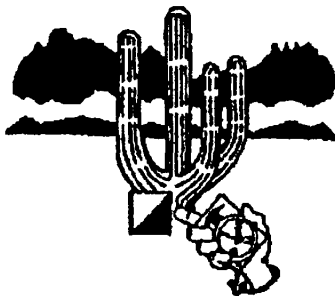

TUCSON ORIENTEERING CLUB



JANUARY 1995

More Craziñess At Greasewood Park January 15, 1995

In recent years, Greasewood Park has been the site of many novelty orienteering events: Mystery-O, Memory-O, Window-O, Star-O, and Poker-O come quickly to mind. There are good reasons for this. The park is small, the map contour detail is extremely fine, and many of us know our way around it as well as we know our way to the bathroom at night. In keeping with this tradition, we're going to attempt [drum-roll] The Hash-O!

Forget any resemblance to the Cheerio or the Spaghetti-O. The Hash-O draws its inspiration instead from the Hash House Harriers. This lunatic band sends out one or two hares to mark a trail. After a brief head start, the pack sets off in chase. The zany hares, meanwhile, have marked not a single, simple route, but a maze of false trails, loops, and backtracks to confound the pack, who must work together to claim their end-of-trail reward: BEER!

Our adaptation of this bizarre activity to orienteering will look like this. No punch card will be carried. Your starting map will show only the first few controls, but at the last control on this map will be copies of the next map. The object of the game will be to navigate from map to map until, on the final map, you will be given the location of the single punch control (the hashers' "beer near"). After punching your map (or lip, tongue, or earlobe, as long as it's readable), you may sprint to the finish.

Easy enough so far. Here's where the fun starts. On each map, the course will fork to two or more alternate "last" controls. The next map will be found at only one of them; your task is to find it by either intuition or process of elimination. Obviously, the only important control on each map is this last one, and the fastest way around would be to visit only these and skip the rest. However, the

other controls may (or may not!) contain hints as to the location of the "true trail" or next map. Visit them or not; you decide.

Here's how a typical run might go. The starting map shows three number 1's. You go directly to 1b and find, of all things, a map! After an appropriate prayer of thanksgiving for your incredible good fortune, you see your new map shows control 2 and four number 3's. At number 2 is the note, "No map at 3d." After striking out at 3c, you find control 3b has the map to 4 and from there to a pair of 5's. No need to visit 3a or 3d. At number 4 you receive the message, "I don't have to give you no stinking hints! Take a guess like everybody else!" (Hey, sometimes the magic works, and sometimes it doesn't.) After considerably more such hilarity, you see at number 9c, "Punch now, my worthy, and claim your prize!" You sprint half a kilometer to the finish and go looking for the course-setter with a brick. (Actual contact with said brick is, however, grounds for disqualification.)

In its pure form, hashing is not a competitive event. Knowing what fires burn in so many of us, though, we're going to retain the orienteering "race" framework while adding the elements of luck, clairvoyance, and deviousness as equalizers. Maybe none of us can out-speed Mr. Maier, but what if his psychic abilities were clouded this day? One might be able by means of good fortune or inspired guesswork to claim a victory in a fair contest! (Or you might find a way to cheat. This is legitimate; cheating on a hash, while illegal, is encouraged. "Short-cutting bastards" occupy a position of semi-respect.)

The event will be held January 15, 1995, at Greasewood Park, on the SW corner of Speedway and Greasewood. There will be courses at the usual three levels of distance and difficulty. Starts will be available from 9:30 to noon. Beginners' clinics will be offered at 9:00 and on request. No actual beer will be provided, but virtual beer may be in evidence. If anyone wants a taste of real hashing as a preview, the Javelina Hash goes nuts every Saturday; call the Hash Hotline at 298-0521 for times and meeting places.

—Dan Cobbledick (Hash name: "Trailing Dick")

See you on the trail!

Directions to Site: Go west on Speedway to Greasewood. The park is on the southwest corner of the intersection.

Cost: \$5 US for individuals, \$7 for teams, \$2 off for TSN members. Compass rental is \$1. Safety whistles (now mandatory for all courses at all meets) can be purchased for \$1.

