

# BfIOrienteer

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## What's Happening

- May 1 — First BfIO event of the season at Camp Schoellkopf.
- May 7 — Rochester event at Durand Eastman Park.
- May 22 — Rochester event at Mendon Ponds. Bring your canoe!
- June 4—Rochester event at Webster Park.
- June 12—BfIO event south of Ellicottville.

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*Editor's Note: The photos in this issue come from the website for junior orienteers, [www.thewaterstop.org](http://www.thewaterstop.org). If you are under 21, check it out.*

## County Budget Woes Have Big Impact on Club

The Buffalo Orienteering Club is a victim of Erie County's budget problems. Unfortunately, most of the club's maps are of county parks. The budget problems of the County and the resulting closing of the parks have forced the club to dramatically curtail its schedule this year.

All of the map hikes have been cancelled and only two public events have been scheduled for the Spring.

On May 1, an event will be held at Camp Schoellkopf and on June 12 an event will be held at McCarty Hill south of Ellicottville.

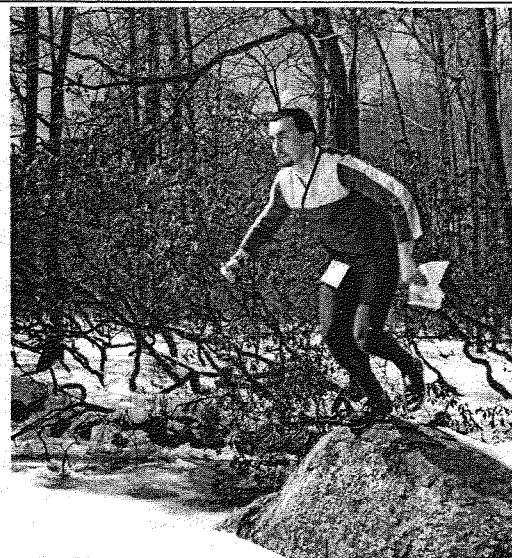
In addition, an effort is being made to encourage local orienteers to attend meets organized by the neighboring Rochester Orienteering Club.

If the parks are opened later in the season an attempt will be made to hold events if meet directors can be recruited and if there is sufficient time to publicize the events.

## Blaisdell Elected President for 2005

At the annual meeting on February 4, 2005 Lincoln Blaisdell was elected as club president replacing Gary Maslanka. Blaisdell is a retired English teacher.

Phil Wolfling will repeat as Secretary and Mike Gasiewicz will serve another term as Treasurer.



*Patrick Shannon at HVO Sprint, 3/13/05*

## Major Rogaine To Be Held In 2006

As reported in the minutes of the annual meeting (see page 2), plans are afoot to host a major Rogaine with the Rochester Orienteering Club in Allegany State Park on June 9-11, 2006.

Volunteers from our club will be needed to help with location vetting, control placement and control checking.

During the actual 24 hours of the event it is likely we will also be in charge of the kitchen.

## Money Matters

At the annual meeting held in February it was decided to raise the annual dues to \$15 for individuals and \$20 for families. This increase will take effect in 2006.

A reminder: Buffalo O' Club members can participate in Rochester O' Club events at their member rate.

# Minutes of the Annual Meeting

February 4, 2005

Attendees: Jim Acker, Justin Acker, Lincoln Blaisdell, Fred Gordon, Roger Keeney, Jackie Novkov, Charlie Wightman, Tom Wightman, Phil Wolfling (Secretary)

The meeting started at 7:10 pm at Phil Wolfling's residence.

In Rebecca Wightman's absence, Justin Acker volunteered to take notes.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mike Gasiewicz was absent so we had no treasurer's report. Phil Wolfling noted that we cleared \$1000 through the sale of Map Hikes in 2004. Phil also announced that he is working on a plan to have the Boy Scouts retail our map hikes.

## Election of officers:

For president – Phil Wolfling nominated Lincoln Blaisdell; Jim Acker seconded.

For secretary – Roger Keeney nominated Phil Wolfling; Fred Gordon seconded.

For treasurer – Jackie Novkov nominated Mike Gasiewicz; Tom Wightman seconded.

All three candidates were voted into office by a unanimous vote.

## Membership:

Phil noted that the club dwindled from 82 members in 2003 to 66 members in 2004.

We discussed various means of addressing this problem:

We need a more active Publicity Committee to advertise club events.

Someone (maybe Linc) will write an article for the Buffalo News to briefly explain orienteering in general, our club in particular, and the 2005 meet schedule

We need to print Phil's 2005 information flyer when available from the web page and post it in public places where likely orienteers will see it.

We discussed the idea of sending an e-mail reminder to members before each event.

We need to put together a welcome letter (packet) for new members and potential new members of the club.

We can use the addresses on the map hike post cards to contact people who may be interested in becoming members.

We need a more active Education Committee to introduce potential members to the sport.

