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CALENDAR

- Sep 19 B.O.C. Meet at the Sardinia Forest. The forest is on Genesee Road, 3½ miles east of Rt. 240. Special "Bring a Friend" feature (see article). Registration at 10 a.m. Start at 11 a.m. Beginner, intermediate, and advanced courses. Beginner instruction available. Fees: \$2 for members, \$4 for non-members. Half price for kids under 16. Family maximums: \$4 for members, \$8 for non-members. Water is not available at the meet site. For more information, call the Meet Director, David Staszak, at 648-7819.
- Sep 25-26 New England Championships. Two day total time "A" meet at Boxford State Forest in Massachusetts (near Boston). Organized by the New England Orienteering Club on a new map. For more info contact Dave Cady, 886-2969.
- Oct 3 B.O.C. Meet at Chestnut Ridge Park. Follow signs from the park entrance. Registration at 10 a.m. Start at 11 a.m. Beginner, intermediate, and advanced courses. Beginner instruction available. Fees: \$1.50 for members, \$3 for non-members. Half price for kids under 16. Family maximums: \$3 for members, \$6 for non-members. For more information, call Pat Quinlan at 692-7592.
- Oct 9-10 Ontario Championships at Waterdown (near Hamilton). Organized by Hamilton King's Foresters. The nearest top quality two day total time "A" meet this fall. Worth the trip even if you only go up for one day. Hundreds of orienteers. Courses and classes for all ability levels. For more information contact David Cady at 886-2969.
- Oct 16-17 United States Orienteering Championships. French Creek State Park, near Philadelphia. Courses and classes for all ability levels. Pre-registration necessary. A group from Western New York will be going. For more information, call Pat Quinlan at 692-7592.
- Oct 24 B.O.C. Meet at Camp Schoellkopf. Take route 354 East (Clinton Street) to Wyoming County. 3½ miles east of county line turn right on Burrough Road. Go 1½ miles to the camp. Registration from 10-11 a.m. Start anytime from 10-noon. Score orienteering. (Participants will have 1½ hours to locate as many markers as they can.) Bring a wristwatch. Fees: same as meet on September 19. Map scale, 1:15,000. For info, call 886-2969.
- Nov 5 B.O.C. Night Orienteering Meet. A first for Western New York! Location: Chestnut Ridge Park. Meet at the Casino. Bring a flashlight. Registration at 7 p.m. Start at 8 p.m. Low-key and informal. Relatively short courses. For more information, call 833-7696.
- Nov 7 Indian Summer "B" Meet. Organized by the Niagara (Ontario) Orienteering Club. Location: Brock University. The traditional "last meet of the year." Informal and fun. More information in the November NEWS or call Dick de St.Croix at 416-562-5040.

BRING A FRIEND

The Buffalo Orienteering Club meet on September 19 will feature a special deal for both members and non-members. Each member who brings a non-member to the meet will qualify for a special entry fee. Both the member and the non-member will be able to participate for the unprecedented low price of one dollar. That's one dollar for both, not one dollar for each. The potential savings is five dollars!

The purpose of this special arrangement, which was decided upon at the Executive Meeting on July 26th, is to encourage members to take an active part in helping the club grow by introducing their friends to the sport.

This "bring-a-friend" special feature will only be available at the meet on September 19.

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT - Pat Quinlan

This fall sees the beginning of our new expanded schedule. This season we are holding four fall meets including our first ever night meet. When combined with the Ontario Championships in Hamilton and the Indian Summer Meet in St. Catharines, we have a very full schedule. Also, this winter we will again host a ski-O meet. The continuation of this type of schedule depends upon our turn-out at each event.

I also hope to see many members in Hamilton and St. Catharines. The Hamilton meet will require pre-registration but it will be worth the time involved. The St. Catharines meet will be well organized on a good map at Brock University. It is very close to Buffalo.

Let's all get out to our B.O.C. meets as well as to the nearby meets. And don't forget to bring a friend on September 19.

ORIENTEERING COMES TO BEAVER MEADOW - Harry Belote

On Sunday, July 11, I represented the B.O.C. at the third annual Beaver Meadow Nature Festival. Beaver Meadow Environmental Education Center is operated by the Audubon Society and is located on Welch Road in North Java, New York. The Center is open to the public year round and is devoted to extending an appreciation of nature.

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BUFFALO ORIENTEERING CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____ Phone # _____
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Fees: \$3 Single, \$5 Family. Make check payable to BUFFALO ORIENTEERING CLUB. For family memberships, list the names of your family members. Check one: New Member, Renewal. Mail to Buffalo Orienteering Club, c/o David Staszak, 4941 Burlbrook Drive, Hamburg, NY 14075.

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The third annual festival was held July 10 and 11. On these days the public was treated to 75 minute class sessions given by volunteers knowledgeable in topics like Ferns, Birdbanding, Beekeeping, Herbal Medicine, Pond Life, etc. Morning passes could be purchased for sessions from 9:30 to 12:30, with afternoon passes good from 2:15 to 5:00.

