

**Wandering West**  
**Australian Rogaining Championships**  
**6/7th June 2009**



**Event Status Update      1 week to go**

There was movement at the station, for the word had passed around  
 That the 09 Oz Rogaining Champs were getting underway,  
 The course was set, the map was drawn  
 So all the cracks were gathering for the fray.  
 All the tried and noted walkers from the states near and far  
 Were mustering at the Hash House overnight,  
 For rogainers love a challenge and a chance to prove their worth,  
 Looking forward to conquering the bush with delight.

Yes – movement has already commenced, with some interstate competitors already on their way.

Entry to the 2009 Australian Rogaining Championships has now closed. There are currently 565 competitors in 231 teams registered for the event.

**Competitor origins** (Note: rogaining association membership, not state of residence)

WA	518	VIC	12	TAS	2
QLD	7	NSW	8	ACT	3
NT	1	SA	9	NZ	5

**Team Categories – ARA Classifications**

	<b>Mens</b>	<b>Womens</b>	<b>miXed</b>
Open	40	20	65
<b>Veterans</b>	19	11	33
<b>Supervets</b>	13	5	14
<b>Under 23</b>	4	4	3

**Team Categories – WARA Classifications**

	<b>Mens</b>	<b>Womens</b>	<b>miXed</b>
<b>UltraVets</b>	3	1	4
<b>Junior</b>	3	3	1

  

<b>Family</b>	<b>Intersivity</b>	<b>Novice</b>	<b>Cadet</b>
21	2	7	1

**Volunteers**

A number of WA rogainers have given up the opportunity to compete in order to assist with the running of the event.

Setters/Vetters	Hash House	Admin	First Aid	Other
4	18	9	1	10

**Weather forecast**

Enough of the long range forecasts: now we are moving into the realm of the short term forecasts. With the retreat of the rain, the temperatures have plummeted again, with most of the last week dropping close to 0°C at night, and daytime temperatures reaching the mid to high teens. Looking forward, all indications are that there will be a bit of rain this weekend, and maybe a bit more on Tuesday/Wednesday, but fine from then on until the following Wednesday when the next front looks scheduled to make its appearance. So pack your winter woollies – temperatures are predicted to get down as low as 0°C before the end of the week. – but it will be fine.

This is the last update that you will receive. The next time you will hear from us will be at the Hash House as you prepare to do battle with the elements, the map, and with your own expectations. Good luck and enjoy yourself! Remember .....

# **ROGAINING IS FUN!!!**