

June 2009

Annual General Meeting and Possible Orienteering Event Saturday, June 20th, 2009

—Peg Davis

The U.S. Orienteering Federation requires its clubs (that's us!) to hold an annual general meeting. While I originally thought this would be a huge drag, our first two AGMs have produced some interesting ideas from people who aren't usually seen at board meetings. Would you please attend and share your dreams, hopes, and goals for orienteering in Tucson in the next year? There are things we should stop doing and things we should start doing—but your input is needed to know just what those things are.

This is also your one sure chance this year to interact with orienteers. Usually we show up at a meet, immediately go out on a course, then leave as soon we turn in our control cards—unless Jeff Brodsky has brought some really lovely lunch we can mooch a bite of. This month, we're having a potluck to allow us to actually see people at less than a running speed, hear them speak, and maybe learn a name or two. So bring something delicious and meet someone fascinating.

This is your opportunity to nominate yourself for a position on the board of directors. If you have a better idea about how it should be done, it behooves you to step forward.

As a jumping off point for discussion, here is the proposed schedule for 2009:

Jul 19, Bear Wallow
Aug 16, Palisades
Sep 19-20, Potato Patch U-Set-It
Oct 18, Italian Trap
Nov 15, Catalina State Park
Dec 20, Cat Mountain

Will there be orienteering at the event this month? Yes, if you step forward to course set. This is a perfect opportunity for a first timer. You even have your choice of mentors. If you really want to learn about course setting, Ludwig Hill would be more than happy to mentor anybody who wishes to try out course setting for the first time. He is only available through June 14th. Cristina Luis can set streamers and print the maps, so would just need a helper to actually place controls the day of. Contact Peg at pegdavis@u.arizona.edu if either of these scenarios appeal to you and we will happily get you started.

This is not an event for beginners; there will be no beginner's clinic.

To find out about orienteering at this meeting, check <http://www.tucsonorienteeringclub.org/> or dial 628-8985 after June 17th.

Schedule:

6:30 p.m. Potluck, club provides plates and utensils. Bring a chair.

7:00 p.m. Annual general meeting

7:01 p.m. Lively discussion

(Followed by Night-O????? Course setter needed.)

Directions: From Kolb Road and 22nd Street, go east about 3/4 mile to Pantano Road (not Pantano Parkway). Turn south and continue about 2½ miles. You will see Santa Rita High School on the southeast corner of Pantano Road and Escalante. Just past the school grounds, turn left into the park entrance. Look for the orange and white signs. We will be at Ramada 5 by the volleyball courts.

CLUB CALENDAR

June 20, 2009 (Saturday)
Lincoln Park Night-O and
Annual General Meeting

June 27, 2009
Newsletter deadline. See
submittal information on
page 2.

July 19, 2009
Bear Wallow
Course Setter: Needed
Meet Director: Needed

August 16, 2009
Palisades
Course Setter: Needed
Meet Director: Needed

September 19-20, 2009
Potato Patch U-Set-It
Course Setter: Needed
Meet Director: Needed

October 18, 2009
Italian Trap
Course Setter: Needed
Meet Director: Needed

November 15, 2009
Catalina State Park
Course Setter: Needed
Meet Director: Needed

December 20, 2009
Cat Mountain
Course Setter: Needed
Meet Director: Needed

*Have you noticed how many
meets "Needed" is directing?
Wouldn't you like to see your name
there instead?*

Meets are usually held the third Sunday of each month. Pick the month that you would prefer and volunteer to set some courses or direct a meet.

Experienced course setters and meet directors are happy to mentor you if you are nervous about volunteering for the first time. Just call Jim Stamm at 575-0830 to volunteer.

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Box Canyon in April

—Margrit McIntosh & Pat Penn

On a beautiful spring day in the foothills of the Santa Ritas, some thirty-odd orienteers enjoyed competing on five classic courses, and an intrepid few tried their luck with the combined-course adventure race motala.

