Orienteering NEWS

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CALENDAR

- Buffalo Orienteering Club meet at Chestnut Ridge Park and MAP HIKE '88 kick-off. The meet will be a score-O format with a mass start at 11 a.m. Registration from 10 10:45 a.m. Four categories: Men, Women, Groups, and Novice. Those more recreationally inclined may choose to buy a MAP HIKE '88 packet and get started locating the 25 controls which will be in place until October 30, 1988. (See related article.) Fees: \$3 for MAP HIKE '88, \$2 for B.O.C. members for Score-O, \$3 for non-mmebers. String course available for the kids. Beginners briefing at 9:30 a.m. DIRECTIONS: South on Rt. 219 to Armor-Duells Corners Rd. Follow signs to the Park. Park in the parking lot and then walk back over Rt. 277. Our HQ will be the first shelter on the right. Meet Director: David Cady, 837-3737.
- Hamilton King's Foresters "B" Meet at Ancaster Creek (near Dundas).

 Registration from 10 11 a.m. Beginners clinic at 10:30 a.m. Four courses from 2 km to 8 km. Master maps. Event Director:

 Keith French, 416-692-3827. DIRECTIONS: Turn off Hwy #403 onto Main Street West -- follow until it becomes Osler Drive -- continue to South Street, turn left, follow South St. until it becomes Old Ancaster Road. Meet site is on Old Ancaster Road. Note: limited parking.
- MAY 1 Rochester O' Club meet at Highland Park. Includes a string course. For information call Rick Worner at 1-865-2161.
- MAY 14 Buffalo O' Club meet at Goat Island on the brink of Niagara Falls.
 Registration at 10 a.m. First start at 11 a.m. Two courses, one suitable for hikers and the other for joggers. Both easy. Park on the east end of the island. Meet Director: David Staszak, 648-7819.
- MAY 14 Rochester O' Club meet at Camp Cutler. Includes a string course. For information, call Rick Worner at 1-865-2161.
- MAY 21 Rochester O' Club meet at Mendon Ponds. Includes a string course. For information, call Rick Worner at 1-865-2161.
- JUN 5 Hamilton King's Foresters "A" meet at Starkey (near Guelph). For information contact Jim Waddington at 416-527-8044.
- JUN 11 Rochester O' Club Night-O at Durand Eastman Park. For more information, call Rick Worner at 1-865-2161.
- JUN 12 Buffalo O' Club meet at Sardinia Forest. String course included.
 More details in next newsletter. Meet Director: Phil Wolfling 937-9300.
- JUN 25 Toronto O' Club Toronto Islands Trivia-O & Barbeque. Contact: Alex Kerr 416-964-0012.

ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

A small group met for the club's annual meeting at Dave Staszak's house on February 3, 1988. A discussion was held on the small turnout (and the low meet attendance in 1987) and it was decided that there was no simple answer to what seems to be a low ebb of interest in the club.

One factor mentioned was the possibility that these things go in cycles and while it needs to be addressed it is nothing to get panicky about. A list of "desirables" was constructed which would help build interest and participation in the club. The list included such things as training classes, more social activities, a junior program, new maps and an on-going mapping program, more frequent meets, more widespread promotion, and a trim course.

All present realized that it was not feasible to do all of these things at once. It was decided to start this year with more social activities and a trim course.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Dave Staszak. It is reprinted elsewhere in this issue of the newsletter. Dave was authorized to purchase trim course equipment and other meet necessities.

Before officers were elected for 1988, word was relayed that Pat Quinlan did not wish to continue as an officer. The weight of other commitments has apparently caught up with him. After furious bargaining, the following officers were elected by acclamation:

President: Phillip Wolfling Secretary: David Cady Treasurer: David Staszak Functionary: Tom Kachelmeyer Functionary: Richard Fruehauf

The local meet schedule was discussed and it was decided to schedule only through June and do the rest later. The dates, locations, and formats picked are shown in the Calendar.

The meeting was adjourned and the attendees departed into the teeth of a rather heavy snowfall.

