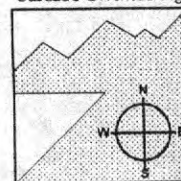




BEARING 315

Cascade Orienteering



The Newsletter of Orienteering in the Pacific Northwest November, 1996

School League, Winter O' Series to Begin

Know any students in 1st through 12th grade? Get them involved in the Washington Interscholastic Orienteering League. The league will begin a new season on December 21 at Ft. Steilacoom Park in Tacoma and will conclude with the championship meet at Hamlin Park in Seattle. There will also be two practice meets in early December (see schedule for more specifics). For more information or to receive a brochure, call Debbie Newell at 488-7471.

While the school league participants are rushing headlong through the underbrush, you older types will have a change to test yourselves as well. The winter O' series also begins at Ft. Steilacoom Park in Tacoma and continues through February 28 (see schedule for other meets in the series). Scoring will be by place (100 pts for 1st, 95 for 2nd, 92 for 3rd, 90 for 4th, 89 for 5th, etc.) Your best 4 scores will be totaled to determine the male and female winners.

If you are able to help with any of the event, especially with vetting courses in the early morning, please call Debbie at 488-7471.



COC ANNUAL MEETING RESCHEDULED!

Due to difficult weather and driving conditions, the COC annual meeting is rescheduled for Tuesday, December 3 at 6pm.

The meeting will include dinner (regular menu prices) and is at Coco's restaurant located on 205th between I-5 and Hwy 99. Go west from I-5 at exit #177 (Hwy 104). Continue west until you see Coco's; you will need to bear left at the fork in order to gain access to the parking. (This is *not* the one we used last year in Lake Forest Park.)

As usual, the meeting will include a brief election, presentation of awards, some entertainment and fun activities, and a change to meet orienteering friends in a warm and dry environment.

COC Presents Awards

At it's annual meeting, Cascade Orienteering Club will present awards to two members who have done a lot of work and made large contributions to the club.

The Board of Directors' Life Service Award was presented to Ardis Dull for her many years of distinguished work for the club, particularly her long stint as Secretary. Ron Brown was presented the President's Award for his outstanding service as volunteer coordinator over the past year. Congratulations to Ardis and Ron. Their contributions have made a big difference to the club and to orienteering in the Pacific Northwest.

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Minnesota Veteran's World Cup Weather

Don Atkinson

As I watched the weather maps this fall, I occasionally checked out the conditions over Minnesota since I was planning to attend the VWC meets there in late September and early October next year. I was surprised to see that there were more frequent radar rain echoes there than over the Seattle area.

My preconception had been that the weather there would have been better than here. To verify if this fall was the normal situation, or just a statistical quirk, I checked into the averages for Brainerd and Little Falls. As background, Seattle, along with most of the area west of the Rockies, has a winter precipitation maximum and a summer drought. However, east of the Rockies, most areas have a summer precipitation maximum and less in winter. So in Seattle a date later in the fall has a higher chance of rain, but in Minnesota, the later dates have a lower chance of rain (or snow!).

Here are the averages:

	Max. Temp.	Min. Temp. (for Month)	Precip
<i>Brainerd</i>			
Sept.	68	43	3.12
Oct.	56	33	2.37
VWC interpolation	62	38	2.80
<i>Little Falls</i>			
Sept.	71	47	2.87
Oct.	59	36	2.49
VWC interpolation	65	41	2.70

For comparison, here are our local averages, for the Montlake recording station:

Sept.	69	53	1.95
Oct.	60	47	3.25
VWC interpolation	65	50	2.60

Conclusions: Minnesota is warmer in the summer and colder in winter and has a wider daily temperature range than Seattle, but VWC happens to be scheduled at the crossover point where the average conditions are fairly similar here and there. Expect significantly colder nights at VWC than at the same period in Seattle, but otherwise, conditions are similar. However, we are used to water features often being dry in the early fall, but there, if it is mapped blue then it probably will be full. The probability of snow is very low, but not zero.

