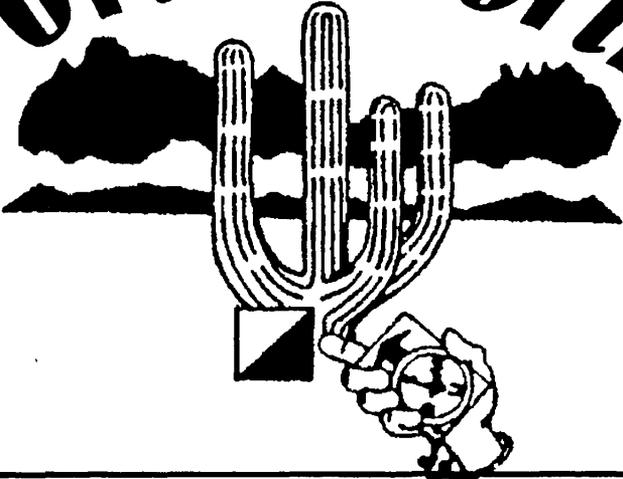


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# Tucson Orienteering Club



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May 1999

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## Utter Mystery Meet at Palisades

—Peg Davis

Something will happen on Sunday May 16 at the Showers Point campground, but what that something will be is a MYSTERY. We have a lovely group camp site reserved for Saturday night, lovely meet directors in Jim DeVeny and Maureen Jamieson, and **no course setter designated.**

I personally guarantee that there *will* be orienteering available, if I have to crawl across those pine needles on my hands and knees, clutching controls in my teeth. I have some ideas, but I could use some help hanging bags. Even better, someone could volunteer to be course setter.

Check the website or call the meet director after May 10 for late-breaking news about a possible late afternoon Saturday event, possibly a skill-building exercise.

I was so disappointed when the meet last September was canceled that I want this meet to happen and am willing to work on it. You may notice on our calendar that there are other empty slots to be filled in the coming months. Call me to volunteer to set or direct future meets (Peg at 628-8985). Call Jim and Maureen for more details or to help out at the May meet (323-0936).

**Camping:** Y'all come! This is a very pretty and comfortable group site with toilets and water available—no plugins, of course! Arrive Saturday afternoon and plan for a friendly evening with other orienteers.

**Directions:** Take Catalina Highway about 20 miles up to Organization Ridge Road. Turn left and, bearing right, go about 0.4 mile to the gate for Showers Point. Follow road around to circle at end to the group camping area.

**Fees:** \$8/individual, \$10/team, plus \$1 per map for color maps, when used. \$5 discount for TSN, PHX, 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:**

9:00 a.m. Registration opens. Beginners' clinic starts.

9:30 a.m. Courses open.

12:00 noon. Last time to start a course.

12 noon-2 p.m. Route choice reviews.

2:00 p.m. Courses close. Begin control retrieval—good orienteering practice, lots of help always needed. Volunteer before 2 p.m. 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 attend the beginners' clinic, arrive between 8:45 and 9 a.m.

**Route-Choice Reviews:** Between noon and 2 p.m., the course setter or an advanced orienteer will discuss route choices with returning participants, probably near Start/Finish area.



## A Different Slice of Slavin

—Garey Cash

Ideal weather conditions and great scenery made this the place to be to celebrate the first day of spring on March 21.

The maps of this area were detailed and abundant, thanks to **Roger Sperline**. There were a total of eight courses from which to choose, three on Saturday and five on Sunday. **John Maier** vetted my Saturday Long-O and assisted **Mark Parsons** in creating some very interesting controls for the remaining courses.

Saturday's events, a Long-O, a Bike-O, and a Nite-O, were enthusiastically, if lightly, attended.

Sunday started smoothly, thanks to the expertise of **Marley Beard** and **Jim Coffman** at Registration. The usual five courses were available, White through Red.

