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# Tucson Orienteering Club



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## GREASEWOOD PARK IN DECEMBER

—Wilkey Richardson

A meet will be held Sunday, December 15, at Greasewood Park. This will replace the Catalina State Park meet that had been scheduled. There will be White, Yellow, and Orange courses. Wilkey Richardson will conduct a beginners' clinic at 9 a.m. Peg Davis will guide two map walks. The first, from 9:30 to 10:30, is geared toward White course orienteers who would like to move up to Yellow courses. The second, from 10:30 to 11:30, is for Yellow course orienteers who wish to move up to Orange courses.

Courses open at 9:30 and the last start time is 11:30. Courses will close at 1 p.m.

To volunteer to help, call Peg at 628-8985 or Wilkey at 529-1105.

**Directions:** Take Speedway west to the intersection with Greasewood Road (there is a stop-light there). Turn south (left) on Greasewood and turn right at the park entrance, 0.1 mile. (It will be marked with an orienteering sign.)

**Fees:** \$4 per person for nonmembers; \$2 per person for members of TSN, GPHX, USOF, or SAHC. (No team rate.) Compasses rent for \$1. Safety whistles sell for \$1. *Every person, all courses, all meets* is required to carry some type of safety whistle.

**Check-In:** To insure that all are safe, *everyone, whether finished with the course or not*, must check in formally at Start/Finish before leaving the meet site.

**Newcomers:** Go directly to Registration; ask for instructions and introductory information. To allow time to register before attending the beginners' clinic, you should arrive between 8:45 and 9 a.m.

**Schedule:**

9:00 a.m.	Registration opens. Also beginners' clinic starts.
9:30 a.m.	Courses open.
9:30 a.m.	Map walk for Yellow course.
10:30 a.m.	Map walk for Orange course.
11:30 a.m.	Last start time.
1:00 p.m.	Courses close.



Come, and bring your friends!!

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# Clear Day at Chimney Rock

—Clark B. Lohr

(Isn't that the name of a movie?) On November 17, our meet was held in the mountains just a few miles east of Tucson, in a beautiful high desert area with a fine view of the Rincons. Chimney Rock, I think, is the optimum orienteering site for people who want a great walk, a good "O" game, and a short ride back to town.

We had 48 entries and nearly 70 people on the courses. We can thank **Peg Davis**, in part, for this turnout. She placed notices in the *Tucson Weekly* and the *Star-Citizen* papers. One first-time orienteerer told me she'd seen the O-meet notice in the *Tucson Weekly*, and I received several calls from prospective orienteerers as well. Thanks to the first-timers for coming out and joining us. We hope you enjoyed it and will be with us again.

We got positive feedback on the course designs, which were a product of John Maier's course-setting class, attended by Francisco Luttmann and myself. John did the most work, teaching us in a sit-down class situation and in the field. He then followed up with more field work done on his own and, finally, he and Francisco hung bags for the meet.

Thanks to **Audrey Brooks, Keith McLeod, GeeGee Larrington, Ann Haber, Jeff Brodsky, Helen Deluga, Jill Luttmann, Robin Staples, Kat McClellan, Dan Coombs, and Jason Luurs** for working tables. Audrey, Jill, and GeeGee, in particular, spent hours on those tables.

Thanks also to the bag retrieval team led by **John Maier** and including **Pat Penn, Dan Coombs, Keith McLeod, Francisco Luttmann, and Jim DeVeny**.

And a special thanks to **Mary English**, who works every meet because she stores, maintains, and issues all of our meet equipment.

## White, 2.3 k, 80m, 9 controls

1T	Julie & Rachel	55:10
2T	Lost in the Desert	70:55
1W	Lori Regehr	78:12
2W	Laura Jacobs	107:37
3W	Trinkle Jones	153:33
Rec.	Larry Barnhill, Yoss Van Sitteren, Hopeless Pathfinders, Leopards, Carol Smythe, Bonnie Todd	

## Yellow, 3.1k, 115m, 12 controls

1M	Brian Sullivan	55:31
2M	Steve Richard	59:33
1W	Nicole Capdarest	120:33
2T	Cosmic	146:46
3M	Ted Norris	166:40
Rec.	GeeGee Larrington, Julie & Rachel	

## Orange, 3.6k, 130m, 10 controls

1T	The Ying Yangs	130:43
1W	Carol Starr	151:58
2T	Tacoma	163:22
3T	Double Trouble	167:50
2W	Lois Kimminau	225:50
Rec.	Warriors, Kara Freeman, LaDonna Lu	
DNF	Garey Cash, Indy J	

