

WELCOME
to the
FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SUSQUEHANNA STUMBLE

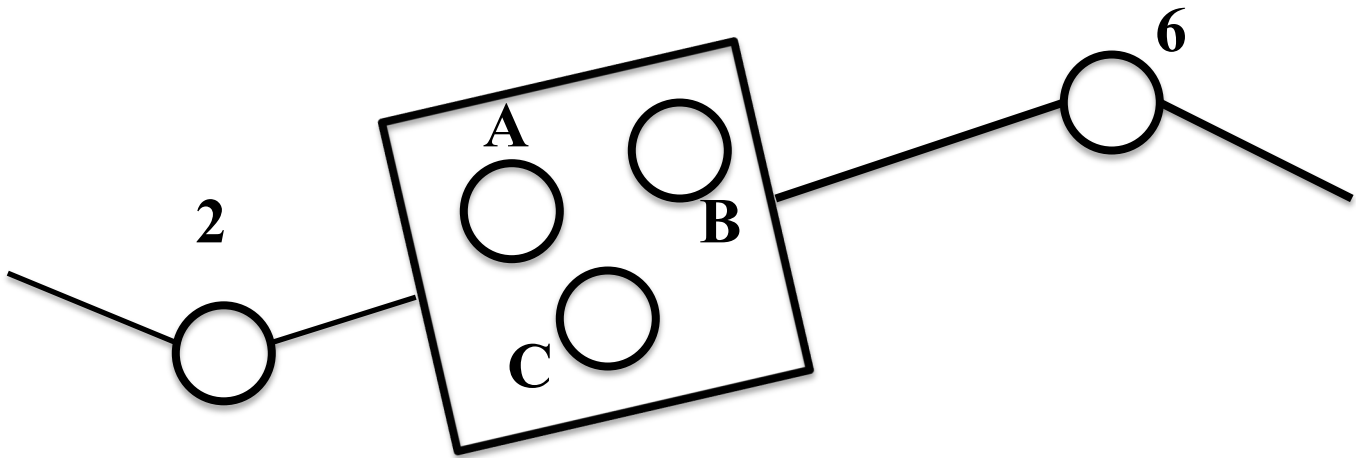
Oregon Ridge Park, Cockeysville, MD

Sunday, October 6, 2013

Course Setter and Meet Directors: Francis Hogle, John and Jody Landers

FORMAT:

The Susquehanna Stumble is a Billygoat-inspired event with a couple of twists. While much of the course is normal cross-country orienteering, there are also several “windows” where you can take the controls in ANY ORDER. It looks kind of like this:



Note from the control sheet that the normal controls are in the 100's (e.g. 101, 102, 103 ...) while the window controls have letters (A, B, C, ...).

COST:

- \$ 22 for the Long Stumble, \$ 15 for the Short Stumble if preregistered. \$5 more for day-of-event registration.
- Brown runners may either enter the mass start (\$ 10 if preregistered, \$ 15 for day-of-event), or the recreational courses.
- Normal QOC fees will be used for recreational courses.
- Preregistration guarantees you a map. We will print a reasonable number of extra maps, but day-of-event registration for the Long and Short Stumbles will be offered only until the supply is exhausted.

- Participants are welcome to compete together as a single team entry at this event for the regular courses only. [All individuals must register independently for the mass start courses.] Teams containing one or more nonmembers are charged the nonmember individual rate. Teams containing one or more adults are charged the adult individual rate. For teams to receive member or junior rates, all members of the team must be members or juniors, respectively. Each extra team map beyond the first is an additional \$ 2. Individuals or teams desiring to compete on a second course can do so for a reduced fee of \$ 2 per map.

AWARDS:

- Commemorative hand towels (designed by Jocelyn Whitmore-So) for the first 20 finishers and the first 5 female finishers of the Long Stumble, and first 15 finishers and first 5 female finishers of the Short Stumble.