Field Notes

- The USOF Board Executive Committee has approved Cascade's bid for the 1997 USOF Convention. The convention will be on August 25-26, and will be held at Camp Waskowitz, a semi-rustic camp near North Bend. Rick Hood has agreed to be the convention director. The convention is planned to be preceded by an two-day meet on August 23-24, probably at Trollhaugen. More details about the convention will be in upcoming issues of Bearing 315.
- **Wanted: Vetters. Job Description:** run school league courses on the day of the event to identify and correct potential problems. **Compensation:** thanks from the competitors (and maybe a donut if you're lucky). **Contact:** Debbie Newell, 488-7471
- Congratulations to Eric Bone on placing third among men at the US Champs this year, against very strong competition.
- After four years, Peter Golde is looking to step down as editor of Bearing 315. If you are interested in become editor or co-editor, please contact Margie Bone at 634-2279

[Please send your information, announcements, rumors, gossip, or anything else about orienteering or orienteers to Field Notes. I can't print it if I don't know about it. E-mail: petergo@microsoft.com]

Where and what are these Orienteering Clubs?

The Orienteering clubs listed here are independently administered non-profit organizations chartered by the United States Orienteering Federation. Sammamish primarily operates in the east-side (Bellevue and Redmond) area, while Cascade (the largest club) operates in the greater Seattle area. Ellensburg is centered in that town, Sacajawea is based in the Tri-Cities area, and Chuckanut O.C. is based in Bellingham. Husky Orienteering is for University of Washington students, faculty, and staff. Cascade and Sammamish clubs hold orienteering events throughout the year in the Puget Sound area, and eastward into the Cascade Mountains; the other clubs hold events in their areas. Membership is open to everyone, and entitles you to event discounts, club voting rights, and includes a subscription to Bearing 315, published six times per year.

What equipment do I need?

The only requirement is a compass. The best kind is a protractor-type with a clear plastic base so that you can see through it to the map underneath. Compasses are available for loan (with deposit) at orienteering events if you don't own one. At each event you will receive a detailed topographic map of the area, usually produced specifically for orienteering by the club. Long pants (light nylon is best, but jeans will do) and long-sleeve shirts are recommended because of sometimes dense underbrush. Jogging shoes or lightweight hiking boots are preferable; your feet may get wet and muddy, so a spare pair of socks and shoes are nice. Bring a watch so you can keep track of the time.

COC Officers and Coordinators:

Margie Bone	President	634-2279
Bill Cusworth	Vice-President	322-6693
Sandy Kish Miller	Treasurer	782-1437
Ardis Dull	Secretary	364-4062
Ron Brown	Volunteer Coordinator	821-6801
Aaron Charlop	Memberships	937-5855
Debbie Newell	Mapping Coordinator	488-7471
Don Atkinson	Equipment	488-0270
Eric Bone	Training Coordinator	524-3718
Peter Golde	Newsletter	883-3732
Paul Magnus	Executive Board	335-3555
Jim Siscel	Executive Board	778-7202
Eileen Breseman	Publicity and Promotion	483-6592

Sammamish Officers and Coordinators:

Dave Tallent	President	392-3061
John Sincok	Vice President	822-3621
Valerie Enger	Treasurer	822-6254
Dave Enger	Mapping Coordinator	822-6254
David Lilly	Newsletter Coordinator	454-4136
Kathy Trost	Memberships	271-5508

Orienteering Club Membership Application

- ☐ Cascade O.C. ☐ Sammamish O.C.
☐ Ellensburg O.C. ☐ Sacajawea O.C.

