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2008 ROGAINING CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT
24 February 2008	Metrogaine	Nth Syd Beaches	www.nswrogaining.org
19/20 April 2008	NSW Champs	South Coast	www.nswrogaining.org
15 June 2008	Paddy Pallin	West of Sydney	www.nswrogaining.org

ACT Events

6 April 2008	Paddy Pallin 6 hr	ACT	act.rogaine.asn.au
17-18 May 2008	State Championship	ACT	act.rogaine.asn.au
29 June 2008	Cycle and Foot	ACT	act.rogaine.asn.au

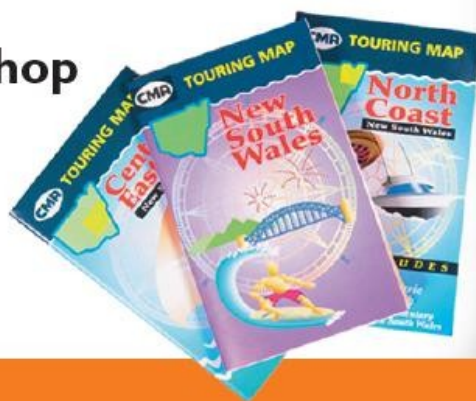
Other Events

16-17 Aug 2008	Australian Champs	NSW	www.nswrogaining.org
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THE 2007 NSWRA COMMITTEE

Please note – the AGM will be held after the Metrogaine and nominations are sought for all positions.

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2008 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice of meeting and call for nominations for Committee positions

The 2008 AGM of the New South Wales Rogaining Association Incorporated will be held at approximately 4.00pm on Sunday 24th February at the Hash House after the Metrogaine on that day).

Agenda

- Adoption of the Minutes of the 2007 AGM
- President's report – Mike Hotchkis
- Treasurer's report – Tony Maloney
- Adoption of the reports including the 2007 financial statements
- Proposed motion to modify the NSW Rogaining Association's Rules (*the NSWRA constitution)
- Election of Office Bearers / Committee members
- General business

All committee positions are up for election and nominations are now open – for details of each role and nomination forms, see under 'About NSWRA' on our website (www.nswrogaining.org). Nominations should preferably be sent to the Secretary prior to the AGM.

New blood is very welcome, so if you have some ideas, would like to make a contribution to the running of the Association, or would just like to know how it works, please contact current president Mike Hotchkis or any other committee member. Some of your time and enthusiasm will help make for even better rogaining in NSW in 2008.

*Note: * Details of this motion, to be proposed by the current President, will be posted on our website and made available at the AGM. The motion will not be proposed unless endorsed by the committee in advance of the meeting.*

NSWRA CELEBRATES ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Although a rogaining association was first formed in NSW in 1983, NSW had a history of successful organisation of 24 hour walks (much like present day rogaining) during the 1970s and early 1980s. In addition, Paddy Pallin organised an annual three and a half hour score orienteering event using topographic maps close to the Sydney area. However, these events were organised infrequently and getting your rogaining fix on a regular basis required travelling to Victoria.

By late 1982, a critical mass of expertise had developed in NSW sufficient to establish rogaining on a sounder footing. Jeremy Challacombe, an experienced Victorian roganier had moved to Armidale, the Northern Tablelands Orienteering Club was organising an annual six hour event, Bert and Dianne Van Netten and I had competed in a number of Victorian rogaines, and Peter and Robyn Tuft had organised several 24 hour walks in NSW.

Bert, Jeremy and I chose a point roughly equidistant between Newcastle and Armidale to organise a 24 hour rogaine on May 21/22, 1983 and called the event the NSW Rogaining Championships. The entry fee was \$12. We relied on publicity through orienteering and bushwalking clubs to promote the event. Staged just east of Murrurundi in the upper Hunter Valley, the event straddled the Liverpool Range and comprised mostly open and semi-open farmland. We used the Temi, 1:25000 topographic map, and as was typical of the time, all competitors received a copy of the topographic map and a list of checkpoints with six figure grid references with which they plotted the location of the checkpoints on their map.

There had been heavy rain in the lead up and we were concerned about getting competitors into and out of the event. The rain continued off and on throughout the event so the Hash House (the shearing shed on Swegn Smith's property, with its attendant smell) was well used by competitors.

Sadly, my records are incomplete and don't include the results for the Murrurundi event. However, I mailed a note to all competitors in June 1983 advising them that they were financial members of the NSW Rogaining Association and advised them of a meeting in Sydney in the following month to formalise this arrangement and to ratify a constitution. There were 80 members of NSWRA in November 1983.

The Victorian Rogaining Association kindly agreed to add our members to their newsletter mailing list until we began producing regular newsletters in 1984.

A second NSWRA rogaine, a 12 hour event, was run at Armidale in November 1983. By the end of that year it was clear that rogaining was likely to develop strongly in this state. An indication of this was that Peter and Robyn Tuft successfully organised the 1984 Australian Rogaining Championships for NSWRA.

