



NEWSLETTER - Nov. 2017



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

Nov 11: Papago Park; Nov 12: Black Canyon City

We start the weekend with a free beginner's clinic at the Papago Park permanent orienteering course. After the clinic, you're welcome to join us for our practice navigation courses at the West Park area of Papago Park. Finally on Sunday, you can practice your new orienteering skills by joining us at Rock Springs to explore the rugged Black Canyon area north of Phoenix.

Sat Nov 11: Papago Park Clinic & Sprints

Starting at 9:00, we'll conduct a beginner's training near the archery range at the Papago Sports Complex. We'll continue the morning with two sprint courses at West Park (across from the Phoenix Zoo).

You're welcome to participate in one or all of the morning's events. All the events are free!

Sun Nov 12: Black Canyon City

On Sunday, November 12, we continue our orienteering weekend by exploring the Black Canyon and Agua Fria River during a 2-hour Score-O around the Rock Springs Cafe in Black Canyon City.

The Rock Springs area is a gateway to the Black Canyon and the Bradshaw and New River Mountains. Sunday's events take place in the rugged terrain of the Black Canyon surrounding the Agua

Fria River.

You may start any time after the course opens at 9:00 am until 11:00 am. Everyone, competitors and recreational participants alike, must be off the course and checked into the timer's table by 1:00 PM. The penalty for arriving after the 2-hour limit (or after 1:00 PM) is 10 points per minute.

You can save money and make sure we have maps for you by pre-registering. Pre-Registration is open until Wednesday, November 8 at 11:59 PM. You can still try your luck and register on-site. We will have pre-printed maps for everyone who pre-registers. We cannot guarantee a map for those who register on-site.



See inside for schedules, costs, and directions - or visit GPHXO.org

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What to Bring:

- Whistle (Mandatory for all. Available for purchase at Phoenix events for \$1)
- Compass (Mandatory for all. Available for rent at Phoenix events for \$1)
- Water. There will be water at the start/finish .
- Sun screen.

Sturdy hiking shoes and long pants are recommended. You may encounter cactus, cat claw, and loose terrain.

PreRegistration

Pre-registration (by **Wednesday, November 8th**) helps us prepare, and saves you money. To preregister, go to the event page on our website:

<http://www.gphxo.org/>

Details: Papago Park

The Papago Park events are free. Be aware that the Beginner's Clinic and the Sprint events are at different locations!

The **Beginner's Clinic** is at the Papago Archery Association site, which is on the NORTH side of McDowell Rd. Enter from Oak Street, turn south onto the entry road about halfway between 60th Street and 64th Street, and turn right at the end of that driveway.

The **Sprint Events** take place inside Papago Park; follow Galvin parkway (north-south) until you see the Zoo entrance and then look for the parking lot on the OPPOSITE side of Galvin Parkway. At certain times, this parking lot may be filled for other events, in which case you can park in Zoo parking and walk to the event site.

Details: Rock Springs

Costs: Pre-Registration

Member - Individual/Team \$5 / \$8
Non Member \$10 / \$15

Onsite Registration

Member - Individual / Team \$10 / \$15
Non Member \$15 / \$20

Fees are collected onsite. If you pre-register but then can't make it, you don't have to pay.

Directions: travel on I-17 to Exit 242 (Rock Sprints). Travel west about 1/10 mile to the Old Black Canyon Highway. Travel south about 2/10 miles to the parking area on the west side of the road, just north of the Café. See website for more.

Recent Event Results

October 14-15, Petrified Forest

Top finishers on Saturday were Mark Prior, JP Lande, Andy Wentzel and Sanna Sevanto (top female finisher). Top team was the Shabazians.

Top finishers on Sunday were JP Lande, Andy Wentzel, Sanna Sevanto. Top team was Pack and Panthers. Full results are available on the website.

Thank you to Ron Birks, Forest Brown, Gary Hickey, Jeff Brucker, Derrick Beracy and Kathi Douglas for putting the event together, and to several others who helped hanging and retrieving controls.

Parental Consent (under 18)

All participants under age 18 are now required to have a signed parental consent form on file with the club. You can complete the form before the event and either scan it and send it to us by e-mail or bring it with you to the event.

GPHXO Upcoming Event Schedule

Sat Dec 9—Mesquite Library Beginners Clinic

Sun Dec 9—Coon Bluff Night-O

Sun Dec 10—Saguaro Lake

Sat-Sun Jan 13-14 - Robbins Butte

Sun Jan 28 - Bomboy Mine (need permit)

Sat Feb 10 - South Mountain

Sun Feb 11 - Needle Rock

Sat Feb 24 - Needle Vista Sprints, Night-O

Sun Feb 25 - First Water Score-O

Sat Mar 10 - Mesquite Library, Saguaro Lake

Sun Mar 11 - Sofie's Flat (new location!)

Sun Mar 25 - Bartlet Lake (possible event)

Events with Other Clubs:

Sun Nov 19—Catalina State Park (Tucson O)

Did you know that GPHXO O.C. members get the “member” rate for Tucson O.C. events?

Please visit the Tucson club's website:

www.tucsonorienteeringclub.org

And check out the GPHXO online store:

**[www.cafepress.com/
greaterphoenixorienteeringclub](http://www.cafepress.com/greaterphoenixorienteeringclub)**

We're also at:

www.meetup.com/Phoenix-Orienteering
and

www.facebook.com/GPHXO

To contact GPHXO by phone, leave a message at **602 753-8535**

Also, please update your email address book to **info@gphxo.org** - our yahoo email will still work, but this is the best one...

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