# 2011-2012

# Bay Area Orienteering Club California Outdoor Orienteering League

(BAOC COOL)

Season 5

# Orienteering—the sport of cross-country navigation

The Bay Area Orienteering Club California Outdoor Orienteering League (BAOC COOL) invites you and your friends to try orienteering -- the sport of cross-country navigation that tests both mind and body. Orienteers use a map and compass to run or walk through the woods while navigating a preset course to find specific control locations. Experience the exhilaration of racing through the woods, leaping over boulders, and climbing up hills. You decide the best way to get to each control location.

#### Instruction

Can't read a map? Don't worry. Instruction is available at every meet. In addition, we offer events in the schedule that you can use for practice before and during the season.

# **Eligibility**

Anyone currently enrolled in a home, elementary, middle, junior, or senior high school in California is eligible to participate.

#### **Equipment**

A compass is strongly recommended and a whistle is required. You can rent a compass and one free whistle will be provided. Wear clothing that is comfortable to run in. Full leg covering and shoes with good traction (trail running or soccer shoes) are recommended. You may want to bring a change of clothes for after the race.

# **Electronic Punching**

A SPORTident (SI) electronic punch finger stick is required. It is provided as part of the season pass fee or the day of meet fee. The SI punch finger stick electronically records each control you visit and when you visit it. Epunch allows you to see your "split" time to each control after you download at the finish. Results calculations are fast and accurate. The replacement cost for a lost or damaged SI punch finger stick is \$25.

#### **Teams**

The team score is based on the finish time of individual participants. The best 3 students' scores from each school make up the team score.

#### Awards

Awards will be given at the championship meet in the following categories on all courses:

- Top 3 boys and girls for the season
- Top 3 school teams for the season
- Traveling season trophies to the top varsity team to display for one year

You MUST return the registration form, signed by a parent or guardian and yourself, before you will be allowed to participate.

See the BAOC COOL Web site (<u>baoc.org/wiki/Juniors</u>) for Category eligibility.

#### **Registration Options**

- 1. Pre-registered Season Pass -- \$45 (\$30 if you use your own SI stick). There is a \$10 refund for the SI stick if you choose not to keep it.
  - Includes 8 races
  - Includes SI electronic punch finger stick
  - Same price for all family members

Family Season Pass Discount --- \$30 for first child, \$20 for second child, \$10 for third child, fourth child is free. This applies only to the non-rental plan.

**Pre-registration is strongly recommended.** Once you are registered, you will be assigned an SI card for the season. SI cards will be distributed to coaches and individuals at the first meet.

#### 2. Day-of-Meet Registration

 BAOC COOL course – same as the public course, usually \$6 (\$3 for the course and \$3 for stick rental)

#### **Registration Forms**

Registration forms are available on the BAOC COOL Web site (baoc.org/wiki/Juniors).

# Registration

To register, fill out a registration form, have your parent or guardian sign, you sign it, and send it with your payment (checks payable to BAOC) to:

BAOC COOL c/o Jay Hann 340 Topeka Place Danville, CA 94526 925 872-3935, juniors@baoc.org

# **Need more information?**

For additional information about BAOC COOL or orienteering, check out the BAOC Web site (baoc.org).

#### **BAOC COOL** and Other Orienteering Events

November 2011		
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> Sun 20 <sup>th</sup>	Golden Gate Park COOL #1  McLaren Park COOL #2  McLaren Park COOL #3	San Francisco, CA San Francisco, CA San Francisco, CA
December		
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>	Vasona Lake County Park COOL #4	Los Gatos, CA
January 201	12	
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Sun 22 <sup>th</sup>	Oyster Bay Reg. Shoreline COOL #5 Shell Ridge Open Space COOL #6	San Leandro, CA Walnut Creek, CA
<b>February</b>		
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>	Bayfront Park COOL #7 TBD COOL #8, Champs	Menlo Park, CA TBD, CA
March		
Sat-Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup>	Western Region Interscholastic Champs	TBD, CA
<u>April</u>		
Sat-Sun 21 <sup>sh</sup> -22 <sup>sh</sup>	US Interscholastic Championships Wi	hidbey Island, WA