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The WunderBin 24 hour rogaine + State Champs

27th -- 28th June 2015

The course selected for this year's State Championships promises to rekindle some fond memories. Tasked with plugging a vacancy in the setting of the highlight event of the year (no one else had volunteered to set), we looked into the Wunder Bin of past rogaines and recycled an oldie but a goody with a few differences.

This year's state champs will see us all trek east along Great Southern Highway to waddle around the upper reaches of the Helena River (and WunderBiniring Brook) and scramble over the top of them small hillocks curiously called Mounts.

You will soon enough recall the last time you were in the area and appreciate what a great experience we are about to serve you with. As Paul the Prez reminds me, "It is a State Champs after all. Let's make it fun!"

So come join Paul, Brian, Nick and me and we can reminisce over your fondest rogaine survival memories. It could turn out to be therapeutic.

... *John Najar, setter*

Bullant Bites Back : Top Ten report #1

Ricky Thackray, Steve Fletcher

Getting to the start line was a convoluted enough affair for me, with the tyranny of distance and worry over whether a hard rogaine would derail my marathon preparation, but my family was headed to Perth for the weekend after all, so it seemed like too much fun to pass up.

Teaming up with tRicky for our third rogaine, we were always likely to just run a string around the whole course and plan to clear it, whether it was feasible or not and, sure enough, when I arrived at the event (thanks Wil), that's precisely what tRicky

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for the next newsletter is
by close of business on

Monday

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NB: Event teasers due 13th July

Event Calendar

2015

Jun 27-28 Winter 24 hour
+ WA State Champs

Aug 29-30 Spring 24 hour
+ 6 hour Schools Champs

Sep 31 Nude Champs 12 hour
cover charge applies

Oct 24 Spring 12 hour

Nov 28 Novelty 4 hour

2016

Feb 20-21 UpsideDown 12 hour

Mar 19 6 hour Shortie

May 21 Autumn 12 hour
+ Cadet Challenge

Selected Interstate and Overseas

2015

Aug 22-23 World Champs Finland
Oct 10-11 Aus Champs NSW
Nov 28-29 Tassie State Champs Tasmania

2016

Jul 23-24 World Champs NT
(near Alice Springs)
Sep 17-18 Aus Champs in WA !

Full event calendar is on the web under
"Events / Calendar" at rogaine.asn.au

Need more information ? More events ?
Want to enter an interstate event ?
The calendar webpage includes links to
websites for each organising association.

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VOLUNTEER GRID

All WARA activities are carried out by volunteers - that is how we can keep the cost of competing so low. If you have done 10 or more events since you last volunteered it is time for you to add your name below.

Anyone can do a job in Administration or Hash House - you will receive training.

2015 EVENTS

Winter 24 Hr State Champs 27-28 June	Spring 24 Hour Schools Champs 29-30 August	Spring 12 Hour 24 October	Novelty Event 28 November	Upside Down 20-21 Feb 2016
Setters	Setters	Setters	Setters	Setters
Paul Szijarto John Najar	Ian Thomsett John Cresp	Ian Spencer Michael Gandy	Bruce Makin Olivia Makin Daniel Makin	Paul Szijarto Jim Langford
Vetters	Vetters	Vetters	Vetters	Vetters
Brian Austin Nick Lethbridge Deb Lethbridge	Warren Smith Shane Lewis	Chrissy Harwood Katie Veder	Jane Carpenter Judith From	Andre Morkel Jutta Kobe
Admin (7)	Admin (7)	Admin (7)	Admin (4)	Admin (7)
Louise Smith Craig Dermer Vicki Redden Rod Jurich Warren Smith Sue Joyce Patsy Roche Jane Jurich	Kym Smith Wendy McIntyre Ian Grose Debbie Grose	John Louw Glyn Morrey Ross Taplin Anwin Taplin Rosalie McCauley Virginia Abson Alison Lang Neville Deague Rodney Gifford	Fran Harwood Hillary Joyce	Diana Blacklok Lelsley Richardson
First Aid	First Aid	First Aid	First Aid	First Aid
Russel Montgomery	Ann-Marie Meredith			
Hash House (15)	Hash House (15)	Hash House (12)	Hash House (4)	Hash House (12)
Therese Howe Mike Howe Mark Brownell Alex Williams Peter Trenaman Ron Oliver Lyn Nolan Elaine Jackson Cameron Calzoni Sandra Keetch Anthony Keetch Dianne Parks Ray Parks	Alex Debouski Keith Stubbs Silvia Klemenz Jeremy Knowles	Hugh Taplin Jaiden Perkins Andy Kemp Monica Kemp		Carol Schwann Michael Engler
<p>also needed: Truck driver, 2 x Trailer towers, several for truck loading / unloading</p>				
Volunteer Briefing	Volunteer Briefing	Volunteer Briefing	Volunteer Briefing	Volunteer Briefing
16 June	18 August	13 October	Not Required	Not Required

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 0428 105 127 -- to get your name
 recorded for your preferred volunteer role.

Bullant Bites Back : setters' report

12 hour rogaine -- 2nd May 2015



Top Ten #7

Hadrien Devillepoix, Simon Moyon

Here is my little story:

I moved from France a few months ago, and this was my first real rogaine.

I jumped on the occasion to run with a visiting friend, with whom I started adventure racing a few years back. Bought a Southern hemisphere compass just a few days before, and off we were!

The map scale was a big blow. I had already navigated 1:50 000 maps before on a mountain bike, but getting off the track requires very precise map reading. The first 2 hours were really hard, we only found a handful of controls, and got lost several times. But things started to get a lot better after that, probably after seeing a wombat running off ! We later played hide and seek with team 110 (Andy & Will) for a few controls. As the sun set, we were almost at control 85, and enjoyed a nice sunset picnic from a nearby rocky outcrop. We were expecting the night to be much harder for navigation, but it turns out it wasn't so bad, and we only struggled during the last 30 minutes when my head torch ran out of battery. We could not find 55, and had to sprint back to the hash house through control 40, as I couldn't even see my feet with the backup Petzl.

At no point we got bored, time just seemed to fly ! And this was definitely not a typical tourist to-do for my friend, who flew back to Europe on the next day !

Thank you to all who organised this event, it was perfect ! I will be looking for a teammate for the June 24 hour event !