Competition was fierce, especially between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places on Red and Green men's courses. Several folks teamed up afterwards to bring this meet to an end. **Carol Brucker** and **Maureen DeVeny** checked in controls while **Mrs. Little** entertained us with some lively banjo melodies. **Keith McLeod** (who retrieved my Long-O Saturday afternoon) made a fine team-mate for **Jeff Brucker** to pick up controls. Many thanks to **John Little**, **Jim DeVeny**, **David Barfield**, and either **Tecate** or **Rim Runners** for handling the remainder of them.

Finally, thanks to **Mary English** for her usual superb job at Equipment Chair under adverse conditions.

### White

1T	Gomez	44:10
1M	Mark Stone	52:30
1W	Shelah	56:00

### Yellow

1W	Carol Brucker	52:00
1T	Caty & Lucy	79:00
2T	Wanderers	84:30
1M	Coyote	86:00
2W	Bev Parks	86:00
3T	Nite Lizards	86:30
	Tecate	92:00
	Slobbering Dragoon Dogs	111:30

### Orange

1W	Maggie Turnbull	112:30
1T	Fish Out of Water	123:10
2T	Team Medical	140:45
3T	Vinnie	141:30
2W	Kay Mathesen	143:15
	The Mackinnons	191:00
DNF	Sue Roberts, Mark Stone, Carol Brucker, Rim Runners	
REC	Shelah	

### Green

1M	John Little	90:35
2M	Jeff Brucker	98:30
3M	Jim DeVeny	99:30
	Keith McLeod	116:00
1T	Savine Family	126:30
	Kevin Gross	130:00
	Jerry Goss	137:00
1W	Sandy Goss	137:00
2T	Beauty and ...	156:30
DNF	Maureen DeVeny, Malo	

### Red

1M	Dan Coombs	83:10
2M	Don Fallis	101:30
3M	Roger Sperline	101:45
	Larry Lamb	174:00
1T	Natives	213:00
DNF	Robert Offerle	

Ribbons for the  
March Slavin Gulch  
meet and the  
April meet at  
Cave Creek will be  
available at Showers  
Point on May 16  
and for five meets  
following.



### Wanted: Map Chair

We need someone who is willing to be in charge of the Club maps. This is not a technical position and shouldn't take more than a few hours a month. The Map Chair would be responsible for distributing the maps to course setters, vetters, meet directors, whoever needs them, and would need to have a current inventory of what maps are available and in what quantity. If you are interested in getting involved with your Club and helping to keep things organized, this would be a great position for you. Please call Peg Davis at 628-8985 to volunteer, or to ask for further information about the duties involved.

# Bleating All the Way Home Cave Creek, April 18, 1999

—Peg Davis

John Maier once again treated us to an above-and-beyond course by setting a Billygoat event. Since these are strenuous courses, he also set a 2-hour Score-O at two levels of difficulty.

At the first hot weather meet of 1999, I was grateful for every water stop on my course. People really seem to love this area. I was very pleased to see so many first-timers and haven't-seen-in-a-while types.

Looking at these course results, my reaction is "What's up with the times?" Both the Goat and the Score-O were tough courses, long and challenging. If I didn't make the two-hour time limit for the Score-O clear to participants, I certainly apologize. While one accrues points with every control found, one loses them at the prodigious rate of 20 points a minute for every minute or portion thereof over the two-hour limit. I showed the "raw" and penalty adjusted scores to accent that a watch is an important tool to have on a Score-O. Coming back by the time the course closes is very important both for the competitor and for the meet director's peace of mind. The result for participants who returned after 2 PM is "overtime."

Tie scores are won by the participant spending less time on the course.

There were a lot of DNF's on the Goat courses. The courses were long, difficult, and the weather was hot. Some people got tired. What happened to me? I had a lot of trouble finding controls 1 and 2, and after relocating to attack 13 only to not find it again, realized I had to retreat to get back to the timer by 2 p.m. My unexpected treat on the course was finding a newborn calf.

Emily Lane, nouveau hotshot de TOC, said the extra intellectual challenge of the forked and skipped controls made an excellent course even more fun. The running streams and snow on Mt. Wrightson added to the great time she had in this beautiful area.

I would like to thank everyone who bleated while leaving their preregistration message for the Goat. You are my favorite ruminants. Not only did I have a lot of help for this meet, all the help was truly volunteer. I didn't have to ask anyone! I hope you all will be as generous with meet directors you don't know as well.

