

June 2008

Weekend Escape: White Mountains, June 14-15

—*Wolfsong*

Come join us at 9000 feet for a cool time in the White Mountains of eastern Arizona for our June event. Similar to our event two years ago, we will use an unconventional but interesting variation of an orienteering map, that is, an aerial photo with contour lines superimposed on it. While this format takes a few minutes to adjust to, it's a wealth of information in an invigorating new format. This is the same highly acclaimed terrain we used for the World Rogaine Champs in 2004 with meadows and conifer forest, only the details are different.

Plan on three events for your orienteering enjoyment. On Saturday, we'll have a long Score-O with 3- and 6-hour options. Maps will be handed out 30 minutes before our 10:00 mass start. Then in the evening, four days before the full moon, we'll have a Night-O, beginning about 8:00 p.m. Finally, on Sunday we'll have a shorter Score-O with 2- and 4-hour options with maps handed out 30 minutes before the 8:30 mass start.

Be sure to bring a watch so you will know when to be back to avoid massive overtime penalty points. You'll also want a flashlight for the Night-O.

You may wish to bring a telescope to this site, which is free of city light pollution. Now is a good time for viewing Saturn and Jupiter, in addition to the moon.

This is typical Arizona camping: no water or toilets provided. We will be about 25 miles from town. Bring your cool weather clothes for evening, since we'll be camped at nearly 9000 feet elevation. (In late May, lows were below freezing, highs of 80.) Days should be t-shirt warm if the sun cooperates, as is the norm this time of year.

Please pre-register for this event.

You are not guaranteed a map if you have not preregistered. Call Meet Director Peg Davis by June 11 so we'll know how many maps to make. Just let her know which events you plan to attend. This also will be a way for us to get back to you in the unlikely event that a forest fire closure occurs. 520-628-8985 or pegdavis@u.arizona.edu. She is also arranging carpools. This will make your travels more affordable!

Fees: Members: \$10/one day, \$15/two days, \$3 for night-O; Nonmembers: double the member rate. (It's cheaper to become a member and pay the member rate if you attend more than one event.) Register individually for the events even if you wish to run as a team. Compasses rent for \$1. Safety whistles sell for \$1. Every person, all courses, all meets is required to carry some type of safety whistle.

Directions: We will be camped a few miles away from Big Lake. MapQuest indicates the best route from Tucson is to go up by way of AZ 77/US 60 to Springerville/Eagar. From Eagar, take AZ 260 west about 3 miles to AZ 261, then south 19+ miles to the Big Lake turnoff. The road is paved this far. Do NOT turn in at Big Lake. Continue south/east on FR 249 (gravel road) approximately 2-1/3 miles (estimated by using a map wheel), turning left (opposite a large meadow) onto a vehicle track and follow signs about one mile to camping.

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

9:30 a.m. Maps handed out.

10:00 a.m. Courses open; mass start.

1:00 p.m. Three-hour entrants must be in.

4:00 p.m. Six-hour entrants must be in. Courses close.

Saturday Night-O

7:45 p.m. Registration.

8:00 p.m. Courses open.

Sunday Score-O

8:00 a.m. Hand out maps.

8:30 a.m. Mass start.

10:30 a.m. Two-hour entrants must be in.

12:30 p.m. Four-hour entrants must be in.

12:30 p.m. Courses close. Begin control retrieval—good orienteering practice, lots of help always needed. Volunteer before noon 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 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

Route Choice Reviews: As the courses close, an advanced orienteer will be available near the Start/Finish area to discuss route choices with returning participants.

Street-O Goes Viral!

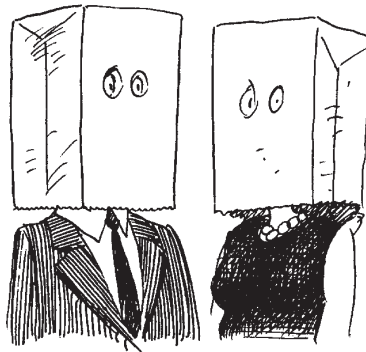
—Peg Davis

I would like to hold an early morning street-O in central Tucson on Sunday, June 29th; however, we still do not have details on what permit the city of Tucson would like us to have. If all the ducks gather neatly into a row, notice will be posted on the club website (<http://www.tucsonorienteering.org>) and on Topica. Check for details as the date draws closer.

This will be a score-O held on city streets. The map will have streets and landmarks, no contours (the neighborhood is flat), and no identifying labels. Instead of punching a control, participants will answer a question about the control location. While this will be more like a scavenger hunt than orienteering out in the wilds, map reading, compass, and pace count will still be the skills guiding you.

Your club
needs
volunteers!