Cheers,

... *Hadrien*

Thanks for the many Bullant photos from Graham Braid.

Minor edit work by the editor.

Now that we've all been bitten by the Bullant, here are a few pearls of wisdom garnered from setting and vetting the event:

- Don't drive through muddy puddles, even in April. Use the drive around that everyone else has used – it's there for a reason.
- Ticks are not nice. Not even a little bit.
- Take chocolate cake on road patrols. Rogainers get very, VERY upset when patrol vehicles don't have cake. Jelly babies will only keep them quiet for a short time.
- Bring a cricket bat to pass the time. Old car mufflers don't make good cricket bats.
- Camp on Friday night and hope that cockatoos come and say hello.

A huge thank you to all of the teams who generously gave up their time to collect controls for us on Sunday morning. The controls were all back in quick time and we were extremely grateful for everyone's efforts. If you don't think you can give up a whole event to help out, then please consider collecting controls -- the setters and vetters will think that you are wonderful ! We hope you all enjoyed yourselves and will back for more in the near future. I think the setting/vetting team will be ... after a little rest.

... *Graham, John, Andrew, Dave & Joe.*





Hello Rogainers,

Just arrived back from the "How to Rogaine successfully" weekend at Dryandra. The weather bureau forecast a significant cold front with rain in the 20 - 50mm range. They got it right but none the less the training was well received and the hardy souls who attended experienced weather conditions that can be expected on a real event. Many thanks to Warren and Andy for the planning and organising and to the team leaders for sharing their expertise and most importantly the hash house crew for the food and refreshments. A very enjoyable weekend. Anyone wanting to learn the basic Rogaining or wanting to refresh their navigation skills -- this weekend is for you. Same place, same time, next year, put it in your rogaining calendar or better still contact Andy to have your name put on the attendance list.

The just-completed Bullant Bites Back Rogaine was held in ideal conditions, cool and dry during the event and a light sprinkle of rain around midnight to keep the dust down when driving out on the chopped up Metro Road. The hash house was situated on a large flat dry clay surface "not a site for August rogaines" and due to dryer and warmer than normal conditions a hash house fire was not on the agenda. Ron and Geoff had other ideas and with the trusty 4wheel drive and a length of chain we had a fire. Thanks guys. This site is frequented by the off road bikers, that's ok with us except when they race through our camping area. A quiet chat with one of them persuaded them to ride elsewhere or the next chat will be with men in uniform. Thanks to the setters Graham, John and Andrew and veters Joe and Dave for putting together another top Rogaine. As always we couldn't function without our team

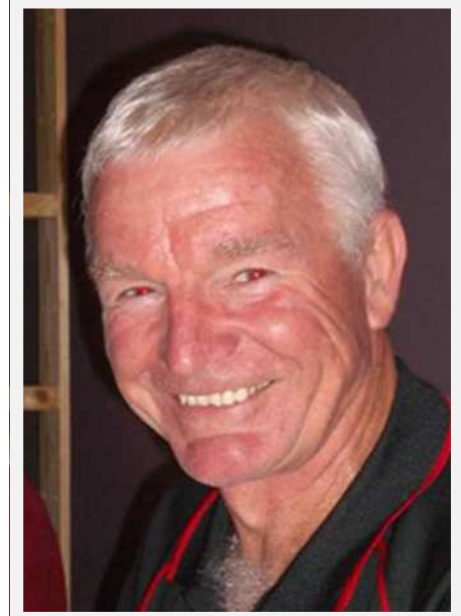
of Admin and Hash House volunteers, thanks one and all.

The volunteer's grid is looking much better than it did prior to the last event thanks to the efforts of Warren and Ian. Also thank you to the many helpers with the setting up and dismantling of the Hash House and Admin tents and the truck loading. If you have never volunteered or not for some time, give it a go. It's not all hard work and the social aspect can be fun.

The next event, the WunderBin Rogaine scheduled for the 27th & 28th June, is on track with John Najar (Vice Prez) and myself setting, see event teaser. I didn't write it but it's sort of accurate, it will be great for social rogainers and a bit more challenging for the top teams.

Look forward to seeing you at the WunderBin Rogaine.

... *Paul Szijarto, the Prez*



Web addresses

Have you noticed that web links -- use to them. If they do want to access such as those in the two small articles the website, they need to retype the below -- are awfully difficult to use ? the exact address. So I print the exact, full, It's a lot of characters to type web address. It's better if you read accurately... Sorry, but it's deliberate. the newsletter online -- you can cut and-paste.

Those who get only a paper copy of this newsletter, well, a hot-link is no If you read the ePub version --

which is occasionally available from the WARA website -- and which is intended only for online reading -- I have put in hot-links.

... *Nick, the editor*

from a NSWRA blog :

"For many people going on an overnight rogainer for the first time would also be the first time that they've walked in the bush in the dark. To start with it can be a little "scary" but it is quite liberating to get through those initial "fears" and amazing how much light the moon gives and how different a place it is at night."

The above is one response to a NSW rogainer's post on his twenty years of rogaining. The full post is at

nswroaining.org/wpblog/2015/03/12/my-20-years-of-rogaining/

World Champs 2016

Information for Australian and NZ rogainers who are interested in entering the **World Champs in Central Australia** in 2016 :

http://new.rogaining.org.au/files/1503_14WRC2016_Broadcast_to_ANZ_Rogainers.pdf

Okay, there are selection criteria. There are also places for people who do not meet the selection criteria ! For the average rogainer it's first in, best dressed. Follow the link, read the rules. Then enter on 23rd October 2015. This could be your best chance to compete in a world championship sporting event :-)



