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## ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

The Buffalo Orienteering Club's annual meeting was held on Tuesday, February 17th. Ten members gathered around the Cady's dining room table to discuss the year ahead.

They were:

Dave Cady	Pat Quinlan
Bruce Hanson	Mike Rickert
Harry Belote	Dave Staszak
Tom Kachelmeyer	Mark Wolfling
Tim Lynch	Flo Wolfling

The meeting began with a Treasurer's Report by Dave Staszak which is reprinted elsewhere in this newsletter. The bottom line was a gain of \$198.13 from receipts of \$602.58 and expenses of \$404.45. The total cash on hand is \$1520.18.

Pat Quinlan gave a Secretary's Report in which he displayed the USOF Binder and described its contents. He also explained the club's insurance situation which everyone agreed was more complicated than it ought to be. While he had the floor he also mentioned Ski-0 and pointed to the strength of the New Yorkers in the rankings. He casually dropped the bombshell that next year the Empire State Winter Games Ski-0 competition would probably be limited to New Yorkers.

There wasn't much drama to the election of officers. Mark, Pat, Dave, and Ken were returned to their posts. Tom Kachelmeyer was elected to the post of Delegate to replace Sharon Schwab.

Activities for the upcoming year were discussed. It was decided to look into the possibility of mapping Losson Park in Cheektowaga. The mapping would be contingent on getting an OK to establish a trim-0 course there.

It was further decided to change the format of the club's meets this year as an experiment. The emphasis will be on learning new skills rather than on competitiveness.

The spring dates were set as follows:

Sat., April 4, Three-Valley,  
Sat., May 16, Chestnut Ridge,  
Sun., June 14, Sardinia.

Summer and fall dates will be set at some time in the future.

Following the business meeting, those in attendance watched an hour-long videotape

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## MEET DIRECTOR'S REPORT: 1987 ESG SKI-0

by Pat Quinlan

In terms of numbers of competitors, the 1987 ESG Ski-0 has to be deemed a success. Attendance at the qualifiers totaled 258 with 65 open men competing for the 40 positions available. The scholastic women's division was also full with 20 skiers. All the competitions were close except in the women's open division. We need more skiers in this division.

In terms of weather, we have had better years. There was plenty of snow on the ground (about 3 feet) but we also had plenty of sleet, freezing rain, snow pellets, and just plain rain. Saturday's training weather was ideal but Sunday was bad.

We operated out of the Biathlon stadium this year and it proved to be a good location. We had a large indoor area with plenty of protection from the elements.

Our Western New York skiers did well. Tom Hay of Youngstown came in first and Mike Kohlhas of Glenwood finished second in the men's open division. Michelle Kuipers of Gainesville finished third in the scholastic women's group.

Next year maybe a Western New York woman will place in the women's open event while Ben and Becky Tipton of Boston, NY may place in their scholastic divisions.

## NATIONAL NEWS

The month of April will be a busy time for orienteers in the east. On each weekend a two-day "A" meet is scheduled within easy driving distance. Here's the list:

Apr 4-5, Great Falls, VA (near Wash.D.C.)  
Apr 11-12, "Troll Cup" (so. of Boston)  
Apr 18-19, West Point (no. of NYC)  
Apr 25-26, "Legend of Sleepy Hollow"  
(also no. of NYC).

"A" meets always have courses and categories for all ages and ability levels. Also, they count towards a national ranking for competitors in all age groups. Accommodation options usually include a local campground. At West Point, if you want to cut costs, a barracks will be available to competitors. (Also, it's a chance to see your tax dollars at work.)

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COMMENT

by Tom Kachelmeyer

My wife Laura and I began orienteering about 3½ years ago, joining B.O.C. in the fall of 1984. It did not take long for us to realize what a member intensive activity this sport is.

Many clubs and organizations can exist in quite a successful manner with a relative few running the show. This is not the case with orienteering, where active participation of a high percentage of the members is a necessity for a healthy club.

The energy expended in putting together even a small, well-run local meet is considerable if the burden (and enjoyment) is left to only one or two members. The work that goes into meet organization however pales when compared to mapping projects. A great number of hours go into creating maps suitable for orienteering and rightfully so; for even though time consuming, mapping is perhaps the single most important factor to a club's vitality and growth. More maps mean greater variety and hopefully more meets, which should induce a larger number of people to stay active in our club. Members should not lose sight of the fact that any effort put forth in helping out at meets or with mapping projects pays dividends not only to the club, but also to oneself in improved orienteering skills.