WHO...
...US?

**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

Club Business Meeting

—Peg Davis, President

The next club business meeting will be on Monday, June 9, at 7 p.m. at Casa Peg. All interested parties are invited to attend and participate. New blood welcomed. Old board blood presence needed as much as ever. Popsicles will be served. For directions, call Peg at 628-8985.

E-mail Discussion Group

Tucson Orienteering Club has its own discussion group. It is maintained as Tucson "O" Club by Topica, and is an e-mail based service. You must be subscribed before you can read or send messages.

To subscribe, send a blank message to: TucsonOrienteering-subscribe@topica.com. To send a message, simply address it to: TucsonOrienteering@topica.com. It will then go to all the list subscribers. To unsubscribe, see the Unsubscribe link at the bottom of any message.

For more information about this list, visit: <http://www.topica.com/lists/TucsonOrienteering>. Any problems, questions, or concerns can be sent to Jim Stamm, the E-Group Moderator, at JimStamm@ComCast.net.

Bear Wallow Results, May 18, 2008

—Peg Davis, Meet Director

Many returned from their courses wondering if course setter Ludwig Hill had mistaken the 40 foot contour intervals on the map for 20 footers. He had prudently posted the percent climb for each course at the start to warn us just how steep it would be out there. It seems that designing courses for the short-of-breath just isn't possible at 7000 feet.

The weather on Mt. Lemmon was absolutely lovely during the day, but especially during the quiet, cool night. Consider camping before the July event. Cristina Luis, newly named alternate to the US Orienteering Team, dominated the Green course. Even more crushingly, she and Don Fallis had each run a 5K road race in town before coming up to take the first two places on the hardest course. Sasha Savine aimed to do the Motala, but after running the Green course and halfway through the Orange course, he realized that if he was going to be able to move the next day, he would have to curtail his plans of finishing all three courses. It was a quiet month for the Rickels: only two ran courses, but a bunch more of them picnicked at the start. Sadly, we had our last visit from Beckie Copeland before she and fellow Mudhen Nadine moved to Seattle. Our stock of meet directors is greatly depleted by their departure.

Thanks go out to my one loyal volunteer, **GeeGee Larrington**, with **Ludwig Hill** stepping in at the tables. Much appreciation goes to my Control Retrievers: **Lost with Pat, Mike and Shelley King, Pam & Paul Hoyt, Sasha Savine, Melissa Trout, Cristina Luis, Mark Lee, and Ludwig Hill.**

Green - 4.5 km 380 m (8%)

1F	Cristina Luis	75:06
1M	Don Fallis	103:26
1T	Team Green	119:41
2M	Sasha Savine	123:44

Orange - 4.3 km 330 m (8%)

1T	Shike	174:00
2T	Beauty and...	209:05
1M	Mark Lee	218:10
	Lost with Pat	OVT
	Sasha Savine	DNF
	Eagles	DNF
	Falter Guys	REC
	Melissa Trout	REC
	GeeGee Larrington	REC
	Jaxon Rickel	REC

Yellow Course - 3.5 km 240 m (7%)

1M	Jaxon Rickel
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Summer O Meets of Interest

Registration is now available for Northwest Forest Frenzy (August 1-3) A meet in Cle Elum, WA. This is the first A-meet in the US planned and run by entirely by junior orienteers (under 20). Profits from this meet will benefit junior programs. Details at <http://northwestforestfrenzy.googlepages.com/>

Laramie Daze are from August 4-8. Four days of training and practice runs will occur in a very relaxed setting outside Laramie, Wyoming. The weekend of August 9 & 10 will be the 2008 U.S. Orienteering Championships in the same area. This fabulous week will be like summer camp for orienteers. Details at <http://www.geocities.com/rmocer/index.htm>

Cristina Luis Named to US Orienteering Team

Congratulations to Cristina on her fine showing! She is only listed as a member of DVOA so that she can run on their relay team. We view her as one of our own. *Quote from Peter Gagarin (USOF):*

Over the past three days there was some wonderful orienteering brought to us by the folks at the Delaware Valley Orienteering Association (DVOA). These three days also served as the Team Trials to pick the team to represent the USA at the World Champs in the Czech Republic in July.

I had the pleasure early this afternoon of announcing the team –

For the women: Sandra Zurcher (UNO), Samantha Saeger (NEOC), Hillary Saeger (NEOC), Pavlina Brautigam (WCOC), and Viktoria Brautigam (WCOC), plus alternates Angelica Riley (DVOA) and Cristina Luis (DVOA).



Tucson Orienteering Club Financial Summary

--Jeff Berringer, Secretary/Treasurer

The table below provides a breakdown of club income and club expenses for the last three years. Club expenses exceeded income for these years—in other words, we lost a little money each year.

