

Orienteering News

From the BUFFALO ORIENTEERING CLUB

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CALENDAR

April 22 - MAP HIKE '89 opens at both Chestnut Ridge Park and the Sardinia Forest. The markers will be in place until November 19. For more information see the article in this issue of the newsletter or call Tom Kachelmeyer at 626-5903.

April 23 - Rochester Orienteering Club local meet. For information call 1-865-2161.

April 29 - Buffalo BEGINNER'S CLINIC and local meet at Chestnut Ridge Park. Co-sponsored by the B.O.C. and the Erie County Parks Department. Clinic runs from 9am to 12 noon. Meet registration and start times from 1-2pm. For information, call David Cady, 837-3737.

May 7 - Rochester Orienteering Club local meet. For information call 1-865-2161.

May 13 - Buffalo Orienteering Club LOCAL MEET at Sardinia Forest. Registration at 10:30 am. Start at 11 am. Three courses. \$3 for non-members, \$2 for members. Meet director: Phil Wolfing, 937-9300.

May 21 - Rochester Orienteering Club local meet. For information call 1-865-2161.

May 28 - "A" meet near Hamilton, Ontario. Courses and classes for all ages and abilities. For more information, call Dave Cady at 837-3737.

May 29 - Canoe Orienteering Meet at the southern end of Irondequoit Bay east of Rochester. Registration from 10 am to 2 pm. Canoe rentals available. Three courses. For information call Georg Nadorff at 1-442-4176.

June 2,3,4 - Allegany Nature Pilgrimage. See article elsewhere in this newsletter.

June 10 - Rochester Orienteering Club local meet. For information call 1-865-2161.

June 11 - Buffalo Orienteering Club LOCAL MEET at Goat Island. 10:30 am. registration. Three courses. \$3 for non-members, \$2 for members. Meet director: David Staszak, 648-7819.

July 8-9 - Big two day "A" meet in nearby Ontario. Day one is at Barr Tract and day two is at Mansfield. A perfect tie-in to a summer camping vacation. More information in the next issue of the newsletter, or call Dave Cady at 837-3737.

July 13-15-16 - Canadian Championships at Sudbury.

NOVICE CLINIC HIGHLIGHTS SPRING SCHEDULE

The B.O.C.'s spring schedule starts off with a focus on novices on Saturday, April 29th. From 9 am to Noon a beginner's clinic will be held in the Casino at Chestnut Ridge Park. That afternoon, starting at 1 pm, a regular local meet with Novice, Intermediate and Advanced Courses will be held. This will give the clinic participants a chance to try their new skills.

The clinic will feature lecture, demonstration, slides and possibly videotapes to teach basic skills. Markers will be placed in the park so the participants can practice using map and compass. There is no charge for the clinic. The chief instructor will be David Cady. The clinic is being co-sponsored by the Erie County Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry.

The second event of the spring season will be a regular local meet at Sardinia Forest on Saturday, May 13. Come out and see the new facilities recently constructed by the parks department. This meet will feature three courses. See the calendar for more details.

The third meet of the spring will be held at scenic Goat Island on the brink of Niagara Falls. This will be a great opportunity to bring a picnic lunch and a camera and enjoy the splendor of the Falls after the meet.

MAP HIKE LIVES ON *Bigger & Better Than Ever*

Because of the success of Map Hike '88, there will be an expanded Map Hike '89 this year. In addition to all new control locations in Chestnut Ridge Park, 25 controls will also be put out in the Sardinia Forest.

A map hike is a semi-permanent orienteering course. Durable markers are put up in a park or forest and left there for the season, in this case from April 22 until November 19. Maps with control locations marked on them are distributed. Participants can take as much time as they wish (and whenever they wish) in order to locate the controls.

Map Hike '89 kits contain the marked map, control card, an instruction sheet and a map case. They will be available by mail order from the B.O.C. for both locations. The Chestnut Ridge Map Hike kits will also be available at the concession stand in the Casino. Kits will also be available at all B.O.C. meets and clinics. The cost is \$3 each.

Once again a drawing for prizes will held. Control cards with at least 10 control codes on them will be entered in a drawing for a compass, T-shirts and embroidered patches. Participants who mail back cards filled in completely will also receive a certificate suitable for framing.

Map Hike '89 kits can be ordered for \$3 each by sending a check to Tom Kachelmeyer, 321 N. Ellicott Street, Williamsville, N.Y. 14221. Be sure to specify which area you are ordering, Chestnut Ridge or Sardinia.