Increased member participation is important to our club, which is why it was encouraging to note the presence of some new members at our annual meeting. If willing to assist in club activities please do not hesitate to contact a B.O.C. officer; your help will be a boost not only to our local group but to the sport in general.

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of the 1985 World Orienteering Championships which were held in Australia. Although the tape was interesting, it tended to reinforce the view that orienteering is a participant's sport rather than a spectator's sport.

POINT OF VIEW

The orienteer must not try to remember all the information on the map along his route choice; much of which will be useless. Instead, he must discard all the information which isn't essential, which will allow him to store more about the route as a whole. He should concentrate on remembering the obvious and easily discernible features (support points, attack points, or points at which to stop and check the map). Features such as a green thicket in a white part of the map, a sharply contoured hill in otherwise bland terrain, a group of boulders, a clearing ...

This specially filtered perception of the real world is the essence of good orienteering, which consists of an individual using past experiences and a symbolic representation of his environment to interpret that environment. (From J.M. Roumanie's La Course D'Orienteering, translated by Heather Williams.)

TREASURER'S REPORT

	12/31/85	12/31/86
CASH BALANCES:		
CHECKING	61.64	329.14
SAVINGS	1,260.41	1,191.04
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TOTAL	\$1,322.05	\$1,520.18
INCOME/EXPENSE		
RECEIPTS:		
MEETS, MEMBERSHIP, T-SHIRTS	\$421.33	\$542.00
INTEREST	69.48	60.58
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$490.81	\$602.58
EXPENSES:		
NEWSLETTER	\$190.51	\$166.48
2000 CHESTNUT RIDGE MAPS	320.69	
CHESTNUT RIDGE MAP PREP	59.46	
AWARDS & RIBBONS		67.50
THREE VALLEY MAP PRINTING		74.52
MISC SUPPLIES	114.46	15.95
REGISTRATION & INSURANCE	44.00	80.00
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TOTAL EXPENSE	\$729.12	\$404.45
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(\$238.31)	\$198.13

BUFFALO ORIENTEERING CLUB OFFICERS

President: Mark Wolfling (681-3380)  
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Treasurer: Dave Staszak (648-7819)  
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RESULTS  
1987 EMPIRE STATE GAMES SKI-O

<u>MEN's OPEN, 13KM</u>		<u>WOMEN's OPEN, 9.2KM</u>	
1. Tom Hay	57:28	1. Sharon Crawford	52:25
2. Mike Kohlhas	59:18	2. Laurie Collinsworth	67:13
3. Carl Childs	65:51	3. Sara Mae Berman	68:22
4. Steve Dentino	68:20	4. Vivien Benning	78:55
5. Mark Dominie	68:22	5. Judy Dickinson	79:24
6. Peter Dady	72:05	6. Sally Williams	79:35
7. Larry Berman	75:10	7. Linda Michalczak	84:44
8. Patrick Dunlavy	76:55	8. Kathy Schonenberg	94:17
9. Tim Parson	82:12	9. Barbara Sleight	99:42
10. Alan Oprsal	83:47	10. Sheryl Lehman	122:38
11. Rich Kelly	86:32		
12. Aims Coney	88:27	<u>WOMEN's SCHOLASTIC, 8KM</u>	
13. Rob Freeberg	88:31	1. Sandy McConnell	53:08
14. Ted Hicks	89:31	2. Merilee Temple	57:13
15. George Nadorff	90:35	3. Michelle Kuipers	83:42
16. Robert Thompson	91:06	4. Kimberly Brooks	91:34
17. Mike Fritz	92:36	5. Jennifer Brooks	92:48
18. Bill Jameson	92:49	6. Margaret Curran	94:56
19. Cliff Brosnan	93:27	7. Karen Edwards	100:58
20. Mitch Collinsworth	94:23	8. Janis Kohler	103:22
21. Steve Tall	94:35	9. Kathleen Sweeney	105:16
22. Gord Hunter	97:51	10. Ingjerd Almås	106:54
23. Tom Moran	98:33	11. Kristian Lust	106:56
24. Scott Pleban	101:28	12. Malin Bengtsson	109:29
25. Rick Worner	102:16	13. Mitzi Johnson	109:37
26. Bert Spaeth	103:13	14. Michelle Lauritzen	137:32
27. Eric Buckley	104:45	15. Becky Tipton	137:38
28. Fred Sammel	105:29	16. Chris Valvo	139:01
29. David Mave	111:19	17. Karen Temple	149:34
30. Ed Hicks	114:55	18. Jennifer Loomis	192:33
31. Michael Olsen	114:59	Mary Beth Lapoit	DNF
32. Larry Pedersen	117:06	<u>MEN's SCHOLASTIC, 9 KM</u>	
33. Bill Shannon	118:09	1. Carl Fey	47:14
34. Michael Spak	119:18	2. Brian Welch	48:49
35. Shawn Forney	128:25	3. Patrick Johnson	49:57
36. Burton Ryan	131:49	4. Tom Chambers	51:13
37. Patrick Lafferty	131:54	5. Ben Tipton	52:12
38. John Traks	138:08	6. Barry DeLong	59:34
39. Ken Meyer	169:10	7. Aaron Gagné	72:51
40. David Valvo	207:45	8. Daniel Meyer	82:40
Patrick Walsh	DNF	9. Peter Welch	82:43
		10. Eric Kohler	114:05
		11. Mike Foley	132:18
		12. Michael Durovic	169:10
		Mel Chiarenza	DNF
		Scott Dyer	DNF

