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COMING EVENTS

PADDY PALLIN ROGAINE - Sunday 17th June (entry form enclosed)

Paddy Pallin Rogaine goes to the NSW South Coast

This annual 6 hour daylight event is now in its 27th year and is still pioneering new areas for rogaining. This year's event will be the first held on the NSW South Coast. The venue is south of Nowra in state forest bordering the Morton National Park. It's a beautiful area which takes in expanses of eucalypt, delightful pockets of rainforest, heathland, highland marshes and the occasional grassy patch. And for rock lovers there's a 70 metre waterfall carved out of granite nestled in amongst the sandstone of the escarpment. A sample of controls marked to date include a lookout with an expansive view to the coast, a site above a cliff next to a garden of rock orchids and a rainforest grotto where the setter's biggest problem was finding a moss-free tree on which to hang his tape.

The event is for rogainers who love the bush and there'll be enough controls to enable novices and social participants to experience the beauty of the area without necessarily facing the considerable challenge offered by the terrain for those who want it. Further information can be obtained from Trevor Gollan (042) 842 293 or Warwick Marsden (02) 399 7814.

WINTER 12h/6h ROGAINE - 4th August (entry form enclosed)

Trevor Gollan, George Collins and Lindsay Young are combining to bring you, not only a memorable event, an event t-shirt and the inaugural NSW - ACT Challenge but also one of the most entertaining entry forms you're likely to see - have they initiated a new art form? If you read nothing else in this newsletter, read Trev's entry form. For the Challenge, NSW's is very strong in mens and mixed teams but we're a bit light on for women's teams, so why don't some of you girls give up your blokes for the day to help out the NSWRA!!

NSW ROGAINING CHAMPIONSHIPS - 8/9 September

Keep this weekend free for a great rogainie up Armidale way. Graeme Cooper and the Northern Tablelands Orienteering Club, long time supporters of rogaining in NSW, are staging this event and the NSWRA Committee is committed to supporting them by encouraging as many of you to make the trip north. We're hoping to hire (and subsidise?) a bus with pickups at a few locations; if you're interested put your name down at the Paddy Pallin event or the Winter rogainie.

SEARCH AND RESCUE ROGAINE - 23/24 June

The S&R rogaîne is a rogaîne with a difference in that teams are made up of four people all carrying full packs and with several manned checkpoints which have to be visited. This year's event is to be held west of Nowra. For more information and entry forms contact John Tonitto on (02) 528 6174.

ARMCHAIR ROGAÏNING - Monday, 4th June

With only six rogaïnes in NSW and the ACT each year it has been suggested that in between times novices, in particular, but also old timers, could benefit from a bit of "armchair rogaïning". The major impetus for this has come from Robyn Arthur of the Bankstown Bushwalking Club who even have a venue at their disposal each Monday night. So if you'd like to learn a bit about navigational techniques such as attack points, aiming off and collecting features, see a few slides from previous rogaïnes and paw over some old courses with experienced rogaïners then come along on **Monday 4th June at 8.30pm**. The venue is the Bankstown Arts and Crafts Centre, corner of Olympic and Dale Pdes, Bankstown. More info from Robyn Arthur (897 2270) or Warwick Marsden (399 7814).

NSWRA/ACTRA EVENTS CALENDAR - 1990

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Coordinator/Course Setter/Admin/Catering</u>	<u>Full moon</u>
17 June	Paddy Pallin 6h	Warwick Marsden/Trev Gollan/Big Foot OC	
23/24 June	S & R Rogaine	John Tonitto (NSW Search and Rescue) 02 528 6174	8 July
4 August	Winter 12h	Trevor Gollan/George Collins/ Lindsay Young	6 August
8/9 Sept	NSW Champs	Graeme Cooper and the NTOC	5 Sept
27 Oct	ACT 12h	ACTRA	2 Nov

ACTRA Contact: Phil Creaser, 3 Paroo Pl, Kaleen 2617 (062) 414 604

Victorian Events: 2/6 (12h), 7/7 (6h), 11/8 (snogaine), 1/8 (12h), 6-7/10 (Vic Champs), 3-4/11 (24h with SARA), 2/12 (cyclogaine)

VRA Contact: Joan Ryan (03) 347 4261

WA Events: 9-10/6 (WA Champs), 4-5/8 (24h), 6/10 (12h)

WARA Contact: Julie Hartmann (09) 387 5183

SA Events: 4-5/8 (SA Champs), 3-4/11

SARA Contact: Phil Hazell (08) 363 1145

1991 EVENTS

You might like to note down the following dates for rogaïnes next year: 28th April (ACTRA 12h), 19th May (12h), 15th June (Paddy Pallin 6h), 27th July (12 or 24h), 25th August (12 or 24h) and late October (ACTRA 24h). And while you're noting them down why don't you put one of the NSWRA events aside and offer your services; as our numbers grow there is an increasing demand for people to help out at the event. Call Warwick before he calls you!