Ian Dempsey



A scene from the 2008 Australian Rogaining Championship, will you be there?

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

Everyone who has ever done a rogaine will understand that there is a need for volunteers at every event. Assistance is needed with the planning and organising, with the setting and vetting of the course, with the placement and retrieval of checkpoints before and after the event. Volunteers also help in the kitchen for the well earned food after an event, and many other thankless tasks. The committee asks that everyone who competes in our sport offers to be a volunteer at one event each year. Ultimately, **no volunteers means no events.**

PLEASE BE A VOLUNTEER AT AN EVENT EACH YEAR

Another view from the Gwydir River – home of the 2008 Australian Rogaining Championships



OUR NEXT EVENT

THE BRIDGE TO BEACH METROGAINE 24 FEBRUARY 2008

Here is your invitation to participate in the 2008 Metrogaine to be centred around Sydney's northern beaches on Sunday, 24th February. The event will encompass some of the country's finest and most spectacular beachside scenery, together with some bush tracks which discover creeks and waterfalls and a variety of rock formations.

You may enter the event in teams of two, three, four or five. There will be categories for male, female and mixed teams and age classes for juniors, open, veterans and super veterans. Navigation will be on the easier end of the scale.

Teams will set off on their chosen route from near the southern end of Pittwater. Heading west will encounter some steep hills and bushland tracks, and fitness and speed through these areas will be rewarded with some high value points. Or you might prefer to head north along the picturesque shores of Pittwater with its many parks and marinas. Other teams might head straight for the spectacular headlands and beaches where plenty of points will be on offer.

Turimetta Headland alone is worth a visit, and there are numerous seats and picnic tables in this area if you reach here about lunch time. Whichever route you decide to take, you will be offered breathtaking views of some of Sydney's famous coastline.

As there will be numerous controls right on the beaches, why not bring along your swimming costume and go for a dip along the way? Or perhaps revisit your favourite spot after the event and organise a barbeque tea there with your friends. If you are feeling like a cuppa en route, there are several cafes and fast food outlets that will cater for your cravings. There are plenty of taps and bubblers along the foreshores, but it is advisable to also carry adequate supplies of water, especially if you are heading inland.

We also promise you that you will learn a bit about the history of the area and visit some of the earliest structures to be built here. The castle on the headland itself is a hidden treasure. Of course, there will be the usual hash house at the end of the vent to console your hunger and it will also provide you with a chance to discuss your route choices with other teams

We cannot guarantee what the weather will be like on the day, but there is every chance that it will be considerably cooler than the inland suburbs at this time of the year and it is most likely that there will be a sea breeze blowing. So form a team soon and get your entry in early!

Graeme Hill

Graham Hill and Anne Newman are the organisers and course setters for this rogaine
For general information about this event, contact Anne Newman, phone: 02 9982 4836
For entry or results related matters contact Paul Stein, phone: 02 4630 9545

There will be a lot of wet feet for 10 points at the Australian Rogaining Championships. Please make sure you stay within 5 metres of your team mate at the control point to avoid disqualification.



Volunteers for upcoming NSWRA Rogaines - To add your name to the list below, please contact the Volunteer Co-ordinator, **Graeme Cooper**, Ph: 6772 3584 or email graeme_cooper@northnet.com.au

Event	Organiser	Administrator	Course Setter	Vetter	Hash House Leader	Site Staff	Photographer
		Assistants	Assistants	Flag Retrieval	Team		Safety Officer
Metrogaine 6 hour 24 February 2008	Anne Newman	Paul Stein Ian Almond	Anne Newman Graham Hill	Not needed!			
NSW Championships 24 hour 19 - 20 April 2008	Trevor Gollan		Phil Whitten	Stephen Thompson		Stephen Thompson	
Paddy Pallin 6 hour 15 June 2008			Nicole Sellin Nigel McDonald				
Aust Champs 24 hour 15 -16 August 2008	Michael Watts	Andrew & Belinda Pope	Graeme Cooper	Michael Watts	Vicki Cooper		
Lake Macquarie 6/12 hour 11 October 2008		Bob Gilbert					
Socialgaine 6 hour 16 November 2008			Gill Fowler				

