



NEWSLETTER - Nov 2007



Greater Phoenix Orienteering Club - Getting There is ALL the Fun!

Coon Bluff - Nov 11, 2007

***** Important - Parking Permits *****

You are now **required** to have a \$6 Tonto recreation pass to park at Coon Bluff. Parking passes aren't for sale on site so pick one up on your way there. The nearest stores to Coon Bluff that sell them: **Circle K (N.E. corner of Power Rd and McKellips)** and **Big 5 Sporting Goods (!!!! Opens at 10am on Sunday!!!! N.W. corner of Power Rd and McDowell Rd in the Bashas Center)** (NOTE: Tonto NF parking passes are available at **any Big 5**). For a list of other stores that sell the passes visit: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/tonto/tp/welcome.shtml>

For those of you a little rusty on the area, Power Road intersects U.S. 60 and heads North to become the Bush Highway, which leads to the Coon Bluff area. The two stores listed above are on Power Road just about a mile South of where the 202 Freeway ends at Power Road. There's some construction going on there where they're building an overpass, so if you find yourself North of the construction without a Tonto pass, turn around and head back South on Power Road to the Circle K at McKellips Road.

Please join the Greater Phoenix Orienteering Club for our Coon Bluff Score-O on Sunday, November 11. The terrain is somewhat rugged hills with sparse to moderate desert vegetation throughout. People of all skill levels can participate. You'll have 2 hours to find as many controls as you can. We'll also have a White course for beginners and folks who want something a little milder.

Volunteers:

We need volunteers to help out at the registration and timing tables, with bag pick up after the meet, and with bag hanging on November 10. If you help hang bags, you can do the score-O recreationally for free. Please contact Forest Brown (weakonrecon@yahoo.com) if you can help.

Directions , schedule and cost on page 2

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Coon Bluff (Continued)

Directions to Coon Bluff From Phoenix:

Take US 60 (Superstition Freeway) east to Power Road, exit #188. Turn north onto Power Road. The turnoff to Coon Bluff is on the north side of the road about 12 3/4 miles from US 60. Look for the orange/white orienteering sign on the south side (about 1 mile past the Phon D. Sutton Recreation area turnoff). Turn left and drive about 1.25 miles to the parking area. If you get to Usery Pass Road, turn around and go back 1.25 miles and turn right.

Schedule:

Registration Starts 9:00
Beginner’s Clinic 9:30
Course opens..... 9:30
Course closes 1:00

Cost(member/non-member):

Individual \$5/\$10
Family / team rate \$8/\$15

What to bring:

- water bottle(s)
- whistle (**required for all**; available for \$1)
- Tonto NF recreation pass (parking permit)

Annual Meeting

The club’s annual meeting was held September 22 at Nello’s Pizza. A small turnout had a good time enjoying fellowship and pizza. New officers were elected who start their terms on October 1. These are **President** Forest Brown; **Vice-president** Tim Tablada; **Secretary** Pat Abbott; and **Treasurer** Kris Krulikowski. In addition, Erik Ringnes agreed to take over responsibilities as the Permit manager. Thank you Peter Neubauer for doing such a great job as the club president during the past year.

Acknowledgment was made of our many volunteers throughout the year. The club cannot function without the many volunteer hours expended every year. The top volunteers for last year were **Forest Brown, Mike Franklin, and Glenn Haselfeld.**

Awards were also announced for the top competitors of the year.

Top Competitors of the year 2006-7

Male

- 1 – Ludwig Hill
- 2 – Ron Birks
- 3 – Max Suter
- 4 – Erik Ringnes, David Marks, Jeff Brucker, and Arlid Orsleie

Female

- 1 – Laura Wasylenki
- 2 – Peg Davis
- 3 – Yvonne Poe and Pat Abbott

October 2007 Land Navigation Class



Diane and Silvia practicing with their compasses



Pat watches as Dave and Linda shoot an azimuth



Colleen



Steph, Dave, Randy, Tisha, Lee, Ken, Pat, Linda get ready to hit the trail for a lesson.



Luther Stephanie, and Randy

Diane and Lisa compare notes



October 2007 Land Navigation Class, continued...



Cliff, Connie, Lee, Sheryl and Don work on the triangulation lesson



Diane and Linda



Linda, Glenn, Lisa, Rocky, Luther and DaVaun during one of the teaching stops



DaVaun

lose a chair? we had one left in camp at the end... contact Sheryl Berling-Wolff to get it back...



Robert and Matt lead one of the groups into the lunch stop

Luther explains it all...



GPHXO Upcoming Event Schedule

| | |
|---------------|-----------------------|
| November 11 | Coon Bluff |
| December 9 | First Water |
| 2008 | |
| January 6 | Lake Pleasant |
| February 10 | Bomboy Mine |
| March 9 | Saguaro Lake |
| April 3 and 5 | Land Navigation Class |

We encourage our members to participate in the Tucson club events as well as our own. Not only is it an opportunity for more orienteering experience fairly close to home but they have some really great folks that we can learn a lot from while we enjoy their company.

Tucson Club Event Schedule

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| Nov 18 | Catalina State Park |
| Dec 16 | Arthur Pack Regional Park |
| 2008 | |
| Jan 20 | Silverbell |
| Feb 23-24 | A-Meet: Kentucky Camp/ Greaterville |
| March 16 | Sweetwater |
| April 20 | Chimney Rock |
| June 15 | White Mountains |

GPHXO Board Meetings:

Board meetings are held monthly to discuss the business operations of the club and to plan for upcoming events. They are open to all members. Call Peter for specifics or to confirm meeting: 480-734-0733.

Did you know that GPHXO O.C. members get the "member" rate for Tucson O.C. events? For details about the Tucson Club events, check their web page at www.tucsonorienteering.org

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OR: *download/view newsletter on website:*

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Yes, I can help staff a club meet. Call me.

NAME

STREET ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

(AREA CODE) DAY TELEPHONE

(AREA CODE) EVENING TELEPHONE

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