*Thanks Dave Lott, of the
OANSW*

LATE ENTRIES

We're all a little slack but as a whole we seem to be getting slacker! By the closing date for the Mellong rogaîne we had less than 40% of the final numbers registered (i.e. not received); the figure regarded as usual (acceptable?) is still only 60 to 70%. Most organisers will do their best to fit you in and we're not in the habit of imposing penalties so try to help us by getting your act together a little earlier. Send off your Paddy Pallin entry now and don't put the August 4th entry form where you'll forget it!!

Thank you - "hope is an awakening dream"!

MELLONG ROGAINE (24th March) - REPORT

Our thanks go to Bert Van Netten (with assistance from Rodger and Rosemary Austen), yet again, for setting an enjoyable course for all to enjoy; and as the results show a good many teams decided to enjoy it for more than the prescribed 6 or 12 hours! Rosemary Austen and Warwick Marsden looked after the administration while a non-rogaining team ably led by Paula Holyoake did a superb job with the catering; one of the team, Sharon Tandy, decided that catering was harder than participating and after swearing never to rogain was seen doing just that near Canberra recently.

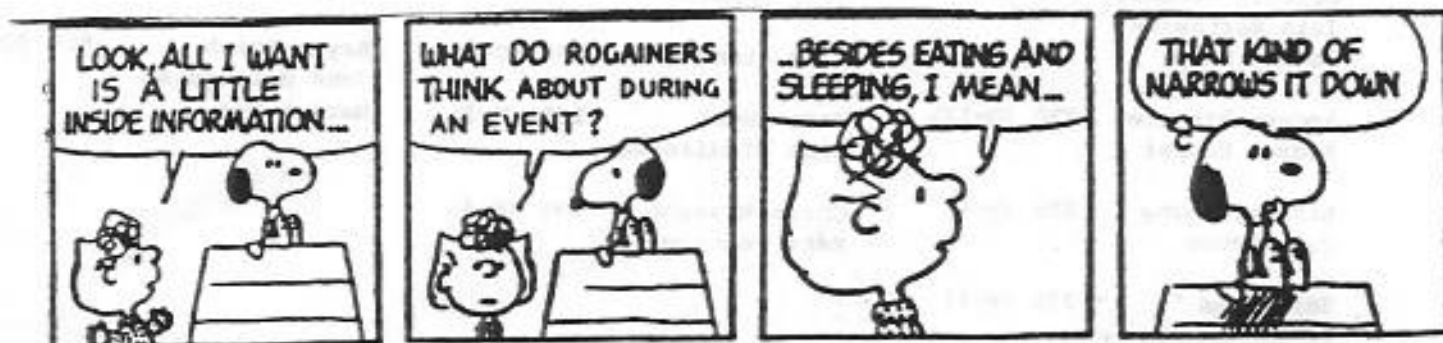
The 140 or so participants managed to find lots of checkpoints with four teams collecting the lot. The first of these, "old timers" Ian Dempsey and Ian Mackenzie took only 6 hours and 22 minutes much to Bert's chagrin. Their route and Ian Dempsey's comments are included, along with the results and some photos (courtesy of Julian Ledger), in the next four pages. There is no truth to the rumour that they asked Bert to go out at 6.30pm to put out a few more controls! A mere 4 minutes later Jason Markham and Damien Woodward, a couple of youngun's from the ACT arrived, only to find that they been pipped by a mere four minutes. "Slowcoaches", Maurice Ripley and Peter Watterson, took over nine hours to collect them all while ACT veterans Mike Worsley and Ken Simons achieved the same well within the 12 hours. Well done all!

Best in the 6 hour were newcomers to rogaining, but experienced orienteers, Val and John Hodsdon who got a very respectable two-thirds of the available points.