A NEW ADMINISTRATION FOR THE ERIE COUNTY PARKS DEPARTMENT

One result of the election of Dennis Gorski as County Executive was the installation of new Commissioners in most of the County Administration.

The new Commissioner of Parks, Recreation, and Forestry is Joseph X. Martin. During the election campaign, he served as Gorski's Campaign Manager.

In mid-February, Dave Staszak and I sat down with him to acquaint him with orienteering. It turned out that he was already quite familiar with the sport and was very happy to have it as an activity in the County's parks and forests. In fact he volunteered the resources of his department to help with publicity and in any other appropriate way we could jointly devise. (Unfortunately his department's resources don't include the ability to finance maps.)

Dave and I were surprised and pleased at our reception. We said we'd take him up on the offer of publicity and we further asked about the possibility of having a trim course in Chestnut Ridge Park. He was very receptive. (Permission was formally granted soon after.)

Martin also noted that he had plans for some limited development at the Sardinia Forest which would include a picnic shelter and real toilets.

Dave and I left with very positive feelings about the benefits of a closer relationship between the B.O.C. and the Parks Department. (by Dave Cady)

BEWARE THE RED "X"

If you are one of the unfortunate few who finds a red "X" on your address label, then Beware! Be Warned! A horrible fate is about to befall you. A fate more terrible than your worst nightmare!

"What can this cruel fate be?", I hear you asking yourself. Simply this:
NO MORE NEWSLETTER!

There you have it, plain and simple. Can you face that prospect? After weighing the evidence, can you afford not to renew your membership in the B.O.C.? We know you can afford to renew. The price is pretty cheap.

What we're talking about here is how empty your life will be if your member-ship expires. Heck! We'll miss you too! We'll wonder what happened. We'll figure the worst. Don't put us through that misery.

One final note: THIS IS AN ULTIMATUM! We were nice enough to send you this issue of the newsletter so we could make a final appeal. (And so you could see the spring schedule.) BUT NO MORE! RENEW NOW OR FACE THE CONSEQUENCES!

MAP HIKE '88 -- AN IDEA WHOSE TIME HAS COME

The idea of a semi-permanent orienteering course in one of the parks is an idea which the club has been considering for a number of years. This year that idea will become a reality with the establishment of such a course in Chestnut Ridge Park. In Sweden these orienteering courses are called "trim" courses. Unfortunately, that means nothing to an American audience so our semi-permanent course will be called MAP HIKE '88.

Twenty-five markers will be placed in the park and they will remain there from the Sunday after Easter until the last Sunday in October. Visitors to the park will be able to buy a packet from the snack bar in the Casino which will include a map marked with the twenty-five locations and a control card. Participants will be able to return to the park as many times as necessary to locate all of the markers.

When the control card is completely filled out, it is mailed to the club and is entered in a draw for prizes. First prize is a Silva compass. The two second prizes are B.O.C. T-shirts and the three third prizes are Orienteering patches.

Unlike regular orienteering, the controls do not have punches hanging from them. Each control has marked on it a special two-letter code which the orienteer copies onto the control card. The controls are a little different as well. They are 4" x 4" pieces of aluminum with the familiar red and white diagonal marking.

MAP HIKE '88 will make it possible for people to enjoy orienteering who otherwise would find it difficult to attend a regular meet. It could also be used to great potential by school groups. Even members of the club will find it useful for training or as an activity when no meet is scheduled.

The cost of the packets which include the map, a control card, an instruction sheet, the control descriptions, and a club brochure, is only \$3. In addition to sales at the snack bar in the casino, the packets will be available at all meets.

For more information, call Tom Kachelmeyer at 626-5903.

1988 EMPIRE STATE GAMES SKI-O REPORT

The 1988 Empire State Games Ski-O final was held on February 28, 1988 in Lake Placid under ideal conditions. The sky was sunny and the snow conditions were excellent. The noon start allowed extra time for pre-race waxing and sleeping-in.