My gratitude goes to **John Maier** for taking so much of the equipment to the site and setting immaculate courses; **Mike Huckaby** for the beginner's clinic; **Ann Haber** for registration; **Jeff Brodsky** and **Anna Krull** for timing; **Mike Huckaby**, **Cathy Waterman**, **Jim DeVeny**, **Maureen Jamieson-Deveny-DeJamieson-Venyson**, **Jeff Brucker**, **Carol Brucker**, **Mark Parsons**, **John Maier**, and **Keith McLeod** for control retrieval; and **Keith McLeod** for scoring. I'm sure there were others, but I was out on the course so long that I didn't see everyone.

Kudos to our pals who came all the way from Pinetop and El Paso and hope to see you again soon.

**White/Yellow Score-O**

These were easier controls closer to the start

	Total Points	Late Penalty	Final Score
1T Burntside			340
2T Slobberin' Draggin' Dogs			320
1M Chris Suter			270
1W Sue Roberts			260
2W Edith Balceris			260
2M Rich Waits			190
3W Cathy Waterman	420	280	140
3T Pathway Deviants	230	100	130
Harmony			60
Scutters	360	300	60
Don Carroll			30
Bob Barney	330	320	10

**Intermediate/Advanced Score-O**

	Total Points	Late Penalty	Final Score
1W Pat Penn			420
1T Savine Family			420
1M Jim Stamm			350
2M Jim DeVeny			320
2T Mountain Bikers	340	180	160
3M David Barfield	160	20	140
Gary Thomas	340	240	100
2W Maureen DeVeny			90
Malo			Lost card
Don Carroll			Overtime
Carol Brucker			Overtime

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## Short Goat, 7.5 km, 305 meters elevation change, 15 controls

		Time	Skipped	Option
1M	Dan Cobbledick	101:29	3	R
1W	Emily Lane	109:22	3	L
2M	John Little	116:52	3	R
3M	Jeff Brodsky	150:25	3	R
	Larry Lamb	158:34	6	L
	Wilkey Richardson	171:41	3	L
	Keith McLeod	191:01	none	L
	Helen Deluga	DNF		
	Riga	DNF	3	L
	Rim Runners	DNF	3	R

## Long Goat, 10.6 km, 380 meters elevation change, 18 controls

1M	Mark Parsons	132:30	13	L
2M	Roger Sperline	134:11	6	L
3M	Jeff Brucker	147:35	6	L
	Don Fallis	160:24	16	L
	Max Suter	177:49	2	L
	Mike Huckaby	Overtime	15	R
	Peg Davis	DNF	6	L
	Joel Mendoza	DNF		
	Oscar Vasquez	DNF		
	Monica Madrid	DNF		
	Samuel Martinez	DNF		
	Joe Cancellare	DNF		
	Celia Cenceros	DNF		

## Orienteering Opportunities

In the next few months, there will be several opportunities to orienteer your heart out, and your legs off.

June 12-13, is the **Mt. Pinos A Meet**, presented by the Los Angeles Orienteering Club. Information on this is on page 6 of this newsletter.

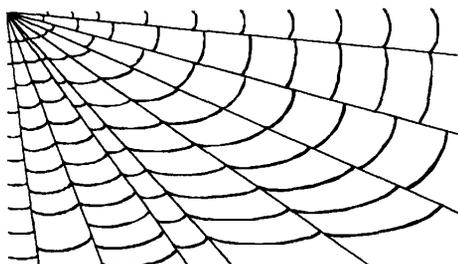
On August 13-22, 1999, the **Rocky Mountain 1000 Day** will be held near Laramie, Wyoming, including the Stampede, the Sprint, the Crystal Relay, the Rocky Mountain Goat, and a 5-Day Individual Total Time Race. For information on this meet, contact Mikell Platt, Meet Director, by e-mail at mikell@sprynet.com, or Dan Walker, Registrar, e-mail: dwalker@csd.net; telephone: 303-828-3491; or mail: 1138 Northridge, Erie, CO 80516.