There were four large groups present at the rogain: 1. the usual contingent from Worimi, organised by Gordon Johnson, John Waddell and Terry Sharp; 2. a group from Wollongong Uni Sports and Recreation Club (complete with Uni bus) - Trevor Gollan's good work with some help from Sharon Oxenbridge; 3. friends et al. of Betty Chen, a couple of whom I got to know quite well while sitting around the campfire until 2.10am discussing how well Betty knew her partner Ian and how well she'd know him after they returned . . . if they returned and; 4. a large contingent from Bankstown (and ?) Bushwalking Clubs arranged by Robyn Arthur and assisted along the way by Greg Harrigan, Peter Wherry, Bert and Peter Garran. A **BIG THANKS** to all these organisers and to the others who organised teams.

As we saw the event as essentially a non-competitive one (a large number of the participants would disagree!) we gave "encouragement prizes" rather than places with four prizes for each event: chocolates, port, "Rogaining" and YHA memberships (courtesy of Julian Ledger and the YHA - **thank you Julian and the YHA!**) And while I'm thanking people I would like to hand out an especially big bouquet to Peter Day who owned the compound used for the Hash House and much of the adjoining land for his efforts in providing hot water, an "instant" cement platform, a large tarpaulin and lots of interesting stories about the area; **thank you Peter!**

All-in-all it was a most enjoyable event especially after Guy Jarvi, Sarah Tibbey and Sam Nesci arrived back at 7.10am on Sunday. On asking Guy for the control card so I could calculate how many points they'd lost I was told, "Oh, we burnt that and the spare maps to light a fire!" This team had exercised considerable common sense in stopping out when they found themselves "momentarily geographically embarrassed" at 11.30pm, tired and in amongst some cliffs. While lighting of fires is specifically banned in rogaining it is allowable under such circumstances.



Thanks Julian Ledger!

MELLONG RESULTS12 HOUR RESULTS

Ian McKenzie 740 (O-1)
 Ian Dempsey

Jason Markham 740 (O-2)
 Damien Woodward

Maurice Ripley 740 (O-3)
 Peter Watterson

Mike Worsley 740 (V-1)
 Ken Simons

Steve Hyde 700 (O-4)
 Ken Wilson

Trevor Gollan 660 (O-5)
 George Collins

Julian Ledger 640 (O-6)
 Greg Holdaway

Stephen Currell 620 (V-2)
 Bob Bunbury

Wil De Sain 540 (O-7)
 Peter Tomkins

Paul Berry 500 (O-8)
 Chris Lukey

Jeremy Henson 430 (M-1)
 Katrina Cooper
 Leona Filewood

Fred Bassett 420 (O-9)
 Brian Philip

John Keats 370 (O-10)
 Alan Hill

Brad Hards 360 (O-11)
 Craig Benson

Anthony Maloney 350 (O-12)
 Andrew Bramall

Wollongong U #2 320 (M-2)

Cynthia Mitchell 280 (M-3)
 Iain Borthwick
 Joanne Flint

Andrew Brownlee 250 (O-13)
 Andrew Hooper

Lindsay Young 230 (M-4)
 Judy Young

Sarah Lam 230 (W-1)
 Kellie Murphy
 Lara D'Abreo

Carol Gebert 170 (M-5)
 Craig McGarrity

Robert Whitelaw 150 (O-14)
 Paul Morgan

Darren Blanch 150 (O-15)
 Alan Richardson

Mary Wilson 150 (M-5)
 Hilary Stuart
 Chris Ruberg

Wollongong U #1 130 (M-6)

Ian Richardson -960 (M-7)
 Betty Chen

Guy Jarvi ???
 Sarah Tibbey
 Sam Neski

6 HOUR RESULTS

John Hodsdon 470 (M-1)
 Val Hodsdon

Gordon Johnson + 340 (O-1)

Terry Sharp + 340 (O-2)

Ian Carr 310 (O-3)
 Kevin Rogers

Alan Mansfield 300 (M-2)
 Sonia Kupina

Roland Smith 290 (O-4)
 David Egan
 Eric Dorman

Jeremy Platt 290 (V-1)
 Keith Rommel
 Mike Parkinson

Terry Bourke 270 (O-5)
 Garry Bourke
 Michael Bourke

John Waddell + 230 (O-6)

Gary Stone + 230 (O-7)