## Green, 3.8k, 155m, 10 controls

1M	Dave Graser	78:47
1W	Peg Davis	90:18
2W	Robin Staples	94:26
2M	Keith McLeod	109:25
3M	Wilkey Richardson	114:12
3W	Pat Penn	118:20
	Pete Cowgill	129:13
1T	Stray Cats	140:10
2T	Explorers	172:70
DNF	Jim DeVeny, Ann Haber	

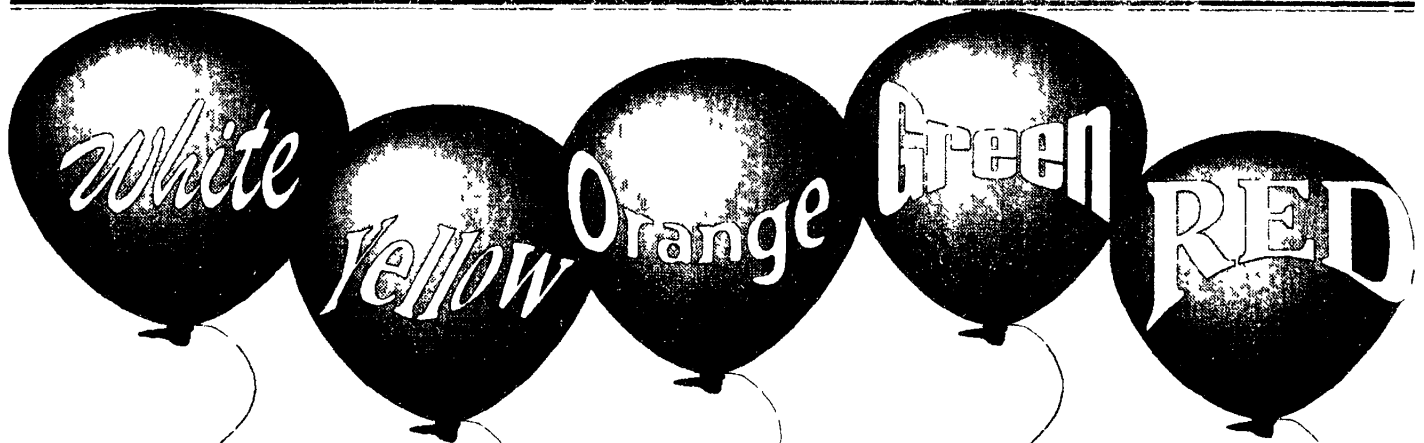
## Red, 5.5k, 250m, 11 controls

1M	John Little	85:00
2M	Dan Coombs	87:20
3M	Mark Parsons	92:38
	Jeff Brucker	105:32
	Alexandre Savine	118:08
	Dave Kreider	124:10
DNF	Robert Ternes	



## NOTICE!!

**Volunteers are needed to staff registration and finish tables at the North American ROGAINE Championships March 1 and 2. Call Wilkey Richardson at 529-1105 to volunteer.**



—*John Maier*

Do you know which course is appropriate for you? There's more to it than just looking at the map on the "Which Course?" board and basing your decision on length and climb. On that board you will find an article by Karen Dennis which gives you a basic understanding of the prerequisites for each course, as well as what you can expect to gain from each.

Anyone not at the elite level would do well to at least read the description of the course you intend to do. If you do not understand the description, then you are getting in over your head and may not have a pleasant experience.

Below is a list of what I consider to be the main distinguishing points of the various courses.

**White (easy course):** For those with no prior experience other than the beginners' clinic. The course follows linear features (e.g., road, trail, wash) from point to point. All control features will be within sight of the linear features you are following. Compass use not required.

**Yellow (easy course):** Takes you away from the roads and trails, though these or other linear features will be nearby. Many controls will not be visible from the linear features. The Yellow orienteerer should have a basic understanding of contour lines and be able to identify the more obvious features (e.g., hills, ridges, drainages). Compass use not essential but helpful.

**Orange (moderate):** Does not follow linear features. The Orange orienteerer will use point features in addition to the terrain for navigation. Linear features and/or obvious terrain features should be about 100 meters away from control sites so as to make relocation relatively easy in case of error. Compass use required. Lots of route-choice decisions. Lots of variety in control locations.

**Green and Red (difficult):** Orienteer is tested in use of all skills. Must use subtle terrain features for navigation to control sites. No linear features or obvious terrain features within 200 meters of control. Lots of route-choice problems, some long legs, strong penalty for error. Technically, Green and Red are equally difficult. Physically, Red is harder (i.e., longer, more climb).

