

Board Meeting Minutes Buffalo Orienteering Club

Date: 9/1/2020, via Zoom

Present: Rob Reeves, Henry Davis, Phil Wolfling, Dave Cady, Rod Cameron, Lynne DePasquale

Action items in bold

- The group reviewed and approved the 7/1/2020 board meeting minutes.
- Upcoming Events
 - Sprague Brook solo event, 9/5-9/13
 - Phil reported that the course is set and vetted and the maps have been sent to Jennifer Borowicz. He will be placing controls on Thursday. Maps will be available for download on Friday evening.
 - **Phil to forward his map updates to Dave.**
 - **Lynne to determine if her Sardinia event team is able to take down the Sprague Brook controls. If not, Phil will arrange to have them taken down and coordinate transferring them to Lynne.**
 - Sardinia Score-O, 10/3-10/12
 - The group determined that the event will be a Solo Score-O with controls available from 10/3 to 10/12. There will be a three-hour time limit. Participants will keep track of their point total and elapsed time.
 - Lynne reported that the course has been set by Katy Carrier and the controls were vetted by Patty and Walt Lyons. The map has been sent to Phil for formatting and control point assignment.
 - **Lynne to coordinate control placement.**
 - **Lynne to provide course notes to Jennifer and confirm that a point total field can be added to the Google Form.**
 - **Phil to forward the completed map and control descriptions to Jennifer.**
 - Cazenovia Park event
 - Dave reported that the event would likely not be able to be held as a Night-O with a mass start.
 - Idea to create a Photo-O with photos of the control locations provided to competitors. No on-site controls are needed. This could be a long term or semi-permanent course.
 - Suggestion to hold a drawing for a free 2021 Map Hike set from all of the completions received before the 2021 Annual Meeting.
 - **Dave to work on creating the Photo-O and send the map and course notes to Jennifer for web posting.**
- Standing Committee Reports
 - Mapping
 - Dave reported that LIDAR for Sprague Brook Park is scheduled to be available within the next couple of weeks. Map update will be delayed until mid-2021.
 - Rob asked the mapping committee to consider potential new areas to map such as Franklin Gulf and Griffis Sculpture Park.

- Erie County Sheriff SWAT team collaboration
 - Rob reported that we received a request from a Lieutenant with the Erie County SWAT team who wants to use our Chestnut Ridge and Emery Map Hikes as part of their training. Phil provided a copy of the control codes from the two courses for his use.
- South Wales Volunteer Fire Company request
 - Dave reported that we received a request for maps of Hunter's Creek and Emery Parks from the South Wales fire company for use in their search and rescue operations. Dave sent them pdf versions of the maps.
- WNY Land Conservancy Mossy Point area
 - Henry led a discussion on the potential value of mapping this newly acquired land that borders Hunter's Creek Park. **Henry to reach out to the WNY Conservancy to gauge interest.**
- Ellicottville Map Hike/Permanent Course
 - Rob detailed Greg Hyatt's suggestions regarding revisiting creating a new Map Hike or permanent course using the Ellicottville map. Discussion tabled until the next meeting.
- 2022 Allegany State Park event
 - Dave discussed his idea to hold a mini-ROGAINE event at Allegany rather than Ellicottville in 2022. Suggestion to use the Summit area of the park. **Dave to check to see if there is a partial base map already begun.**
- Next board meeting
 - **Rob to check Jennifer's availability for an early November meeting and confirm with the group.**