Place	Team	Team members	Awards	Score	Elapsed
1	51M	Ricky Thackray, Steve Fletcher	1M,1st	3230	11:37:02
2	61MV	Andre Morkel, Paul Williams	2M,1MV,2nd	3200	11:59:12
3	79M	Tim Sikma, Grant Pepper, Dave Symons	3M,3rd	2620	11:41:15
4	35X	Paul Dowling, Bryce Crage, Natasha Sparg	1X,4th	2370	11:43:10
5	90M	Bryan McClintock, Aaron Hearne	5th	2330	11:45:10
6	36WV	Janet Musker, Lesa Muir	1W,1WV,6th	2240	11:56:25
7	46M	Hadrien Devillepoix, Simon Moyon	7th	2170	11:58:20
8	110MV	Andy Lane, Will Acworth	8th	2070	11:53:10
9	115MV	Michael Dufty, Ian Finnie	9th	2070	12:02:12
10	31MVS	Peter Mattner, Ron Oliver	1MS,10th	2050	11:48:00
11	41M	Keith Newman, Craig Newman	.	1940	10:26:55
12	29MVS	Jeff Conrades, Richard Matthews	.	1930	11:53:04
13	135M	Grand Joldes, Egidijus Kuprusevicius	.	1900	11:57:10
14	108XV	Jim Klinge, Peter Beyer, Ann Smithson	2X,1XV	1800	11:30:40
15	98W	Claire MacLeay, Anna Harding	2W	1710	11:30:05
16	9XVS	Jeremy Knowles, Silvia Klemenzen	3X,1XS	1680	11:12:05
17	120X	Arielle Fontaine, Benjamin Anderson, Simon Pedrini	.	1660	11:53:30
18	4MVSU	Rod Jurich, Chip Lundstrom	1MU	1650	11:37:20
19	65X	Todd Panietz, Elyse Cripps	.	1610	11:31:25
20	23XVSU	Penny Dufty, Phil Dufty	1XU	1600	11:10:58
21	114M	Michael Gandy, Tyler Hawes	.	1540	11:11:59
22	132M	Russell Eade, Shannon Dixon, Ian James	.	1540	11:15:50
23	42W	Jill Elderfield, Lorraine Clemons, Kristyn Langworthy	3W	1530	11:27:20
24	3M	Andrew Everett, Dominic Regnard, Shaun Tan	.	1510	11:48:10
25	33XV	Ian Grose, Wendy McIntyre	.	1490	8:29:39
26	17MV	John Breed, Adrian Quick	.	1460	11:36:12
27	68XVS	Stan Barclay, Pam Bradley	.	1450	9:37:20
28	48W	Jessie-Leigh Barber, Megan Diggin, Sharyn Moore	.	1440	11:10:58
29	27MV	Glyn Morrey, John Louw	.	1430	11:05:02
30	116MV	Cameron Calzoni, Matthew Jones	.	1390	10:39:40
31	47XNV	Rodney Hamilton, Susan Hamilton, Carl Linqvist	1N	1380	10:26:20
32	121M	David Moyses, Brendon Dhu	.	1380	10:42:35
33	57XV	Ian Spencer, Lily May Hernandez	.	1370	10:37:05
34	73XVS	Nick Lethbridge, Debra Lethbridge	.	1290	9:44:40
35	38X	Phil May, Ashleigh Forrest, Chris Gilbert	.	1210	11:02:20
36	5XV	Ken Allam, Belinda Coughlan	.	1200	9:15:30
37	124X	Jemina Toia, Dickson Mendano	.	1160	9:37:00
38	104M	David Lindner, Blake Edwick	.	1160	9:42:20
39	91M	Nathan Seal, Ken Maxfield	.	1140	6:47:14
40	85X	Joel Cullen, Kristie Evans	.	1140	8:18:30
41	18X	Gerard Massam, Sue Monter, Judith From, Tyler Clement	.	1110	9:29:50
42	117XN	Thomas Bell, Tram Do, Georgia McClanachan, Brodie Wilkes	.	1110	9:54:36
43	105XJ	Bo Davie, Jarin Gibbons	1XJ	1110	11:42:45
44	127XN	Janine Kuehs, Rick Kingston	.	1100	9:41:50
45	71X	Catherine Webb, Hayden Ajduk	.	1100	11:32:32
46	83XI	Connie Doran-Wu, Ben Nicholas, Katie Smout, Kali Groome	1I	1070	10:08:25
47	88MN	Dean Campbell, Joel Duffy	.	1070	11:44:45
48	2MVS	Andrew Molnar, John Najjar	.	1050	6:12:58
49	113MN	Sean O'Reilly, Robert Spotswood	.	1050	9:40:52

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Key: M=Men, W=Women, X=Mixed

V=Veteran, S=SuperVet, U=UltraVet, J=Junior, I=University, F=Family, N=Novice, K=School



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50	106X	Linden Blair, Caroline Caly, Adam Black	.	1050	9:53:30
51	125W	Tanya Vautier, Janet Vautier, Lynne Vautier	.	1030	8:06:00
52	78XV	Steve Whalley, Peggy Whalley, Mark Smith	.	1020	6:28:06
53	129X	Sven Radanovic, Andrea Guthrie	.	1020	7:10:10
54	6XV	John Cummins, Wendy Lang	.	1020	8:55:32
55	92W	Alice Mrazek-Scriven, Monika Herza	.	1010	10:36:30
56	43XF	Anwen Taplin, Ross Taplin	1F	1000	6:20:08
57	69MI	Adam Kelly, James Kelly	.	1000	7:27:50
58	32X	Connie Jackaman, Katie Wright, James Spencer, Lucie Horejsova	.	1000	7:43:20
59	30X	Brenton Clark, Darren McGrath, Kirsty French, Claire French	.	1000	7:43:59
60	101M	Ryan Falconer, Michael Ruescher	.	1000	7:44:24
61	49XVS	Tony Blott, Margaret Blott	.	990	11:31:40
62	56XV	Chris Ryan, Julia Ellen	.	980	6:02:14
63	76X	Dana Russell-Brown, Lee Russell-Brown	.	980	9:32:15
64	94XV	Andy Kemp, Elizabeth Catchpole, Monica Kemp, Ewen MacGregor	.	950	8:47:25
65	60X	Mark Imbert, Angela Pownall	.	950	9:39:00
66	97MVSU	Rodney Gifford, Neville Deague	.	940	11:03:15
67	54WV	Diana Blacklock, Lesley Richardson	.	930	9:19:10
68	100X	Melissa Huynh, Carrick Geary	.	910	9:02:55
69	84MV	Mark Wolstenholme, Bradley John	.	900	7:45:20
70	16XV	Ian Rogers, Meredith Borland	.	880	6:51:05
71	11MVSU	Andrew Thomas, Norman Sunderland	.	860	8:55:00
72	93X	Shane Lewis, Paula Innes	.	850	4:45:46
73	19XVS	Theo Van Looij, Jean Hillier	.	840	8:20:10

