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49th ANNUAL 6HR WINTER ROGAINE

Sunday 17th June 2012 - CLANDULLA

COURSE PLANNER'S NOTES

These notes are prepared to assist entrants in the planning of their 6 hour course. Please refer to the following timeline for the event:

Briefing for Novices -8.30am (optional but recommended); giving advice, an overview of Team decision making considerations and answering questions.

General briefing -8.45am (compulsory for all entrants); important points to note and "Brief" punching of Tags before starting to initiate them, and any questions answered.

Event begins: 9.00am

Event ends: 3.00pm and course closure

Event Presentation: 3.45pm

The area is made up of State Forest, Crown Land and private property. Please respect the area and stay clear of private property marked with a 'purple line screen' = OUT OF BOUNDS. An area of many wreckages 100m to the South-West of the Hash House is one such area of Out of Bounds and marked with red/white tape.

The Map: "Carwell's Labyrinth" Scale 1:20000; contour interval 10m (Elevation 600m-800m)

The Map is orientated to MAGNETIC NORTH. Notice the "SAFETY PLAN" message on the Western border of the map.

It has been especially prepared for this event from Dept. of Lands Topoview Raster 2006 and aerial photographs, Chris Wilmott photogrammetry surveys and many field checks and is thus a unique map. Please review the "Legend" to become familiar with the many symbols used. If you have questions about their interpretation in the field please ask me.

Mining: Gold mining has occurred in the area over the years. As a result many areas of broken ground with pits, mounds, rubble trenches and the like exist. The more intense areas have been mapped with brown dots and are difficult to traverse (eg) near 51, West of 46 & adjacent to it, S.W. of 21. Some mining shafts (marked by a black "V") exist and entry or close viewing should be avoided due to dangers of falling in or unstable rock (eg) East of ~6, East of 59, at 51.

Rock Features: Many rocky areas exist in the Southern half of the area and along the Carwell Creek gorge. During course planning and vetting no attempt to rock climb or scramble through cliffs was required to get around the checkpoints, so you shouldn't either! Most impassable cliffs have been shown. They are slippery, crumble and should

not be approached. Large pagoda formations have been mapped and may occur as huge boulders or 25m towers attached to cliffs DO NOT try to scramble over or around these! Areas of many boulders and rockfaces (marked by black dots) are difficult to traverse and best avoided as a route choice.

Water Features: Creeks are flowing well. Large pools have been shown so crossing is best done away from these. In the event of heavy rain creeks may rise to unsafe levels. Competitors SHOULD NOT attempt to cross flooded streams. Crossing points occur at the ford (No.46), road bridge (No.44), road bridge (No.18) and fords just N.E & West of HH. The large dam (No.13) should not be used for swimming and parents should supervise children at the HH. Many gullies exist and watercourses in these have been mapped accurately to show where they occur. While Carwell Creek (the main waterway from HH to checkpoint 102), and Rocky Waterhole Creek (below 44) are not drinkable, many smaller side streams have been used for drinking during course planning (eg) 88, 57, 42, 43,35,62. ***FOUR WATER DROPS EXIST!***

Road & Track Features: All have been mapped. Bylong Valley Way is the only sealed road. Competitors SHOULD NOT walk along this but rather use the minor tracks and open bushland alongside it as vehicles are travelling at high speed (90kph+). Tracks are in good condition and easily driven by 4WD. A number of minor trails indistinct vehicle tracks exist and allow good passage. A new mountain bike path has been made just North and West of No.58 but not shown. Occasional motorbikes or 4WD use the tracks so keep listen carefully and move offtracks if necessary to give way.

Vegetation: Generally the forest is open with good visibility. Areas of thick, scratchy vegetation have mostly been mapped although some valleys have fallen timber and regrowth that was not there when fieldworked. Often moving to the side of the valley will avoid the worst patches. Ridges and spurs provide excellent passage through the terrain. All significant clearings have been mapped although some of these have thick heath regrowing, and the transmission line in the South has some areas of felled timber that are difficult to traverse.

Manmade Features: Car wreckage, rolls of fencing wire, large drums (marked by black "X") occur through the area. Fences mark property boundaries and competitors should go through or under rather than over these. Crossing points (marked purple ") (" at gates) SHOULD BE USED TO EXIT OR ACCESS the HH property! Please let us know of any damaged fencing so it may be repaired. The area of many wreckages West of the HH is Out Of Bounds and should not be entered!

Course Features: All checkpoints are marked by an orange and white flag, number and a punch hanging below. A NavLight punch is hanging either from the flag or adjacent to it. The NavLight punch should be used to mark your visit.

No.28 -can only be approached from the West	No.88 -scrubby & fallen timber along creek; good WATER
No.37 -impassable from the North	NO.104 -a passage through pagodas just N.W. from flag
No.43 -best approached from the North or West	Water drop 1-clearing North of No.106
No.44 -a passage in the cliffline just East of the flag	Water drop 2 -track South-East of No.20
No.49 -impassable from the South and S.W.	Water drop 3 -track South-West of No.41
NO.S7 -best approached from the East; drinking WATER	Water drop 4 -trench adjacent to No.46
No.61-impassible from the East	<i>Novice route:</i> 12-18-11-19-16-26-24-23-106-51-58-27-34-
No.67 -to be approached from the South	29-66-17-15-14-13-HH (10.5km with water near 106).