Name _____

Address _____

Home phone _____ Work (opt.) _____

E-mail _____

Family Members _____

Optional Information:

Occupation _____

Orienteering Experience _____

Special Interests _____

Orienteering Interests (circle):

- Event Participation Improving Skills Writing Teaching
 Event Organization Map Making Publicity Coaching
 Course Setting Field Checking Exploration of new areas

- ☐ Family or Group \$15.00/year
☐ Individual \$10.00/year
☐ Associate (under 18) \$5.00/year
☐ Newsletter only [COC only] \$6.00/year

Mail this form, along with payment, to one of:

Cascade Orienteering	Sammamish Orienteering
P.O. Box 31375	P.O. Box 3682
Seattle, WA 98103	Bellevue, WA 98009
—OR—	—OR—
Ellensburg Orienteering	Sacajawea Orienteers
c/o Will Sperry	c/o Frank Skorina
1006 N. Water St.	116 Stanton
Ellensburg, WA 98926	Walla Walla, WA 99362

Other Club Contacts:

Frank Skorina, Sacajawea Orienteers	(509)522-2770
Will Sperry, Ellensburg O.C.	(509)925-4716
John Beck, Eastern Washington O.C.	(509)838-7078
Scott Drumm, Columbia River O.C.	(503)261-1493
Eric Bone, Husky O.C.	(206)634-2279
Ken & Joanne Klepsch, Chuckanut Orienteers	(360)299-1010

Event Fees

Event fees are charged on a per-registration basis: two people running together with the same map and punch card pay a single fee. Additional maps are available; the charge varies depending on the map. Fees vary, but the following are typical fees for local ("C") events with color maps. "A" and "B" meets, state championships, rogaines, and other events will cost somewhat more.

Club members (any club)	\$4.00
Non-club members	\$5.00
Junior (under 18)	\$3.00
Families	map fee only after first two

Meet Results and Standings

Cornwall Park

Chuckanut Orienteering Club
September 1, 1996

Meet Director, Courses: Ken Klepsch
Timing, Registration: Kohanne
Klepsch

Course 1 (1.2km, 6 controls)
Carolyn Cain, Deborah Frost 23:47

Course 2 (2.0km, 10 controls)
Clara Frederickson 26:02
Carolyn Cain, Deborah Frost 39:33
Anne Kennard 39:39

Course 3 (2.2km, 14 controls)
Kris Moa 22:24
Tyler Frederickson 25:44
Steve Frederickson 28:04
Jake Reeder 30:04
Evelyn Kimbrough 33:50
Jack Kennard 33:59

Ros★Elum

Cle Elum, WA
Cascade Orienteering Club
September 21, 1996

Meet Director: Don Atkinson
Courses: Don Denbo
Volunteers: Mark Bingham, Ross
Stevens, Ken Lew.

Marker Pickup: Don Denbo, Don
Atkinson, Bill Cusworth, Nick
Bone.

The weather forecast was pessimistic but actual weather was good with showers moving in only as we finished picking up the markers. Some competitors on course 3 could not find marker #6, a deep pit. The meet director and course setter checked the area after the event and concluded that the large deep pit was at the mapped location, although an unmapped small pit about 40 meters NW of the mapped pit was a confusing factor. The marker had been hung high above the pit edge to compensate for the "greening" of the "open" forest as the small alders grew taller. This growth made the mapped vegetation

boundary useless as a guide to locating the marker and probably contributed to the difficulty.

Course 1 (1.3 km, 6 controls)
Kenworthy family 42:03

Course 2 (Approx 2.5 km, 9 controls)
Bruce McAllister 100:57
Kenworthy Family 126:36
Emily Routledge 156:45
Kathy McDonald 158:45

Course 3 (4.9 km, 8 controls)
Ken Lew 74:14
Carl McNabb 77:43
Ross Stevens 85:02
Dave Petty 107:19
Harvey Friedman OVT
Linda Moore DNF
Knut Olson DNF
Ruthann Stacy and Jeri Prater DNF

Course 4 (8.2 km, 12 Controls)
Rick Breseman 79:28
Jan Urban 84:02
Bill Cusworth 115:03
Nick Bone/James Hopper 129:17
Orlyn Skrien 135:25
Brett Aniballi 144:52
Carl Moore DNF

Rooks Park

Walla Walla, WA
Sacajawea Orienteering Club
October 13, 1996

For the first time in many weeks, significant rain fell, which resulted in only the die hards and a couple of dogs braving the elements. Nobody was permanently lost signifying a successful meet.

