

# **Safety Officer's Report for Paddy Pallin Rogaine - June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**Location: Belanglo Forest – in the Southern Tablelands**

**Map: - Supplied Rogaining map (based on Canyonleigh and Hanworth 1:25,000 Topographic Maps).**

**BWRS personnel: - Geoff Dale, Graham Price, Jean-Michel Perraud, Monika Binder, David (Shep) Sheppard.**

## **Introduction**

Approximately 746 registered competitors enjoyed the lovely Belanglo State Forest area and private land, for the 2011 NSW Paddy Pallin Rogaine. This 6 hour event had about 244 teams.

BWRS base was established close to the Administration tents. As this is a 6 hour event we did not need the base tent, or the trailer.

A Safety Plan was prepared by Dug Floyd based on past NSW Rogaining Safety Plans. This was forwarded to the NSW Police Area command and to the NSW Ambulance Service area headquarters, by the organiser.

BWRS provided :-

- 5 members as Safety Officer and Safety Response Teams.
- Troop Carrier 4WD
- HF and UHF radio equipment, GPS units and PLB
- First aid equipment, stokes litter.

## **Event**

I am pleased to report there were no incidents requiring BWRS input this year.

BWRS Troopie made several sweeps as a safety patrol. Competitors were advised to use the roads if they required assistance.

## **Conclusion**

A very well run event and only very minor incidents reported to Safety Response / First Aid Team or Safety Coordinator. The personnel all worked well together and formed a strong team.

The Troopie HF radio provided good coverage back to Shep's Landrover HF at base over the whole course including some deep valleys, during the road sweeps.

Assisting with these Rogaining events is raising BWRS profile in the outdoors community. The competitors showed their appreciation of BWRS support for the event, often saying thank you when we passed them in the field. We get a favourable response from NSW Police and Ambulance when lodging the safety plans.

A special thanks to all those who did such a good job: Geoff Dale, Graham Price, Jean-Michel Perraud, Monika Binder, David Sheppard.

Geoff Dale

(Event Safety Officer)