We were last in the black for 2004, the year we hosted the World Rogaine Championships (WRC) 6. We were also in the black for 2003 and 2001, years that we hosted 24-hour Rogaines. We were in the red for 2002, a year we did not host a 24-hour Rogaine. Projections for 2008 show that we'll be in the black again—primarily due to income from the A-meet.

With our current entry fee schedule, participation level, and expenses, the deciding factor on whether we gain or lose money is whether we host a meet that generates national-level interest, such as an A-meet or 24-hour Rogaine. These meets take some work, but they also pay off for the club.

Income	2007	2006	2005
Membership	\$935.00	\$1,115.00	\$940.00
Investment Income	\$25.82	\$50.44	\$54.16
<u>Meet Fees (Admissions)</u>	<u>\$2,060.00</u>	<u>\$2,730.18</u>	<u>\$2,380.00</u>
Total Income	\$3,020.82	\$3,895.62	\$3,374.16
Expenses	2007	2006	2005
Regular Meet Expenses	\$790.20	\$1,573.47	\$894.01
National-Level Meet Expenses	\$400.33	--	\$395.67
Mapping Expenses	\$448.38	\$377.93	\$516.57
Equipment Purchase and Upkeep	--	\$197.55	--
Storage Rental	\$360.00	\$360.00	\$300.00
Newsletter Expenses	\$1,203.73	\$1,264.40	\$829.29
Administrative Expenses	\$182.00	\$483.20	\$210.42
Incorporation / 501(c)(3) Filing	--	\$510.00	\$273.40
USOF Fees	\$585.50	\$526.50	\$1,006.00
<u>Misc.</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>\$50.79</u>
Total Expenses	\$3,970.14	\$5,293.05	\$4,476.15
Gain/(Loss)	(\$949.32)	(\$1,397.43)	(\$1,101.99)
	Net Loss	Net Loss	Net Loss

[Note: A pie-chart illustrating the breakdown of expenses is available in the on-line edition of this newsletter. The colors were not distinctive in black and white.]



T Shirts!

Shirts in almost every size are still available from the A meet. Not only are they fabulously beautiful (designed by the writer of this squib), but of a wicking fiber perfect for your high velocity activities. \$15.

Also: Just in! For the first time this century! A new shipment of 100% cotton Tucson Orienteering Club logo shirts, long (\$15) and short (\$12) sleeves, every size and, oh la la, what an array of colors. Snap yours up before Cristina Luis finally purchases one!

CLUB CALENDAR

2008	Location	Course Setter	Meet Director
June 9	Club Business Meeting at 7 p.m., home of Peg Davis		Call 628-8985 for directions
June 14-15	White Mountains	John Maier	Peg Davis
June 23	Newsletter deadline. Send info. to Lois Kimminau at loiskim1 at cox dot net		Phone: 296-2108
June 29	Early Street-O	Peg Davis	Peg Davis
July 20	Palisades		Pete and Judy Cowgill
Aug. 16-17	Lake Mary		
Sep. 20-21	Mogollon Rim	U-Set-It	
Oct. 19	Chimney Rock	Jeff Berringer	
Nov. 16	Catalina State Park	John Pascal/J. Brucker, Vetter	
Dec. 21	Silverbell		
2009--Tentative			
Feb. 15	Ironwood	Leif Lundquist	
May 9-10	Mogollon Rim Rogaine	John Maier	
<p><i>Lots of spaces here for your name!</i> <i>Pick your site to set courses or to meet direct and call Jim Stamm. Meet sites can possibly be changed, if you want to set a particular type meet at a particular place. Talk to Jim (575-0830).</i></p>			

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 Jim Stamm at 575-0830 if you can help with any of these meets.

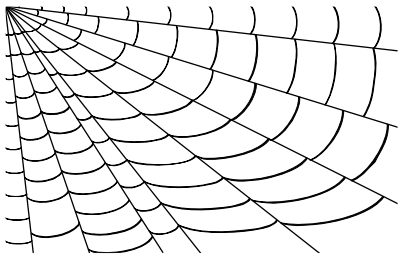
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Check out the Tucson Orienteering Club web site!

Type <http://www.tucsonorienteering.org>

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

just type http://www.geocities.com/o_sconet

For the Rolling Rankings of the United States Orienteering Federation (USOF), go to <http://www.usof-rankings.org/>, or for the US Orienteering Sprint Series, <http://www.sprintseries.org>.

Tucson Orienteering Club Membership Application

Check one: New Member

Renewal

Date on label _____

Check one: Individual (\$10)

Household (\$15)

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

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.