Frank Skorina was Course Setter & Meet Director. Ivar Husa helped with Start and Control Pickup. Holly Howard helped with finish.

Beginner Course
Ron & Gerald Claghorn 34:04
Erik Skorina (with help from Dad) 37:37

Intermediate Course
Lilian Billaux 65:17
Tom Moran 70:30

Advanced Course
Ivar Husa 66:08

Michel Billaux 72:01
Colin Ford 102:03

Bennington Lake

Walla Walla, WA
Sacajawea Orienteering Club
Sunday, November 10, 1996

Meet Director: Holly Howard and
Russell Skorina
Timing: Russell Skorina
Course Setter: Frank Skorina
Control Pickup: Michel Billaux

Foggy and chilly, the perfect weather for a runnable, tree-challenged area.

We had our best turnout this fall, with the majority of the participants tackling the beginner's course and driving an hour from the Tri-Cities to the meet. I had to go out of town that weekend so my wife and our two-week old son volunteered as meet directors. Sacajawea's last meet of the year is at Horn Rapids County Park on Sunday, December 1 (note new date) at 1:00. — Frank Skorina

Beginner Course
Luke Smith 41:00
George Robinson 41:00
Stan and Tim Crow 86:00
Vincent and Cheryl Campbell unknown
Ron and Jerry Claghorn unknown
Chuck and Dylan Peden unknown
Louis Shelton unknown

Intermediate Course
Paul Patterson 60:00
Larry Birckland 60:00
Dan and Robin Kenney (with goat) 70:00
Lillian Billaux 113:00

Advanced Course
Michel Billaux 70:00
Robert Gruel 70:00

Fort Casey

Whidbey Island
Cascade Orienteering Club
October 13, 1996

Meet Director: Paul Magnus
Courses, Map Update: Jim Siscel

Meet Staff: Eric Danilson, Maureen
Traxler, Blythe Oraker, Joan Maza,
Larry Farrar
Marker Pickup: Kevin Welton, Don
Atkinson, Jim Siscel

There were several mispunches on course 2 (the scout course), but no one was disqualified. The rules are that no two markers in the field with the same control discription (a vegetation boundary in this case) can be closer than 100m. In light of this the meet director feels it is not appropriate to disqualify anyone.

Course 1

Oraker, Blythe & Maza Joan	0:06:10
Frost	0:13:45
Urbanova, Anna	0:17:50
Bolton, Donald and Margaret	0:22:30
Farrar, Larry	Map Hike

Course 2

Blough, Erik & Hodder, Derek	0:19:48
Miller, Alex & Dariel Urtula	0:29:04
Kerr, Michael & Ostler, Scotty	0:29:28
Voltaw, Richard & Kerr, Chris	0:33:28
Frost	0:38:59
Dreke, Steven & Hyce, Cody	0:48:16
Riggers, Sally & Dalsing, Michael	0:49:05
Akins & Harri	0:52:16
Thompson	Map Hike

Course 3

Verbeck, Kent	0:45:49
Petty, Dave	0:53:31
Davey, Eric & Urtula, Demi	0:56:30
Drumm, Scott	0:58:55
Redick, Pat and Bob	1:10:50
Danielson, Eric and Chris	1:10:52
Torello, Shannon	1:12:44
Ustula, Dariel & Miller, Alex	DNF

Course 4

Urban, Jan	0:46:28
Unbanaova, Jana	0:51:40
Veler, Fred	0:56:28
Lum, Chris	0:58:53
Welton, Kevin	1:00:39
Corey, Michael	1:12:27
Dull, Ardis	1:13:12
Klepsch, Ken	1:18:39
Kelly, Pat	1:18:50
Lew, Ken	1:30:49
Traxler Maureen	DNF