Karen Hunt 200 (M-3)
 John Biddiscombe

Chris Wraight 190 (M-4)
 Kate Fortune

Greg Harrigan 190 (M-5)
 Noeleen Marmont
 Tricia Lewins
 Brian Phillips

Richard Stuetz 170 (O-8)
 Lyndon Llewellyn

Nick Goodman 170 (M-6)
 Bernadette Gaskin
 Stephen Pickard

Ross Hamilton 130 (M-7)
 Sue Matysell
 Bronwyn Roberts
 Barb Chenoweth

Alf Zawadski 130 (M-8)
 Norwin Zatschler
 Robyn Arthur

Gary Day 125 (M-9)
 Janet McGarry

Peter Wherry 100 (M-10)
 David Sigley
 Lyn Gett
 Ian Turner

Jason Ernst + 60 (J-1)

Mike Hanratty 40 (M-11)
 Lucy Hanratty

Janet McKean 40 (M-12)
 David Murphy

Deborah Cox -60 (W-1)
 Fiona Cox

Jenny Kent -110 (M-13)
 Stuart Ludowici

Lindsay Brice -190 (O-9)
 Peter Willis

Jacqueline Berry -310 (W-2)
 Margot McLelland

Liz Morley -670 (W-3)
 Kaye Thomas

Bryan Smith -810 (O-10)
 John McLaughlan
 Mark Dwyer



Courtesy of Sulim Ledger

A Winning Formula!

We found the route choice for the Mellong Course fairly straightforward. The good track network in the Northern and Eastern sections appeared to be best left to right. So, we chose a clockwise route. Control 43 was the only "problematic" checkpoint in terms of when to visit it.

Our course began with a road run to 29, then through some nice forest to 28, 27 and 24. We made the mistake of keeping to the track, and not to the ridge and consequently ran past 24. Lost a good 5 minutes here. From 35 to 42 we discovered a significant gully that isn't shown on the map. It initially "threw" us a little, but cost us no time. A close examination of the map shows a slight bump on the index contour- perhaps the tree cover there was too thick for the photogrammetry to pick up the gully.

We made the mistake, when leaving 42, of not getting below the cliffs as soon as possible. Consequently, it took us quite some time to get down and cost us at least 15-20 mins. From here, our tactics were to get down through the cliff line as soon as possible.

From 53 to 37 was a nice run along the creek. However, we disturbed a few groups of birdwatchers on the track. The next sequence of controls (54, 38, 36 and 42) went well for us. Our decision to drop straight down to the creek en route to 52 was a correct one. The going was good most of the way while climbing up to 51. I remember acknowledging that we had put most difficult part of the course behind us. 33 and 34 presented no problems. To try to avoid any unnecessary climb to 41 we pace counted from the watercourse crossing. We reached the ridge between the two cliffs marked as map corrections and were confident enough to climb the 20 metres to the control.

