International Rogaining Federation Inc. Roles and Responsibilities – IRF Executive November 2011

10WRC 2012 Czech Republic (31 Aug-1 Sep 2012 Prebuz), IRF levy will be 9 Euro.

Entries for 10WRC are now open: http://www.rogaining.cz/wrc2012/en/

Voting on WRC entry criteria is closed, and the criteria were adopted by the Council.

See: http://www.rogaining.cz/wrc2012/files/entry_criteria.pdf

Entries opened on 1 December 2011 at http://www.rogaining.cz/wrc2012/en/

370 competitors have signed up on the first day of entries. Lauri Leppik is working with Jan Tojnar to oversee the registration process.

11WRC 2013 Russia (27-28 July 2013 Pskov). Arrangements between IRF and 11WRC organisers need to follow soon (Alan Mansfield)

12WRC 2014 USA (16-17 August 2014 Black Hills, South Dakota)

9ERC 2012 European Rogaining Championships Lithuania (5-6 May 2012 Poviliskis) Bulletin 1 has been published at http://erc2012.lt/ Registration opens 1 January 2012.

Call for expression of interest to host 10ERC2013 has been announced (LL)

IRF Meetings at WRC: see September R&R

Procedures for announcing results at WRCs: Alan Mansfield is setting up a group to develop guidelines for the release of preliminary results and then final results at World Rogaining Championships. These guidelines will be integrated with potential WRC protests and appeals to clarify the timing for each.

Rogaining event calendars for 2012 are being compiled, and inputs have been invited (and received) from Members and Observers (AM, LL).

Sub-committees

Sub-committees in general: The IRF has several active and planned sub-committees to address major issues. The IRF Executive invites rogainers from outside the IRF Council to volunteer for these sub-committees, and where appropriate, the IRF Councillors should approach their associations to extend this invitation. Councillors are encouraged to participate in sub-committee proceedings by either having input at an early stage when the terms of reference are announced, or by contacting the sub-committee chair at any time.

Age criteria for sub-categories

- a) review the impacts of the current policy
- b) discuss and decide on the age limit for juniors
- c) consider a single ultra-veterans class.

Rogaining checkpoint markers and description clues: review (David Baldwin, Bob Reddick, Lauri Leppik): report due 2011. Terms of reference: see October R&R.

Executive Structure sub-committee

Draft guidelines issued 7 October 2011, sub-committee overview October R&R.

Summary to date: the preliminary suggestion is to increase the size of the IRF Executive from 5 to 8 members. This would involve a separate Secretary and Treasurer, a new President-elect position and one unassigned position. These changes will help address the increasing workload, and should encourage transitions onto and off the Executive. It is planned to change IRF Executive terms to 3 years (currently 4). Governance and banking roles are being migrated to the IRF-VRA Liaison Role. Sub-committee membership: Richard Robinson (chair), Lauri Leppik, Neil Phillips. Timeframe:

Draft plan for a future Executive (end November 2011)

Responses from Council (end December 2011)

Final suggestions for Executive including changes to the Constitution (end Jan).

Finances sub-committee

Draft guidelines – 12 October 2011.

Background: see October R&R for sub-committee overview.

Sub-committee membership: Rob Gardner (chair), Bob Reddick, Rebecca Shaw, Richard Robinson.

Progress: the sub-committee is collecting information about the IRF financial system. Timeframe:

Contribution into 2012 IRF budget (budget to be finalised before the end of 2011)

Draft plan for future financial system and activities (end December 2011)

Responses from Council (end January 2012)

Final suggestions for finances including changes to the Constitution (end February). To include review of banking system including two-to-sign, and making overseas payments. Define options on the calculation methods of membership fees. Discuss the calculation base for regional rogaining championship fees and introduce a NARC fee similar to ERC (Bryant, Leppik, others welcome).

IRF Membership sub-committee

Alan Holdaway (chair), Rod Phillips, Richard Robinson, Lauri Leppik, Jan Tojnar. subcommittee overview October R&R.

Message to IRF Council, 23/11/2011 from IRF Secretary.

The following policy has been approved by the Executive and the membership sub-committee. If anyone has any suggestions or concerns, please let me know. Appointment of non-voting Observers to represent a country on the IRF

- a) The IRF Council can co-opt individuals onto council as non-voting observers. In some instances, the purpose of this will be to provide representation for a country that has no voting members on Council. Any observer co-opted onto council to represent a country needs to meet the following guidelines.
- 1) Be involved in organising rogaining events and/or the administration of rogaining in their country.

- 2) Has the support of their national rogaining community.
- 3) Is able to represent the views of the rogaining community in that country.
- 4) Will convey information on IRF decisions and championship rogaines to the rogaining community in their country.
- 5) Will provide a helpful and positive contribution to the IRF Council and the international rogaining community.
- b) Anyone may nominate a person to be an Observer representing a country that has no voting members on Council. The nomination should cover the guidelines listed above. The nomination will be reviewed by the IRF membership committee in the same manner as membership applications and a recommendation will be provided to IRF Council for decision.
- c) Observer status ends two years after appointment. Council may re-appoint an observer for further two year periods if the observer continues to meet the guidelines set out above.
- d) Observers shall receive all information on matters within the jurisdiction of the Council, they are invited to participate in Council deliberations, but have no vote.

IRF Liaison Officer: Rebecca Shaw is now responsible for the purchasing and distribution of Rogaining Promotional material for the IRF. Rogaining associations are encouraged to contact Rebecca (rebecca.shaw@gmail.com) to place orders for promotional material. The current product range consists of navy blue Polo Shirts (\$30AUD), navy blue Soft shell Jackets (\$88AUD), commemorative #150 IRF Newsletter orders for (\$2AUD), car bumper stickers (new batch just printed) and business cards (new set available). Bulk purchases are preferable so please liaise with your members to develop an order. It is also possible to produce these in your own countries using branding and logo standards.

Community Engagement and Land Access: Land access remains a major issue globally, in different forms, in different areas.

A renewal of the IRF website and transfer of the site to a content management system is underway (Alan Mansfield, David Baldwin, Lisa de Speville).

Executive: Neil Phillips, Lauri Leppik, Alan Mansfield, Rod Phillips.

Neil Phillips

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