Jaxon Rickel blazed some amazing times in winning the motala, and was the only one to finish all of the legs; full results below. Peg Davis, in addition to running the Red course, was seen to be vigorously and persuasively recruiting volunteers and equipment for the just-around-the-corner North American Rogaine Champs. Thoughtful courses were set by Ludwig Hill, on a portion of the excellent, just-completed Box Canyon map. Everyone seemed most pleased with the courses and the workout they provided; we heard a lot of compliments. One new runner was so enthusiastic, he made a generous donation to the club in addition to his meet fee! Ludwig also helped out with timing and with organizing the control retrieval, and our hard-working control retrievers were **Jeff Brucker, Max Suter, Mark Parsons, Margrit McIntosh, and Pat Penn.**

Motala, 15.1 km 490 m (3.2%)

1M	Jaxon Rickel	167:55
	Red-Motala	90:40
	Orange-Motala	46:30
	Yellow-Motala	30:45
DNF	Rob Morden	
	Red-Motala	122:10
	Orange-Motala	DNF
	Yellow-Motala	44:00

Red, 6.2 km 250 m (4.0%)

1M	Max Suter	89:15
2M	Jeff Brucker	94:05
3M	Don Fallis	103:54
4M	Jeff Brodsky	122:10
5M	Alexandre Savine	141:10
DNF	Peg Davis	
DNF	Bob Walsh	
DSQ	Cristina Luis	

Green, 4.7 km 180 m (3.8%)

1M	Mark Parsons	82:11
1T	Team Tubac	103:47
2T	The Evil Mendu	160:38
2M	Michael Gurevich	165:28
DNF	Beauty and...	
DNF	Bill Dennis	
Rec	Claudia Rickel	

Orange, 4.7 km 160 m (3.4%)

1T	Gregg & Pat	77:00
1M	John Rickel	83:10
DNF	Gail Brodsky	
DNF	W. Falter	
Rec	Team Tubac	

Yellow, 4.2 km 080 m (1.9%)

1W	Jodie Rickel	67:18
2W	Caroline Luis	86:10
1T	Pathway Deviants	117:30
2T	Thor, etc.	120:10

White, 1.5 km 040 m (2.7%)

1W	Jeanne Walsh	39:15
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*Thanks to
everyone who
helped make the
Rogaine
such a success!*

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

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.

North American Rogaine Championships 2009

May 16-17, 2009

—Peg Davis

The 2009 North American Rogaine Championships on May 16 & 17 saw 135 people chasing 61 controls scattered across the runnable pine forest of the Mogollon Rim in central Arizona. For the first time, an eight hour solo division was offered. Eleven rogainers took this option with several of them scoring better than many 24 hour teams. Six teams went out for 12 hours.

The weather was really our friend at this event: no wind to disrupt the hash house or knock down controls, clear or partly cloudy skies, low temperatures in the 50's and highs up to 80. As one tired rogainer said "the elevation isn't THAT high, the temperatures aren't THAT high and the humidity isn't THAT low, but when you add them all up, it takes a toll." John Maier set up eight water controls/depots and no serious dehydration was reported.

The only DSQs were due to injury and illness. Only one rescue was needed. All other injuries were able to walk away. No cheaters were caught; either there were none or no one reported any suspicious activity.

For the first time at an Arizona Rogaine, two protests were made about controls. The course setter rechecked the controls after the event and judged them correct.

The real nail biter was over the top three places. Ten big points separated the first team of Nicolay Nachev and Peteris Ledins (Team Verve) from second and second from third place teams. The second (Marcy and John Beard of Vignette-MJ) and third place (Jason Poole and Mikell Platt of Platt & Poole) teams returned before the 11 a.m. deadline, but not enough in advance to have significantly altered their scores.