Then, last but not least, the **1999 US Orienteering Championship, a Two-Day USOF-Sanctioned A Meet**, presented by the Bay Area Orienteering Club. This will be held at Lake Tahoe-Nevada State Park at Spooner Lake on September 25 and 26, 1999. For information on this, you can visit the BAOC web site ([www.baoc.org](http://www.baoc.org)) or contact Marsha Jacobs, Registrar, e-mail: marsha@batnet.com; telephone: 650-726-6636; or mail: 501 Roosevelt Boulevard, Half Moon Bay, CA 94019.

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call her,  
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out the calendar on page 7 and decide when you'd like to help, while you can have your choice of dates. Then call Peg Davis at 628-8985.



Check out the Tucson Orienteering Club web site!

<http://www.cloudbow.com/sites/toc/>

Also, for links to all the West Coast club sites, go to

<http://www.geocities.com/Yosemite/Trails/4040>

# Course Setter Comments Re: Goat

—John Maier

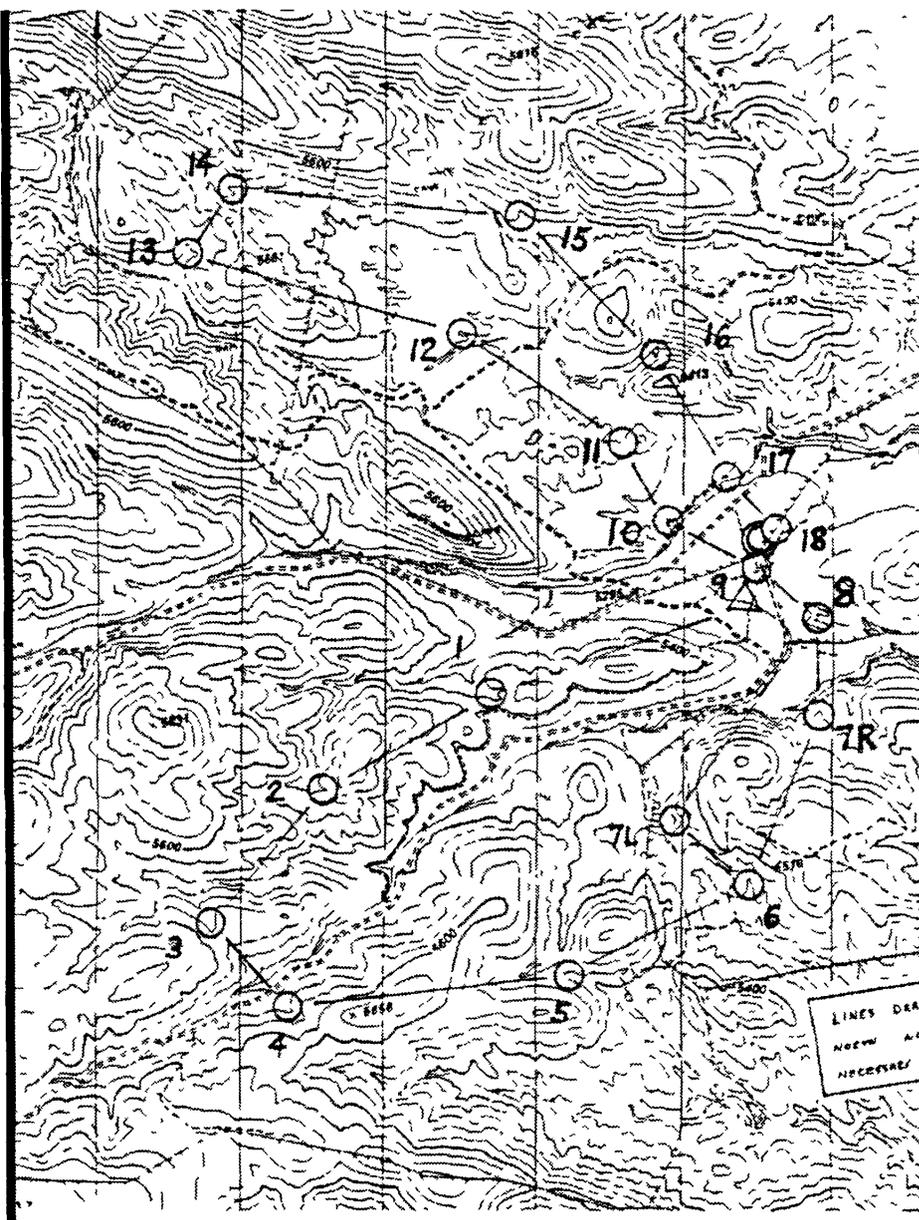
Traditionally, the GOAT is a single course for all competitors, both men and women. Those finishing the course within a prescribed time (usually 3-1/2 hours) are awarded a T-shirt. There may be additional glory to finishing at the top, but the award is the same for all who finish within the prescribed time. We did not go with the prescribed time or awards, higher fees, or seeking a volunteer to design the T-shirt. We kept it simple this time around.