Farrel-McWhirter Park

Redmond, WA
Cascade Orienteering Club
April 6, 1996

Meet Director: Mike Fritz
Courses: Vivien Fritz

Course 1

Nancy Torgas	20:28
Matej Urban	36:54
Kristin Ericson/Jennie Bromberg/ Claire Muerdter	47:04
Adrienne Cardiel/Laura Greaby	47:07
Nicole Morris	48:18
Girl Scout Troop 1636	60:06
Becky Yalch	60:20
Adrian DeBee & Team	67:14
Mike Evans	DNF

Course 2

Pamela Carlsson	21:52
Nils Lindberg	22:20
Susie/Jeff Reeves	39:33
Tiger Cubs	41:20
Stuart Reynolds	45:40
Nicole Morris	57:58
Kristin Ericson/Jennie Bromberg	58:03
Adrienne Cardiel	58:07
Nick Tallent/Jason Marston	63:58
Claire Muerdter/Laura Greaby	70:00

Course 3 & 4

See next page.

Farrel McWhirter: Course 3 and 4

Course 3/4 introduced a unique form of orienteering. Each control was assigned a point value, but the participant didn't know ahead of time what that value was. The goal was to punch a combination of controls (in any order, but at most once per control) whose point values added up to exactly 25 points. We were told that controls were worth 0 (yes, 0!), 1, 2, or 3 points, but not how many controls of each value were out there. Some people punched an unfortunate combination early in the course only to find that they could not get exactly 25 points and had to pay the penalty (10 minutes per point over 25, 30 minutes per point under 25).

	1-3	2-3	3-3	4-1	5-0	6-3	7-3	8-1	9-3	10-3	11-0	12-2	13-3	14-0	15-3	16-3	17-2	18-0	19-3	20-0	Pts.	Time	No.	Pen.	Adj. Time
Eileen Breseman	x	x					x					x	x		x	x	x		x		25	15:40	9	0	15:40
Jan Urban							x		x	x		x	x		x	x	x		x		25	16:20	9	0	16:20
Peter Golde	x	x					x	x	x			x			x	x			x		25	18:13	9	0	18:13
Sture Carlsson			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x			x			x	x		25	18:19	13	0	18:19
Nic Bone	x	x				x	x	x				x	x		x	x	x		x		25	18:50	9	0	18:50
Howard Halter	x	x				x	x	x				x		x	x	x		x	x	x	25	19:05	12	0	19:05
Debbie Newell	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x			x	x								25	20:01	10	0	20:01
Jana Urbanova	x	x		x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x					x	x		25	22:50	13	0	22:50
Mac MacDonald	x	x	x	x	x			x				x			x	x	x		x		25	25:25	11	0	25:25
Sandy Kish Miller	x	x				x	x	x			x		x	x	x	x		x	x	x	25	25:50	13	0	25:50
Bill McKenzie	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x			x			x						25	27:03	10	0	27:03
Eric Bone	x		x	x		x						x	x				x		x		26	18:06	10	10:0	28:06
David Tallent							x		x	x		x	x		x	x	x		x		25	29:50	9	0	29:50
Scott Coble			x				x	x	x	x		x	x		x		x		x		25	29:57	9	0	29:57
Rick Breseman			x				x	x	x	x		x	x		x		x		x		26	21:30	10	10:0	31:30
Dave Petty						x	x		x			x	x		x	x	x		x		25	32:30	9	0	32:30
Don Atkinson	x		x			x	x		x						x	x	x		x	x	26	22:58	10	10:0	32:58
Larry Keller	x	x					x			x	x	x	x			x	x		x	x	25	33:52	11	0	33:52
Jean Davis			x				x		x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		x		25	37:06	11	0	37:06
Ken Lew	x	x	x	x		x			x			x				x			x		25	39:01	9	0	39:01
Paul Magnus				x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x		x		27	21:04	12	20:0	41:04
Bruce McAlister	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x									x				25	41:35	9	0	41:35
David Guiles	x	x		x			x	x		x		x	x		x	x					25	44:08	10	0	44:08
Brett Aniballi	x		x	x	x	x		x	x	x		x	x			x	x				27	28:35	12	20:0	48:35
Engers	x	x		x			x	x	x			x	x		x				x		25	51:30	10	0	51:30
Kean Williams			x	x		x			x	x		x	x		x						24	23:53	8	30:0	53:53
Mark Howlett	x		x				x	x		x		x			x	x	x		x		26	44:08	10	10:0	54:08
Jesse Baber	x		x	x		x						x	x		x	x	x		x		26	46:06	10	10:0	56:06
Clara Frederickson	x	x	x			x	x	x		x			x	x	x				x		28	38:13	11	30:0	68:13
Steve Frederickson	x		x	x				x		x		x	x				x		x		24	48:45	10	30:0	78:45
Margie Bone	x		x	x		x		x			x	x	x	x	x		x		x		24	55:42	12	30:0	85:42
	23	16	17	16	4	16	22	18	16	15	7	23	26	6	23	20	19	4	25	4					