Peter Dady of Geneva, NY was the Men's Open winner, followed by 1989 E.S.G. State Chairman-To-Be Mark Dominie. This was Mark's second silver medal. Mike Kohlhas, last year's silver medal winner, lost out to George Nadorff by one second for third place. Mike skied in the Biathlon relay earlier in the day. George was wearing his newly purchased ski-O map holder that he bought from Ed Hicks just before the race. Ed had promised him that it would help him ski better and one second better was all he needed.

Linda Klein won the Women's Open division beating out Sheryl Lehman who finished second and Dayle Lavine who came in third. Karen Edwards, who had a very good qualifying time in Cortland, just missed a medal.

The Men's Scholastic Division was very competitive in the top three positions Ben Tipton was first, Jeff Hamilton came in second, and Patrick Johnston finished third.

Michelle Kuipers blew the competition away on the scholastic Women's course. Michelle earned a bronze medal last year and sharpened her orienteering skills over the summer. Merilee Temple repeated her silver medal finish of last year while Jennifer Brooks finished third.

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| RESULTS | | | | | |
| MEN'S OPEN | | | WOMEN'S OPEN | | |
| Peter Dady | Geneva | 41:43 | 1. Linda Klein Cortland 58:06 | | |
| Mark Dominie | Marathon | 43:49 | 2. Sheryl Lehman Wappinger Fls 88:37 | | |
| George Nadorff | Rochester | 45:28 | 3. Dayle Lavine Rochester 93:52 | | |
| 4. Mike Kohlhas | Glenwood | 45:29 | 4. Karen Edwards Geneseo 95:24 | | |
| 5. Scott Pleban | Cheektowaga | 48:39 | 5. Barb Sleight Syracuse 102:04 | | |
| Victor Nippert | Lake Katrine | 53 : 37 | 6. Kim Berlin Binghamton 115:36 | | |
| 7. M.Collinsworth | Freeville | 54:54 | 7. KathyBannister Gainesville 116:24 | | |
| 8. L.Constantino | E.Moriches | 57:04 | 8. JillAnn Fisher Rochester 119:03 | | |
| 9. John Miklasz | Rochester | 57:06 | SCHOLASTIC MEN | | |
| 10. Alan Oprsal | Wampsville | 58:52 | | | |
| 11. Bob Ireland | 0swego | 61:40 | - · · - · · · · | | |
| 12. Cliff Brosnan | Clifton Park | 62:29 | | | |
| 13. Mike Spak | Seneca Falls | 64:42 | 3. Pat Johnston Clifton Park 29:55 | | |
| 14. Ridk Kelly | Wappinger Fls | 65:50 | 4. Ryan O'Brian Clifton Park 45:12 | | |
| 15. Bill Jameson | Clifton Park | 66:56 | 5. Ben Bond Rochester 50:14 | | |
| 16. Tom Moran | Fairport | 71:23 | 6. Dan Meyer Mt. Kisco 51:20 | | |
| 17. Kevin Howells | Perryville | 71:40 | 7. L. Zetterstrom Clifton Park 57:04 | | |
| 18. Mike Olson | Vestal | 75:56 | 8. Tod Stiers Ithaca 89:41 | | |
| 19. Bert Spaeth | N. Java | 77:45 | 9. Eric Lohler Clifton Park 97:18 | | |
| 20. C. Robertson | New York City | | 10. Thomas Hinman West Seneca 109:51 | | |
| 21. Burton Ryan | Glen Cove | 78:38 | 11. Scott Johnson Clifton Park 112:02 | | |
| 22. John Prill | Rochester | 82:12 | 12. Rhett Parham Honeoye Falls 131:38 | | |
| 23. Tob DeBoer | Ithaca | 83:51 | SCHOLASTIC WOMEN | | |
| 24. Doug Brooks | Honeoye Falls | | 1. Michelle Kuipers Gainesville 29:11 | | |
| 25. Gene McDonald | Gainesville | 89:12 | 2. Merilee Temple Jonesville 38:00 | | |
| 26. Ed Hicks | Somers | 92:06 | 3. Jennifer Brooks Honeoye Falls 59:01 | | |
| 27. Doug Powell | Honeoye Falls | | 4. K. Sweeney Syracuse 61:03 | | |
| 28. John Norray Jr | • | 102:58 | 5. Malin Bengtsson XXX (71:54) | | |
| 29. Bill Shannon | Mahopac | 103:00 | 6. Chris Valvo Rochester 99:42 | | |
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E.S.G. SKI-O RESULTS, continued