MISC:

- Mass start for Brown (4 km), Short Stumble (10.2 km), and Long Stumble (16.2 km) events at 11 AM (or shortly thereafter). **NOTE THAT THE WALK TO START IS AT 10:40 ! DON'T BE LATE.**
- Normal white, yellow, orange, and brown recreational courses are also available with starts any time between “just after 11 AM” (due to the mass start) and 1:30. Pickup for the recreational courses will start at 3 PM so make sure you are back by then. .
- The Oregon Ridge map has a scale of 10,000:1 with 5 meter contours.
- There is a 3 hour time limit for the Short Stumble and a 5 hour time limit for the Long Stumble. We will start picking up the controls on the Short Stumble course at 2 PM.
- Food (cookies, pretzels, bananas) and drinks will be at the finish. **ALSO** - we will fire up the charcoal grill in the pavilion and supply hot dogs and rolls.
- Electronic timing will be used. For the mass start events, we will provide you with an electronic timing chip (aka e-stick, finger dibber, or SI-card) for **FREE** if you don't own one. Loaned e-sticks that are lost incur a \$ 40 replacement fee. For the recreational courses there will be an additional charge for an SI card. Epunch sales at the event are also available.
- Compasses are available at no charge, but if lost incur a \$ 15 replacement fee. Please provide collateral (driver's license or car keys) when borrowing a compass or e-punch.
- For additional safety, whistles are available for sale at \$ 1 each.
- Free beginner instruction is always available - just ask at the registration table.

HAVE FUN !

COURSE SETTERS NOTES - Francis Hogle

THE WALK TO THE START WILL TAKE PLACE AT 10:40 AM. Please be ready to walk to the start then (registered, dressed, cleared and checked). There will be no start punch for the long stumble or for the short stumble. You will be on the clock at 11 AM ready or not. Brown will have the option of that same mass start, or alternatively a start punch during the start window along with the white, yellow and orange recreational courses.

The courses should prove both fast and fun. All courses have sub 4 % climbs and most of the stumble course lengths are wide open and clear mature woods. Beyond the boxes (see below) there is nothing unusual to report regarding the course specifications; however the participants will see considerable variety in control legs: vegetation types, lengths, climbs, twists and turns.

The long stumble will have three boxes where the controls inside may be taken in any order. However each box itself acts as a control and must be taken in order with the other controls outside of that box. The short stumble has two boxes, and the brown has one.

The map is about five years old, is in remarkably good shape and will present us with a pleasant day in the woods. Unlike many maps on which we have orienteered recently, the terrain is mostly wide open with only a very light scatter of foot wrenching debris and rocks. What debris that does exist is visible, and the terrain is very fast. Vegetation scourges such as stiltgrass and ferns have arrived but are not the rule and exist only in very small quantities.

The main changes are related to aging. Deadfall related features on the map have often fallen below mapable status or have disappeared in the terrain. Similar features in the terrain that are bright are not on the map. This includes items that would appear in green as well as in yellow on the map. Fortunately, these are sparse and should not confuse anyone. Another change is the variance of mowing patterns (open vs. rough open). They are roughly similar but are not so precise.

Because leaves will be on, most of the medium green on the map will be much more difficult to traverse than in winter and should be respected. This is where most of what little greenbrier that is in the terrain exists and may not be particularly visible. Although the green areas on the map represent a very small minority of the map, all courses will encounter them. The green will be useful as a navigating feature in addition to being used to complicate route choice decisions. The mapped individual hollies are effectively invisible in the terrain and will not be very useful.

There are areas of the map that are marked out of bounds. Unless you are engaged in a really big mistake, these will not be an issue. Very little is posted, but they are mostly quite obvious in the terrain. Nevertheless, please respect them.

