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Strategic Plan Questionnaire

Members and Observers were asked three questions recently regarding the Strategic Plan for Rogaining and the planning process leading up to the draft provided in IRF Newsletter #114.

Q1. Have you had adequate opportunity to have input to the Strategic Plan over the last 2 years?

Q2. Have your ideas been adequately incorporated into the Strategic Plan?

Q3. Do you want to make any further changes to the Strategic Plan up to the end of Part C?

Ten people replied to the questionnaire representing eight rogaining countries. All respondents said that they had adequate opportunity for input to the Plan, all agreed that their inputs had been incorporated, and none had major changes to make. Two additional individual comments were supporting the IRF moving towards national rogaining associations as its membership structure over the next two years, and for wider international recognition of the sport of rogaining as this will support national rogaining associations attain recognition themselves.

{If we do not design the future, someone else will design it for us}

Rogaine in Germany

8 July 2006

Marko Rößler reports that there will be a 6/12 hour rogaine near Oberwiesenthal, Germany's highest town. This is in Saxony close to the Czech border in forest and hilly terrain, and covers 100 sq km. This will be the first rogaine in Germany. www.sachsen-rogaine.de

III European Rogaining Championships

August 26-27, 2006,

The location is Glybochok village in the Storozhinets district, Chernivtsi region, in western Ukraine approximately 500 km from the capital of Kiev. These championships are sanctioned by the IRF and follow the

international rules of rogaining
www.rogaining.com.

The weekend will also feature the 12 hour
Ukraine Rogaining Championships.

III European Rogaining Championships

August 26, 2006

8.00 Opening ceremony.

8.15 Distribution of maps

11.00 Start of rogaining championship

17.00 URC II 6 hour: end of time limit

17.30 URC II 6 hour: close

19.50 Sunset

20 00 URC II 12 hour: end of time limit

23.30 URC II 12 hour: close

August 27, 2006

6.03 Sunrise

11.00 ERC III: End of time limit

11.30 ERC III: close

14.00 Prize giving and closing ceremony

14.30 Banquet

There will be a 1:30000 map with 5m contours prepared using OCAD software. The course is in foothills of Karpaty mountains. Elevation of the highest point above sea level is 537 m; difference in elevation is about 200 m. It will be mainly beech woodland, about 20% open terrain, many paths and trails with fine terrain features. The area is about 200 sq. km.

Visas: EU, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Japan, USA, Canada and CIS countries are not required to obtain a visa to come to Ukraine. For other countries, please contact Ukrainian consulates in your respective countries to get detailed information on the documents required to come to Ukraine. Invitations will be sent upon request.

Transport: By air to Chernivtsi or other cities in the Ukraine (Lvov and Kiev - international airports); by train or bus to Chernivtsi. Upon your request, transportation by cars or vans from Kiev, Uzhgorod, Lvov and Odessa will be arranged; please fill in the corresponding section of the entry form. Local transportation from Chernivtsi railway station, bus station or airport to the event center can be arranged by shuttle buses.

This is an IRF-sanctioned championship 24 hour event. There are 12 and 6 hour options (non ERC, II Ukrainian Rogaining

Championships). The scoring system is punching a scorecard and filling in of an intention sheet. There are three gender classes of competition: Men's teams (M), Women's teams (W), and Mixed teams (X), the latter being all teams that contain at least one female and one male rogainer. Within each gender class, all teams are in the Open age category. In addition, some teams will be eligible for restricted age categories as follows:

Junior (J): all team members must be under 20 years of age on the first day of competition.

Veteran (V): all team members must be 40 years of age or over on the first day of competition.

Super Veteran (SV): all team members must be 55 years of age or over on the first day of competition. (Note: all super veteran teams are automatically in the veteran class also).

Entries: stempler@chv.ukrpack.net or Efim Shtempler, Ukrainskaia 12, ap. 19, Chernivtsi, Ukraine, 58000.

Organizing committee head and chief referee: Efim Shtempler (Ukraine), IRF observer.
Course Vetter: Mike Shifman (USA).

Traditional thinking is all about *what is*, future thinking needs to be about *what can be*.