Linc (with Phil's help) will work on finalizing and implementing plans for a permanent six-control beginners' O-course at Chestnut Ridge.

Jackie volunteered to run some evening instruction and practice sessions on weeknights during the summer at Chestnut Ridge Park. Perhaps other volunteers could help with those sessions or could organize other sessions at Ellicott Creek Park.

We could tap into the Boy Scout program through merit badge counselors.

Phil plans to do some orienteering education with the Boy Scouts.

## Annual Dues and Meet Fees:

We had a long discussion about dues, after which Phil made a motion, seconded by Roger to increase the annual dues from \$10 to \$15 for individuals and from \$15 to \$20 for families as of March 1, 2005. The motion carried. Phil then made a motion seconded by Roger to lower the meet fee for members from \$5 to \$4 for members and to raise the meet fee from \$7 to \$8 for nonmembers for 2005. The motion carried.

**Meet Dates:** *[Editor's note: Because of subsequent events, the actual meet schedule will differ.]*

These dates are tentative. Phil Wolfling checked and there are no conflicts with events planned by the ROC, but we have to check the Scouts and the County. We also need Meet Directors to take the meets where none is listed.

May 1, Sunday: Chestnut Ridge Park, Charlie Wightman

May 21, Saturday: Emery Park, director needed

June 12, Sunday: Sardinia Forest, director needed

Early summer: Ellicottville, Jon Sundquist???

September 18, Sunday: Chestnut Ridge, Jackie Novkov

October 9, Sunday: Camp Schoellkopf, Phil Wolfling

October 29, Saturday: Emery Park, director needed

## Mapping:

We had a brief discussion about mapping. The Sardinia and Emery base maps urgently require updating. We would like to map at least one new area, and new maps usually have a one-year turnaround. NYS has recent

aerial maps. These could help us as we field check our maps. In essence, the Mapping Committee must meet this year to attend to these urgent needs. Linc will make gathering the map committee together a priority.

## Rogaine Update:

The Rochester Orienteering Club is interested in joining with the BfIO Club to put on a rogaine in Allegany State Park in June of 2006. They would probably do the logistical work of running the meet, while we would do the course setting, vetting, and helping on the day of the meet. We might also do the

## Chestnut Ridge Park

November 6, 2004

Meet Director: Jackie Novkov

### Red Course, 6.2 km

1 David Levine	56:12
2 Mike Lyons	60:35
3 Greg Hyatt & Bill LaVigne	89:26
4 Tom Wightman	127:00
5 R VanAdder & K Cortland	154:20

Tom Wagar and Family also participated.

### Green Course, 4.8 km

1 Ken Belote	81:25
2 Kathy Bannister	87:40
3 Mike & Jen Lance	90:35
4 Rebecca Wightman	116:15
5 C Wightman & Judi Geer	140:00
6 Wayne & Kate Childs	167:00

### Orange Course, 4.6 km

1 Mark Wolfling	68:56
2 FDB (Rob Maslanka & sons)	78:25
3 Joe & Ann Rindfuss	95:00
4 Powder Puff girls	129:48
5 John McFall & Family	133:00
6 Jeff Neureuter & Family	135:00
7 Jane Brennan & Joan Funke	165:35
8 Poppa & Justin	217:00

### Yellow Course, 4.3 km

1 Blue Dragons (Scouts)	119:40
2 Fred Gordon	135:00
3 Wanderers (Scouts)	164:00

### Novice, 2.0 km

1 Paul, Ann & Courtney Tuttle	53:00
2 Sandy & Tim Aselin	60:00
3 Lightning (Scouts)	90:00
4 Dave Fabian & Family	98:00
5 Cobras 3 (Scouts)	166:50

Cobras 1 & 2 and Koch Family also participated.

# BUFFALO ORIENTEERING CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



New Member



Family \$15



Renewal



Single \$10

For Family Memberships,  
please list additional family members: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to Buffalo Orienteering Club  
and mail to Dave Cady, 148 West Humboldt Parkway, Buffalo, NY 14214.

## ...Meeting Minutes, continued

kitchen work. Phil and Linc will talk with Dave Levine and Jon Sundquist to see what kinds of work needs to be done and what kinds of help they will need from the Rogaine Committee as our club does its part.

### Incorporating the Club:

We can register as intending to be not-for profit. Requirements include having a Board of Directors and writing a constitution. Benefits include having tax-exempt certificates. Last year Mike Gasiewicz volunteered to look through the IRS and State rules. Greg Hyatt volunteered to assist. Linc will contact them this year to see if they are ready to make a recommendation. If we wish to incorporate, Linc will gather a Club Incorporation Committee to begin the process. In 2006, club incorporation is part of the USOF charter requirements.

### 2004 Map Hike Winners:

This year's map hike winners were: Judi Geer, Justin Acker, Julie Fisher, Sean Grohman, Mike Schlicht, and Jeanette Willert.

### Goals for 2005:

Focus on Publicity and Education to increase membership.  
Focus on Communication and Volunteers to make events run smoothly.