Schedule:

- 9:00 a.m. Registration opens and beginners' clinic starts.
- 9:30 a.m. Courses open.
- 12:00 noon Last time to start a course.
- 2:00 p.m. Courses close. Control retrieval gets underway (volunteers needed). Everyone must head back to start/finish, if still on a course.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

—John Maier



Greetings! I hope you all had a splendid holiday season and are looking forward to an exciting 1995. Looking back for just a moment, I wish to thank each and every one of you who voted in our election. Slightly more than a third of our membership (now at 122) voted and the vote was so close that just a few votes cast differently would've changed the outcome. Your votes really do count!

I'd also like to thank Al Byrd for giving the membership a clear choice and an election, something we haven't had for many, many years. The fact that the vote was so close speaks well of all he has given the club, especially during this last year.

Looking ahead now, I want everyone to realize how important your ideas are for the club. By hearing them, we are better able to make decisions regarding the membership and club events. So speak up! Tell us what you do or do not like and in which direction you'd like to see the club going. Come to business meetings if you want to be more involved with the decisions. If you can't make meetings but have ideas to be considered, call an officer or write the club. Anything that comes directly to me (address: P. O. Box 1418, Benson, AZ 85602; phone: 1-602-586-7300) will receive prompt attention.

Let me clarify a few things concerning my election to office. It doesn't mean setting any precedent or adding additional duties to the office of president, just as it did not have that effect when I was last president of the club. I am bringing leadership to the office (what better place for leadership?), but that's something that goes along with the personality rather than the office. I will be pushing for changes to make us a more healthy and vibrant club. I will not be implementing club policies; that is the domain of the board as a whole. I do not intend to increase the duties of any office. As a matter of fact, I prefer to have more of us involved, sharing the load more equitably while at the same time increasing the numbers in our core group of dedicated volunteers. I intend to see that we stay focused on the problems that are begging for solutions. I ask for everyone's input. So tune in, speak up, help out.

The volunteer crisis is undoubtedly our Number One concern. The real problem and the primary reason I ran for office is that we have done nothing to solve it. Let us start by recognizing that this crisis is not going to solve itself. We need to take control. It seems fundamental to me that if what we're doing is not producing the desired results, then we must not be doing the right thing, and we should try something different. Let us do that!

I will present a lot of ideas for dealing with the volunteer issue at our January business meeting. Most of these are not my ideas; rather they have been stolen from others via the USOF convention (a melting pot of ideas) which I attended last August. These are ideas with which other clubs have found success. We can do the same, or perhaps by building upon these, do even better.

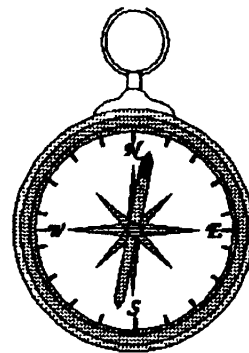
Do you have any ideas for us to consider? Now is the time to make them known.

Another issue demanding attention which will come up at our January meeting concerns course offerings. I will ask that we consider a new course offering midway between the basic and intermediate. This would be a welcome addition for all our new and developing orienteers, as the step between basic and intermediate is just too big for an easy transition.

Please voice your opinions on these issues so we may consider the full range of options. Watch for this column in future issues to key in to the important issues on our agenda. Thanks.

Training Tip of the Month: Measuring Distance on the Map

Most orienteering compasses come with a scale at one end that can be used to measure distance. If this scale happens to be the same as the scale on your orienteering map (usually, but not always, 1:15,000), you're in good shape. All you need to do is lay the compass on the map and read the distance in meters between the two points. With this information, you can then pace-count that same distance across the terrain. If your compass does not have a scale, or if the scale does not match the scale of the map, it is easy to make one. Simply put a strip of white adhesive tape across the end of your compass, then mark off 100-meter segments using the map scale printed on the map.



Catalina State Park Results

—Al Byrd

Our December meet was held on the 18th at Catalina State Park, and, due to great weather and proximity to Tucson, the turnout was fantastic. We had nearly 100 people running four challenging courses set by Jeff Brucker. The courses were mostly well received, despite two controls that were miscopied on the master map.

