

Tucson Orienteering Club September 1994

FALL SEASON PREMIERE IN THE SANTA RITAS

—ANN HABER

Come on down to Rosemont Junction for the first meet of the "fall" season. "Fall" in southern Arizona means anything from monsoons to blistering heat, so come prepared. The site is the well-liked area that our club used for the 1990 State Championship meet. It is mostly gully and spur terrain, with the gullies being somewhat "vegetative." Oak and juniper trees provide shade-breaks out on the course. At 4,500 feet, it should make a pleasant camp site for those of you who like to take in the stars and tell war-o stories around the campfire the night before the meet.

John Little has been taking his course-setting class through their paces down there. They promise traditional basic, intermediate, and advanced courses. In addition, there will be a short advanced course designed for those of you who have been hanging out on the intermediate courses for a while, but haven't decided to leap up to advanced status yet. Try it! It's a great confidence-builder.

I need volunteers for all working positions, including registration, start/finish table, and control pick-up. Please call me if you are willing to help. And beware! If you don't call me, I'll call you!

Directions to Site: I-10 east to exit 281 (Hwy. 83), head south towards Sonoita about 10 miles. Look for a sign that says "Rosemont Junction." Go 2.6 miles beyond this sign to a dirt road that goes to the right; turn right. Follow the "O" signs from here to the site.

Cost: \$5 for individuals, \$7 for teams, \$2 off for TOC or SAHC members. Compass rental \$1. Safety whistles (required for the intermediate and advanced courses) can be purchased for \$1. (Continued on page 2)

ARIZONA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MEET RESULTS

Four of five categories were claimed by Tucson entrants!

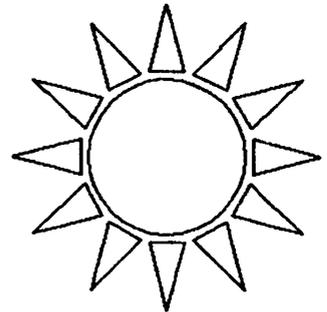
See page 3 for story and complete results.

ROSEMONT JUNCTION MEET (CONTINUED)**Schedule:**

- 9:00 a.m. Registration opens. Beginners' clinics start.
- 9:30 a.m. Courses open: basic, intermediate, advanced.
- 12:15 p.m. Last time to start a course.
- 2:00 p.m. Control retrieval begins, head back to the start/finish area if you are still on a course.

THE ARIZONA SUNFEST**STATUS REPORT BY JOHN MAIER**

Those of you who keep up with club happenings know that we decided to apply for USOF sanctioning to do an A meet at Redington Pass on Presidents Day weekend in February 1996. I submitted our request to Sanctioning Chair Steve Shannonhouse at the recent USOF convention (mid-August). He said everything looks to be in order, the dates are good, and he gave us the unofficial green light to proceed. The official written acceptance of our proposal will follow and we will be assigned consultants who will help us as well as monitor our progress in the areas of map production, course design, and event planning. News travels fast at a small convention and in no time at all people were asking me about our upcoming event. There is a lot of interest out there for an Arizona A meet, this I assure you.



What is an A meet? If you haven't traveled with us to neighboring clubs' A meets, such as the recent one in Colorado, you may not know, at least not firsthand. An A meet is a national-level orienteering event which must meet standards set forth by USOF (the U.S. Orienteering Federation). These standards help to insure that participants will be treated to a quality orienteering experience on a high caliber map with a full complement of courses to choose from—something for everyone, whether rank beginner, elite, or anywhere in between. For participants coming from afar, it is important to know that you can expect the event to meet a uniform standard, no matter where in the nation it is held. They need the assurance that there will be no rude surprises, as can happen on occasion at local events.

What are the benefits of holding an A-meet? They are many. My list of benefits includes: drawing local attention to the sport (club growth) through promotion and publicity, meeting orienteers from around the country, plus a few from other parts of the globe (expand your horizons), elevating the profile of our club and terrain (desert) to national prominence, exposure to a new map of the highest standards, significant revenues for the treasury, rewards that come through working together toward a common goal

(achievement), plus numerous options for club members to demonstrate leadership at a national level. There are other benefits as well, but these are the ones that come most readily to my mind.

As part of our sanctioning request, the A meet committee named our event "The Arizona Sun*Fest." It was unanimous. The A meet committee will henceforth be known as the "Sun*Fest Committee." Watch for future meetings; it's your opportunity to be involved and offer input, or to take charge of some task. Also as part of our request, we needed to name some of the key people in the Sun*Fest hierarchy. I am pleased to announce that this task was an easy one, as a number of highly qualified club members stepped forward to offer their services. Event co-directors are Pat Penn (326-2339) and Ann Haber (293-0262). Marilyn Cleavinger is our registrar. Mark Parsons and myself are the course designers. Roger Sperline is the course vetter. I will coordinate the production of the five-color, USOF standard map which will first be used at Sun*Fest. Numerous other positions will need to be filled before our event becomes reality so there will be plenty of opportunities to offer your leadership or service. To give you an idea of some of the various tasks and crews, there is accounting, promotion and publicity, field supervisor, start and finish crews, results crew, construction/signs crew, parking, accommodations, child care, first aid, participant services, awards, sponsorship, etc. As I write this, it is 18 months until Sun*Fest becomes reality, but it is not too early to communicate your desire to be a part of the Sun*Fest Team by volunteering either for a specific task or in general (where needed). Contact Pat or Ann (phone numbers given above) to join the team, and watch for the next committee meeting. Also mark your calendars, tell your friends: February 17-18, 1996.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MEET RESULTS