Team Verve collected 2760 of a possible 3440 points. Read accounts of the rogainer adventures of Vignette-MJ (<<http://www.kipley.com/marcy/rogainer2009/index.html>><http://www.kipley.com/marcy/rogainer2009/index.html>) and Beautiful Hair (<http://attackpoint.org/viewlog.jsp/user_62/period-7/enddate-2009-05-19#sessionid927408>http://attackpoint.org/viewlog.jsp/user_62/period-7/enddate-2009-05-19#sessionid927408). We will continue to post accounts on the event website, so please send yours in.

What went right with the event?

Rogainers were happy with the food. There have been many problems at other events (not ours!), so it is a wonderful thing to have enough food that people want to eat. With the nearest grocery store an hour away, planning is important.

We had almost enough volunteers. Some people stepped up at the last minute and saved the day. Unfortunately, not many people wanted to stay after the event and rogainer for free (AKA control retrieval). Maybe we need to find some inducements to make this more attractive.

Everyone came back alive. There were some minor injuries, but people were able to bail out of their planned course or have teammates assist them back. I heard a lot of complaints about feet.

While the prizes offered to the winners were mere tokens compared to their efforts, people seemed happy with them.

We don't have any t-shirts left over. Unfortunately, we didn't really have enough. Getting that order number right is an art. Now, if anyone is interested in a 2008 A meet shirt, we have some great deals....

This rogainer was our first 24-hour event since 2004. This century we have only had four rogaines, three of them set by John Maier. This is far below our idealistic goal in the 1990's of one a year. Rogaines are extremely demanding events to present. The basic requirements are a course setter who really loves to be out in the field and a meet director who clearly gets waay too into these things. Tucson has a tradition of welcoming out-of-town course setters, so, dear non-Tucsonans, I'm always ready to talk about how we could accommodate you.

While I am sure I have forgotten some very important people and responsibilities, we would like to thank the following people for making this event possible.

Work Party 1: **Jim Stamm, Jeff Brucker, Pete Cowgill, Judy Cowgill, Bill Florence, Joy Florence, Helen Deluga, Margrit McIntosh, Pat Penn, Jeff Berringer, Ruth Wenberg**

Work Party 2: **Margrit McIntosh, Lois Kimminau, Joanie Rodieck, Kris Klewin, Jim Stamm, John Maier, Ruth Wenberg**

Work Party 3: **Pat Penn, Margrit McIntosh, Jeff Brucker, Jim Stamm**

Onsite: **Joanie Rodieck, Pam Ellsworth, Chuck Ellsworth, Joy Florence, Paul Kimminau, Lois Kimminau, Caroline Luis, Bill Florence, Pat Penn, Jennifer Kerr, Scott Donald, Olga (mother of rogainer winner Peteris Ledins)**. These people worked food, results, rescue, set up, tear down, start, finish, meet administration and everything else that came up between 2 PM Friday and 3 PM Sunday.

Vetter: **Max Suter**

Results chiefs: **Cristina and Caroline Luis**

All the Costco food runs: **John Rickel**

Award certificates: **Jodi Rickel**

Lists and labels: **Jim Stamm**

Our sponsors: **RoadID** (bibs and gift certificates) and **Gookinaid/Vitalyte** (electrolyte replacement drink)

Equipment and supply hauling: **Brad and Yvonne Poe, Bill and Joy Florence, Jeff Brucker, Mark Parsons, Pat Penn, John, Claudia and Jaxon Rickel, Glenn Haselfeld, Rob Morden, Don Fallis, the Kimminaus**

Loaned us things we really needed for this meet: **the Poes, Jeff Brodsky, Jeff Berringer, Mike Wilke, Jane Ageton, Chris Wallace, the Southern Arizona Hiking Club, the Greater Phoenix Orienteering Club (hailed by Glenn), the Kimminaus**

Control Retrieval: **Pete & Judy Cowgill and Mark Parsons** retrieved controls both Sunday and Monday. Then **John Maier** picked up the rest of them – yup, all the rest – finally coming home four days after the rogainer.

