



N.S.W. ROGAINING ASSOCIATION

(24 HOUR CROSS COUNTRY NAVIGATION)

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NATIONAL CALENDER

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>CONTACTS</u>
13.6.87	MUMC 24 hour	VRA, 5 French Court, Watsonia. VIC. 3087
11.7.87	ACT 12 hour	ACTRA, 3 Paroo Place, Kaleen. A.C.T. 2617
11 - 12.7.87	WARA 24 hour Champs	WARA, P.O. Box 228, Cottesloe. W.A. 6011
8.8.87	VRA Snogaine (nordic)	VRA, 5 French Court, Watsonia. VIC. 3087
5.9.87	VRA Spring 12 hour	VRA, 5 French Court, Watsonia. VIC. 3087
5 - 6.9.87	*** Australian Champs ***	NSWRA, Lot 2, Cessnock Road, Freemans Waterhole. N.S.W. 2323
3 - 4.10.87	WARA Spring 24 hour	WARA, P.O. Box 228, Cottesloe. W.A. 6011
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5.12.87	STR 24 hour	VRA, 5 French Court, Watsonia. VIC. 3087
May, 1988	*** Australian Champs ***	VRA, 5 French Court, Watsonia. VIC. 3087

COMING EVENTS

PADDY PALLIN EVENT

This is a 3½ hour score event.
No pre-entry is required.

DATE: 28th June, 1987
VENUE: 4 km north of Howes Valley (on the Putty Road)
Signs will be placed.
START: Registration opens at 9.00 am
Start times will be between 9.30 am and 11.00 am
ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 per person
MAP: 1:25,000 topographic
CONTACT: Terry Sharp PH: (049) 51 7098
FOOD: The organisers will be putting on a sausage sizzle and drinks after the event.

Don't miss this event. It is always a popular one.

A.C.T. 12/6 HOUR ROGAINE

DATE: 11th June, 1987

See entry form attached.

AUSTRALIAN 24 HOUR CHAMPIONSHIP

DATE: 5th - 6th September, 1987

See entry form attached.

DEMPSEY'S DIALOGUE

Judging by most competitors reactions the recent 12 hour event at Hill Top was a successful one. Given the discussion in recent newsletters concerning events held on Sydney sandstone it may be worthwhile to look at possible reasons for the successful formula.

I feel it is clear that course setting is the primary factor in assuring competitor satisfaction. The wind can blow as hard as it likes, the moon can be new, and the rain can be torrential, but if controls are prudently placed, given the terrain type, then competitors will return with a sense of achievement.

Controls at the 12 hour were fairly tightly placed and many were near the tracks, which still offered challenges to novices and some relief for the experienced. A concentric circle model was followed for the marker values with variations for difficult to get at control sites. Controls were all on features that were actually shown on the map, and there were many route choice options with no clear optimal route. All this should not suggest that variations are not possible in different areas and different terrain types. However, it is helpful to give credit to good course setting when it is apparent.

This will be my final contribution as president of the Association. While I will still be active in rogaining it is time for someone with fresh ideas and new enthusiasm to take over. Thank you for your support over the past 3 years, and I trust that you will give just as much support to our incoming president.

See you at Paddy's.

IAN DEMPSEY.

HILL TOP 12 HOUR ROGAINE

Many thanks to the organisers of the Hill Top Rogaine (23rd May, 1987). Peter Wherry put a lot of time, effort and worry into the event organisation. The T-shirts added a nice touch and sold well. Peter offered to organise T-shirts for the Aus. Champs. Peter and I will have a sample on display at the Champs and we will be expecting heaps of orders.

In the Hill Top Rogaine Dianne and I teamed up with Phil Creaser and as usual it was a pleasure to run with a third member. Like past team members we have run with, Phil was enthusiastic and entertaining. Phil, Dianne and I will be running together again in the 12 hour A.C.T. Rogaine. It is my intention to win a few instant lottery tickets. I lost a few this time round.

It was great to see the Scouts making an effort to compete in the event. Should we get enough teams in this category we may be tempted to introduce a new division. See you at the next Rogaine.

The roll-up of competitors to this event was one of our best yet. We even made a small profit. This made a nice change. Things are looking up for N.S.W.R.A. Thanks again to Peter and all involved in the organisation.

See results later in the newsletter.

BERT VAN NETTEN.

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPS 1987

5TH - 6TH SEPTEMBER

Don't let the title scare you off. It will be an event that caters for everyone from the elitest of the experienced to the newest of the novices. Come and test your fitness and skills against other rogainers or alternatively do your own thing without concern for what anybody else is doing.