THE RED "X" RETURNS

Just like last year at this time, if you've got a red "X" on your mailing label your luck has run out. Not only that but your subscription has run out too. You can restore both by renewing your B.O.C. membership immediately. Actually you can put off renewing until one week before the next newsletter comes out but you don't know when that'll be do you? And we might embarrass you at a meet by making you pay the non-member fee. So avoid the anxiety. Know when to say "Yes!", like right now.

ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

The annual meeting of the Buffalo Orienteering Club was held at Dave Staszak's house on Thursday, January 19, 1989. The first order of business was to elect officers for 1989. Those elected were:

President - Phillip Wolfling
Secretary - David Cady
Treasurer - David Staszak
Officers-At-Large - Tom Kachelmeyer, Greg Hyatt, Don Wood

The spring schedule was then discussed and the day, time, type and meet director were agreed upon. Refer to the calendar for the outcome.

Map Hike '88 was declared a great success and the officers expressed their thanks to everyone who participated. Plans for Map Hike '89 were discussed and it was decided to include a second area (Sardinia) and to also make the Map Hike packets available for purchase by mail order.

Those present considered starting up a new mapping program for either Emery Park or Hunter's Creek Park. These areas will be checked out for potential and one will be picked as the location for a new high-quality five color map.

At the meeting it was also decided to reduce the newsletter to four issues annually. Greg Hyatt volunteered to help Dave Cady and Tom Kachelmeyer with the publishing.

At the close of the meeting the drawing was held for the Map Hike '88 prizes. (See related article.)

MAP NEWS

As evidenced by the lively discussion at the annual meeting, the B.O.C.'s Board of Directors are actively pursuing the construction of a new orienteering map somewhere in the Buffalo area. No consensus has been reached yet on which location should be mapped. There is a strong feeling that Hunter's Creek Park is a viable possibility. On the other hand, some board members would also like to consider the option of mapping a less challenging and closer-in area. Perhaps even Delaware Park. Such a map would not be intended to be a challenge to current members but would be more of a promotional tool to attract new members.

At the annual meeting, Emery Park was also considered. This area might be seen as a compromise between Hunter's Creek and Delaware Park. It would not be challenging enough for an A-meet but could host orange, yellow and white course quite nicely.

Delaware Park came under consideration following the annual meeting when it was learned that the U.S.O.F. can provide free field-checking for maps that are close to urban areas. However, there has been some difficulty finding a topographic map of the park which could be used as a base map. It was learned that new aerial photography will be flown this year, but that means that the photos would not be available until this fall. A park map might have to wait until next year.

Meanwhile, club members will be visiting Hunter's Creek and Emery to get a better feeling for their potential.

As this mapping program gets underway, volunteers will be needed for field checking and drafting. If you think you might like to get involved, please call Phil Wolfling at 937-9300. Don't worry if you lack experience; the skills are easily picked up as long as you have a reasonable amount of orienteering experience. Graphic arts experience also helps but isn't necessary.

WE GET LETTERS

From Map Hike '88 Participants

Fun - First time I've done this. Great map. Our scouts liked it. Thanks. -- Alex R. Crinzi, O.D.

Dear Tom -- I'd like to thank your club for a really great summer! My kids and I had a ball looking for and finding the controls. I am very pleased with the way my 11 year old, Andrew, has learned how to read a map and then go out and find something. Again, I say thank you. -- Victor Bandish.

My first exposure to orienteering; and I enjoyed it!! Schedule your future meets for southern Erie County other than Sundays! Thanks. -- Linda Smith.

Excellent! I hope you continue this at other county parks. -- Dr. Stephen Kosherak.

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MEET RESULTS *Camp Schoellkopf* October 8, 1988

The format was Score-O on a cool and overcast day. The running was a little wet. Most participants chose the 90 minute time limit. Those indicated by a * chose a 60 minute limit. Special thanks to organizer Phil Wolfling who was decidedly under the weather and to Greg Hyatt for picking up the controls after the meet.

TIME	PTS	MEN
1:09:00	255	1. Dave Cady
1:25:05	195	2. Thomas Wightman
1:30:00	165	3. William White
1:34:55	149	4. Charles Wightman
1:19:30	125	5. Al Booth
1:45:15	0	6. J.A. Masters*

TIME	PTS	WOMEN
1:29:30	120	1. Becky Wightman
1:24:15	60	2. Jeannette Wightman

TIME	PTS	GROUPS
1:35:30	125	1. Bert & Kris Spaeth
1:29:25	110	2. Markle Mercer & Clark
2:00:00	0	3. Bruce & Susan Hansen

MAP HIKE '88 PRIZES

At the annual meeting in January, a drawing was held to determine the winners of the Map Hike '88 prizes. To be eligible, participants had to locate at least ten control points and then mail their control cards to Tom Kachelmeyer.