Upcoming Orienteering Events

(call 783-3866 for latest information and details)

Date/Time	Location and Comments (events close to Seattle in bold)	Type	Club	Map	Contact
DECEMBER					
Sun, Dec. 1 1-3pm	Horn Rapids County Park, Tri Cities.	C	SACO		Frank Skorina (509)522-2770
Tue., Dec. 4 6pm-8:30pm	COC Annual Dinner, at Coco's in Edmonds. I-5 exit 177, west until you see restaurant.	X	COC	none	Margie Bone (206)634-2279
Sat., Dec. 7 10am-noon	Kelsey Creek Park, Bellevue. East from I-405 SE 8th exit, cross Lake Hills Connector onto SE 7th and follow O signs to park. WIOL Practice.	C	SAMM	1:3500	Dave Enger (206)822-6254
Sat., Dec. 14 10am-noon	Woodland Park, Seattle. I-5 NE 50th St. exit westbound, turn right into park before 99. WIOL Practice.	C	COC	1:5000	(206)783-3866
Sat., Dec. 21 10am-noon	* Ft. Steilacoom Park, Tacoma. WIOL #1. I-5 exit 129 of I-5 onto 74th W. This becomes Custer, right onto 88th SW, becomes Steilacoom to park.	C	NISQ WIOL	1:10000	Carl Moore (206)756-5739
Sat., Dec. 28 10am-noon	* O' Lang Syne. WIOL #2. St. Edward St. Park, Bothell. NE 141st and Juanita Drive NE. Potluck to follow nearby.	C	COC WIOL	1:10000	(206)783-3866
JANUARY					
Sat., Jan. 4 10am-noon	* Lake Sammamish State Park. WIOL #3. I-90 exit 15, north to park.	C	SAMM WIOL	1:10000	Dave Enger (206)822-6254
Sat., Jan. 11 10am-noon	* NAD Park, Bremerton. WIOL #4. N on SR 304 from ferry to West SR3, Kitsap Way exit, north to park.	C	COC WIOL	1:5000	Eric Bone (206)634-2279
Sat., Jan. 18 9:30am	RAMBO! Pt. Defiance State Park, Tacoma. Exit 132 on I-5 to SR 16, 6th St. exit, 3mi. N on Pearl to park. Mass start event - don't be late!	C/X	NISQ	1:10000	Carl Moore (206)756-5739
Sat., Jan. 18 10am-noon	Gonzaga University, Spokane.	C	EWOC		John Beck (509)838-7078
Sat., Jan. 25 10am-noon	Magnuson Park, Seattle. WIOL Relay. E on NE 45th from I-5 to Sand Point Way, follow north to park.	C	COC WIOL		Eric Bone (206)634-2279
FEBRUARY					
Sat., Feb. 1 10am-noon	* Priest Point Park, Olympia. WIOL #5. I-5 exit 105B. Plum St. NW into town, becomes East Bay Dr., follow to park.	C	NISQ WIOL	1:5000	McCausland (360)352-5542
Sat., Feb. 8 10am-noon	* Lincoln Park, Seattle. WIOL #6. Exit I-5 Spokane St, W until Fauntleroy Wy, S to park.	C	COC WIOL	1:5000	Debbie Newell (206)488-7471
Sat., Feb. 8 11am-noon	Tryonn Creek Park, Lake Oswega, OR.	C	CROC		Scott Drumm (503)261-1493
Sat., Feb. 15 11am-noon	Riverside State Park, Spokane.	C	EWOC	1:15000	John Beck (509)838-7078
Sat., Feb. 22 10am-noon	* Hamlin Park, N. Seattle. WIOL Champs. Exit I-5 at NE 145th, E to 15th Ave. NE, N to 160th.	C	SAMM WIOL	1:7500	Debbie Newell (206)488-7471
MARCH					
Sat., Mar. 1 10am-noon	Fire Mountain Scout Reservation, Mt. Vernon. I-5 N to Mt Vernon, exit 227. E Hwy. 538, S Hwy. 9, left on Walker Valley Rd. to end.	C	COC	1:10000	Jim Siscel (206)778-7202
Sat., Mar. 9 11am-noon	Powell Butte Park, Portland, OR.	C	CROC		Glen Cafferty (503)281-5137

