

Event Results

Palisades Ridge Results - 8/16/09



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Orienteering The Catalina Mountains!

The weather was ideal on this fine August day for the gang of adventurous orienteers who map-raced up and down the forested slopes and shady canyons of the upper Catalina Mountains. Everybody enjoyed one of the four classic courses set by **Mark Everett**, who creatively made efficient use of the best and most interesting areas on the map by looping the Red course three times over on itself and printing each overlapping segment on a different panel on a single large map sheet.

In competition it was all about the Rickel Family, who cleaned up the field by dominating all the available top places in their divisions, including **Claudia Rickel**, who finished second, after her son on the Orange course. The top finishers were **Jaret Rickel** (White), **Jodi Rickel** (Yellow), **Jaxon Rickel** (Orange), and **Ludwig Hill** (Red). Congratulations!

Thanks to all the generous helpers, whose assistance was greatly appreciated. **Jeff Brucker**, **Mark Everett**, **Margrit McIntosh**, **Mark Parsons**, and **Pat Penn** retrieved the controls after the event. **Mark Everett** and **GeeGee Larrington** copied courses onto black-and-white maps so that some extra folks, who didn't pre-register, could still go out and enjoy the orienteering experience. Special thanks to **Peg Davis** who spent her time and effort to get some answers from the national forest staff regarding missing controls. She managed to get some of them back, when it turned up that they had been dropped off at the ranger station.

So what happened with the missing controls? The campground hosts at Showers Point Campground, which is run by a private concessionaire, decided to remove our controls from the surrounding terrain without regard for the fact that we had a permit to hang the controls as well as a public right to pass through there. Fortunately, they started taking our controls near the end of our event time and few orienteers were adversely affected. The national forest staff, which has received complaints of this type before from other groups regarding this concessionaire, is working to get (hopefully) our remaining missing controls back.

White (1.5 km/7 controls):

1M Jaret Rickel 1:22:02

Yellow (2.5 km/10 controls):

1F Jodi Rickel 0:55:32

1M Art Cantrell 1:24:33

1T Greg Hall 1:35:34

1T Destany Ray 1:35:34
1T Leslie Garman 1:35:34
1T Tom Neurtan 1:35:34
2T Kiri Hall 1:56:50
2T Austin Ray 1:56:50
2T Candy Garmen 1:56:50
Kelly Morales REC
David Wilkinson REC
Denise Wilkinson REC
Brooke Wilkinson DNS

Orange (2.6 km/9 controls):

1M Jaxon Rickel 0:30:30
1F Claudia Rickel 1:31:54
2F Pat Penn 1:49:30
3F Katherine Brutlag 1:49:46
4F Margrit McIntosh 2:06:40
5F Kay Mathiesen DNF
6F GeeGee Larrington REC

Red (4.7 km/20 controls):

1M Ludwig Hill 1:06:26
2M Jeff Brucker 1:18:55
3M David Follette 1:23:18
4M Mark Parsons 1:27:29
5M Don Fallis 1:32:50
6M Michael Gurevich 2:22:22
Peg Davis REC*

*Originally entered as "competitive" but changed to "REC" after finding some controls had been stolen.