## GPHXO MEET DECEMBER 8

The Greater Phoenix Orienteering Club is holding a meet on Sunday, December 8, at Dreamy Draw Park, which is located east of the Squaw Peak Parkway (SR51) and Northern Avenue. There will be beginner, intermediate, and advanced courses. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.; courses open at 9 a.m. and close at 1 p.m. Call Lois Kimminau, 296-2108 in Tucson, for particulars.





## TSN Congratulates Graduates of Course-Setting Clinic

—John Maier

Clark Lohr and Francisco Luttmann completed the November course-setting clinic and helped set courses for the event at Chimney Rock. These courses were well received. Clark and Francisco are qualified to set courses at the White, Yellow, and Orange levels—the levels at which they successfully orienteer.

This will help alleviate the burden on our other course setters, especially as we endeavor to offer five courses on a regular basis. Course-setting duties for any given event may be shared, facilitating the task.

The next course-setting clinic will be offered as potential course setters make themselves known. Remember, it's not necessary to be an advanced orienteer in order to set a course, it's only necessary to orienteer successfully at the highest level of courses you will be setting.

Interested? Let us know.

## Are You Officer Material?

What does it take to be an officer or board member of Tucson Orienteering Club? Genius mentality? Great physical strength and speed? Championship orienteering skills? Full-time commitment?

NO, to all of these. If you have enough interest in orienteering to want to see our club grow and flourish, and if you can spare a few hours each month, you are *exactly* what is needed.

Elections for the year beginning April 1, 1997, are coming up. The January 1997 newsletter will have descriptions of the duties for each office. Please give some thought to what you can do to help. If you have a question, feel free to call one of the officers and discuss it.

**THIS IS YOUR CLUB! GET INVOLVED!**



## Need Help With Your Holiday Shopping?

### How About . . . . .



A year's membership in Tucson Orienteering Club?



A club T-shirt? These come in several colors and sizes, and they will be available at the December 15 meet at Greasewood Park.



A map? See Tucson Map and Flag Center at 3239 North First Avenue for a complete selection at reasonable prices. (They are TSN contributors and deserve our support.)

# Club Calendar

## 1997

**December 13, Business/Planning Meeting**  
6:30 p.m., Peg Davis's house. See article below.  
All TSN Club members invited and eligible to vote.

# MEET

**December 15, Greasewood Park**  
(Note change of site)  
Courses: Peg Davis (628-8985) and  
Wilkey Richardson (529-1105)

**December 23, January Newsletter Deadline**  
See submittal information below.

**January 8, Advance Registration (Postmark) Deadline for North American ROGAINE Championships**  
Entry form was included with November newsletter.  
Call Wilkey Richardson (529-1105) for information.

**January 19, Cat Mountain Meet**  
Tucson Mountains  
Courses: Max Suter (797-8850)  
Directors: ?? *Please call!*



**March 1-2, North American ROGAINE Championships**  
Empire Ranch, organized by Tucson Orienteering Club  
Course Designers: Wilkey Richardson and  
Roger Sperline  
Director: Wilkey Richardson (529-1105)

*TSN Club meets are held regularly on the third Sunday of the month, year-round.*

*Experienced course setters are usually happy (with advance notice of about a month) to work with apprentices who want to learn to set courses. If there is enough interest, separate training for course setting can be organized.*

*Directing a meet consists essentially of setting up and supervising the Registration and Timing areas, with help from other volunteers. Teams of two are encouraged.*

## Business/Planning Meeting

The November meeting was cancelled. The next business meeting will be held Friday, December 13 (and you'll have BAD LUCK if you aren't there!). Topics to be discussed are next year's schedule and the North American ROGAINE Championships.

The meeting will be held at Peg Davis's house, 2241 East Parkway Terrace, from 6:30 to 7:30 (one-half hour earlier than usual). At 7:30, we put on party hats and help John Maier celebrate his 50th birthday!!! The birthday party will be a **dessert potluck**. For directions, call Peg at 628-8985.



### Newsletter Submittals

The deadline for newsletter items is shown in the monthly calendar. Please try to meet the deadline, or call the editor if there is a problem. All members are invited and encouraged to send informational or opinion articles on any orienteering topic.

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—Lois Kimminau, Editor

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 GPHXO. Dreamy Draw Meet	9	10	11	12	13 Business/Planning Meeting	14
15 MEET, Grease- wood Park	16	17	18	19	20	21 Winter begins
22	23 Newsletter Deadline	24	25 Christmas	26	27	28
29	30	31 New Year's Eve				

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