Make the Map Committee, the Club Incorporation Committee, and the Rogaine Committee more active.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

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## Calendar

Entry fees for BfLO events (listed first) are \$8 for guests and \$4 for members. All are welcome. Events are held rain or shine. Registration starts at 10:30 AM with starts from 11 AM – Noon (exceptions are noted). Informal instruction for beginners is always available. Call the contact person for directions to the site.

Date	Location	Details / Contact
Sunday May 1	Camp Schoellkopf	Regular event with Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced courses. Meet Director: Charlie Wightman 537-2051.
Sunday June 12	Ellicottville	90 minute beginner Score-O and 3 hour mini-Rogaine. Directions: Follow 219 South through Ellicottville. Turn right on Hungry Hollow Road and go to the old Conservation Corps Camp. For info call 832-9758
Sunday Oct 9	Camp Schoellkopf	Regular event with Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced courses. Meet Director: Phil Wolfling 832-9758.
<i>Events hosted by other clubs</i>		
Saturday May 7	Durand Eastman Park	Rochester O Club. East Side, Log Cabin Road. Starts from Noon to 2 PM. 585-377-5650.
Sunday May 22	Mendon Ponds Park	Rochester O Club. Bike, Canoe, Foot event. Hopkins Point. 585-377-5650.
Saturday June 4	Webster Park	Rochester O Club. Tennis court area. Includes GPS-O. - Starts from Noon to 2pm. 585-377-5650.

Notice : Map Hikes have been suspended this year because of uncertainty about access to the Erie County Parks.

### Web sites of interest

BfLO	<a href="http://www.buffalo-orienteeing.bfn.org">http://www.buffalo-orienteeing.bfn.org</a>
USOF	<a href="http://www.us.orienteeing.org">http://www.us.orienteeing.org</a>
ROC	<a href="http://roc.us.orienteeing.org">http://roc.us.orienteeing.org</a>
CNYO	<a href="http://cnyo.us.orienteeing.org/cnyo">http://cnyo.us.orienteeing.org/cnyo</a>
Ontario	<a href="http://www.orienteeing.on.ca">http://www.orienteeing.on.ca</a>
Adventure Racing	<a href="http://adventureheads.com">http://adventureheads.com</a>

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*Unidentified orienteer at 2004 US Relay  
Champs in New Gloucester, Maine*

# Results

## Ellicottville

18-Sep-04

Meet Director: John Sundquist

### Advanced, 180 minute limit

1	Richard Lavine	500
2	Gary Maslanka	470
3	Dayle Lavine	450
4	Greg Hyatt	440
5	Emily & Tim Gorhold	420
6	Mike Lance & Carol LaPre	200
7	MRB Team	120
8	Tom Ottaviano	100
9	Joan Funke	100

### Medium, 90 minute limit

1	Zoltan Szecsody	247
2	Bob Weiber	150
3	Lincoln Blaisdell	94
4	Greg Germaine	80
5	Fitz's Team	80
6	Thomas Wightman	42
7	Rebecca Wightman	20*
8	Wightman & Geer	0
9	Roger Keeney	0*

\* Misplaced control caused lost time.

## Sardinia Forest

October 10, 2004

Meet Director: Rebecca Wightman

### Advanced, 2-hr Score-O

1	Mike Lyons	413
2	Rick Slattery	401
3	Jackie Novkov	397
4	Greg Hyatt	345
5	Patty (&Walt?) Lyons	296
6	Tom Wightman	277
7	Phil Wolfling	260
8	Mike Lance & Carol LaPres	248
9	James & Justin Acker	173
10	Fred Gordon	0

### Medium, 1-hr Score-O

1	Kathy Bannister	173
2	Kay Sheehan	62

### Novice, 7 controls, 2 km

1	Ken & Adam Belote	55:00
2	Y & J Maslanka & F Bertram	65:00
3	Joe Rindfuss & Family	80:00
4	L Farrilli & Karen Caffiero	128:00

## Emery Park

October 24, 2004

Meet Director: David Cady

### Advanced

1	Dave Levine	38:00
2	Mike Lyons	43:16
3	Walt & Patty Lyons	47:02
4	Mike Lance	58:54
5	Rick Slattery	59:10
6	Jackie Novkov	73:22
7	Steve Lakomy & Henry Davis	87:28
8	Tom Wightman	89:20
9	Philip Payne & DL	109:30
10	Pam & Grant LaDue	119:40
11	Troop 528	123:12
12	Wagar Family	126:24

### Intermediate

1	Becky Wightman	36:05
2	Nate Lyons	61:56
3	Belote	80:51
4	Maslanka	82:27
5	James & Justin Acker	83:50
6	Childs group	84:08

### Novice

1	Aselin Group	25:43
2	Zack Lyons & Mom	26:15
3	Caffiero & Ferrelli	41:28
4	Troop 251	64:39

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