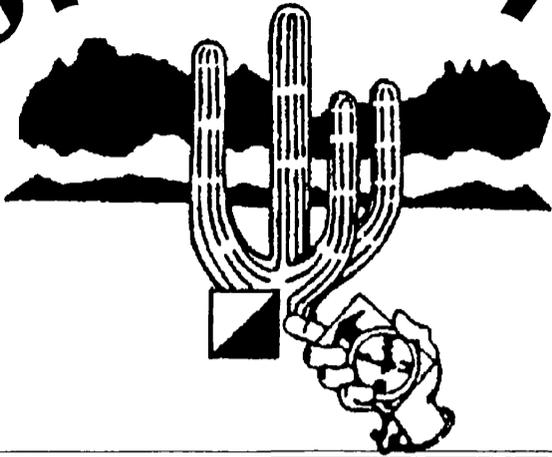

Tucson Orienteering Club



May 1998

Greasewood in May

—Peg Davis

Our next meet, on Sunday, May 17, 1998, is at the extremely accessible Greasewood Park. It's easy to get to, it's easy to park at, it's easy to orienteer in—whoops! Is that what we want? I have a plan to keep the interest of the more advanced orienteers, even as the less experienced can have fun.

White, Yellow, and Orange courses will follow our usual loop format. This is an excellent park to try jumping up a level. It's small enough and bounded by obvious landmarks (including a grade school) to guarantee that you won't get lost.

The new wrinkle this month is Trail-O. I've received two tons of reference material from the national Trail-O guru about how to set up and run a Trail-O course. Complete explanations will be waiting for you on site, but, briefly, once you find the control area, you must decide which of 3-5 bags hanging there occupies the exact location marked on the map. Greasewood isn't a big physical challenge, so the advanced course will be more of an intellectual travail than usual.

This will be a good month to bring along that friend, co-worker, or relative who's always saying they'd like to try orienteering. The park is certified grizzly-free and very quick and easy to drive to.

This will also be a good month to take advantage of the "pay for one course and you can run the rest free" policy. Take this opportunity to give a harder course a try. Or you advanced types could show us just how fast an Orange course can be run. Remember that only your first course run can win a ribbon—any further courses will be recreational.

Call meet director Marley Beard at 297-0180 to volunteer an hour of help. Note that we're starting a little early to dodge the heat.

Directions: Take Speedway west, going toward Desert Museum (also Old Tucson). You will go below I-10 and continue on as the road starts up and down. Turn left at the light on Greasewood Road, and after 100 yards or maybe less, turn right into Greasewood Park.

Fees: \$8/individual, \$10/team, \$5 discount for TSN, GPOC, USOF, or SAHC members. Compasses rent for \$1. Safety whistles sell for \$1. *Every person, all courses, all meets* is required to carry some type of safety whistle.

Schedule:

7:45 a.m. Registration opens

8:00 a.m. Courses open. Beginners' clinic starts

11:00 a.m. Last time to start a course

12:00 noon Courses close. Begin control retrieval—good orienteering practice, lots of help always needed. Volunteer early with the meet director.

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, arrive between 7:45 and 8 a.m.



Hope we see you at the ROGAINE too! Don't forget, May 2-3, 1998, near the Mogollon Rim. This is your Club's biggest annual event!

The Bay Area Orienteering Club will be holding the Third Annual Golden Goat on Saturday, May 9, 1998, at Briones Regional Park, near Orinda, CA. If you are interested, please e-mail GoldGoat98@aol.com, or telephone (510) 644-0788 for further information.

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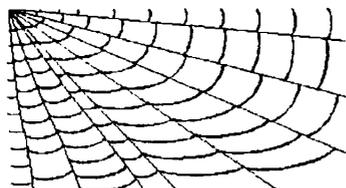
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Can you help staff a club meet? Yes, call me.

Members receive a monthly newsletter, have voting privileges and access to Club library, and receive a \$5 discount per meet. Make checks payable to Tucson Orienteering Club and send to P. O. Box 13012, Tucson, AZ 85732.



Check out the Tucson Orienteering Club web site!
<http://www.bayside.net/users/cbsites/toc/>
Also, for links to all the West Coast club sites, go to
<http://www.geocities.com/Yosemite/Trails/4040>

President's Letter

The first meeting of the 1998-1999 Board of Directors was also my first meeting as President. Since taking over the office, I've found that I'm quite excited about orienteering in a new way. We could do some really neat things, and I'm going to work to make them happen.

Here are some objectives I have for my presidency:

- Closer ties with the Phoenix club. We are already moving toward this with the joint state meet in July and the new Brady Wash map to be used for the November meet.
- Map checking as a regular club activity. The first project is checking the Lake Mary map near Flagstaff to prepare for the state champs. You are cordially invited to spend Saturday, June 6, in the field with us. Don't know how to map check? Learn from an expert in the field.
- Increased visibility. The new Club t-shirts will be at the ROGAINE and following meets. Wear one when you hike or run or attend Audubon meetings. Encourage anyone who asks about orienteering to attend a meet. More people need to know about orienteering.
- Knowing what you'd like for the Club. E-mail me (pegdavis@u.arizona.edu), call me (628-8985), write to me (2241 E. Parkway Terrace, Tucson 85719), or come to a business meeting. Your ideas are needed and welcome. Let's have a great year!

Peg Davis
(but please call me La Jefa)