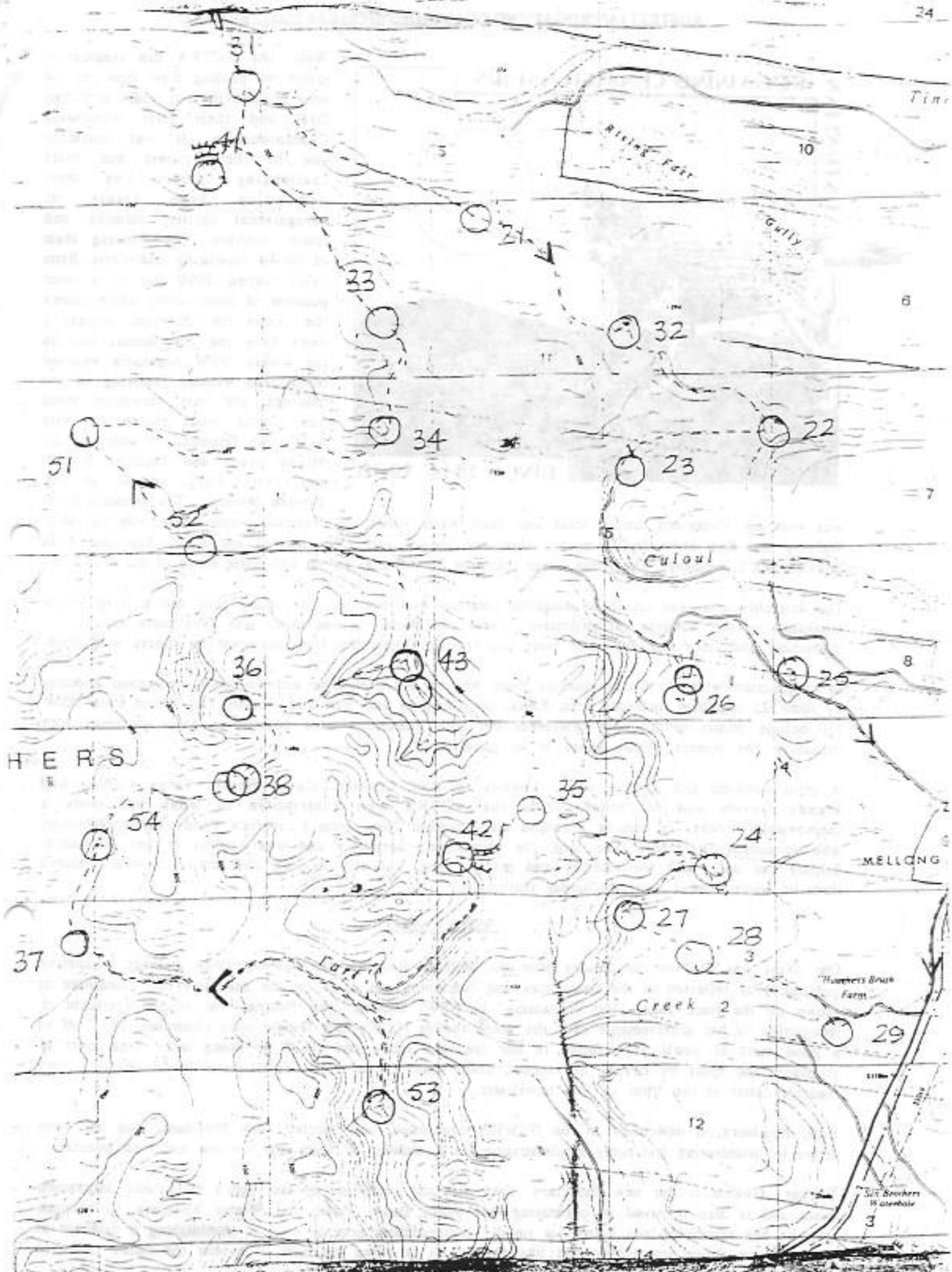
After the climb out of 31 we jogged the tracks through 21, 32 and 22. The route to 23 was a nice drop down a broad gully. From this control we found the start of the track but it soon disappeared. So, the rest of the leg to 26 proved to be the only genuine compass leg for us. By this time it was dusk and I recall saying to Ian that this leg would have been tricky at night.

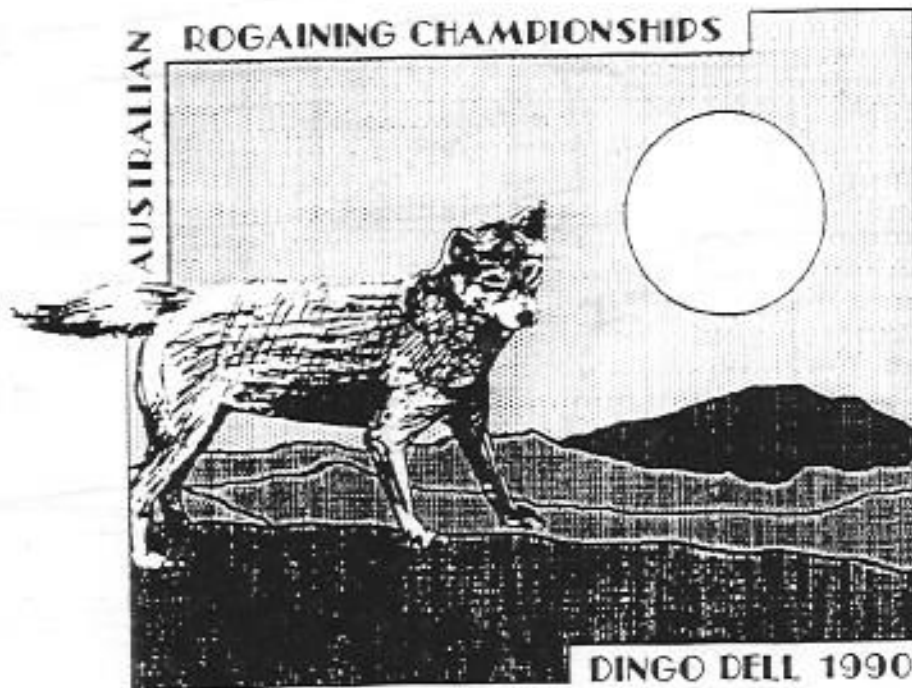
Coming into 26, we still hadn't decided on the best route to 25. Given that the forest we had just come through to the North was open, we doubled back out of 26 and cut the corner, across the low ridge. Checkpoint 25 was another good one to get before dark. We were momentarily stumped when confronted with the unmarked Northern dam. But could see the other dam a few hundred metres away. From here we had a kilometre to go to the Finish.

