

**Arctic Orienteering Club
2001 Annual Meeting
September 22, 2001
Minutes**

The 2001 annual meeting of the Arctic Orienteering Club was held at 5:30 p.m., September 22, 2001, at Russian Jack Springs Chalet. Approximately 50 people attended, including many children. The meeting began with a well-provisioned potluck supper.

President Ex-Officio Dan Billman led the business part of the meeting. The club survived the past year without a president. The following items were discussed and actions taken:

Jim Green listed the generous providers of door prizes (in no particular order) and displayed the donations:

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| Alaska Mountaineering and Hiking | Great Harvest Bread Company |
| The Sport Shop | Skinny Raven |
| Williwaw Publishing | Shelly James |
| Cook Inlet Book Company | Ellyn Brown |
| The Maps Place | Chris Tomsen |
| Marianne Pedersen | Dan and Anne Billman |

[P.S. Jim Green, Vice President of Media, meant to mention at the annual meeting that Dan Ellsworth sponsors the hosting of the club's website.]

A 2002 meet schedule was posted, and attendees were encouraged to sign up to direct or help at meets.

We discussed the merits of holding our regular meets on Tuesday versus Wednesday. The membership voted to continue to hold meets on Wednesday evenings, primarily to allow continued participation by members also active in competitive running clubs that meet Tuesday evenings.

We discussed the standard start times we would designate for next year's meets. It was suggested that some conflicts with Wednesday evening activities could be alleviated by starting meets earlier. Potential orienteers are always welcome to call the meet director to arrange an alternative start time. The membership voted to standardize the Wednesday evening start times: participants may start between 5 pm and 7 pm, and all participants must check back at the start by 9 pm.

Dan Ellsworth volunteered to coordinate the 2001 Halloween-O, to be held at Campbell Creek Science Center on October 27, 2001. We need volunteers to decorate control sites. The same course and map will be used as last year.

Members are interested in re-instating the points system to track competitors' standing for the season. The meets indicated as "competitive" on the 2002 schedule will be meets at which

points will be tracked. A total of 10 competitive meets are shown on the 2002 schedule. The membership voted to count each competitor's best 6 meets to determine the total points for the season.

Club officers were nominated and elected:

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| President: | Marianne Pedersen |
| Administrative Vice President: | Per Pedersen |
| Secretary: | Anne Billman |
| Treasurer: | Sharon Weddleton |
| Vice President of Media: | Jim Green |
| Vice President of Training: | Eric Follett |
| Vice President of Events: | Dan Billman |
| Vice President of Equipment: | Leslie Anders |
| Vice President of Membership: | Kathy Means |
| Vice President of Mapping: | Ian Moore, with Dan Ellsworth as alternate if Ian declines |
| At-Large Board Members: | Chris Tomsen Shelly James Dick Hawkins |

Eric Follett awarded vintage ribbons to season winners of each class according to loose and rule-free accounting of the season's points. Would-be winners who were not present missed out.

Eric also awarded medals to all the children under 16 who participated in events this season.

Members voted to purchase a digital clock. Per Pedersen will find one. The membership authorized the Board to spend up to \$250.

New controls are needed. Members voted to purchase 40 or more new controls, possibly with punches. The membership authorized the Board to spend up to \$200 for them.

The club decided to consider developing t-shirts for next year.

The club discussed a goal of identifying a small group of people that would be responsible for setting up String-Os at some or all of the meets, focusing on the competitive meets.

The meeting ended with a thank you to Jim Green and Dan Billman for picking up the slack in club leadership this year.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Anne Billman, Secretary. Please call Anne with any corrections or omissions.