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74	77XVS	Rob West, Lois West	.	820	5:42:50
75	128W	Kim Lapere, Sarah Hawes	.	820	7:45:36
76	55XVSU	Moreen Cox, Alan Cox	.	810	9:52:30
77	74X	Nathan Cain, Chelsea Cain, Mark Dutton	.	810	10:51:20
78	107X	Steven Gandy, Sharon Decampo, Helen Gandy, Julie-Anne Riseborough	.	770	7:07:11
79	63XN	Duncan Ellis, Jennifer Kelly	.	740	8:36:20
80	50W	Andrea Salmond, Ella Maesepp	.	730	5:51:40
81	72XF	Karen Staudte, Blake Merritt, Tristan Merritt	.	720	7:08:50
82	131XVS	Alison Lang, Alan Ryan	.	710	8:08:00
83	21X	Amanda Branley, Justine Guest, Kevin Concha, Deirdre O'Sullivan	.	710	9:40:30
84	134XF	Nicholas Dufty, Ruben Dufty, Sophie Wallis	.	700	7:34:50
85	37XF	Sarita Bennett, Dorian Moro, Jared Moro, Justin Moro	.	680	7:54:01
86	87XN	Lee Rummer, Frances Allam	.	680	8:54:45
87	15X	Mark Brownell, Eleanor Harris	.	670	7:44:01
88	67MVS	Peter Mann, Keith Mann	.	670	7:57:40
89	119XVSU	Peter Hamilton, Kathy Hamilton	.	660	7:06:01
90	81XV	Geoff Lane, Tracey Lane	.	660	7:15:37
91	20WVS	Heather Bott, Sue Donnachy	1WS	660	7:24:30
92	39X	Marina Hanbury, Robert Hanbury	.	660	8:05:50
93	96W	Chrissie Harwood, Katie Vedel	.	650	7:51:00
94	44MJ	Hugh Taplin, Jaiden Perkins	1MJ	640	5:58:20
95	28X	Sandra Keetch, Anthony Keetch, Mark Gill	.	610	6:49:49
96	136X	Ben Hewitt, Emily Neville, Samantha Dutton, JJ Schoeman	.	610	7:35:40
97	133X	Ian Patullo, Nic Markham, Jen Markham	.	590	6:43:32
98	86XVS	Charles Croft, Heather Croft, Liz Dunn	.	570	8:03:10
99	22X	Gavin McMaster, Kirsty McMaster	.	550	7:12:48
100	109M	Ben Kwang, Jean Christophe Lai, Curvin Valaydon, Laurent Wan	.	530	6:13:25
101	130M	Colin Manes, Ben Ruthenberg	.	520	9:25:20
102	7X	Sara Settelmaier, Nikola Neumayr, David Settelmaier	.	510	7:51:55
103	102XN	Susanne Neumayr, Blake Hudman	.	510	7:52:10
104	12X	Keith Stubbs, Aleksandra Debowski	.	500	4:48:30
105	8M	Adam Nolan, Paul Batskos	.	500	7:04:00
106	34XF	Carola Schwan, Felix Engler, Matilda Engler, Michael Engler	.	500	9:47:45
107	118XF	Ken Hardwick, Darcy Hardwick, Elliot Hardwick, Nathalie Hardwick	.	480	8:10:20
108	45WV	Fran Harwood, Hilary Joyce	.	480	8:27:30
109	66XV	Jane Windsor, Greg Windsor	.	480	11:14:10
110	10XV	Debbie Grose, Nathan Walker	.	470	6:19:05
111	70XV	Alan Kelly, David Dumas, Lyn Nolan, Colin Kelly	.	470	6:21:13
112	24MNF	Neil Keen, Ben Keen	.	450	9:27:40
113	75W	Libby Drenen, Samantha Barnes, Kathryn Harding, Kendra Swaine, Karina McCrohan	.	440	7:26:00
114	40XF	Emma Yuen, Sebastian Twiss-Yuen	.	430	5:12:30
115	25MF	Patrick Boss, Angus Boss, Harry Boss	.	420	9:35:30
116	89XN	Rebecca Doran-Wu, Murray Quakernaat	.	410	6:43:20
117	80WFN	Leanne Green, Annabell Green	.	380	6:00:50
118	52WF	Karen Angel, Jasmin Syammach, Lily Syammach	.	350	5:31:10
119	126XF	Andrew Disney, Arkie Disney, Romola Stewart, Anya Disney, Gilbert Disney	.	350	6:34:33
120	122MF	Mark Stafford, Kai Stafford	.	290	4:19:00
120	123W	Samantha Burrow, Nat Strobel	.	290	4:19:00
122	14XVS	Geoff Monk, Ron Lockley, Sue Joyce	.	290	6:36:06
123	62WV	Susan Rollason, Elaine Jackson	.	290	7:07:30

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124	13WVSU	Margaret Corlett, Patricia Robinson	1WU	220	6:18:42
125	58XV	Peter Harding, Marion Harding	.	200	6:01:30
126	59WV	Sandra Papenfus, Pena Atanasoff	.	190	6:42:53
127	82XF	Ben Boardman, Isabelle Boardman, Emma Van Looij	.	180	6:26:43
128	26XF	Monique Taylor, Jasper Taylor, Max Taylor	.	140	5:41:20
129	64XV	Ron Zappara, Carole Ziegler	.	130	4:55:30
130	111XF	Wendy Drok, Amy Drok, Michael Drok, Owen Drok	.	120	4:14:46
131	139W	Libby Drenen, Sam Barnes, Kendra Swaine	.	40	11:19:54

top ten #1

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was doing. Fortunately, our string came in at 61km, so we figured it was pretty achievable.

I tried not to start too stupidly hard, but really wasn't switched on at the start. We were offline on the first one, missing the small re-entrant off the side, losing track of distance and overshooting, binning 5 minutes straight up. Headed up the spur to the next, then was offline again at #74, before correcting the wrong way, then eventually getting it right and losing another ten minutes...

Got through the next 3 cleanly and had a nice early finish in the bag, with only two relatively simple controls to go. Except that I was well offline to #72, and we wandered aimlessly for quite a while, surrounded by 4 or 5 sets of torches doing very similar things, until we backtracked to the top of the creek further north and had another go at

This winners report has been shamelessly cut. The full story is available in the ePub newsletter... which I hope to create and make available from the WARA website.