Overall, I thought the course was a good one. It had a balance of more physically and technically difficult controls and a useful track network to cater for the less adventurous.

Thanks to all the Course Setters, Organisers and Caterers.

IAN DEMPSEY.





Well, the ACTRA did themselves proud by holding their first dry 24 hour rogaine in four years at Dingo Dell and their first Australian Championships. It was certainly one of the steepest and most challenging courses I've seen, demanding high levels of navigational ability, stamina and route selection. The winning team of David Rowlands and Chris Benn (Vic) scored 1690 out of a total possible of about 2300 which shows the scope for different routes. I don't have the full details but on the whole NSW rogainers enjoyed themselves without featuring in the placings; the only exception being Sue Clarke who teamed up with ACT's Ian Diamond to take out the Mixed event and Jennifer Borrell and Terry Funk, second in the Veteran Womens. The women's event

was won by Victorians Jenny Scott and Joan Ryan while the Veteran events were won by Mike Worsley and Bob Mills (ACT, open), Alex and Sandra Tarr (Vic, mixed) and Kathy Saw and Anne Sawkins (ACT, womens). The junior event was won by Belinda Allison and Susie Hogg of the ACT.

The assembly area was set in a delightful clearing with two big welcoming fires and a Hash House organised by the "caterers extraordinaire", Terry and Wendy whose menu was even more expansive, nourishing and tasty than my taste buds and stomach remember from previous encounters with them.

In conjunction with the Championships there was an ARA meeting and Rogaining workshop attended by some 25 rogainers including John Keats, Ian Dempsey and Bert and Dianne Van Netten from NSW. I'll include details in the next newsletter but both gatherings were deemed as great successes with rogaining the winner! Your sport is in good hands.

A great weekend and a great event. Thanks to Phil Creaser, David Booth, Terry Collins and Wendy Davies and all others from the ACTRA who contributed to what was truly a memorable event. In closing I should also mention Nora from Canberra's Paddy Pallin Operation who sponsored the event. She took the sponsorship seriously and was tireless in her assistance, helping not only with the catering and prize giving, but also helping Phil collect several hundred litres of water from a weir on Sunday morning.

NSWRA NEWS

Our AGM was held on the Sunday after the Mellong Rogaine and was very well attended (a captive audience?) as reflected in the new faces and continuing old faces on the executive and committee as shown on the front page. "Mrs Rogaining" in NSW, Dianne Van Netten, was elected President in recognition of her achievements over the years and as NSW's first female open champion. She's off to a good start as you'll have found in her enclosed letter and she'll be doing more than most to propagate the sport by having her second child later in the year. You'll have found Dianne's very readable letter at the front of this newsletter.

Bob Bunbury, a newcomer to the NSWRA committee, was elected Vice President. Bob has been active in orienteering and army administration for a number of years and we can use such talents!

Trevor Gollan is our new Secretary. Trev was the organiser of last year's memorable Murrumbo event and is also involved in organising this year's Paddy Pallin and Winter Rogaines. In between time he has assembled and listed our rapidly accumulating gear as well as establishing a database as seen in your shiny new label. And like Dianne he is doing his best to bolster the future ranks of rogainers; his wife, Kay, is having their third child next week.

John Keats has offered to stay on as Treasurer for another year after two years in which he has knocked the books and our finances into a very respectable shape. I heard someone remark that a well run association is usually the reflection of a capable treasurer and this is definitely the case with John and the NSWRA. And he just loves receipts, so if you buy anything on behalf of the NSWRA please keep them for him.

Warwick Marsden is still your Ed-itor. . . and would welcome your contributions.