The venue is near Goulburn. Make a short holiday out of it. Goulburn is a pleasant and interesting place.

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AUSTRALIAN CHAMPS 1987 cont.

Note From the Co-ordinator:

There has been much discussion this year in N.S.W. regarding the ideal rogaining terrain. Opinion is divided. The issue of Sydney Sandstone is a hot one. A lot of trapesing over different possible venues was performed before the present venue was chosen. I believe that this venue offers what most rogainers have indicated that they prefer in a rogaïne. It is 50% open farmland and 50% open forest. Nevertheless, this venue offers a navigational challenge.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

BERT VAN NETTEN.

FIND A PARTNER

Having trouble finding someone as crazy as yourself? Remember there are 2 people willing to help rogainers find partners. They are:

Peter Wherry	2 Biloela Place, Gymea. N.S.W. 2227.	PH: (02) 525 4865
Phil Creaser	3 Paroo Place, Kaleen. A.C.T. 2617.	PH: Work (062) 46 7309 Home (062) 41 4604

CARTOON COMPETITION

Don't let it be said that rogainers do not have senses of humour. Peter Watterson saved the reputation of rogainers with his winning entry into the cartoon competition. After careful deliberation the committee decided that Peter's effort deserved the prize (i.e. free entry to the Australian Champs).

Peter is one of those amazing rogainers who can continue smiling after putting in a top quality effort into a 12 hour rogaïne after finding that his team's card has done that special disappearing trick.

Here is Peter's winning entry.



Now for something more serious

INCORPORATION, PUBLIC LIABILITY AND N.S.W.R.A.

Since the middle of 1985 it has been possible for associations such as our own to become incorporated at a nominal cost. Incorporation effectively limits any damage claims against the Association to the value of the Association's assets (eg. its furniture, equipment, etc.). However, a requirement of the Incorporation Act in N.S.W. is that the relevant association must hold a public liability insurance policy.

There are two components of such a policy: personal injury and property damage. Despite much discussion at a committee level, N.S.W.R.A. has been reluctant to pursue the matter because the annual premium of a public liability policy would increase members subscriptions in the order of \$6 - \$7. However, the Association may have come to the stage where it is unreasonable and unfair to continue to expect the committee and event organisers to carry the risk of possible insurance claims.

The legal advice I have had suggests that personal injury claims are unlikely to be successful against the Association so long as organisers have not been negligent. The idea is that people enter rogaines aware of the risks involved in the sport. Unless organisers have not warned competitors against any unusual or particular dangers (eg. mine subsidence, cliffs, etc.), then personal injury claims are unlikely to be successful.

On the other hand, it is the property damage aspect of public liability that is more concerning and much more difficult to control. We continue to rely on the continuing goodwill of landowners in staging many of our events. But, again, it may be unreasonable for us to leave some individuals within the Association financially vulnerable.

I believe that we have three options:

1. Let the situation remain as it is and wait several years for overall memberships to hopefully rise, and so ease the increase in fees when insurance is taken out.
2. Take out property damage only, and continue to ensure that our events are competently organised. Fees would rise around \$4.
3. Take out full public liability insurance and become incorporated. Fee increases would be in the order of \$6 - \$7.

The committee will be making a decision on this issue soon. However, we do want some feedback from members to assist us. If you have an opinion on the matter then contact someone from the executive (details on the front page) by 28th June, 1987

IAN DEMPSEY.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

We have some important issues to discuss this year. If you care at all about the future of N.S.W.R.A. then you will be there (won't you).

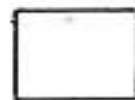
Warwick Marsden has allowed us the use of his residence as a venue. Many thanks to Warrick. The N.S.W.R.A. will supply some edibles and drinkables.

DATE: Saturday, 1st August, 1987
TIME: 7.30 pm
PLACE: Unit 21
109 Alison Road,
RANDWICK

FINANCES

It's that time of year again when we start thinking about how much money we have or haven't got. Well, it's time to part with another \$5.00. In other words it is MEMBERSHIP FEE time. Many members have already paid their fee at the 12 hour rogaine in May. If you did not pay your fee at this event or have not sent it to the secretary then you are unfinancial as of the 30th June. Unfinancial members (as of 30th June) have a red cross in the box.

Could unfinancial members send the \$5.00 fee to the secretary.



Unfinancial members do not receive newsletters.