What's left, is reassuring: even the winners can make navigational mistakes ! Which they then put behind them, and carry on...

From another point of view:

We were strolling along. There was a sound of crashing from behind us ! A giant kangaroo ?! We froze, prepared to run... Glanced behind...

A pair of knees -- head high, at least -- charging towards us ! I peered up.. up.. UP !

Steve paced past us. Trailed by Ricky.

We followed the trail of trampled bush to the next control.

It's all true. Absolutely true. I had it directly from the overtaken women on the course. No exaggeration.

... *Nick, the editor*

clean either and had to drop 1 control, so the time didn't end up mattering.

I was really happy with how I went physically, but initially pretty disappointed with our navigation. On reflection though, I think it was just the poor start and poor finish coloured my perception of how we went, when most of the day was really good.

A huge thanks to the Setters and Veters for their efforts and their challenging control placements (beats searching for knolls and watercourses all day long) and to all the other volunteers that do their bit to make the rogaining experience what it is.

... *Fletch (and tRicky)*

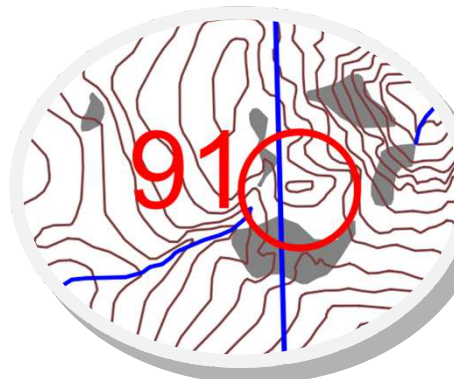
attacking the control. GPS would suggest that we weren't actually where we thought when we relocated, so maybe we got a bit lucky on that one.

15 minutes down the toilet, but still plenty of time up our sleeve to finish the course. Got the last one and plodded in. My assumption with so many misses out on course was that Wil and Andre would have beaten us back, and I was contemplating how many people would have cleared the course on two consecutive rogaines (my last one was the 2013 State Champs) and not had a win. It turns out they weren't

Resignation from the Committee

In May, Shane Lewis resigned from the WARA Committee. Shane felt that he does not have enough time to dedicate to his roles on the committee. His roles included organising badges for event winners, liaising with ARA and managing our FaceBook page.

The committee thanked Shane for his work over the past years.



Setters Quiz: see later article



10 Peter Mattner & Ron Oliver

1. The weather:

Such a beautiful day, sunny but not too hot, cool evening but not too cold, bright evening but still too dark !

2. The location:

Held in stunning terrain, lots of lovely bush, plenty of tree cover, not too much Banksia Sessilis and the most magnificent Wandoo stands.

#9 Michael Dufty, Ian Finnie

The Bullant Bites Back was an interesting rogaine for me.

I participated in the original Bullant in 1989 at the age of 18, in a team from the UWA Outdoor Club [see photo later in this newsletter]. Another participant from the Outdoor Club, in a separate team was Ian Finnie. Ian has recently taken up orienteering with enthusiasm and we'd discussed doing a Rogaine together so revisiting the Bullant together seemed perfect. My only memory of the original Bullant is reaching the summit of Mt Cooke at sunset, eating in a cave, then plunging down the other side in complete darkness, rain and thick prickles and being surprised to hit the next control.

My parents also participated in both Bullants. My age now is the same as their age was in the first Bullant. I hope I'm going as strong as them in another 26 years. My rogaining in the last 15 years or so has been limited by how far I could persuade small kids to go and I occasionally felt jealous of teams able to go out to far corners of the map. This was a chance to see how far I can still go.

We had a vague plan of about 50km based on my best previous efforts and ended up doing about 48 after big problems finding 101 in the dark. A very successful rogaine until Ian sprained his ankle within 200m of the finish (and after the finish horn) he still managed to run as fast as me but will take a bit longer to recover (I can walk again after only 3 days). Satisfying to see what I can and can't do, and I will be enjoying taking it easy with my kids in the next one. I wonder if they will be rogaining in 26 years' time ?

... Michael



3. The camp-site:

Plenty of room for 400 campers, nice and flat, no one was too far from the Hash, easy access in and out.

4. The course:

Great placement of controls, plenty of variation in placement, most where they were meant to be, and some easy ones to keep the spirits up.

Our top ten^(*) likes about the Bullant Rogaine

^(*) for 7. The setters , 8. The Admin team, 9. The campfire and 10. Top 10 placing -- see the ePub edition of this newsletter.

Photos -- and words ! --from Ron Oliver

5. The hash team:

Plentiful food, cooked to perfection, served with a smile with ample afters, and no corkage charged on BYO. What more could we ask for?

6. Bunny orchid.

Eriochilus dilatatus is always somewhere to be found during an Autumn rogaine. We found a sole specimen among some casuarina trees.





A couple of years ago the rogaining committee lowered membership fees. This was in response to occasional comments, that the annual membership fee was a steep cost to pay for people who only entered one rogaine a year. Was this a good response ?

On 30th August, thousands of West Australians will enter the Chevron City to Surf for Activ. For a \$48 event fee, one person can run 12km. (About the same cost as membership plus event fee for one rogaine.) For \$130 you can run a marathon -- and get a t-shirt and snacks at the end. These event fees raise money for Activ Foundation. Have you ever run in the Chevron City to Surf for Activ ?

And what else have you done to raise money for the Activ Foundation ?

Probably nothing. Because the City to Surf is a once-a-year event.

The rogaining association runs all year. There are seven events each year. Each event is organised and run entirely by volunteers.

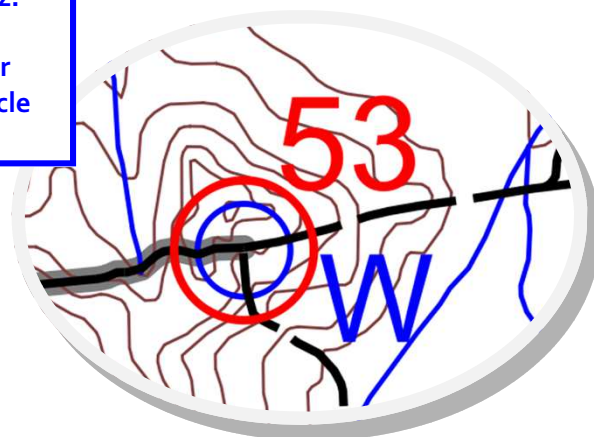
Did you almost stop reading ?

