



NEWSLETTER - Jan 2010



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

Robbins Butte Saturday Jan 9, 2010

Yes, that is not a typo—we will be holding this event on a *Saturday*. Hopefully this will give an opportunity for some members who can't usually make it to the Sunday events. We will have three courses available to suit a variety of skill levels: Red (advanced), Orange (intermediate), and a not-so-classic combined white/yellow (beginner/advanced beginner) course.

Robbins Butte is a relatively new map that is near the Buckeye Hills recreation area in the west Valley. The terrain is a mixture of rocky outcroppings (“Precambrian granite gneiss”) and flat desert. Due to the relatively flat terrain and sparse vegetation, cross-country travel is “friendlier” than on some of our other maps—there are very few areas of dense cactus or catclaw. On most parts of the map, terrain visibility is also excellent.

One other distinction for this event is that if you sign up on the Orange course as “recreational”, you will have the option to use a GPS receiver as a navigation aid. At the time that you register, you can take a printed list of the coordinates for the controls with you—you can choose either to use the GPS as your primary navigation, or as “backup” to map and compass navigation. GPS receivers will not be allowed on the Red Course.

People of all skill levels are encouraged to participate. A free beginner's clinic will be available for new participants and those needing a refresher. You may start anytime after the course opens at 9 am until 11 am.

Everyone, competitors and recreational participants alike, must be off the course and checked into the timer's table by 1 pm.

Volunteers:

We need volunteers to help with setup, registration and timing tables, and with bag pick up after the meet. Please contact Glenn Haselfeld glenn-dianne@q.com if you can help.

From Phoenix, go west on Interstate-10 to exit 112, then south on AZ Highway 85 for ~7 miles to milepost 147. Take a right at the sign for Robbins Butte Wildlife Area. Proceed ~3.8 miles on dirt road (bearing left at the sign “Powers Butte Wildlife Area & access to Robbins Butte (Mountain)”) to the Start Area (N33°18.8384' W112°40.8891 WGS-84). The road is passable to passenger cars.

From Tucson, Take Interstate-8 West from Casa Grande to Gila Bend. Take AZ Highway 85 north for ~27 miles and turn left at the sign for Robbins Butte Wildlife Area (a left turn lane just before milepost 147—before you cross the Gila River). Proceed ~3.8 miles on dirt road (bearing left at the sign “Powers Butte Wildlife Area & access to Robbins Butte (Mountain)”) to the Start Area (N33°18.8384' W112°40.8891). The road is passable to passenger cars.

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Saguaro Lake Score-O 13-Dec-09

| Total Points Possible: | 980 | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|---------|----------|------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| Total Number of Controls: | 25 | | | | | | | | |
| Straight-Line Distance: | 13.3 Km | | | | | | | | |
| Climb: | 475.5 m | | | | | | | | |
| Total Participants: | 46 | | | | | | | | |
| Overall Place | Competitor | Total Points | Penalty Points * | Final Score | Time | Category | Rank | Grand Prix Points | Team Members |
| 1 | Ludwig Hill | 750 | 0 | 750 | 1:55:57 | M | 1 | 10 | |
| 2 | Cristina Luis | 710 | 0 | 710 | 1:59:21 | F | 1 | 10 | |
| 3 | Max Suter | 790 | -130 | 660 | 2:12:46 | M | 2 | 9 | |
| 4 | Maricel Olaru | 650 | -60 | 590 | 2:05:51 | M | 3 | 8 | |
| 5 | Magnus Landstad | 550 | 0 | 550 | 1:52:52 | M | 4 | 7 | |
| 6 | Fleck Foster | 510 | -10 | 500 | 2:00:37 | T | 1 | . | |
| 7 | Mike Zampino | 530 | -50 | 480 | 2:04:21 | M | 5 | 6 | |
| 8 | Tim and Hunter England | 390 | -10 | 380 | 2:00:30 | T | 2 | . | Tim England, Hunter England |
| 9 | Walt Smith | 340 | 0 | 340 | 1:55:34 | M | 6 | 5 | |
| 10 | Gary Hickey | 280 | -10 | 270 | 2:00:41 | M | 7 | 4 | |
| 11 | S&S | 240 | 0 | 240 | 1:57:14 | T | 3 | . | 2 |
| 12 | Tisha Taylor | 220 | 0 | 220 | 1:49:20 | F | 2 | 9 | |
| 13 | First Timers | 200 | 0 | 200 | 1:59:39 | T | 4 | . | 3 |
| 14 | Tim Stefek | 370 | -220 | 150 | 2:21:37 | M | 8 | 3 | |
| 15 | Florida and Peers | 390 | -340 | 50 | 2:34:00 | T | 5 | . | 2 |
| 16 | Lee Craven | 40 | 0 | 40 | 1:15:00 | M | 9 | 2 | |
| DNF | FEDYK | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0:39:50 | T | . | . | 4 |