12 Hour Results - 28 teams / 64 competitors

48	Open Mens	I. Dempsey / K. Thomas	1390
24	Open Mens	P. Watterson / M. Ripley (unofficial - lost card $\frac{1}{2}$ way)	1360
35	Open Mens	A. Blakers / A. Spragg	1350
7	Mixed	B. van Netten / D. van Netten / P. Creaser	1280
6	Open Mens	A. Altken / R. Hislop	1265
27	Open Mens	T. Gollan / G. Hogg	1200
1	Open Mens	S. Wagner / R. O'Connor	1090
17	Mixed	A. Bayliss / D. Sutton	1050
15	Mixed	E. Suprano / G. Morley / L. Morley	930
4	Open Mens	M. Worsley / P. Edelsten	930
30	Open Mens	A. Hunt / M. Bach	910
23	Mixed	R. Stephenson / R. Cavill / M. Cavill	900
19	Mixed	R. Robison / B. Cooper / H. Watts	800
18	Open Mens	M. Krause / P. Cook	790
38	Open Mens	T. Cassells / D. Davies / B. O'Callaghan	780
34	Open Womens	A. Rickley / A. Milne	640
2	Mixed	D. Crouch / R. Evans	630
21	Open Mens	D. Noble / D. Robinson	620
39	Open Mens	A. Bristow / W. Plant	580
14	Open Mens	G. Stone / N. Pascoe	460
9	Open Mens	G. Johnson / M. Flores / J. Ballard	460
8	Open Mens	J. Waddell / G. Simon / S. Bishop	440
29	Mixed	J. Bishop / K. Hunt	400
13	Junior Mens	T. Croker / M. Green	370
12	Open Mens	D. Seabrook / C. Ball	370
11	Junior Mens	P. Emerton / K. Grothkopp	320
10	Open Mens	B. Scope / M. Claredge	70
43	Junior Mens	N. Rea / S. Bruncker / A. Morten	10

6 Hour Results - 14 teams / 40 competitors

* 41	Open Mens	I. McKenzie / T. Wodzinski	970
* 28	Veteran Mens	J. Keats / A. Hill	470
5	Veteran Mens	M. Cole / P. Pether / P. Vandevyfyke	420
* 47	Mixed	M. Drew / K. Hawkins	320
33	Mixed	W. Marsden / C. Laxton / C. Stephenson	310
26	Mixed (unofficial)	J. Joseph / C. Lawson / M. Jones / F. De Jong / S. Lyons / J. Byatt	280
42	Open Mens	A. McMichael / B. Dutchfield	180
40	Mixed	D. MacKender / S. Phin	170
46	Veteran Mens	G. Forrest-Brown / C. Kindred	160
25	Mixed	G. Cooper / V. Cooper / A. Pearce	130
32	Jnr. Mens (unoff.)	G. Southon / M. Richards / M. Richards / P. Southon / B. Mortimer	130
36	Mixed	C. Curry / D. Baker	110
45	Open Mens	G. Jarvi / P. Greenhalgh	20
44	Open Mens	P. Rae / A. Wilson / M. Hiller / D. Morton	0



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**INVITES YOU TO THE
AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS
SEPTEMBER 5/6 1987.**

The 1987 Australian Rogaining Championships will be held approximately 40 minutes drive from Goulburn. The course has been set with a mixture of open farm land and light forest, with rocky out crops.

MAP : 1 : 25 000 10m Contour. C.M.A. of N.S.W.

DIVISIONS : Open (men,women,mixed), Junior (all <19),
Veterans (all >40)

START : 12 Midday Saturday; FINISH : 12 Midday Sunday

Cost :

	24hr	8hr
Members of a Rogaining Assoc.	\$17.00	\$12.00
Non Members	\$22.00	\$17.00

(Surcharge includes membership to N.S.W.R.A.).

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS : Enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

ENTRIES CLOSE : 20 August 1987.

LATE ENTRIES : (Postmarked after 20th) add \$5each.

ENQUIRIES : AUS CHAMPS '87 17 Harrington St, Fennell Bay. 2283

COURSE ORGANISERS

Setters	B and D van Netten	Vetter	P Tuft
Caterers	W Davis and T Collins	Secretary	D van Netten

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ENTRIES TO AUS CHAMPS '87, LOT 2 CESSNOCK RD, FREEMANS WATERHOLE

CHEQUES payable to N.S.W.R.A. 2323.

EVENT 24hour 8hour