



NEWSLETTER - Jan 2008



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

Jan 6th - Classic Courses at Lake Pleasant

Join us on Sunday, January 6th, 2008 just west of Lake Pleasant on the Carefree Highway only 13 miles west of I-17. This site has great terrain for orienteering and beautiful vistas of Lake Pleasant. There will be three classic courses available: White (beginner), Orange (intermediate) and Red (advanced). The White course is perfect for beginners or families with little kids. The Orange course offers more of a challenge, and the Red will hopefully give the pros a workout, mentally and physically. What better way to burn off some holiday calories and enjoy the beautiful Arizona desert in January. See you there.

Schedule:

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

Directions to Lake Pleasant From Phoenix:

Take I-17 to exit 223 which is Hwy 74. Turn west towards Wickenburg and drive 13.2 miles. Turn north on the black top that is across the road from a thumb butte. This is .6 miles west of mile marker 18. All participants will need a whistle. If you don't have one, there will be some for sale for \$1.00. Compasses can be rented for \$1.00.

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

There will be some water on the course but it is advisable to bring your own bottle(s).

2008 Anza-Borrego O-Fest January 19-21

The annual Anza-Borrego O-Fest takes place this January over the Martin Luther King weekend (Jan. 19-21). This is two days of A-meet classic courses in the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park in Southern California. In addition to the classic courses, there's also a benefit sprint course on Saturday, a Maze-O (in slot canyons) on Sunday, and a scavenger-O if you stick around until Monday. If you've never been, this event is a blast. The terrain on the advanced courses is some of the most challenging I've ever seen - hills, gullies, and obstacles that demand careful route planning and expert compass skills. There are also beginner and intermediate courses, so there's something for every skill level.

Every year several of us from Phoenix meet up out at Anza-Borrego with members of the Tucson club. Camping is primitive, with port-a-potty available on-site. Motels, stores, and restaurants are available in Borrego Springs, about 15 miles away from the event site. If you're interested in joining us in Anza-Borrego this January you'll first need to pre-register for the courses you'd like to participate in. Visit the San Diego Orienteering Club's website (<http://www.sandiegoorienteeing.org/event2008anzaborrego.asp>) for more information and instructions for registration. If you have any questions or would like to carpool with GPHXO club members contact me at weakonrecon@yahoo.com. Hope you can join us, Forest Brown, GPHXO President

February 9-10 2008 Score-O, Bike-O, Black&Blue-O

The Greater Phoenix Orienteering Club will be having a weekend of O-events February 9-10, 2008. Saturday, we will have a regular 24 point Score "O" in the morning for a good warm-up. That afternoon we will offer our second ever Bike "O". We welcome input from bikers before we set the course. The course is planned to be a long distance course with winning completion times of 90-120 minutes. Please email Pat Abbott, PAAPsyD@aol.com with your contributions.

On Sunday we will have our first ever Black & Blue "O" for the more extreme or adventurous orienteers. We picked the name Black & Blue because we wanted to have a classic course that was at least twice as long as any blue course that we have ever had. What seems to have come out of this thinking is a 20-22km course that will have 18-20 control points. We also request that everyone preregister within 7 days of the meet. Contact Mike Franklin at jfranklin31@cox.net.

There will also be a White Course on both days and a Yellow Course on Sunday.

Registration fees are per course. Club Members \$5 for individual and \$8 per team; Non-members \$10 for individual and \$15 per team. For the Black and Blue course add \$5 to this charge for that event. Preregistration is strongly urged for the Black and Blue course as the maps have special printing requirements; there will be a \$2 surcharge for day of event registration for the Black and Blue.

Registration begins at 9:00 AM each day. There is unlimited free primitive camping at the site. Motels are also available in the area. Directions to the meet site (Bomboy Mine) can be found on our web site www.phoenixorienteering.org.

GPHXO Upcoming Event Schedule

January 6	Lake Pleasant
February 9-10	Bombo 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

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

Dec First Water Results

Red Course

COMPETITOR	TIME	RANK
Ludwig Hill	1:14:37	1M
Cristina Luis	1:24:10	1F
Windy Marks	1:25:00	2F
Max Suter	1:34:06	2M
Ron Birks	1:38:09	3M
Erik Ringnes	1:44:47	4M
Glen Haselfeld	1:52:23	5M
Lunatic Fringe	2:28:43	1T
David Marks	Lost Card	--
Arild Orscele	OVT	--

Orange Course

COMPETITOR	TIME	RANK
Ray Tucker	DNF	--
Tatiana Fedyk	OVT	--
Ron Birks	1:00:58	*
Ludwig Hill	1:01:02	*
Max Suter	1:04:27	*

* Competitors unranked due to having already completed another course for the day.

Yellow Course

COMPETITOR	TIME	RANK
Laura Wasylenski	1:22:34	1T
Lee Craven	Mispunched	--

White Course

COMPETITOR	TIME	RANK
No competitors		

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