



NEWSLETTER - Dec 2007



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

First Water - Dec 9, 2007

Please join the Greater Phoenix Orienteering Club on December 9, 2007 at the First Water Horse Staging Area for some classic orienteering. This means that the competitors must visit the controls in a specified order.

There will be four different courses: White (beginner), Yellow (advanced beginner), Orange (intermediate) and Red (advanced). The Red and Orange will be modified "Contour O" courses, meaning man-made features such as roads (other than Hwy. 88 and First Water TH) and power lines will not be on the map. Pits and barbed wire fences will remain on the map for safety reasons. The White and Yellow maps will show all the features. The area varies from relatively flat with many shallow washes to deep narrow canyons.

Enjoy this area while you can! Since last year dozens of mining claims have been placed. They're all over the place! If you know anything about the 1872 Mining Law, you know that a claim filer can do pretty much what they want to do when they start digging. Their rights will trump other users and we are other users. Let's hope that they never start tearing up this great orienteering area.

Schedule:

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

Directions to First Water From Phoenix:

From Phoenix take US 60 east. Exit at Apache Junction and drive northeast on State Highway 88. Follow 88 about a mile past Lost Dutchman State Park and look for the brown sign on the right for the First Water Trail Head (FR 78). Follow this well graded dirt road about 3 miles to the horse staging area (used as trail overflow parking) that is about ¼ mile short of the trailhead.

What to bring:

water bottle(s)
whistle (**required for all**; available for \$1)
Compass (available to rent for \$1)

Cost(member/non-member):

Individual	\$5/\$10
Family / team rate	\$8/\$15

Coon Bluff 2007

The 2007-2008 Phoenix orienteering season got off to a great start at the recent Coon Bluff meet. The weather was beautiful, if a bit warm. Two deer were spotted on the course and the local wild horses were seen along the river. We had a great turn out of old and new friends, and everyone had a great time. Only one person managed to complete the challenging course. Congratulations to Ron Birks for an amazing run. A big thanks to all of the volunteers that helped make this event possible, especially Tisha Taylor, a recent graduate of the October Land Nav class. We couldn't have done it without all your help.

Course Setter/Meet Director: Forest Brown

Bag Hangers: Forest Brown, Richard Dewey, David Erhart

Equipment: Sheryl Berling-Wolff

Setup/Tear-down: Forest Brown, Sheryl Berling-Wolff, Richard Dewey, Tisha Taylor, Ron Birks.

Registration Table: Tisha Taylor, Sheryl Berling-Wolff

Timing Table: Richard Dewey, Forest Brown, Ron Birks

Beginners Clinic: Sheryl Berling-Wolff

Control Retrieval: Forest Brown, Ludwig Hill, Max Suter, Glenn Haselfeld, Damian Green, Ron Birks

Coon Bluff Results

750 Possible Points

Score includes a -10 point penalty for each part of a minute over 2:00:00

<u>COMPETITOR</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
Ron Birks	750	1:52:59	1M
Ludwig Hill	700	1:52:50	2M
Max Suter	700	1:58:01	3M
David Marks	630	2:02:10	4M
Windy Marks	610	2:04:18	1F
Cristina Luis	600	2:03:00	2F
Matt Hanly	600	2:03:21	5M
Arild Orsele	500	1:50:16	6M
One and 1/2 Men	490	2:06:00	1T
Gary Hickey	450	2:04:50	7M
Mojos	390	1:57:57	3F
Phil and Chuck	380	1:44:43	2T
Glenn Haselfeld	330	2:14:34	8M
Donna Fluegel	310	2:14:20	4F
Team Think Blue	270	1:52:39	3T
Tatiana Fedyk	250	1:54:30	4T
Merrick Haskell	DNF	--:--:-- --	

Recreational Score-O

<u>PARTICIPANT</u>
Doug McCulley
Andy Allman
Jay Horvath
Diane Haselfeld
Clark Family
Colleen LaRose
Jack London
Richard and Tisha
Steve Fluegel

Recreational White Course

<u>COMPETITOR</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
Melissa Trout	36:56	1F
Lisa Kamienicki	Rec	
Damian and Co.	Rec	

GPHXO Upcoming Event Schedule

December 9 2008	First Water
January 6	Lake Pleasant
February 10	Bomboy Mine
March 9	Saguaro Lake
April 3 and 5	Land Navigation Class

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

Dec 16 2008	Arthur Pack Regional Park
Jan 20	Silverbell
Feb 23-24	A-Meet: Kentucky Camp/ Greaterville
March 16	Sweetwater
April 20	Chimney Rock
June 15	White Mountains

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. Call **Peter** for specifics or to confirm meeting: **480-734-0733**.

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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OR: *download/view newsletter on website:*

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(AREA CODE) EVENING TELEPHONE

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