

NEWSLETTER - January 2006



Greater Phoenix Orienteering Club - Getting There is ALL the Fun!

Jan 21st Classic at Saguaro Lake

Join us Saturday, **January 21st**, at a site near Saguaro Lake, northeast of Phoenix. This event is a “classic” event in which competitors must visit the controls in the order specified. We will offer white (beginners), orange (intermediate) and red (advanced) courses.

The terrain is rolling hills, and with many fires over the years, it’s mostly sparse grassland cover good for clear running. You adventure racers will want the challenge of the red course.

People of all skill levels can participate and, of course, there will be a beginner’s clinic. You may start anytime after the course opens. Everyone, including non-competitors, must be off the course by 1:00 when the course closes.

Schedule:

Registration Starts	9:00
Beginner’s Clinic	9:30
Course opens.....	9:30
Course closes	1:00

Cost(member/non-member):

Individual	\$4/\$6
Family / team rate	\$6/\$8

Directions to Saguaro Lake From Phoenix: There are two routes; the Beeline Hwy (87) is 4 lanes, direct but not very scenic and the Bush Hwy is 2 lanes and winding, but the scenery is great once you get past north Mesa. For the Beeline (87): from Loop 202 and Country Club (the Beeline), go northeast on the Beeline (past Fountain Hills) 22 miles and turn right at the Saguaro Lake/Bush Hwy turnoff. Our site is about a half mile on the right (parking is a little further down the road than previous years) Look for an orange and white orienteering “sandwich board” at the turnoff to our site.

For the Bush Hwy: From Power road and the Superstition (US60), go northeast 22 miles (Power turns into the Bush Hwy). You’ll pass the Usery Pass turnoff in 13.5 miles, but stay on the Bush Hwy. We’ll be on your left about a half mile before you hit the Beeline Hwy junction. Look for an orange and white orienteering “sandwich board.” Go slow, it’s just a short dirt entrance into the area and it can be hard to see.

What to bring:

water bottle(s) and lunch
whistle (**required for all**; available for \$1)
compass (some available to rent for \$1)

Water may be available only at the parking area. Bring water bottles to have with you on the course.

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Needle Vista Results - Dec 10, 2005

It was another great meet! The weather was cool and crisp, the courses well designed (thank you **Richard Dewey**) and everything ran smoothly. We had several first timers at the meet who ran/walked the novice course and reported back that they had a great time and hoped to come again.

Sheryl Berling-Wolff was the meet director and temporary equipment manager. **Richard Dewey** was the course designer and setter, Sheryl assisted with the

vetting, and Sheryl and Richard set out controls. On hand to help with registration, timing, water delivery, control retrieval, among other things, were **Rodney Phelps, Jason Wiss, Tim Murray, Richard Dewey, Peter Neubauer, Mike Franklin, Patricia Abbott, Forest Brown, Max Suter and Ludwig Hill**. Thank you to the members who stopped to provide first aid to some injured JROTC cadets. I'm sure it was well appreciated.

<p><u>Red Adult-Male</u> Max Suter 1:20:49 Erik Ringnes 1:31:00 Ludwig Hill 1:31:13 Dan Worth 2:43:36 Peter Neubauer 3:10:42</p>	<p><u>Orange Adult-Female</u> Laura Wasylenki 1:51:06</p> <p><u>Orange Veteran-Female</u> Pat Abbott 1:36:34</p> <p><u>Orange Veteran-Male</u> Mike Franklin 1:59:42 Ron Jansen 3:03:49</p> <p><u>Orange Team</u> If We Only Knew 1:41:41 Trogdors DNF Team King DNF Shadow Mtn #3 DNF Shadow Mtn #2 DNF</p>	<p><u>White Team</u> Home Star 2:09</p> <p><u>Recreational</u> Raphael Chevalier Wright Brothers Shadow Mtn #1 Liegers Brigid O'Neil Team Harper Dan Hink Barbara/Mary Doug McCulley</p>
<p><u>Red Veteran-Male</u> Tim England 2:32:50</p> <p><u>Orange Adult-Male</u> Forest Brown 1:52:45 Charles Schreiber 2:12:22 Thomas Fleck 2:22:12</p>		

Upcoming Adventure Races

For more information about these and other events, visit <http://www.sierraadventuresports.com/>

2-4-06 Desert Rage **Phoenix I** (Lower Salt River)

3-4-06 **Phoenix** Urban Adventure Race (TBA)

4-29-06 Desert Rage **Phoenix II** (Payson)

Orienteering Tip

Here's a tip from the British O Federation: **Before you start, study the map and the legend.**

Do so for as long as you can. Get familiar with the general shape of the area. You don't want to waste time during the competition trying to puzzle out what's up and what's down, what's a fence and what's a wall. Take a few sample measurements to get some idea of the distances.

GPHXO Upcoming Event Schedule

Jan 21, 2006	Saguaro Lake Classic meet
Feb 11	Bomboy Mine - Joint JROTC
Mar 4	Lake Pleasant - Joint JROTC
April 6 & 8	Land Navigation Class
Apr 16	Join TOC at Empire Ranch
June 16-18	Join TOC at Mogollon Rim or White Mtns
Aug 19-20	Join TOC at Lake Mary—State Champs

GPHXO Board Meetings:

Board meetings are held monthly to discuss the business operations of the club and to plan for upcoming events. They are open to all members. Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are at 7:00 PM in the Scottsdale Community College library. Call Richard for specifics or to confirm meeting: 480-831-0331 (Home) and 480-236-5706 (Cell).

January 10—Richard Dewey's House
6108 S Clark Dr, Tempe
February 14—SCC Library
March 14—SCC Library

We encourage our members to participate in the Tucson club events as well as our own. Not only is it an opportunity for more orienteering experience fairly close to home but they have some really great folks that we can learn a lot from while we enjoy their company.

Tucson Club Event Schedule

Jan 14-16	A-Meet Anza-Borrogo
Jan 29	Brady Wash 8 hr ROGAINE
Feb 19	Greaterville
Mar 18-19	Kentucky Camp
Apr 16	Empire Ranch
June 16-18	Mogollon Rim or White Mtns
Aug 19-20	Lake Mary—State Champs
Sep 17	Palisades Ridge
Oct 15	Slavin Gulch
Nov 19	Catalina State Park
Dec 17	Kentucky Camp West

Did you know that GPHXO O.C. members get the "member" rate for Tucson O.C. events? For details about the Tucson Club events, check their web page at www.tucsonorienteering.org

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