim of our warm winter weather. Here's to better luck in 2013! Thanks to **Patty Lyons** for all of her efforts.
- The Map Hike controls at Hunter's Creek and Emery parks were unintentionally taken down a couple of weeks early. We are sorry for any inconvenience that this may have caused. In the future, Map Hike controls will remain out until the end of February.
- Stay tuned for a possible additional event to our summer schedule. Plans are underway to add another meet in August. Details will be posted online and in the next newsletter.
- The "Ellicottville Trails Adventure Run & Hike" is the new name for the mini-ROGAINE. It will again take place on private and state lands around Holiday Valley resort. This year's event features an expanded map with much more detail.
- The Club will be sponsoring a Navigation Boy Scout Camporee at Sprague Brook park on October 12-14th. Scouts will participate in orienteering, search and rescue, and geocaching activities on Saturday. On Sunday, Scouts, Club members, and the general public are invited to take part in a 90-minute Score-O. Volunteers are needed to help with instruction and logistics. Contact Camporee chairman **Phil Wolfling** or meet director **Robert Reeves** for details.

—R.R.

## Membership Information

Club memberships expire at the end of the calendar year. Expiration dates appear above your newsletter address label. If you have not yet renewed for 2012, please complete and mail the form on page 7 along with your payment. Discounts are now available for three-year individual and family memberships. Membership benefits include:

- Fee discounts at Buffalo and Rochester Orienteering Club meets and events
- Three yearly issues of the BFLOrienteer newsletter
- E-mail updates on club events
- Discounts at Eastern Mountain Sports Club Days
- Voting rights at the annual meeting
- Helping to support club expenses and future mapping projects

## Welcome New Members!

*The following members have joined our Club since the last newsletter issue:*

**Cindi Renaldo, Lynda & Richard Chudy, Eon Verrall, Michael & Nicole Flanagan**

## 2011 Map Hike Results

*The following Orienteers have submitted Map Hike completion cards with 20 or more controls found. Prizes will be awarded at the annual meeting on March 24th.*

4 Courses—\$7 off a 2012 Map Hike  
 3 Courses—\$5 off a 2012 Map Hike  
 2 Courses—\$3 off a 2012 Map Hike  
 1 Course—\$2 off a 2012 Map Hike

1 Course	2 Courses	3 Courses	4 Courses
David Carloni	Pleban Family	Corey Beres	Andrew Bandish
H/G Farquhar	Rebecca & Diane Stroh	Robert Cain	Greg Hyatt
Jane Brennan			Jeff Storch & Jerri Mahoney
Linda Reehling			Judith Geer & Charles Wightman
Lyons			Kate Carrier
Mike Lyons			Lynda Chudy
The Fehringers			Michael Lance
			Mike Kennedy
			Mike Schlicht
			Rainee VanNatter
			Stuart Ludwig

*Also submitting results: Don Winslow*

### **New Map Hikes for Sale at Annual Meeting**

*Four parks featured in 2012*

Map Hikes are orienteering courses that can be completed at your own pace. This year there will be courses available at Chestnut Ridge, Emery, Sprague Brook, and Hunter's Creek parks. All courses are new each year and feature 25 controls of varying difficulty.

Courses have been set and Map Hike packets will be available for purchase at the annual meeting on March 24th. Packets can also be purchased at all club events, at Hyatt's stores, [hyatts.com](http://hyatts.com), or with the order form on page 7. When ordered through the Club, a discount is available when purchasing all four map hikes. Map hikes will remain in place through the end of February 2013.

**2012 Buffalo Orienteering Club Map / Map Hike Order Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Qty.	Map Hikes	Each	Total
	Chestnut Ridge	\$7.00	
	Emery	\$7.00	
	Hunter's Creek	\$7.00	
	Sprague Brook	\$7.00	
	All 4 Map Hikes	\$24.00	
Qty.	Map Only	Each	Total
	Ellicottville Trails	\$6.00	
	Allegany	\$8.00	
Shipping (1-19 items)			\$2.00
Shipping (20 or more items)			Free
<b>Total Order</b>			

*Quantity discounts available on orders of 20 or more  
 Contact Phillip Wolfling for details at (716) 832-9758*

*Make check payable to:  
 Buffalo Orienteering Club*

*Mail to:  
 Phillip Wolfling  
 263 Morris Ave, Buffalo, NY 14214*

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**Buffalo Orienteering Club Membership Application / Renewal Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

*For family memberships list additional family members* \_\_\_\_\_

*Make check payable to:  
 Buffalo Orienteering Club  
 Mail to: Jane Brennan  
 118 Colby St  
 Cheektowaga, NY 14206*

<input type="checkbox"/>	New Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Renewal
\$15	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual—1 Year
\$40	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual—3 Years
\$20	<input type="checkbox"/> Family—1 Year
\$50	<input type="checkbox"/> Family—3 Years

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