It was my first attempt at meet directing, and I was amazed at how smoothly it went. I owe thanks to many people for their help, including Mary English (for keeping the equipment so well organized); Bill Moeller and Mike Huckaby (equipment pick-up, return, and transportation); Pat Penn, Helen Deluga, and Marilyn Cleavinger (registration); Peg Davis (Beginners' Clinic); Wilkey Richardson, Kathy Creath, Mark Parsons, John Maier, Bill Moeller, and Keith McLeod (control retrieval). I'd also like to apologize to Kathy Creath for forgetting that she was out retrieving controls and leaving before she returned.

The miscopied controls created some discrepancies in the results, but fortunately only affected the order of finish in one race, the Long Advanced. It was decided at the board meeting that we would list the times of the finishers, but not distribute ribbons for that competition. An asterisk (*) next to a competitor's name means that the misplaced control was not found.

Basic

	Time
1T Filbert's Flock	41:10
1M Lukas	46:44
1W Katerina	51:17
2T Silly Sahuaros	1:03:02
3T Colts	1:10:38

Recreational: Mayfield & Weatherford, Evans, The Wolves, Calral Cheech Calenti, Big Dogs, Ramblers.

Intermediate

1M Bill Moeller	51:36
2M Kelly Cook	1:14:36
1T Not That Way	1:21:51
2T Beauty And.....	1:23:19
1W Carol Starr	1:25:35
2W Marley Beard	1:26:29
3T Space Cadets	1:39:44
4T Checkmates	2:02:32
5T Broncos	2:04:07
6T Bears	2:28:23
7T MJM	2:35:19
8T Los Buscadores	3:10:56

DNF: Baker & Trainer, Nancy Ann Cook, Christine Hannum, Sue Roberts, Nathan's Sherpas

Recreational: G. Barrington, Calral, Rachel Gelbin, Malan

Short Advanced

	Time
1T Katerina & Co.	1:16:46
1M Keith McLeod	1:34:56
2T Can't Think of One	2:17:36
2M Gregg Townsend	2:23:34
3T Stalkers	2:24:37
3M Larry Lamis	2:28:11
DNF: Marilyn Cleavinger, The Cranes, Peg Davis, Flying Boys, Hinmans, Mike Huckaby, George Lebl, Jim & Marion	

Long Advanced

John Little	1:22:13
Roy Parker	1:25:12
*Dan Cobbledick	1:30:09
*John Maier	1:35:10
Fred Padgett	1:41:08
Roger Sperline	1:48:36
Max Suter	1:57:17
DNF: Beauty &, Mark Parsons, Ken Quimby, Wilkey Richardson, Wayne Van Voorhies	

<p>LOST AND FOUND</p>

Personal belongings left behind at a meet are collected with club equipment and brought to later meets. If you're missing something, check the Lost/Found basket near Registration (or between meets, call the Equipment Chairman).