One half of our Publicity team, **Julian Ledger**, is a relative newcomer to the NSW scene, but has been an active rogainer in WA for a number of years. His experience at the YHA will be of great benefit to us as we continue to grow. The other half, **Ian Dempsey**, is known to most of us who've been around for a while; he was President for a number of years and has organised a number of rogaines. Ian has spent much of the past two years mapping and organising major orienteering events but now he's back with us in a more active capacity and we're pleased to see him.

Ian has also agreed to act as NSWRA delegate to the ARA along with **Peter Watterson** at a time when the ARA is becoming more active in promoting our great, all-Australian sport. Peter originally hails from Victoria where he learnt the finer techniques of the sport.

And if you think that there's a few old names missing from the list **Bert Van Netten**, **Peter Wherry**, **Greg Harrigan** and **Jennifer Borrell**, all of whom have done much for the NSWRA in the past are still actively involved as committee members. A couple of names not included are Peter and Robyn Tuft who have been around as long as rogaining in NSW and who will undoubtedly continue to be involved in rogaining as family commitments allow.

The 1989 Committee have done a great job in helping rogaining in NSW to strengthen and develop and were duly thanked for their efforts by the incoming committee.

We'd all love to hear your comments, suggestions, gripes and compliments so grab us at a rogain, write us a letter or call us - names and addresses are on the front page.

As if one successful meeting wasn't enough we all got together for another one a month later and spent almost 4 hours on a Saturday night discussing rogaining and the NSWRA. Here's a summary of those topics which will be of general interest:

Length of a rogain: yes, this burning topic was given a bit more fuel before being well and truly dowsed! The major components which should be present in a rogain include: day and night navigation, hash house atmosphere, teams, long distance stamina and tactics, readily obtained maps devoid of extra field working, marking own maps and score type of event. The length of a rogain is not important as long as these are included to some degree.

Shorter events were viewed favorably but mainly as part of a progression towards participation in longer events. It was decided to stress that you can go in a longer event and only stay out for part of that time, e.g. doing a 24 hour event in two parts: noon to 9pm and 7am to noon or a 12 hour event, noon to 7pm and 9 to 10pm.

As shorter event participants often did better at the "Hash House Stakes" than their longer event counterparts it was decided that the differential pricing system which has existed to "encourage" newcomers should be done away with. And finally, only 24 hour events should be called "Championships".

Premarked maps: while there are times when these are appropriate the preparation of the map by the competitor was seen as an integral part of rogaining.

Promotion was discussed at some length and it was felt that "word of mouth" was the most effective method - so keep talking! We're looking to get ourselves into the telephone book and also to get some funding from the Dept of Sport and Recreation.

Lots of other items which were discussed are covered elsewhere in this newsletter. Again if you feel you can contribute in any of these areas give us a call; we're friendly.

THE UNSUNG HEROES OF ROGAINES

Put your hand up if you enjoy the food you're served at the Hash Hash! As I thought, apart from a couple of armless individuals, it's unanimous. Now put your hand up if you are in the habit of thanking the caterers while you're being served or as you depart? Still a pretty healthy response!

A final question: put your hand up if you've stopped to realise that after the start of the rogaine, while you're out there enjoying (I use the word loosely) yourselves in the great Aussie bush, the caterers are putting up tents, chopping up vegies, cooking massive quantities of a number of dishes and getting prepared for your return. And while you're discussing your blunders and triumphs and relaxing around the campfire, perhaps even getting an early night, they're still hard at it. And then when you're on your way home they're scrubbing pots, piling up rubbish and pulling down those tents, often with a lot less sleep than you. As I thought, a mass amputation of arms has occurred between the questions. Did you also note in the question the omission of an opportunity for them to get out into that great Aussie bush; it's not unusual for caterers not to get the chance to even take a stroll.

In most of the rogaines I've been involved with, both as a competitor and organiser, the caterers have refused to take the easy option of a restricted menu with a well-oiled can opener being the only utensil needed, but have prepared fresh, tasty dishes which take a lot more time and effort.

As our numbers continue to grow there will be a greater demand for more helpers mainly on the day but also a night or two before the event. Help often comes in the form of non-competing partners or friends who, in a bizarre kind of way, enjoy helping. But we can't rely entirely on such people and so I'm asking you to "volunteer" to help on a regular basis; say one rogaine for each four you enter.