We went with two courses instead of one. Some USOF clubs have been trying various ideas to make the inequality of effort between men and women more fair. It was my idea to demonstrate a new way of doing this which hadn't yet been tried, to my knowledge. I designed two courses: longer for men, shorter for women, but identical to the point where the shorter one split off. However, my plan for this equalization of gender effort was scuttled by someone who had a different idea of how my courses should be offered. My write-up for the event had been doctored, opening both courses to both genders. Competitors were unaware of these clandestine maneuvers. They seemed genuinely pleased at the opportunity to participate in the Goat.

Two distinctive features of most Goat events are the forked control and the skipped control. It is always interesting to see which fork was chosen and which control was skipped by your fellow orienteers. This information is given in the results.

For the forked control, the problem presented was distance vs. climb. A quick glance makes it appear that the right option is shorter. Distance-wise, it is; time-wise, it is not. Using the general guideline that one meter of climb equates to ten meters of distance, the left option is the better choice (300 meters longer, but 55 meters less climb).

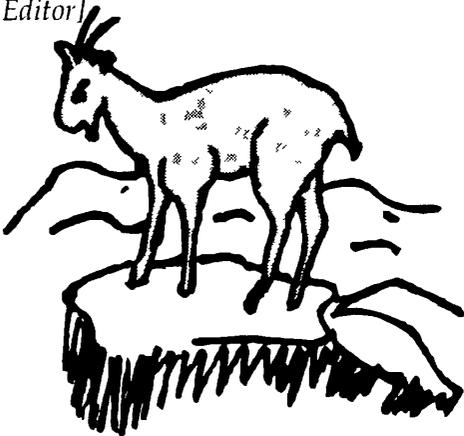
For the skipped control, the logical choices were #3 or #6. Using the climb vs. distance formula, #3 barely edges out #6. However, in a long distance event, it is usually more important to eliminate climb rather than distance, all else being equal. All else is not equal here. The first part of the course already has lots of climb, making #3 an even better choice to skip. Additionally, the wash from #5 to #7L (taken if #6 were skipped), though not a bad route, would be more restrictive than running around the right side of the hill and picking up trails in places on the way to #6. Of course, how



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much time is saved by making the correct choice is dependent on your orienteering efficiency. Maybe just 30 seconds, maybe 2-3 minutes or more. Practice in situations such as these to learn the answer for yourself.

We are planning our next Goat event for early February at Chimney Rock (Redington Pass). You will have more time to preregister, but we will be less accommodating to switching courses or late registration. [Note: *Mary English and I think that next time, in addition to the Long Goat and the Short Goat, there should be an Old Goat (for us) and a Just Kid-ding (for the children).* Lois Kimminau, Editor]



### Business/Planning Meeting, June 2

There will be a business/planning meeting on Wednesday, June 2, 1999, at 7 p.m. at the home of Peg Davis, 2241 East Parkway Terrace. (From Broadway, turn south on Tucson Boulevard, past church and school; west on Arroyo Chico one long block.) Call Peg at 628-8985 for other information.

All members are invited and encouraged to attend club meetings and are eligible to vote. Come and make yourself heard!