Results of 2007 Socialgaine – Port Stephens – 18 November 2007

Team	Team Members	Score	Time	O	M	W	X	V	S	J	N	F
81	Chris Graham, Richard Green, Joel Mackay	1700	5:59	1	1							
66	Relene Fenrich, Jeremy Welbourne	1690	5:55	2			1					
23	Matt Dowle, Gill Fowler	1600	5:50	3			2					
25	Brendan Hatton, Warwick Selby	1540	5:54	4	2							
22	Malcolm Bradley, Keith Mearns	1490	6:18	5	3							
10	Stu Adams, Jamie van Netten, Kim van Netten	1480	5:54	6			3					
65	Matt De Belin, Matt Shields	1480	5:56	7	4							
76	Richard Lauder, Jacqui Matthews	1440	5:46	8			4					
59	Peter Glen, Damian Welbourne	1400	6:09	9	5							
30	Shelley Bambrook, Christine Quigley	1380	5:55	10		1						
8	Bill Chalmers, Caroline Chalmers	1330	5:56	11			5	1	1			
67	Thomas Griffith, Miles Waring	1300	5:54	12	6					1		
71	Geoff Peel, Margaret Peel	1290	5:59	13			6					
16	Brendan Byrne, Edwina Hatch	1210	5:50	14			7					
89	Anthony Lillycrop, Jane Lillycrop	1210	5:58	15			8					
32	Alexa McAuley, John Zvonar	1190	5:52	16			9					
7	Heiko Schaefer, Mark Schaefer	1190	6:04	17	7							
20	Wendy Scott, Trish Guy, Steve Guy	1160	5:51	18			10	2				
45	Richard Robinson, Wendy Stevenson	1140	5:46	19			11	3				
62	Thomas Schipilliti, Andrew Stanford, Adrian Watson	1110	5:58	20	8							
44	David Longman, Gordon Millward	1110	6:16	21	9							
68	David Griffith, Mike Hotchkis	1100	5:57	22	10			4				
12	Craig Kentish, Brian McKevitt	1070	5:55	23	11							
49	Adam Halstead, Kirsty Young	1050	5:50	24			12					
2	Neil Chappell, David Lilley	1050	5:53	25	12			5	2			
24	Anthony Hayes, Louise Hayes	1020	5:52	26			13	6				
31	Tom Brennan, Rachel Grindlay	1010	5:52	27			14					
26	David Hegarty, Chris Jacka	1000	5:28	28	13							
52	David Bowerman, Ernest Windschuttel	1000	5:56	29	14			7	3			
79	Mark Anderson, Elissa Erickson	1000	5:58	30			15				1	
90	Nicholas Arney, Sally Russell,	990	5:49	31			16					
19	Chippy Le Carpentier, Eric Smith	990	6:05	32	15			8	4			

Team	Team Members	Score	Time	O	M	W	X	V	S	J	N	F
37	Anne-Maree Carruthers, Paul Carruthers	980	5:59	33			17					
11	John Barnes, Mardi Barnes	960	5:53	34			18					
48	Meigan Geileskey, Mark Russell, Shawn Russell, Shane Weeks	940	5:53	35			19				2	
4	Nigel McDonald, Nicole Sellin	930	5:42	36								
21	Sarah Bacon, Greg Bacon, Kerry Bacon, Matt Bacon, Sarah Hartwig	930	6:39	37			20					
77	Rosalie Ashe, Anthony Dowle	900	5:53	38			21				3	
46	Simon Blake, Rob Higley, Daniel Keating	900	5:57	39	16							
9	Sue Clark, Nihal Danis, Richard Sage	850	5:36	40			22	9				
86	Doug Floyd, Beth Symonds	800	5:43	41			23	10				
51	Michael Minehan, Jim Phimister	800	5:51	42	17			11	5			
78	Grant Campbell, Simon Edds	800	5:55	43	18							
80	Karen Canfell, Pauline Evans, Susan Login	790	5:45	44		2						
5	Lynn Dabbs, Kevin Williams	780	5:41	45			24	12	6			
57	Louise Dearnley, Martin Dearnley	760	5:49	46			25					=1
63	Karen Jameyson, Tristan White	760	5:49	47			26					=1
60	Debbie Byers, Andrew Lumsden	740	5:40	48			27	13				
58	Richard Milnes, David Perkins, Gillian Perkins, Michael Thompson, Margaret Weiss	710	5:54	49			28					
64	Anne Spragge, Adam Carr, Belinda Carr, Ben Spragge	710	5:55	50			29				4	
56	Marty Middlebrook, Alok Vyas	680	6:17	51	19							
74	Erica Harmes, Daniel Harmes, Jeremy Steele	670	5:51	52			30					
43	Fiona Merritt, Josh Merritt, Lauren Merritt, Tony Merritt	670	5:57	53			31					3
1	Alec Noble, Liz Noble	660	5:26	54			32					4
14	Pam Montgomery, Robert Montgomery	660	5:38	55			33	14	7			
38	Chris Welbourne, Helen Welbourne	630	5:31	56			34	15	8			
34	Katie Hardy, Chris Hardy	620	6:10	57			35					
3	Chris Mottram, Meagan Mottram	620	3:20	58			36					
13	Bruce O'Brien, Kelsey O'Brien	580	5:58	59			37					5
42	Hans Mistler, Susan Mistler	570	5:51	60			38	16				
69	Renate Griffith, Debbie Hotchkis	560	5:52	61		3		17				