* Denotes Winter O-Series event.

CLUBS:

COC: Cascade Orienteering Club
EWOC: Eastern Washington O. C.
CROC: Columbia River O. C.
HUSKY: Husky (UW) O. C.

SAMM: Sammamish O. C.
EOC: Ellensburg O. C.
SACO: Sacajawea O.C.
SAGE: Sage O.C., Kamloops B.C.

NISQ: Nisqually O. C.
CHUKO: Chuckanut O.C.
GVOC: Greater Vancouver O. C.
VO: Victorienteers

MEET TYPES:

C: Regular local meet
B: Major local meet
A: National-level meet, must preregister
R: Rogaine X: Special event

United States Orienteering Federation

P.O. Box 1444
Forest Park, GA 30051/
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

☐ New member ☐ Renewal ☐ Address Change

As a U.S. Citizen or U.S. Resident, I hereby apply for USOF membership. I understand that I am entitled to a one-year subscription to *Orienteering North America*, voting rights, and membership in the IOF. Please print.

Date _____ Yr. Born _____

Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone (____) ____ - _____

If family membership, list other persons:

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- ☐ Individual \$25 member of a chartered club
☐ Individual \$30 at-large
☐ Family \$30 members of a chartered club
☐ Family \$35 at-large
☐ Student \$10 (21 & under)
☐ Junior \$5 (18 & under/no vote/no magazine)
☐ Individual Life \$450 ☐ Family Life \$540
 For mailing O/NA overseas (except APO & FPO):
☐ \$5 extra surface ☐ \$25 extra airmail

What is USOF?

Often in this newsletter, or in orienteering conversation, you will hear references to "yousoff," and you may have seen the magazine "Orienteering/North America." But why do they need so much money, you ask? We charge \$10/year for local dues, so why should it cost an extra \$25 to join an organization that doesn't seem to do much? The answer, of course, is that USOF does quite a bit.

The largest part of USOF dues goes for the O/NA subscription. This is not only a great source of information, it is well written and edited, and has many articles of general interest on health, exercise, and training. From time to time, we reprint articles from O/NA, and there are always copies available at major meets and club meetings. Most of the rest of USOF dues goes to pay for insurance. Although we, as individuals, might be willing to waive insurance, virtually all land owners, both public and private, require insurance as a precondition even to talking about using their land for orienteering. USOF members get a small rebate, about \$2 per national meet, to help balance out the insurance, but, basically, USOF subsidizes our meets. Without USOF, I doubt that either Cascade or Sammamish could afford the insurance to hold another meet.

So we encourage you not only to join your local club, but to join and support USOF. The magazine along is worth the cost. You will also find as many opportunities to serve on national committees as there are to serve locally. USOF, like our local clubs, has no paid employees, and does not pay travel or per diem expenses for its officers. USOF, like Cascade, is an IRS section 501c(3) corporation. Which means that donations, including costs, are fully tax deductible. JOIN NOW!

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