If that's not practical then how about easing your guilt by giving an hour or so in the morning to help prepare breaky for the masses, wash up or take home some garbage. While you're doing this one or two of these "unsung heroes" may get the chance to take a well earned stroll. (Is heroes neutral gender? Anyway you know what I mean!)

TIPS AND TECHNIQUES

Team Composition

The choice of the people in your team is the most important single factor in enjoying an event. If team members are compatible and can enjoy shared experiences, you will have a great time under any conditions. It does not matter if some members of the team are fit and others are not, or if there is only one good navigator and the rest have not seen a map before, as long as you all have the same aims. Some rogainers want to compete for the full twenty-four hours, whereas others do not. Maybe one member wants to go slowly and learn to use a compass and to navigate at night. Make sure other members are happy with this. Most disappointment for teams on events is caused by one or two members wanting to move rapidly and others in their team wanting to go slowly and enjoy the countryside. Both groups are welcome on rogaines but for their own enjoyment, they are better off in different teams.

Having decided how you wish to tackle the event, anyone who is good company can be considered for your team. Acquaintances from scouts or bushwalking clubs, school friends or family can be talked into giving it a try and you will often find them enthusiastically entering the next rogaine. It helps to have a reasonable quota of navigational ability in a team and if this is lacking, practise with a map until you are familiar with its use. The organizers of an event can usually arrange some form of instruction if given adequate notice.

from "Cross-country Navigation" by Rod Phillips, Neil Phillips & Graham Foley

Now you can return to the cartoon at the end of Dianne's letter which went with this article from Trevor Gollan and it will make a lot more sense!

"CROSS-COUNTRY NAVIGATION" and OTHER GOODIES

This book is a much expanded version of "Rogaining", concentrating on navigation. It comprises three sections: Basic navigation (all you need to know never to be lost again), Advanced navigation (including snow, desert, thick bush, use of sun and stars) and Rogaining (including organising events). Also included are full moon dates, results of previous rogaines and sun navigation tables.

You can get a copy of this wonderful book by sending \$17.95 (including post and handling) to ORIA Book Offer, PO Box 1252, Aitkenvale, Q'land 4814; cheques payable to ORIA and don't forget to include your name and address!! Alternatively you can get a copy at the Paddy Pallin rogaïne or Winter rogaïne for \$18. (We had been selling them for \$20 and will gladly refund \$2.05 to any rogainers who purchased them at this price and who feel cheated. Give Warwick Marsden a call on 399 7814.)

Sales of the book are going well and the feedback from purchasers has been very favorable. So if you don't believe all this hype, ask someone who's bought one (or won one) for an unbiased opinion.

Other goodies include the rogaining map of Kiandra which sells for \$6 and which is a must for all cross country skiers making trips into that area. Rogaining stickers can be bought for \$1 and we're hoping to get some sweat shirts with the logo "Rogaining - Australia's Own Sport" from WARA in time for the Paddy Pallin event (~\$20).

NSWRA MEMBERSHIP

You may find it hard to believe but we're almost to the point where we've settled on categories and an overall "membership strategy". There are five categories of membership:

1. Honorary
2. Associate membership (\$5) for first timers; payment of a second \$5 in the same calendar year gives them automatic full membership from their first rogaïne
3. Full membership (\$10) is renewable each calendar year
4. Household membership (\$15) is for families and rogainers living at the same address; only one newsletter is sent and we rely on the integrity of rogainers not to abuse this category!
5. Group membership (\$25) for groups whose members are not in receipt of salaries or the equivalent such as scouts.

As we don't like to lose touch with those of you who may miss a few events but still want to rogaïne again, we're pretty friendly with the newsletters (the major cost of the membership) and the entry forms that they contain. However, just so you know your status we'll mark it on the front! The Paddy Pallin rogaïne is the only rogaïne in NSW and the ACT which does not require you to be a financial member of a rogaïning association.

For those of you who wish to renew or have friends who would like to join here's a really official form for you to fill in. Send the completed form to Trevor Gollan, 39 Greenslopes Ave, Mount Ousley 2519, cheques payable to the NSW Rogaining Association.

APPLICATION FOR/RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP OF THE N.S.W. ROGAINING ASSOCIATION INC.

I, _____
(full name of applicant)

of _____
(address)

_____ hereby apply to become a member of the abovenamed incorporated
(telephone)

association. I agree to be bound by the rules of the association for the time being in force.

(Signature of applicant)

(Date)