

**International Rogaining Federation Inc.
Roles and Responsibilities – IRF Executive
June 2012**

10WRC 2012 Czech Republic (31 Aug-1 Sep 2012 Prebuz).
<http://www.rogaining.cz/wrc2012/en/>. In June, there were 385 teams entered and several more invited and requiring confirmation.

11WRC 2013 Russia (27-28 July 2013 Pskov). Arrangements between IRF and 11WRC organisers have commenced (Alan Mansfield, Sergey Yaschenko), <http://wrc2013.com/>, 10 Euro for the IRF levy; a course setter needs to be appointed and confirmed. Contact for 11WRC - Sergey Yaschenko: runs@inbox.ru.

12WRC 2014 USA (16-17 August 2014 Black Hills, South Dakota). Arrangements between IRF and 12WRC organisers are underway with discussions on participant transport to site, and hash house areas (Barb Bryant, Alan Mansfield, Peg Davis) with a US\$15 IRF levy. A WRC Manager's checklist is being compiled during the planning of 12WRC and 13WRC (Alan Mansfield).

13WRC 2015 The motion to hold a WRC in 2015 was carried by a slender majority (RP). All continents and some individual countries were split on this vote. In view of the divided opinions, this matter will be considered later this year including at 10WRC. It may be useful for future discussions to quote from Lauri Leppik's email regarding the basis for this process re 2015WRC:

"The suggested course of action is based on the following considerations:

- the IRF Council is clearly divided on the issue and any immediate voting is not likely to give a quick solution to the issue, but rather strengthen the confrontation. Whatever the result of the new vote, the result is not likely to settle the issue for any longer period;
- the range of views from Councillors and Observers is broader and more nuanced than a black-and-white "yes" or "no" (this is evident from the comments the voting councillors and observers have added to their recent votes, as well as from the following correspondence);
- the IRF should aim to solve diverging views on major strategic issues by discussion and consensus-building rather than by repeated revoting;
- there is no emergency, which would require immediate action on WRC2015, the aim shall be to reach a clear decision by the end of 2012 and we still have time to seek additional input from our constituencies.

NARC: levy \$10, no more details yet for 2012.

Latvian Rogaining Championships 2012

14-15 July 2012: 24-hour, Aluksne, Latvia; <http://www.rogaining.lv>

10ERC 2013 Catalonia, Spain (26-27 January 2013) co-ordinator Felip Gili.
<http://thewildboar.org/>

2012 European rogaining calendar: <http://www.rogain.ee/en/events/>

IRF Meetings at World Rogaining Championships: see September 2011 R&R.

We will hold an IRF meeting immediately before the World Rogaining Championships. It will be on Thursday 30 August 2012. Jan Tojnar has organised the Town Hall in Prebuz for the meeting. We expect to start at 1pm and may continue until 5pm.

The meeting will differ from previous IRF meetings by being in the afternoon not evening, and also in allowing more time to discuss major items. All IRF Members and Observers are invited to attend, and strongly encouraged.

David Baldwin is collecting all agenda ideas so please send these to him via the list, also let him know if you are attending. Feel welcome to add comments to agenda suggestions raised by others – you might agree with a certain item so say so. We are considering having an open session towards the end of the 1-5pm time period so any rogainers can join and express their views.

Meeting arrangements: Jan Tojnar

Meeting attendance and agenda: David Baldwin

Meeting chairman: Neil Phillips.

WRC Entry Criteria for 2013– these are now published in IRF Newsletter #186. There is a need to review the entry criteria that were used for 10WRC (Alan Mansfield):

http://www.rogaining.cz/wrc2012/files/entry_criteria.pdf

Sub-committees

Sub-committees in general: The IRF has several active and planned sub-committees to address major issues. The IRF Executive invites rogainers from outside the IRF Council to volunteer for these sub-committees, and where appropriate, the IRF Councillors should approach their associations to extend this invitation. Councillors are encouraged to participate in sub-committee proceedings by either having input at an early stage when the terms of reference are announced, or by contacting the sub-committee chair at any time but earlier rather than later.

Rogaining checkpoint markers and description clues: A review sub-committee (David Baldwin, Bob Reddick, Lauri Leppik) has identified that the WARA Course Setters & Vettors Manual can be adapted for IRF use. Modification to this manual is being undertaken by Nick Lethbridge, WARA committee member. Nick has provided a draft with suggested amendments for the sub-committee's consideration.

Procedures for announcing results at WRCs and protests: Alan Mansfield is leading the development of guidelines for the release of preliminary results and then final results at World Rogaining Championships. These guidelines will be integrated with potential WRC protests and appeals (AM, LL, early July).

Executive Structure sub-committee

Draft guidelines issued 7 October 2011, sub-committee overview October R&R.

A subcommittee comprising Richard Robinson, Lauri Leppik and Neil Phillips has been reviewing the size and composition of the IRF Executive. The preliminary suggestions have been circulated to Council (29/3 Rod Phillips): these are being drafted now as a motion for Constitutional change.

Finances sub-committee

Background: see October R&R for sub-committee overview.

Membership: Rob Gardner (chair), Bob Reddick, Rebecca Shaw, Richard Robinson.

Progress: the plan for the IRF banking arrangements were sent to Council (27/12) and changes are being made so that Rebecca Shaw can be responsible for the banking. This will require a change of the IRF Constitution relating to signatories.

Timeframe: Budget finalised and circulated May 2012. Approved by Executive June 12.

Draft plan for future financial system and activities

Responses from Council

Final suggestions for finances.

Define options on the calculation methods of membership fees and regional rogaining championships.

IRF Membership sub-committee

Alan Holdaway (chair), Rod Phillips, Richard Robinson, Lauri Leppik, Jan Tojnar. sub-committee overview October R&R. All Observer positions lapsed on 31 March 2012 except those renewed in the last year. Contact Alan Holdaway holdaway@xtra.co.nz for any new applications for renewal.

IRF Website

David Baldwin is developing a new Joomla based IRF web site. David Baldwin, Lauri Leppik and Alan Mansfield would welcome volunteer assistance to master, administer and edit the web site. It is an ongoing task that requires assistance from either within the Council or from others with a strong interest in rogaining. Leadership roles are open (web master, administrator, editor) as well as contributors for regions of the world to maintain their region's part of the calendar. Contact David Baldwin.

We will be looking at ways to make our communication more effective so that Council continues to have access to information, and important messages are self-evident.

IRF Newsletter #186 (30/6).

Executive: Neil Phillips, Lauri Leppik, Alan Mansfield, Rod Phillips.

Neil Phillips