Yes... this article is about volunteering...

Rogaines are run by volunteers. Lowering the annual fee for membership encourages people to think of a rogaine as *an event*: turn up, compete, go home, forget about rogaining.

The committee decided that *membership* has to be more than just an additional cost for a single event. We want to encourage rogainers to see themselves as members of the association. Members who support their sport -- their recreation -- by

Setters
Quiz:
see
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article



supporting the organisation.

If we see ourselves as members of the organisation, the committee believes that we will support the organisation. We will be happy to support the setting and running of the events which are the central part of our organisation.

Membership will be the main theme, events will still be the central reason for maintaining our membership.

Membership and event fees are being changed to support membership, with follow-on changes in fees for events.

So...

Why would anyone prefer *membership* to *event fees* ?!

Over to you...

Beyond the essential rogaine events, *what else* can the rogaining association offer to its members ?

That's the next challenge for the committee. Your suggestions are welcome.

... *Nick, the editor*

(*who also sits on the WARA committee*)

2015 Tas Champs 24Hr + 8 Hr Rogaines

from our special remote-area reporter

ie... taken from the Rogaining Tasmania website

It's been a few years since we last had a full twenty-four hour rogaine on offer, which is why Rogaining Tasmania is so excited to announce that planning is underway for our next big 24 hour event.

This is what we can tell you so far:

- Date: 28 and 29th November 2015
- Two events -- The 24 hour event will be the 2015 Tasmanian Championship, and there will be an associated 8 hour event.
- Times: proposed times will be 12 noon to 12 noon for the 24 hr, 12 noon to 8pm for the 8 hour.
- Event area - NW of Ross. Those who entered the 2003 Australian Champs - The "Midland Manoeuvres" will find the terrain familiar.

The moon is ideal, with a full moon on the Thursday prior to the event. Landowner approval has been gained, and fieldwork and planning will commence soon.

We want this to be a big one !

Those involved (so far):

- Setting: Gary Carroll and ... a rabble of unknown Tasmanians.

2015 Australasian Rogaining Champs : in NSW

from the NSW Rogaining website
(warning: copy may include eastern states bias)

Warning - superb rogaining ahead!

What: 2015 Australasian Rogaining Championships

When: 10-11 October 2015

Where: About 3.5 hours west of Sydney

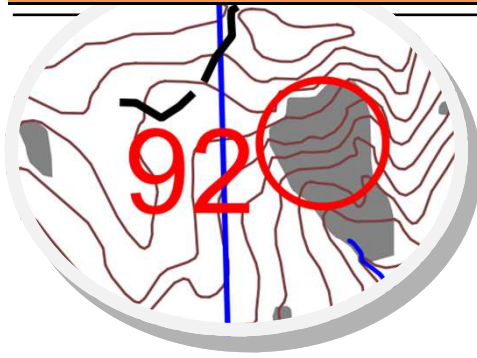
For who: Everyone who enjoys great rogaining country - young, old (ah - we mean experienced), novice, sharpshooter... everyone !

Entries will open: Early May, 2015

Contact: Email Gill Fowler

Brought to you by NSW Rogaining

How to get vettors for a rogaine – the easy way



It is often a vexed question among rogaine committees and for setters: how to get vettors for a rogaine? Some people have suggested setting traps along the lines

wondering how to get another vetter or two?

Without the benefit of an article like this to assist me I was in a quandary – what to do? The suggestions mentioned above did not seem to be really suitable so I reverted to an alternative. There was I, standing in a queue and ahead of me were two likely chumps,

of steel-toothed bear traps on paths that potential likely candidates might wander (perhaps not a good idea as the broken legs can hamper their walking capacity), others have suggested setting tempting lures out in the bush (tempting lures can involve chocolate, desirable mem-

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Which brings me back to what I started writing about which is the easy way to get vettors for a rogaine. In this case I had put my name down some time back (remember that bit about the blank spaces – this is a test question and we want to make sure that you get it right). Alas I was the only one who had put their name down and you really need a bit of a team (at least two of you) as there can be an eentsy bit of work in checking the controls but with a couple of you then you can split up the task. So there was I

rainy day at the mundabin site... adds real interest... must remember to fit this in neatly. or everyone will need to go to the epub edition to read all of Brian's article...

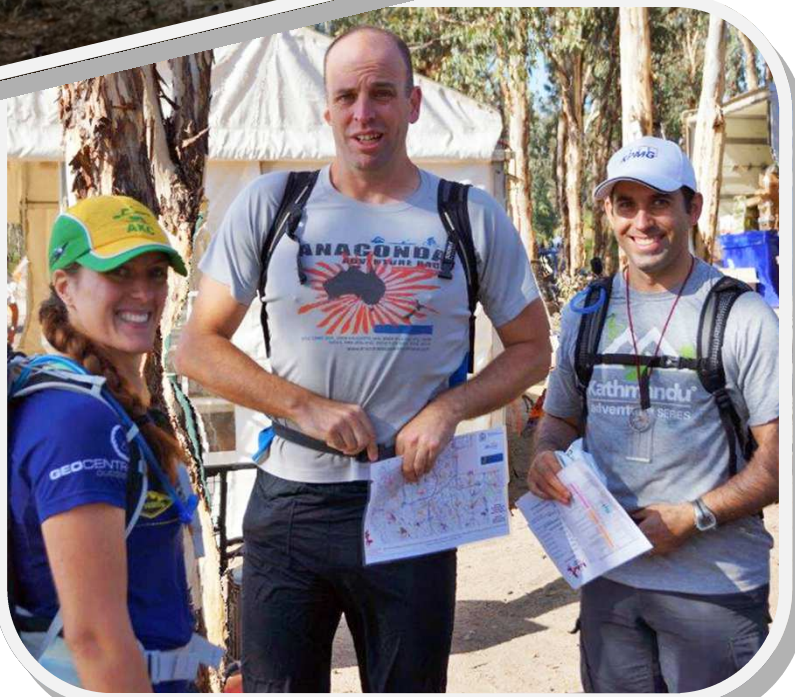
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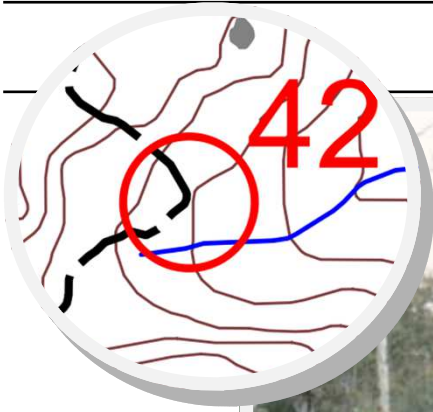


err... I mean rogaining champions ... in the form of our noble editor, Nick Lethbridge Esq and his esteemed partner ... most ourable ... ie ... ridge. What say? Ah ha, round! So I y might be gaine and lo nanks and newsletter matter of