The winners were:

Silva Compass - David & Hilda Dionne
T-Shirts - Mark Halliday
Betsy Kozuchowski
O-Patches - Raph Green
Charles Wightman
Peter Miller

Congratulations to all who participated!

Buffalo Orienteering Club Officers

President - Phillip Wolfling, Alden 937-9300
Secretary - David Cady, Buffalo 837-3737
Treasurer - David Staszak, Hamburg 648-7819
At-Large - Tom Kachelmeyer, Williamsville 626-5903
At-Large - Gregory Hyatt, Snyder 839-1605
At-Large - Don Wood, Eden 992-3092

ALLEGANY NATURE PILGRIMAGE

For several years various B.O.C. members have helped present an orienteering workshop at the annual Allegany Nature Pilgrimage. Held each spring in Allegany State Park, the Pilgrimage is an outdoor learning experience. It combines fun with a wide variety of nature oriented activities.

Participants can choose from over 30 different activities and field trips including Attracting Wildlife, Beginning Birdwatching, Edible and Medicinal Plants, Reptiles and Amphibians, Nature Photography, Sharing Nature with Children and of course, Orienteering.

In addition to the field trips, there are early morning bird walks, bird banding demonstrations, evening slide presentations, owl prowls, astronomical activities and star gazing.

Accommodations range from cabins to tent sites.

The dates of this year's Pilgrimage are June 2,3 and 4. Registration fees range from \$12 to \$22 depending upon Audubon membership and include all activities. Registration forms may be obtained from Beaver Meadow Audubon Center, Welch Road, North Java, New York 14082, (716)457-3228.

RECENTLY RECEIVED

Under this heading I'll list and describe briefly material that has come in the mail that may be of interest to club members. For further details on any of these items, please contact Dave Cady at 837-3737.

From Rocky Mountain O-Club: Brochures for the U.S.O.F. Convention and A-Meet on June 28 through July 2 in Colorado Springs.

From U.S.O.F. : Letters of inquiry sent to them from Western New York.

From U.S.O.F. : Youth Committee News for spring '89 with articles on a U.S.O.C. grant to fund the purchase of string course equipment and an excerpt about children and map reading.

From U.S.O.F. : A memo about another Olympic Committee grant to train orienteers by providing them with field checking opportunities.

From The Friends of Como Park Lake : An inquiry about the possibility of mapping Como Park Lake.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1988

	31-Dec-86	31-Dec-87	31-Dec-88
I. MEMBERSHIP:		53	59
II. CASH BALANCES:			
CHECKING	\$329.14	\$247.13	\$595.39
SAVINGS	1,191.04	1,251.71	1,126.78
TOTAL	\$1,520.18	\$1,498.84	\$1,722.17
III. INCOME/EXPENSE			
RECEIPTS:			
MEETS, MEMBERSHIP, TEE SHIRTS	\$542.00	\$355.59	\$529.50
TRIM COURSE			119.00
INTEREST	60.58	60.67	45.07
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$602.58	\$416.26	\$693.57
EXPENSES:			
NEWS LETTER	\$166.48	\$164.99	\$149.78
REFRESHMENTS @ RAPPL'S		6.00	
CHESTNUT RIDGE MAP PREP		100.00	
4 COMPASSES		20.00	
AWARDS & RIBBONS	67.50		
THREE VALLEY MAP PRINTING	74.52		
MISC PRINTING		11.32	
INCOME TAX		20.00	11.00
TRIM COURSE SUPPLIES			76.00
MISC SUPPLIES	15.95	39.79	145.46
BANK FEES			8.00
REGISTRATION AND INSURANCE	80.00	75.50	80.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$404.45	\$437.60	\$470.24
SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT)	\$198.13	(\$21.34)	\$223.33

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 four 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

Name _____ Check One: New Member Renewal

Address _____ Fees: \$5 Family, \$3 Individual

Phone # _____ Date _____ *Make check payable to "Buffalo Orienteering Club"
Mail to Barbara Cady, 148 Humboldt Parkway,
Buffalo, New York 14214.*

UNITED STATES ORIENTEERING FEDERATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date _____ Year Born _____ The following membership categories are for members of chartered clubs. Other categories are available. Club name:

Name _____ BUFFALO O. C.

Address _____ Junior \$2, 18 or under, non-voting, no magazine.

_____ Student \$6, 21 or under.

_____ Individual \$15.

Home Phone _____ Family \$20.

If family membership, list additional persons and year born _____ Lifetime \$250.

Make check payable to U.S.O.F. & mail to P.O. Box 1444, Forest Park, GA 30051.

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