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The events are well organized and usually draw hundreds of people from throughout the region.

Detailed information and/or entry forms are available by sending a S.A.S.E. to the addresses below:

Great Falls - Sid Sachs, 6212 Thomas Drive,  
Springfield, VA 22150.

Troll Cup - Ron Margolin, 251 Crafts St.,  
Newtonville, MA 02160.

West Point - CPT Bob Levoit, Dept G&CS,  
West Point, NY 10996.

"Legend of..."- Paul Bennett, 182 Tuxedo  
Pkwy, Newark, NJ 07106.

Dave Cady from the B.O.C. is planning to go to the Great Falls and West Point meets. Feel free to call him at 837-3737 if you have any questions about what it's like to go to an "A" meet.

CALENDAR

APR 4 (Sat.) B.O.C. Local Event at Three Valley Campground. Score-0 format with additional opportunities for improving skills. Mass start at 10:00 a.m. Three Valley is south of the village of Holland on Rt. 16. Meet Director: Pat Quinlan. An excellent chance for newcomers to learn the basics of orienteering. Info: 692-7592.

APR 12 (Sun.) Hamilton King's Foresters "B" Meet. Hamilton, Ontario. Contact Bob Henderson, 416-627-9772.

APR 26 (Sun.) Gator Gallop 2-person Team "B" Meet at Corwin. Organized by Guelph Gators. Contact: Marg & Brian Ellis, 519-821-9228.

MAY 16 (Sat.) B.O.C. Local Event at Chestnut Ridge Park. 11 a.m. start time. Meet Director: Dave Staszak, 648-7819.

MAY 24 (Sun.) Hamilton King's Foresters "B" Meet. Contact Russ Evans, 416-547-7162.

JUN 14 (Sun.) B.O.C. Local Event at Sardinia Forest. 11 a.m. Start time. Meet Director: Dave Cady, 837-3737.

JUN 21 (Sun.) Father's Day "B" Meet; Hamilton, Ontario. Contact Barb Pearson, 416-388-8894.

In addition to the above meets, a full schedule of events will take place in the Toronto area, the Rochester area, and in other parts of the U.S. and Canada. For more specifics, contact Pat Quinlan at 692-7592 or Dave Cady at 837-3737.

LOOKING AHEAD

Will there be a club picnic this summer? Hold the weekend of Aug 1-2 for an "A" meet in Syracuse.

The U.S. Championships will be within a one day drive from Buffalo this fall. The date is Oct 10-11 and the location is Rhode Island.

You are invited to join either the Buffalo Orienteering Club alone or both the B.O.C. and the United States Orienteering Federation. B.O.C. membership brings this newsletter six times a year with information about local O-activities. You also receive discounts at local meets. U.S.O.F. membership includes ten issues of the informative magazine ORIENTEERING NORTH AMERICA & discounts at nationally sanctioned meets. By joining either or both organizations you'll be able to influence the development and growth of orienteering.

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BUFFALO ORIENTEERING CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Check one:  New Member,  Renewal.  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Fees: \$5 Family, \$3 Individual.  
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Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Make check payable to "Buffalo Orienteering Club" and mail to Barbara Cady, Membership Director, 148 Humboldt Pkwy, Buffalo, NY 14214

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UNITED STATES ORIENTEERING FEDERATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Year Born \_\_\_\_\_ The following membership categories are for members of chartered clubs. (Other categories are available.)  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club name: Buffalo O.C.  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  Junior \$2 (18 or under, non-voting, no magazine.)  Individual \$15  
 Family \$20  
 Lifetime \$250  
 Student \$6 (21 or under).  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
If family membership, list additional persons & year born \_\_\_\_\_  
Make check payable to U.S.O.F. & mail to P.O. Box 1444, Forest Park, GA 30051.

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