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... Brian Austin





Michael and the UWA Outdoor team Bullant 1989

1989 photo from Michael Dufty

Setter's Quiz: control descriptions

Question 1: Write a control description for each of the four control circles scattered round this newsletter.

Answer 1:

- #91 The knoll
- #53 The track junction (water)
- #42 The track bend
- #92 A small spur on the large rocky outcrop -- southern end of a thicket

Bet you didn't get that #92 description !

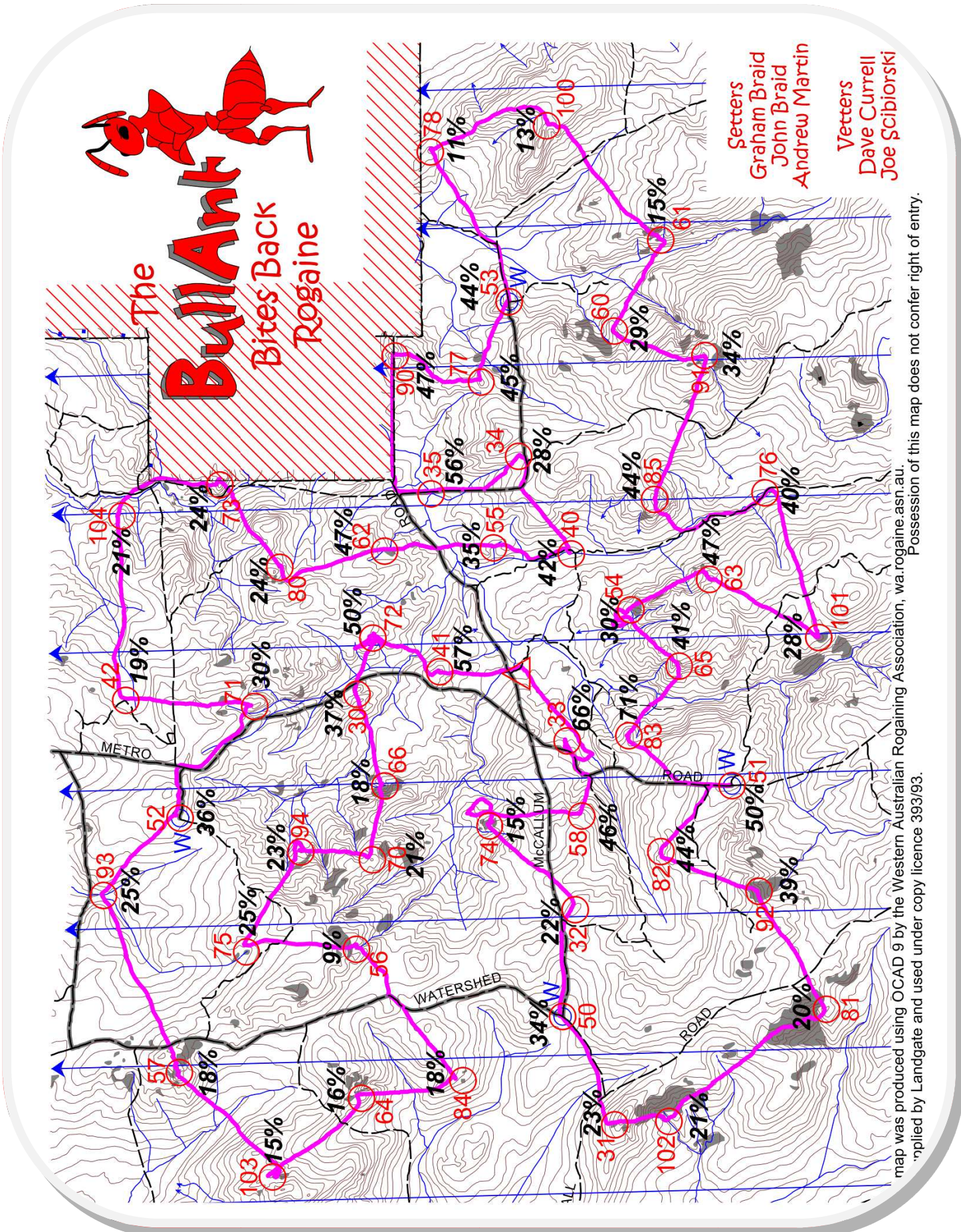
Question 2: Why do we -- setters -- write control descriptions which add nothing to the information on the map ?

Answer 2: The setting standards say that a control description is, The feature followed by enough detail to distinguish that feature from others within the control circle.

Now read the *editorial*.

... *Nick, the editor*





Setters
 Graham Braid
 John Braid
 Andrew Martin

Vetters
 Dave Currell
 Joe Ścibiorski

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[The percentages at each control are the percent of teams who visited that control. Thanks, Setters ! ... Editor]

Wunder Bin State Champs

(24 hours: 12 noon Sat. 27th June to 12 noon Sun. 28th)

Event Entry



1. Enter all of your team members' personal and payment details (maximum of 5 people per team)

Online entry preferred: wa.rogaine.asn.au/entry

Privacy Statement: WARA will not disclose members' contact details unless it is for regular rogaine business. See <http://wa.rogaine.asn.au/privacy>

SURNAME [on top row] Given Name [First person is team contact]	Birth Date	Home Phone	Postal Address	Member Status	Fees			
	Gender (circle)	Mobile			1 Annual Membership	2 Event Entry	3 Compass Hire	Total
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NB: Every entrant must be a current member of a rogaining association. If you are not, then you must join WARA.