## Mt. Pinos A Meet, June 12-13, 1999

### 10 Reasons Why YOU should Pre-register NOW

1. We'll register you for the 'high' event of the season.
2. You know you want to come to LAOC's first ever A-meet!
3. We want to see YOU there :-))
4. Mt Pinos is terrific Orienteering terrain, a great map. The fresh air and pine forests are wonderful. All just 90 minutes north of Los Angeles, CA.
5. Where else can you get a great looking Condor T-shirt?
6. Tax-season is over. Now is the time to treat yourself!
7. There are limits! Saturday evening dinners (140) - HDQ camping (100 persons).
8. Early deadline is approaching: Postmark your entry by May 26th to avoid late-fees.
9. Pre-registration is REQUIRED for all competitive entries, all colors.
10. Pre-registration for RECREATIONAL courses is also encouraged.

*Take advantage of the dinners and camping limits.  
Save the wait in line to sign the waiver and pay your fees.  
Help us at the same time.*

\*\*\*\* So  
\*\*\*\* why  
\*\*\* are  
\*\*\* you  
\*\*\* waiting???

Send in now and RELAX!

Full event details and forms are on the web-site.  
[http://www.geocities.com/yosemite/trails/6320/A\\_meet.html](http://www.geocities.com/yosemite/trails/6320/A_meet.html)

By the way, if the geo pop-up windows are a problem, just MINIMIZE (PC) or send to back (MAC); DON'T close them, you may crash.

Mike Reason, Registrar, will send copies of the flier if you do not have internet access (telephone 909-797-3071 or e-mail [spsq63a@prodigy.com](mailto:spsq63a@prodigy.com)).

NOTE: Mt. Pinos is located north of Los Angeles in the Los Padres National Forest at about 7500' to 8500' elevation. It features mostly open runnable pine forest with little undergrowth and no poison oak. Terrain is hilly to shallow hill and valley and quite runnable with scattered rock features. All regular USOF courses and classes will be offered. Recreational classes are available for White, Yellow, and Orange courses. No awards will be presented for recreational classes.

## CLUB CALENDAR

### May 16, Palisades/Showers Point, Mt. Lemmon

Course Setter: Peg Davis, 628-8985

Course Vetter: VACANT

Meet Director: Maureen & Jim DeVeney, 323-0936

### May 24, Newsletter Deadline

See submittal information on back.

### June 2, Business/Planning Meeting

Home of Peg Davis, see meeting announcement on page 6.

### June 5-6, Lake Mary Near Flagstaff

Map Checking Weekend. Call Peg Davis at 628-8985 for information.

### June 12-13, Mt. Pinos, Near Los Angeles

Los Angeles Orienteering Club A-Meet

### June 20, Greasewood City Park Early-O

Course Setter: Wilkey Richardson, 529-1105

Course Vetter: VACANT

Meet Director: VACANT

### July 17-18, Lake Mary, near Flagstaff

Course Setter: VACANT

Course Vetter: VACANT

Meet Director: VACANT

### August 15, Lincoln City Park Early-O

Course Setter: Emily Lane, 881-5891

Course Vetter: VACANT

Meet Director: VACANT

### September 19, Slavin Gulch, Dragoon Mountains

Course Setter: VACANT

Course Vetter: VACANT

Meet Director: VACANT

### October 17, Greasewood City Park, Beginner Meet

Course Setter: VACANT

Course Vetter: VACANT

Meet Director: VACANT

### October 23-24, Arizona ROGAINE, site to be determined

Course Setters: Dan Coombs & Jeff Brucker

Course Vetter: VACANT

Meet Director: VACANT

### November 6-7, Cottonwood Windmill at Empire Ranch

Course Setter: VACANT

Course Vetter: VACANT

Meet Director: VACANT

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.

Please call Peg Davis at 628-8985 if you can help with any of these meets.

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### 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*

## Tucson Orienteering Club Membership Application

Check one: New Member  Renewal  Date on label \_\_\_\_\_

Check one: Individual (\$10)  Household (\$15)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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.