| MEN'S OPEN | SCHOLASTIC WOMEN | | | | |
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| | N. Syracuse | 104:21 | Bridget Hinman | | 105:56 |
| 31. John Norray Sr | Berne | 107:00 | Laura Kohlhas | | 130:42 |
| | Rochester | 124:24 | J. ROBIN BILGE | Round Lake | 131:18 |
| | Congratul | ations to | all participants! | | |

B.O.C. TREASURER'S REPORT, 12/31/87

| II. CASH BALANCES: | | 12/31/85 | 12/31/86 | 12/31/87 | | | |
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| | CHECKING SAVINGS | \$61.64 1,260.41 | 329.14 1191.04 | | | | |
| | TOTAL | \$1,322.05 | \$1,520.18 | \$1,498.84 | | | |
| III. INCOME/EXPENSE | | | | | | | |
| RECEIPTS: MEETS, MEMBERSHIP, TEE SHIRTS INTEREST | | \$421.33 69.48 | \$542.00 60.58 | \$355.59 60.67 | | | |
| | TOTAL RECEIPTS | \$490.81 | \$602.58 | \$416.26 | | | |
| EXPENSES: NEWS LETTER (AVE \$33.00 ISSUE) REFRESHMENTS @ RAPPL'S 2000 CHESTNUT RIDGE MAPS CHESTNUT RIDGE MAP PREP 4 COMPASSES AWARDS AND RIBBONS THREE VALLEY MAP PRINTING MISC PRINTING INCOME TAX MISC SUPPLIES | | | \$166.48 | \$164.99 6.00 | | | |
| | | 320.69 59.46 | | 100.00 20.00 | | | |
| | | | 67.50 74.52 | 11.32 | | | |
| | | 114.46 | | 20.00 39.79 | | | |
| | REGISTRATION AND INSURANCE TOTAL EXPENSE | 44.00 5729.12 | | | | | |
| | SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) | (\$238.31 |) \$198.13 | (\$21.34) | | | |

SPRING GET-TOGETHER AT THE CADYS

WHO? -- All B.O.C. members ... yourself especially!

WHEN? -- Thursday evening, April 7, 7-9:30 p.m.

WHERE? -- At the Cadys, 148 Humboldt Parkway in Buffalo, near Delaware Park. Phone 837-3737 for directions.

WHY? -- To mark MAP HIKE '88 maps & stuff packets, To plan the summer & fall schedule,

To gossip,

To eat, drink, & make merry!

WHAT ELSE? -- B.Y.O.B., Popcorn provided!

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 and discounts at nationally sanctioned meets. By joining either or both organizations you'll be able to more fully enjoy the sport of orienteering.

| BUFFALO ORIENTEERING | CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION | | | |
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| Name | Check one: [] New member, [] Renewal. | | | |
| Address | Fees: \$5 Family, \$3 Individual. | | | |
| Phone # Date | Make check payable to "Buffalo Orien- teering Club" and mail to Barbara Cady, 148 Humboldt Parkway, Buffalo, NY 14214. | | | |
| UNITED STATES ORIENTEERING FEDERATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION | | | | |
| DateYear born | The following membership categories are for members of chartered clubs. (Other categories are available.) | | | |
| AddressHome phone | Club name: BUFFALO O.C. [] Junior \$2 (18 or under, non-voting, no magazine). [] Student \$6 (21 or under). [] Individual \$15. [] Family \$20. | | | |
| If family membership, list additional persons & year born | [] Lifetime \$250. | | | |
| Make check payable to U.S.O.F. & ma | il to PO Box 1444, Forest Park, GA 30051. | | | |

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