Tucson Orienteering Club Calendar

JANUARY 1995						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Meet	16	17 Board Meeting	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Newsletter	26	27	28
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| <p>Jan. 15 Meet: Greasewood (City) Park
See details in this issue.</p> <p>Jan. 17 Business/Planning Meeting, 7 p.m.
All members welcome. See
December meeting report in this
issue.</p> <p>Jan. 25 February newsletter deadline: mail to
9055 Calle Bogota, 85715, or FAX to
290-8071, <u>but</u> call 296-2108 before
sending, to make sure it is turned on.</p> <p>Feb. 19 Meet: Rosemont Junction-North,
Santa Rita Mountains
Courses: Roy Parker
Meet Director: <u>??</u></p> <p>Feb. 27 March newsletter deadline</p> <p>Mar. 1 Arizona ROGAINE preregistration
(postmark) deadline to avoid late
fees:</p> <p>Mar. 18 Arizona ROGAINE, Parker Canyon
Lake, Huachuca Mountains
Course Designer/Meet Director: Mark
Parsons (Bisbee, 432-2507)
Info: Wilkey Richardson (529-1105)</p> | <p>Apr. 16 Meet: Tentatively, Brown Mountain,
new site in Tucson Mountains
Courses: <u>??</u>
Director: <u>??</u></p> <p>May 21 Cave Creek, Santa Rita Mtns.
Courses: <u>??</u>
Director: <u>??</u></p> <p>June 18 Carr Canyon, Huachuca Mtns.</p> <p>July 16 Bear Wallow, Catalina Mtns.</p> <p>Aug. 19-
20 Palisades Ridge, Catalina Mtns.
Group campsite reserved at Showers
Point.</p> <p>Sep. 16-
17 1995 Arizona State Championships
Meet (organized by TSN), Rosemont
Junction-South, Santa Rita Mtns.</p> <p>Oct. 15 Slavin Gulch, Dragoon Mtns.</p> <p>Nov. 19 Cat Mountain, Tucson Mtns.</p> <p>Dec. 17 Catalina State Park</p> <p>Feb. 17-
18, 1996 Arizona Sun+Fest, Redington Pass
Director: John Maier (Benson, 586-
7300)</p> |
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If you would be willing to direct a club meet or help staff one for an hour or so, please call Mike Huckaby, vice president, 881-0559.

Phoenix Orienteering Club Schedule

Jan. 7-8	Mapping Clinic at Coorn Bluff	Mar. 5	Picket Post Meet
Jan. 14-	Course Design Clinic at Lake	Info:	Judy Donaldson, 837 W. Fairmount
15	Pleasant (Site 1)		Avenue, Phoenix 85013-3334; phone
Feb. 5	Lake Pleasant Meet, Site 2		602-956-7522.

December Business/Planning Meeting

Twelve members met December 19, 1994, at home of Peg Davis; Al Byrd, vice president, presiding.

- Results of balloting conducted this month for club president in 1995 (the only contested officer position): John Maier—25 votes; Al Byrd—21 votes. (Tally certified by Helen Deluga, secretary.)
- Discussed maps and mapping for quite a while: several ideas for new competition sites, and existing maps from which O maps might be developed for these areas; new Redington Pass map that John Maier is field-checking now; what work Catalina State Park color map could use.

Voted to upgrade club's OCAD; also to print Catalina map with Redington map (i.e., this summer).

Roger Sperline to take charge of additional field-checking for Catalina.

- Talked a bit about preparations for Sun*Fest (A meet, Feb. 1996) in terms of schedule suggested by U. S. Orienteering Federation. John Maier has decided to serve as meet director.
- Search continues for 1995 map chair.
- Membership report: 122 active members.
- NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, January 17, 7 p.m. (potluck 6:30), at Marilyn Cleavinger's, 2926 E. Seneca Street (two blocks south of Grant Road).

VOTER SEES A WIN EITHER WAY

The following letter was received during the election for club president.

Dear Tucson Orienteering Club,

Wow! This is a tough choice. Both candidates have been hard-working mainstays of the club for years; and both have good insights to the problems the club faces as well as good ideas for solutions and future development. Whichever one "wins" the election, I hope the other one doesn't become disgruntled or discouraged. The club *needs both of them*, and their ideas and their energies. Neither of them could run everything by himself.

Either way it goes, with these two guys working together at the top, it's Tucson Orienteering that will "win"!

Barb Grandstaff

*To the course setters and meet directors
who designed and organized events
for the Tucson Orienteering Club in 1994—*



- to Wilkey Richardson and Elizabeth Weintraub, for the Memory-O plus two other courses (57 entries) at Lincoln Park in January;
- to John Maier and Peg Davis, for the meet that nearly wasn't, the Mystery-O (25 entries) at Greasewood Park in February;
- to Dan Cobblepick, Keith McLeod, and Laurie Fellows, for the fourth annual Arizona ROGAINE (24 entries) in the Atascosa Mountains in March;
- to Mark Parsons, for three courses (21 entries) at Fort Huachuca in March;
- to Jeff Brucker, Robin Staples, and Roy Parker, for four courses (38 entries) at Redington Pass in April;
- to Michal, George, and Martin Lebl, for six courses European-style (50 entries) at Slavin Gulch in May;
- to Wilkey Richardson and Marley Beard, for the Score-O plus Basic Course (48 entries) at Bear Wallow in June;
- to Max and Kyoko Suter, for the two-day event with four courses (40 entries), plus the compass and distance training course, at Palisades in July;
- to John Little and Ann Haber, for four courses (44 entries) at Rosemont in September;
- to Mark Parsons, for four courses (28 entries, despite the day-long downpour) in the Whetstone Mountains in October;