AUGUST 13-14, LOWER LAKE MARY

(REPRINTED FROM PHOENIX ORIENTEERING CLUB NEWSLETTER)

Well, it's over. The last bag has been picked up, the punch cards tallied, receipts have all been accounted for, and your favorite pair of Orienteering shoes have been neatly stowed away till next month. It's time to reflect on the meet.

Congratulations go out to all of this year's state champs: Roy Parker, John Little, Double T, George Lebl, and Pat Penn. Ribbons and mesquite medallions will be awarded to the first three finishers of each category (when applicable). The title of "State Champion" is bestowed on the Arizona resident featuring the fastest course time on the Red or Green course. Several categories were recognized—female 21, male 21, female 45, male 45, and team. Categories that did not have at least three contestants finish for a particular course were grouped into the next logical category. For more on the final statistics, see below. Congratulations also go out to Keith McLeod for winning the 'O-Chair raffle prize. The 'O-Chair was designed, created, and donated by Judy Donaldson.

The pickup of the bags went smoothly, and we're happy to announce that all bags were recovered. Thank you to all who helped pick up bags on Sunday afternoon. None of the bags showed signs of being attacked by game, which has been a problem at Lake Mary in the past.

We had a total of 85 people attend the meet. Out of this, 60 chose to run a course. Except for a big downpour on Friday (while people were trying to hang Saturday's bags), the weather was great. The weekend crowd hailed from Tucson, California, Nevada, San Diego, and Phoenix.

With the exception of point 7 on the red course, day 2, being hung too close to the edge of the map (or was it the edge of the map being too close to point 7?), everything went smoothly. Can't wait till next year!

White Course

			<u>Time</u>
1	M21	Ric Zaller	70:50
1T	Team	Jenifer & Andrea	81:58
1	F21	Valerie Ringnes	86:39
2T	Team	Frenchies	87:27
3T	Team	Savine	121:40
		Matt & Becky Judah	
		Conner/Michele	

Red Course

1*	M21	Roy Parker	120:49
2	M45	Edwin Gookin	138:37
3	M21	Don Fallis	142:50
	M21	Eric Ringnes	147:58
	M21	Roger Sperline	148:41
	M21	Carl Beyerhezm	155:50
	M21	Michal Lebl	222:12
	M21	Ron Grayson	266:60
	M21	Dave Kreider	
	M21	Jim Thompson	
	M21	Wilkey Richardson	

Orange Course

			<u>Time</u>
1	F21	Molly Parsons	156:35
2	M21	Brad Hudson	211:40
3	F21	Ann Haber	235:47

Green Course

1*	M45	John Little	126:29
1*	Team	Double T	139:18
1*	M21	George Lebl	141:32
1*	F21	Pat Penn	161:12
2	F21	Marilyn Cleavinger	172:04
2	M21	Al Byrd	177:45
2	M45	Keith McLeod	183:17
3	F45	Donna Gookin	206:22
3	M45	Bill Bryant	208:09
2	Team	2:30 Wake-Up	236:55
	F21	Marley Beard	
	Team	The Wrights	
	F21	Peg Davis	
	Team	MDM	
	M45	Mark Parsons	
	M21	Garret K.	
	M45	Steve Pitchford	

***State Champion**

P.S. The *first* Arizona State Champs meet was held in October 1985 at Saguaro National Monument-East. Thus, this year's meet was the 10th Annual Event!

TUCSON ORIENTEERING CLUB CALENDAR

- Sept. 18 Meet: Rosemont Junction, Santa Rita Mountains
See details in this issue.
- Oct. 1 October newsletter deadline: mail to 9055 Calle Bogota, 85715, or FAX to 290-8071, but call 296-2108 before sending, to make sure it is turned on.
- Oct. 16 Meet: Whetstone Mountains
Course Setter and Meet Director: Mark Parsons
- Nov. 1 November newsletter deadline.
- Nov. 20 Meet: Cat Mountain, Tucson Mountains
Course Setter: Marilyn Cleavinger; Meet Directors: Greg and Carol Starr
- Dec. 18 Meet: Catalina State Park
Courses: Jeff Brucker; Meet Director: ??
- Jan. 15 Meet: site to be decided.
- Feb. 19 Meet: site to be decided.
- March 4, 1995 Arizona ROGAINE, Parker Canyon Lake
Course: Mark Parsons; Meet Director: ??
- (Note: NO regular meet in March.)
- Apr. 16 Meet: site to be decided.