Orienteering was a curiosity among such topics as Preserving Flowers, and Reptiles and Amphibians. Guesses about orienteering ranged from "making oriental rugs" to "studying oriental earrings."

Eight active participants listened to my description of orienteering, our club, our maps, our newsletter, and a typical meet. Many other curious people listened in the background, but did not run through the short course I had prepared. Those who ran and "fast walked" the course seemed "psyched." All participants returned and spent 30 minutes beyond class time discussing our little practice meet, maps, map making, etc. Afterward, all presenters were treated to a delightful dinner.

I felt this was a worthwhile venture for me and for the B.O.C. I strongly recommend we volunteer our services again next year and extend our presentations to both days. (Next year's dates are July 9-10, 1983.)

SWEDISH MAPPER VISITS BUFFALO

Bertil Lundkvist, the third Swedish mapper to visit our area this year, spent six days in Chestnut Ridge Park in early August. All the park land including areas not previously included on our old map have been field checked. The only areas left to check are the private property zones along Route 277. Our new map will be 1:10,000 and in five colors and will cover twice the area of the old map.

Bertil stayed with Pat Quinlan's family for 6 days and with Don Wood for 4 days. During that time, Bertil entered two road races. He won the 25-39 age group at the Eden European-style cross-country race with a fast time of 25 minutes for 7 kilometers. -PQ

WORKSHOPS ON "O"

Members of the B.O.C. will present sessions on orienteering at two conferences scheduled for this fall. Pat Quinlan will give a presentation at the 15th Annual Conference of the New York State Outdoor Education Association (Oct 8-11). On November 20, Dave Cady and Pat will take part in a conference organized by the Western Zone of the New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation. Their workshop will focus on using simple school yard maps as an introduction to orienteering.

The B.O.C. is always happy to send a representative to a meeting to give a talk or a slide presentation. We also do our best to give workshops for interested organizations, depending on sufficient advance notice, and availability of qualified personnel. Interested groups should direct their inquiries to the President, Pat Quinlan, at 692-7592. -DC

MINUTES OF B.O.C. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: July 26, 1982. Location: 19 Phyllis Drive, West Seneca. Meeting called to order at 7:45 p.m. Members present: Pat Quinlan, Dave Staszak, Harry Belote, Karen Naab, David Cady (non-voting).

Discussion: Membership form absent in last newsletter. Everyone agreed it is a necessary part of every newsletter. Dave C. said it was inadvertently omitted during revision of format. Note: membership stands at 37.

Swedish visitor: Another Swedish orienteer is coming our way July 29, for about a week. He will complete the section of the Chestnut Ridge map not completed by the last visitors from Sweden. This visitor will stay at Pat's house and commute to Chestnut Ridge Park.

Tee shirts: Pat suggested reviving the sale of club tee shirts. Discussion: To be advertised in newsletter and sold at meets. Dave suggested 100 shirts to start. All agreed on following quantities: 10 small, 40 medium, 40 large, 10 X-large. Will be a red shirt with white lettering and a picture of a buffalo (bison).

Local fall schedule: (Dates, places, and formats as printed in the calendar). Also, on Feb. 6 a ski-O meet to be organized by Pat at Sardinia Forest with registration at 9 a.m., first start at 10 a.m.

Map purchase: Rejected idea of purchasing 1000 maps at \$55 of Camp Schoellkopf. This would have been part of Boy Scout large purchase of 5,000 maps. They would be at 1:10,000 scale. Purchase would give B.O.C. a 5 year supply. Officers felt this was too large a supply.

Swedish orienteer: During map discussion, Pat reminded us of the visitor from Sweden. He asked if gas money could be reimbursed to him from the Club since the daily drive from North Tonawanda to Chestnut Ridge for a week would be costly. Other members discussed having the visitor board with them. A possible reception for the visitor was mentioned but no definite plans were made. The reimbursement question was unresolved.

Club supplies and equipment: Pat suggested the Club purchase more punches and nylon control markers since our supply is very low. Catalog prices quoted markers at \$6 each and punches at \$20 per set (10 punches per set). Agreement reached: Purchase 20 nylon control markers and two sets of punches.

Trim orienteering: Loan agreement with Silva for U.S. Championships last Oct (81) is such that we must set up a Trim Course somewhere in WNY. Pat & Dave explained - permanent markers (metal) and permanently marked maps. Course can be used by the general public at any time. Discussion: possible site (Sardinia or Chestnut Ridge) Pat suggested B&W map (cheaper). Dave C. prefers color maps (quality). Pat questioned the number of maps and the distribution of maps at the trim course site. This topic will be discussed at a future meeting.

Letterhead: Use of a permanent letterhead for correspondence and newsletter was discussed. Pat gave Harry a B&W copy of the Club Logo and assigned him to investigate design, costs, etc.

New map: Completed portions of Chestnut Ridge fieldchecking were viewed. Visiting Swede should be able to complete.

Adjournment: At 9:35 p.m. Minutes submitted by Harry Belote, Secretary, B.O.C.

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