to Marilyn Cleavinger, and Greg and Carol Starr, for four courses (42 entries) at Cat Mountain in November;
to Jeff Brucker and Al Byrd, for four courses (59 entries) at Catalina State Park in December.

AND SPECIAL THANKS

to John Little for the training class in course-setting that he taught in August/September.

1995 TUCSON ORIENTEERING CLUB OFFICERS

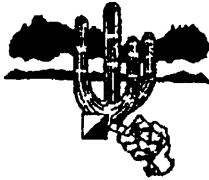
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MEMORIES OF US!

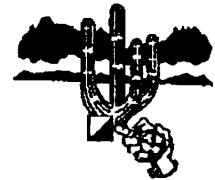
A couple of years ago, the club started a photo album, which Pat Penn has been keeping. Are there snapshots now in private collections that could add to our pictorial chronicle?

If so, please send them to Pat, at the club post office box. Be sure to label each one with at least the date and place it was taken and, if possible, the names of any people shown.

And keep the club album in mind whenever you bring a camera to a meet.



**GET INVOLVED
IN YOUR CLUB.
YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!**



Why Join U.S.O.F.?

You've joined Tucson Orienteering Club and get the benefits of *that* membership; why should you join the United States Orienteering Federation?

The simplest answer to that question is "For the same reasons you joined TSN!" You support the programs of the organization and make their activities possible. You receive their periodic publications and keep up on news, developments, training, and schedules, as well as receiving discounts on items offered by the organization and entry fees.

With U.S.O.F., you are supporting training and coaching programs, the Little Troll program for children, activities and public relations with media and governmental agencies for the promotion of orienteering, and the conducting of major meets such as the World Cup and World Championship events that give the sport more exposure and make it easier for your club to have an active program.

U.S.O.F. members receive the monthly "Orienteering North America" with articles of interest to orienteers at all levels...on training, recent meets and other events, orienteering in other countries, innovations in the sport and national and regional schedules, as well as news of international meets.

At major meets ("Class A") in the U.S. and Canada, U.S.O.F. members receive a \$2 discount on each day of competition. Members, by participating in these meets, can see how they measure up with other orienteers in their age division. The U.S.O.F. makes available, many at a discount, a number of publications on orienteering, as well as letting readers know of newly-published ones. *And* your Club benefits if you are a member of U.S.O.F., with more votes at the National Convention making our own programs more effective.

NOTE: The United States Orienteering Federation designation for Tucson Orienteering Club is TSN, not TOC, as we have been accustomed to using. Toronto Orienteering Club has held the "TOC" designation for many years.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
United States Orienteering Federation
P. O. Box 1444
Forest Park, GA 30051

New Member Renewal Address Change

As a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident, I hereby apply for USOF membership. I understand that I am entitled to a one-year subscription to Orienteering North America, voting rights, and membership in the International Orienteering Federation (IOF). [This form may be photocopied.]

PLEASE PRINT, AND MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO USOF.

Date: _____ Year born: _____ Home Phone: () _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

If this is a family membership, please list other family members:

Name: _____ Year born: _____

Member of a chartered club? Club name: _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual \$25, member of a chartered club | <input type="checkbox"/> Student \$10 (21 & under) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual \$30, At-large | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior \$5 (18 & under, no vote, no magazine) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family \$30, members of chartered club | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Life \$450 |
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FOR MAILING OVERSEAS (except APO & FPO):
 Surface, \$5 extra; Airmail, \$25 extra



See you at
January 15
Bismarck, ND

Address Correction Requested

Tucson Orienteering Club
P. O. Box 13012
Tucson, AZ 85732

TSN 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.