PHOENIX ORIENTEERING CLUB SCHEDULE

- Sept. 11 4th Annual Lake to Lake Hike
- Oct. 2 Lynx Lake Event
- Nov. 6 First Water (new area)
- Dec. 3 Hike 'O/Pot Luck 'O
- Info: Judy Donaldson, 837 W. Fairmount Avenue, Phoenix 85013-3334; phone 602-956-7522.

AUGUST 8 BUSINESS MEETING REPORT

- Heard Marley Beard outline legal requirements for, and describe pros and cons of, TOC'S applying for nonprofit status. Discussion reflected considerable doubts about club's ability to satisfy the requirements, especially in producing necessary financial records, establishing bylaws, and organizing annual membership meetings. Prospective cost savings on meet permits for certain sites did not appear to outweigh the difficulties. Therefore, voted against pursuing nonprofit status at this time.
- Received two reports sent in by Mark Parsons: (1) on proposed A-level meet for February 1996 in Redington Pass area: U.S. Forest Service was expected to send a letter soon to U.S. Orienteering Federation indicating that TOC application for permit to use the site would be approved. (2) on 1995 ROGAINE: competition will be offered in 12-hour, 8-hour, and 4-hour categories.

- Discussed problems of staffing the ROGAINE; agreed to start planning early.
- Revised near-term meet schedule; discussed range of site possibilities for future meets. Agreed to try to reserve Showers Point group campsite for a summer 1995 meet at Palisades/Organization Ridge, especially because Max Suter's two-day event there in July this year proved so popular.
- Critiqued proposed revisions to various forms used for record-keeping during and after club meets. Particular attention given to obtaining information that can be helpful in emergencies, such as emergency phone numbers and vehicle license plate numbers.
- Divided secretary/treasurer duties temporarily between Pat Penn and Marilyn Cleavinger, who have offered to help out until the vacancy in that post is filled. (The search for a new secretary/treasurer continues!)
- **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, September 21, 7 p.m., potluck supper at 6:30; at Peg Davis's, 2241 E. Parkway Terrace (from Broadway Boulevard, go south 0.3 mile on Tucson Boulevard; turn right on Arroyo Chico (before crossing arroyo itself); continue 0.2 mile to white house on circle. Agenda: outline schedule and staffing for ROGAINE; update on proposed A meet.

WILDERNESS TRAINING CAMP

We have received information about two camps being offered by Wilderness Orienteering Camps of Mahopac, New York. The first, TENTH ANNUAL MAPPING CAMP, will be held October 21-24, 1994. The second, INTENSIVE ORIENTEERING TRAINING CAMP, will be held March 31-April 3, 1995, for all levels of orienteers. A special session for teachers and youth leaders, or anyone interested in teaching orienteering, will be offered as part of this training. If you would like a copy of the flyer, please call the Newsletter Editor at 296-2108.

SAN DIEGO AND COLORADO 5-DAY MEETS

A number of TOC members have traveled to San Diego and Colorado to take part in meets, and they have made a fine showing for themselves and TOC. Due to space limitations, we can't list the complete results for these meets; however.....

At San Diego's Filaree Flat Meet, May 28, Roger Sperline and Pat Penn took 3rd place Men and Women, respectively, on the Green Course. Keith McLeod, Rachel Gelbin, and Peg Davis also ran this course. On the Red Course, John Maier, Dan Cobbledick, and Wilkey Richardson all made respectable showings.

The following day at San Diego's Pacific Crest ROGAINE, Dan Cobbledick and John Maier took first place in the 12-hour course. On the 6-hour course, Wilkey Richardson and Keith McLeod were first in the "Masters Men" division, and Peg Davis and Pat Penn placed second in the "Masters Women" division. Sue Roberts and Roger Sperline were first in their division, "Mixed Team," on the 3-hour course.

The "cool" Colorado 5-day took place from June 28-July 3. Dave Kreider ran in the M40-A Red division. John Maier was named Western Champ in the M45-A Red division, with Dan Cobbledick and Mark Parsons also showing very respectable times. Marilyn Cleavinger was fourth in the F40-A division on the Green course, and Pat Penn was Western Champ in the F45-A division. Roger Sperline was second in the M40-B division. Sue Roberts ran the Brown course, F35-B division, and Molly Parsons the Yellow Course, F-14A division.

Thanks to all of you for representing us so well!

STUDENTS! TODAY'S LESSON: Can you pick out one line in the box below that is different from the rest of the lines? Do you know what the difference is? What could *you* do to make this line match? Call one of the officers with your answer. The best answer wins a pen and a checkbook (and a lot of thanks).

TOC OFFICERS		
President	Kathy Creath	577-8203
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TOC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Check one: New Member Renewal Date on mailing label _____

Check one: Individual (\$8) Household (\$11)

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Can you help staff a club meet? Yes, call me.

Members receive a monthly newsletter, have voting privileges, and receive a \$2 discount per meet. Make checks payable to: Tucson Orienteering Club, and send to P. O. Box 13012, Tucson, AZ 85732.