SUSQUEHANNA STUMBLE STATS

1998 Long-Stumble (17.6 km, 480m) Short-Stumble (9.6 km, 180 m)

Pine Grove Furnace State Park

Mark Voit 145:26 (\$50)	Agnar Renden 80:46
Benetis Vytenis 155:42 (\$35)	R. F. Wilkison 116:21
Peggy Dickison 190:19 (F:\$50)	Rob Wilkison 127:13
Jim Eagleton 192:14 (\$25)	Christine Ritchie 189:27 (F)

n = 27 (9 DNF) n= 6
course setter = Mihai Veres

1999 Long-Stumble (~17 km, 550m) Short-Stumble (~9 km, 275 m)

Elk Neck State Park

Ken Walker Jr 139:39 (\$50)	Eddie Bergeron 65:46
Clem McGrath 139:54 (\$35)	Greg Walker 80:32
Ted Good 147:52 (\$25)	Mark Dominie 90:43
Peggy Dickison 173:42 (F:\$50)	Ann Leonard 104:30

n = 14 (1 DNF) n = 23 (2 DNF)
course setter = Mark Voit

2000 Long-Stumble (~18 km, 520m) Short-Stumble (~9 km, 240 m)

French Creek

1. Greg Balter 139:38 (\$60)	1. Eddie Bergeron 63:58
2. Joe Brautigam 140:30 (\$40)	2. Andres Revesz 67:26
3. Clem McGrath 145:43 (\$30)	3. Jim Pugh 79:03
7. Pam James 167:44 (\$60)	15. Anne Fitch 134:03

n = 23 (1 DNF) n = 23 (1 DNF)
course setter = Brad Whitmore

2001 Long-Stumble (~15 km, 480m) Short-Stumble (~9 km, 325 m)

Delaware Water Gap

1. Eddie Bergeron 116:54	1. Jim Eagleton 99:04
2. Greg Balter 117:28	2. Glen Tryson 99:25
3. Alexei Azarov 119:54	3. Brian Tuson 100:18
14. Peggy Dickison 176:38	4. Janet Tryson 153:19

n = 23 n = 9 (1 DNF)
course setter = Mark Voit

2002 Long-Stumble (~15 km, 455m) Short-Stumble (~8.2 km, 255 m)

Great Falls

1. Mathias Mahr 101:31	1. Eddie Bergeron 56:37
2. Vytenis Benetis 104:14	2. Dan Quinn 62:15
3. Jon Torrance 110:49	3. Carl Ramirez 72:56
16. Peggy Dickison 138:13	12. Pat Zerfas 96:38

n = 31 (0 DNFs) n=44 (9 DNF)
course setter = Greg Lennon

2003 Long-Stumble (~16.2 km, 620m) Short-Stumble (~8.9 km, 290 m)

Kings Gap

1. Eddie Bergeron 132:33 1. Tenariu Florin 100:31
2. Martin Ward 149:52 2. Sam Listwak 129:08
3. Alexi Azarov 151:01 3. Valeriy Doverov 140:29
8. Yekatarina Dvinyanimova 198:55 6 Darcy Good 176:13
6 Kathy Kalda 176:13
6 Heidi Onkst 176:13
6 Valerie Meyer 176:13

n = 21 (5 DNFs) n=9 (1 DNF)
course setter = Mihai Veres

2004 Long-Stumble (~17.6 km) Short-Stumble (~8.6 km)

Elk Neck

1. Mikell Platt 157:23 1. Tenariu Florin 92:27
2. Clem McGrath 160:57 2. Istvan Nagy 95:17
3. Vadim Masalkov 161:27 3. Charlie Leonard 100:20
8. Peggy Dickison 239:57 10. Dasha McGrath 127:35

n = 15 (1 DNF) n=19 (1 DNF)
course setter = Randy Hall

2005 Long-Stumble (~16.7 km, 680m) Short-Stumble (~9.5 km, 390m)

Pine Grove

1. Vadim Masalkov 133:04 1. Clem McGrath 81:50
2. Wyatt Riley 135:12 2. Dave Pruden 94:46
3. Randy Hall 135:42 3. Petr Hartman 119:10
11. Angelica Riley 193:52 6. Daria Babushok 139:30
7. Sandy Fillebrown 139:30