Peg Davis: a bunch of stuff

John Maier: Course design, map designs, all printing, original idea

[Results on page 4.]

24-HOUR***Men's Open***

Team Verve	Nikolay Nachev, Peteris Ledins	2760	23:16:50
Platt & Poole	Mikell Platt, Jason Poole	2740	23:30:01

Men's Veteran

Over the Hill Gang	Richard Waldo, Paul Piorkowski	2070	23:23:26
Paramount Adv.	Dan Brannen, Murray Resinski	1670	23:39:18

Men's Super-Veteran

Over Yawnder	Bud Laird, Jeff Brucker	1400	23:33:00
Mountain Geezers	Bob Klapthor, Ed Furtaw	1330	23:44:24

Mixed Open

ARC J2	Jane Larkindale, Jim Holmes	1980	22:55:00
Beautiful Hair	Peter Gagarin, Barb Bryant, Cristina Luis	1890	22:22:25

Mixed Veteran

Vignette-MJ	Marcy Beard, John Beard	2750	23:47:44
Gone W/the Wind	Olga Rachitskaya, Valeriy Doverov	1780	23:26:51

Mixed Super-Veteran

GHOing Steady	Ray Kitowski, Terri Kitowski	1720	23:18:21
Redrockers	Ron Hudson, Kathy Rich	1400	24:00:27

Women's Veteran

Norteamericanas	Peg Davis, Shirley Donald	770	22:46:08
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12 HOUR***Mixed Open***

Glycinello	JP Ingebrigtsen, Jan Lavelly	930	11:56:50
Canyon Crazy	Walt Smith, Sara DeSalme, Joe DeSalme	740	11:35:00

Mixed Veteran

Run Amok	Sheila Torres-Blank, Scott Appleton	790	11:55:23
Off the Map	May-li Cuypers, Aaron Freedman	730	11:50:14

8 HOUR***Junior Open***

Jaxon Rickel	Jaxon Rickel	970	07:45:12
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Men's Open

Rob Morden	Rob Morden	880	07:48:39
Sedona Gr. Adv.	Will Burkhart	600	07:58:49

Men's Veteran

Mike Minium	Mike Minium	880	07:34:39
GO Adventure Rec	Dave Sewell, Ray Bedard	790	07:54:44

Men's Super Veteran

John Rickel	John Rickel	370	07:38:34
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Mixed Open

Leviathan	Bruce Hall, Jenny Vitale	510	06:08:00
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Mixed Veteran

ZOT	Don Fallis, Kay Mathiesen, Dan Zelinski	530	07:51:58
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Women's Open

B. Brooke Mann	B. Brooke Mann	390	07:49:43
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Women's Super Veteran

JustJen	Jennifer Kerr	160	07:40:40
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[For complete results, see www.tucsonorienteeringclub.org.]



1. *Setting up the hash house.*
2. *Relaxing on Friday afternoon.*
3. *Greeting old friends and meeting new ones.*
4. *Getting ready for the briefing and get-set-go.*

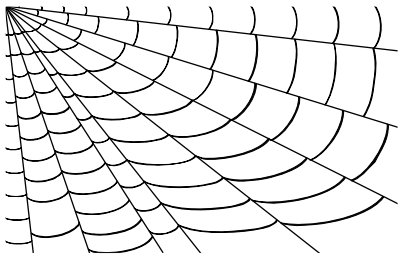
These are some pictures I took. so many cameras were snapping all over the place, that I thought I didn't need to take any, so this is all of mine. Would you believe not one person sent me any of their pictures? I'm sure there were some better than these, but at least these show some of the gorgeous area where the meet took place.
--Lois Kimminau, Editor



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Address Service Requested

***If you don't come to the Annual Meeting,
you can't complain about any decisions.
Lincoln Park, 6:30 p.m., June 20***



Check out the Tucson Orienteering Club web site!

Type **<http://www.tucsonorienteeringclub.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

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Name: _____

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Can you help staff a club meet?

Yes, call me.

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