- Ten points were deducted for each full minute over the 2-hour time limit.

Recreational Score-0

| PARTICIPANT | Team Members |
|------------------|--------------|
| Mike Mattes | |
| Cory Hove | (2) |
| Tina Stefek | |
| Douglas McCulley | |
| Team Milan | (3) |
| Wilson Bradford | |

Recreational White

| PARTICIPANT | Team Members |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Mike Koehlmoos | |
| Wilson Bradford | |
| Lee Craven | |
| Team Milan | (3) |

Thanks to all the volunteers. We cannot have meets without volunteers.

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| Course Setter: | Forest Brown |
| Meet Director: | Forest Brown |
| Bag Hangers: | Forest Brown |
| Water Station Setup: | Forest Brown |
| Equipment Hauling: | Forest Brown |
| Setup/Tear-down: | Forest Brown, Gary Hickey |
| Registration Table: | Erik Ringnes |
| Timing Table: | Forest Brown, Erik Ringnes |
| Beginners Clinic: | Erik Ringnes |
| Control Retrieval: | Forest Brown, Bob Badgett, Erik Ringnes |
| Tabulating Results: | Forest Brown |

MORE JAN 9th DETAILS

Schedule:

9:00 AM Registration Starts
9:30 AM Beginner's Clinic
9:30 AM Courses open
11:00 AM Last time to start a course
1:00 PM Courses close

Cost (members/non-members)

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

What to bring:

Water bottle(s), food.
Whistle (required for all: available for \$1)
Compass (available to rent for \$1)
GPS receiver (optional, only allowed for "recreational Orange" course)

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

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|-----------|------------------------------------|
| Jan 16-18 | Anza Borrego S.P., CA |
| Jan 19-22 | Saguaro U. Training Week |
| Jan 23-24 | Ironwood 2-Day Classic-O |
| Feb 21 | Empire Ranch |
| Feb 28 | Catalina State Park Training Event |
| Mar 20-21 | Slavin Gulch |
| Apr 18 | Greaterville Classic-O |
| May 16 | Bear Wallow Classic-O |
| Aug 22 | U of A Street-O |
| Sep 19 | TBD Street-O |
| Oct 17 | Sweetwater Photo-O |

GPHXO Upcoming Event Schedule

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|-------------|------------------------|
| Jan 10 | Buckeye |
| Feb 14 | Coon Bluff |
| Mar 14 | First Water |
| April 10-11 | Bomboy Mine? Land Nav? |

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.tucsonorienteeringclub.org

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NEW MEMBER RENEWAL

CHOOSE: *mail me the monthly newsletter:*

FAMILY (\$17) INDIVIDUAL (\$15)

OR: *download/view newsletter on website:*

FAMILY (\$12) INDIVIDUAL (\$10)

Yes, I can help staff a club meet. Call me.

NAME

STREET ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

(AREA CODE) DAY TELEPHONE

(AREA CODE) EVENING TELEPHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS (*required for web membership discount; we will email you when the new newsletter is on the website*)