N= 20 (2 DNF) N = 20 (5 DNF)
course setter = Eddie Bergeron

2006 Long-Stumble (~15.8 km, 410 m) Short-Stumble (~7.6 km, 150m)

Fair Hill

1. Ken Walker Jr. 103:57 1. Chris Gross 51:04
2. Clem McGrath 104:45 2. Wyatt Riley 63:15
3. Eddie Bergeron 115:20 3. Ron Bortz 69:17
6. Peggy Dickison 150:01 15. Valerie Meyer 85:47
Darcy Good 85:47
Heidi Onkst 85:47

N = 16 (1 DNF) N = 42 (2 DNF)
course setter = Randy Hall

2007 Long-Stumble (~17 km) Short-Stumble (~9 km)

Little Bennett

1. Lacho Iliev 113:42 1. Vadim Masalkov 92:47
2. Eddie Bergeron 117:14 2. Yekaterina Dvinyaninova 100:39
3. Iliana Shandurkova 137:48 3. Erik Beecroft 106:05

N = 18 (7 DNF) N = 21 (7 DNF)
course setter = Sam Listwak

2008 Long-Stumble (~ km) Short-Stumble (~ km)

Kings Gap

1. Eddie Bergeron	109:00	1. Jim Eagleton	75:07
2. Jon Torrance	114:04	2. Sam Listwak	75:20
3. Greg Balter	123:42	3. Gord Hunter	77:24
12. Angelica Riley	175:25	6. Heidi Onkst	106:37

N = 22 (1 DNF) N = 14 (1 DNF)
course setter = Brad Whitmore

2010 Long-Stumble (~18.4 km) Short-Stumble (~10.4 km)

McKeldin

1. Jon Torrance	149:01	1. Mihai Sirbu	100:26
2. Victor Lin	181:08	2. John Pifer	102:31
3. David Onkst	184_09	3. Corinne Porter	102:37

N = 12 (3 DNF) N = 38 (3 DNF)
course setter = Ted Good

2011 Long-Stumble (~ km) Short-Stumble (~ km)

Elk Neck

1. Brian Mayer	172:52	1. Tom Overbaugh	117:39
2. Jon Torrance	173:09	2. Greg Lennon	126:36
3. Vadim Masalkov	173:14	3. Tom Nolan	140:47
7 Peggy Dickison	241:10	9 Valerie, Heidi, Sandy,	149:48

N = 13 (4 DNF) N = 31 (11 DNF)
course setter = Randy Hall

2012 Long-Stumble (~ km) Short-Stumble (~ km)

Hammonds Rock and Pine Grove

1. Wyatt Riley	127:25	1. Eddie Bergeron	69:32
2. Jon Torrance	138:21	2. Vadim Masalkov	89:16
3. Iliana Shandurkova	142:15	3. Tom Overbaugh	99:40
	9 Corinne Porter		133:52

N = 15 (1 DNF) N = 38 (8 DNF)
course setter = Brad Whitmore

SUSQUEHANNA STUMBLE HALL OF FAME

Long Stumble

Eddie Bergeron 3
Ken Walker Jr. 2

Short Stumble

Eddie Bergeron 4
Jim Eagleton 2
Tenariu Florin 2

Peggy Dickison 7
Angelica Riley 2

Heidi Onkst 4
Valerie Meyers 3
Sandy Fillebrown 2

The person with the most Stumbles completed is Tim Good, with thirteen. Tragically, Tim recently passed away after a bout with cancer. We dedicate this Susquehanna Stumble to the memory of Tim Good. In our thoughts, he will be lined up with us at the start of each Stumble.

The only twelve-time stumbler is Francis Hogle.

COURSE SETTERS

Randy Hall	3
Brad Whitmore	3
Eddie Bergeron	2
Mihai Veres	2
Mark Voit	2