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First Swiss Rogaine

Dieter Wolf reports that the 1st Swiss Rogaine was in Davos on August 27th/28th. There were 26 participants; and their next rogaine is planned for 2011.

World Rogaining Championships

Cheviot, 20-21 November 2010. The organisation of this 24 hour rogaine is on target and proceeding steadily <http://wrc2010.org.nz>. Entries are closed but we are looking for volunteers to assist us during the event. If you can help please email Phil Bones and offer your services admin@wrc2010.org.nz.

There are several other rogaines in New Zealand during 2010:

The Great Forest Rogaine, Rotorua, Saturday 6th November. An 8hr foot event and a 6hr MTB event with the same controls for both. Utilising Rotorua's wonderful and right up-to-date Whaka Forest Map, this event is perfectly timed for a pre-World Rogaining Champs blowout. Contact is Mark Copeland, copeland@copelandlaw.co.nz.

Taylor's Mistake Spring Series, Port Hills, Christchurch, begins 20th October. This series of 3 x 3hr after-work rogaines on successive Wednesdays is being organised by Nora Audra and Ian Edmond. There will be a 1hr Family event. Don't miss the opportunity to be out there experiencing the highlights of the Port Hills. An entry form is available at <http://www.madeventz.co.nz/tmrogaine>

Highland Events Rogaine Heaven, Wanaka, Saturday 23rd October (Labor Weekend), 12 & 6hr.

Organised by Ed Stevens and based at the Albert Town Tavern, the course will be quite fast and also ideal for the novice

rogainer. The course features mainly flat areas with low open Kanuka scrub and there are some slightly hilly parts going from 275m to 570m.

<http://www.highlandevents.co.nz>.

Australian Rogaining Championships

22 to 23 January 2011. This 24 hour rogaine is hosted by Rogaining Tasmania in the northern midlands of Tasmania. The course will be set by experienced rogainers John Brock, Darryl Smith, Karen Pedley and Nigel Davies. The terrain will be a mixture of open plains (farmland) and steeper lightly wooded hills. See the event website, <http://www.arc2011.rt.asn.au/>. This is likely to be a qualifying event for the 10th World Championships in the Czech Republic.

IRF Budget process

Rogaining relies on financial resources to deliver events for its members and for promotion and growth of rogaining globally. The sport has a responsibility to ensure that its funds are used legally, wisely and effectively. Sources of funding include:

- donors and granting agencies
- members' event fees
- members' capitation fees
- government grants
- co-funding of initiatives with various rogaining, and other, associations.

Some goals:

- Link the budget process directly to the Strategic Plan for Rogaining.
- Provide excellent reporting and transparency on financial activities.
- Achieve an appropriate balance between event fees, capitation fees, and other fund sources [*by*: consulting with Members].
- Ensure grants lead to strengthening of the sport [*by*: seeking alignment

with the operational mission (in Part B), delivering on conditions attached to grants].

- Use funds held by rogaining associations effectively [*by*: reviewing use of longer-term funds in each annual budget process].

World Rogaining Championships – current discussions

The World Rogaining Championships have reached the stage where there are more potential participants than the maximum comfortable number for environmental reasons (suggested as 500-800).

There are several options that are available to rogaining to address this situation such as to increase the area of each event, select areas that can accommodate many more entrants, accept that there may be well-marked tracks leading in towards many controls, have separate events run simultaneously on the one course but with different controls, or limit numbers to 500-800.

If numbers are limited then the challenge becomes how to prioritise the various entrants including the outright elite, leading volunteers, sporting administration leaders, or representatives of various countries and gender and age groups. It is widely agreed that the *rogaining tourist* should have lower priority than those who compete regularly or contribute to the running of the sport, i.e. a roganier tourist being one who enters a world championship but is rarely seen in the sport before or after that event; a requirement might be to have competed previously in one national 24 hour championship.

We have further options available that include organising a WRC every year, or having a rogaining world cup format in alternate years to the WRC. These ideas are all open for discussion.