Member Status: write the applicable letter in the Member Status box above

C = If you have paid this year's membership fee

N = If you have never been a member

R = If you were a member last year

L = If you are a life member

P = If you have previously been a member, but not last year

If you are a member of another Australian State Rogaining Association — please tell us which association.

ADMIN USE ONLY
TEAM NUMBER

If you are *not* sending a stamped self-addressed envelope, please add \$2 for return postage:



TOTAL

Membership and Entry Fees

- **Event Entry** fees and categories are based on your age on the first day of the event
- **Annual Membership** fees are based on your age at the time of payment and are valid for the current calendar year. Membership expires on Dec 31st

Adults people who are 18 years of age or older

Juniors people aged between 10 and 18 years

Children people who are under 10 years of age

Fees (24 hour rogaine)	Adults 18 years or over	Juniors Between 10-18 years	Children Under 10 years
1. Annual Membership (calendar year)	\$12	\$6	Free
2. Event Entry (this event)	\$34	\$17	Free
3. Compass Hire (per event)	\$5 each	Return damaged = \$15 fine Not returned = \$60 fine	

Deadlines / Cancellations

- Event entries close last mail received on **Wed 17th June 2015.**
- No entries will be accepted past this date.
- There will be no refunds for cancellations after the closing date.

No late entries

This is a tax invoice in accordance with Australian Tax Office requirements.

Western Australian Rogaining Association
PO Box 321
BAYSWATER WA 6933

ABN: 59 610 662 297

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Wunder Bin State Champs

(24 hours: 12 noon Sat. 27th June to 12 noon Sun. 28th)

Event Entry



2. Team Class – circle ONE of the classes appropriate for your team:

W	Women	All team members are female.
M	Men	All team members are male.
X	Mixed	Team has at least one female AND at least one male.

Important Note

Please ensure that current details are provided when completing this entry form. Failure to do so will result in database errors, which may affect the team members in the future. Please fill in all entry form boxes, and write 'n/a' for not applicable as necessary.

3. Team Categories – circle ANY of the categories appropriate for your team profile:

Junior Supervision – Groups of 10 or more Juniors **MUST** be supervised throughout the event at the hash house site by a non-competing adult.
Any competitor under 14 years of age **MUST** be accompanied by at least one member 18 years of age or older.

J	Junior	All team members are 14 years or over and are under 18 years.	V	Veteran	All team members are 40 years of age or over.
I	University	All team members are students at any tertiary institution.	S	Super Vet	All team members are 55 years of age or over.
N	Novice	All team members are competing in their first rogaine after their 10th birthday (not including 6 hour or shorter events).	U	Ultra Vet	All team members are 65 years of age or over.
F	Family	All team members must be a family composed of children and their parent(s) or step-parent(s) or grandparent(s) and at least one team member must be younger than 14 years of age.	C	Cadet	All team members are Cadets and are juniors in the majority (CALM Bushrangers, State Emergency Service, St. John's, Police, Army, Navy, Air Force, etc).

4. Enter your payment details here

Enclosed is my cheque / money order made payable to Western Australian Rogaining Association or debit my credit card for \$.....

Mastercard Visa

Card Number _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Customer Name on Card _____

Card Verification Number _____ (3 digit number printed on the signature panel on the back of the card)

Expiry date/..... Signature

- This event entry is only valid if lodged with FULL PAYMENT.
- Please do not pay with cash.

5. Send your entry, payment and stamped self-addressed envelope to:

Wunder Bin Rogaine
PO Box 321
BAYSWATER WA 6933

Enquiries Contact Sue on 0419 853 018 BEFORE 9pm

Close of entries **Wednesday 17th June.** OR earlier if the event has reached capacity

Event Directions The team contact will receive event information soon after **Monday 22nd June**

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Bank / Credit Union / Other

Money Owed OR Refund

Control Descriptions

At the Bullant, I was navigating and my partner read out the control descriptions.

"Number 91," I would say, "The knoll." Then, "Number 53, the track junction. With water. 42, the track bend."

Then, "Number 92... What on earth is that ?!"

"It's a small spur on the large rocky outcrop -- southern end of a thicket," read my partner.

"Aha !" I said. "Southern end of a thicket... There's a thicket... Let's go round to the south of it..."

Three out of four control descriptions could be read straight from the map. The control description sheet added nothing... Even the value -- the points -- can be read directly from the map.

The description for #92 added valuable information. It was useful ! The other three were simply space-fillers. In fact -- a waste of space. Three times out of four.

It's about time that we re-examined our standards for control descriptions. How about :

- The map circles the relevant feature.
- The control description tells you *what else* to look for when you have reached the feature.

Let's get some useful information onto the Control Description Sheet.

Or -- since it adds nothing -- scrap it entirely.

... *Nick Lethbridge, editor*

WARA E-mail List

WARA has an electronic announcement list for members. It is used to advise subscribed members when our web site has been updated, results are published and when other announcements need to be made. It is an excellent way of staying in touch.

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 and follow the simple instructions.



First Aid Training

WARA will pay for members' first aid training or refresher courses. All you need to do in return is to occasionally be our first aid officer at events. For more information call Warren Smith on 0407 773 697.



Noticeboard



To Help with a Rogaine:

1. Select your preferred event and your favourite role (see page 3), then
2. Contact Ian Thomsett, WARA Volunteer Coordinator at

mrrogaine@gmail.com

or phone Ian on **0428 105 127**

Help before a Rogaine:

On the Thursday afternoon before a rogaine, the Equipment Truck needs to be loaded. Many hands make light work ! Please offer your hands at the Rogaine Shed in Bayswater... Contact **Ian**, the WARA Volunteer Coordinator at

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or phone Ian on **0428 105 127**

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Your Rogaining History



Jim Langford has compiled a database of the results of all WA rogaines, with details of team composition and overall places. If you want to retrieve all of your rogaining history - who you competed with, which events you did, and how well you did, contact Jim at jimrun@iinet.net.au

Partner Match-up Service

WARA offers a partner match-up service. If you find yourself in need of a rogaining partner, why not give Penny Dufty a call on 9299 8228 or e-mail pennyd@westnet.com.au

Please note: if you team up with a partner that you have met using this service, could you please call Penny back so she knows who is available.



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