

**International Rogaining Federation Inc.
Roles and Responsibilities – IRF Executive
March 2012**

10WRC 2012 Czech Republic (31 Aug-1 Sep 2012 Prebuz), IRF levy will be 9 Euro. Entries opened on 1 December 2011 at <http://www.rogaining.cz/wrc2012/en/>. At the end of March there were 465 teams. There is a need to review the entry criteria that were used for 10WRC (Alan Mansfield): see entry criteria: http://www.rogaining.cz/wrc2012/files/entry_criteria.pdf

11WRC 2013 Russia (27-28 July 2013 Pskov). Arrangements between IRF and 11WRC organisers have commenced (Alan Mansfield, Sergey Yaschenko), <http://wrc2013.com/>, initial suggestion of 10 Euro for the IRF levy; a course setter needs to be appointed and confirmed. Contact for 11WRC - Sergey Yaschenko: runs@inbox.ru.

12WRC 2014 USA (16-17 August 2014 Black Hills, South Dakota). Arrangements between IRF and 12WRC organisers are underway with discussions on participant transport to site, and hash house areas (Barb Bryant, Alan Mansfield, Peg Davis), initial suggestion of US\$15 for the IRF levy. A WRC Manager's checklist is being compiled during 12WRC and 13WRC planning (Alan Mansfield).

13WRC 2015 Anyone interested in holding these World Rogaining Championships should advise Alan Mansfield. There are no limits from where a bid can be received, though it is important to consult the WRC guideline in the Strategic Plan for expected standards. Recent WRCs will have been in New Zealand, Czech Republic, Russia and USA. We anticipate a selection process should be complete near the end of 2012.

14WRC 2016 There is interest from the Australian Rogaining Association of holding the event probably in 2016.

9ERC 2012 European Rogaining Championships Lithuania (5-6 May 2012 Poviliskis) Bulletin 1 has been published at <http://erc2012.lt/> Registration open, IRF levy 5 Euros.

2012 European rogaining calendar: <http://www.rogain.ee/en/events/>

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

WRC Qualifying events: decided.

IRF Meetings at World Rogaining Championships: see September 2011 R&R

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 but earlier rather than later.

Age criteria for sub-categories: about to go to vote (Lauri Leppik, Rod Phillips)

Rogaining checkpoint markers and description clues: A review (David Baldwin, Bob Reddick, Lauri Leppik) has identified the WARA Course Setters & Vettors Manual that can be adapted for IRF use. Modification to this manual by Gary Carroll is in progress.

Procedures for announcing results at WRCs and protests: Alan Mansfield is leading the development of 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 (AM, LL, others, end April).

Rules of rogaining: It is likely that three components of rules changes (see above) will be brought before Council (i.e. junior and ultra-veterans age category, control placement, protests and appeals). Contact Lauri Leppik immediately with any further input.

Wikipedia entries for rogaining: Lauri Leppik is reviewing and updating Wikipedia entries for rogaining in several languages.

Executive Structure sub-committee

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

A subcommittee comprising Richard Robinson, Lauri Leppik and Neil Phillips has been reviewing the size and composition of the IRF Executive. The preliminary suggestions have been circulated to Council (29/3 Rod Phillips) for final comment before drafting a motion for Constitutional change.

Finances sub-committee

Draft guidelines – 12 October 2011.

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

Membership: Rob Gardner (chair), Bob Reddick, Rebecca Shaw, Richard Robinson.

Progress: the plan for the IRF banking arrangements were sent to Council (27/12) and changes are being made so that Rebecca Shaw can be responsible for the banking. This will require a change of the IRF Constitution relating to signatories.

Timeframe: *Contribution into 2012 IRF budget (budget to be finalised before February)

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

 Responses from Council (end February 2012)

 Final suggestions for finances (end February).

Define options on the calculation methods of membership fees and regional rogaining championships. Introduce a NARC fee similar to ERC (Bryant, Leppik).

ARA International Development Fund [last notice]

The Australian Rogaining Association (ARA) has generously established an International Development Fund (IDF) to assist the development of rogaining globally by providing access to grants or loans for rogaining groups that could assist them with the development of rogaining in their areas. Whilst the total sum available will be modest, the ARA hopes that support will assist further the development of rogaining throughout the world. The details of the ARA IDF and how to apply for support are available at: <http://rogaine.asn.au/ARA-Council/International-Development-Fund.html>. Applications for support closes on 30 April 2012. Further details: Richard Robinson, President, ARA.

IRF Membership sub-committee

Alan Holdaway (chair), Rod Phillips, Richard Robinson, Lauri Leppik, Jan Tojnar. sub-committee overview October R&R. All IRF Observer positions except Gediminas Trimakas (representing Lithuania) and Rebecca Shaw (as the VRA-IRF Liaison Officer) are being reviewed (see December 2011 Roles & Responsibilities). Council has approved a new Observer for Finland (Miia Hovi) and two renewals of Observer status (Francis Falardeau, Filip Gili), and recently Bengt Nilsson (Sweden) and Marko Rößler (Germany). All other Observer positions lapsed on 31 March 2012; contact Alan Holdaway holdaway@xtra.co.nz to have these renewed.

Annual reporting by IRF to Department of Justice – Consumer Affairs

The IRF reports annually to the Department of Justice as part of maintaining its incorporated status. Much of this process is being transferred to the VRA-IRF Liaison Officer (Rebecca Shaw) during the coming year. Financial report went to auditor (NP 8/1), and audited accounts have been received and circulated to Council (24/3). President's Report for 2011 was circulated in draft form for comment 15/3 and now finalised (24/3 NP). Previous President's Reports are all available as PDFs.

IRF Website

David Baldwin is developing a new Joomla based IRF web site whilst the current web site continues. David Baldwin, Lauri Leppik and Alan Mansfield would welcome volunteer assistance to master, administer and edit the web site. It is an ongoing task that requires assistance from either within the Council or from others with a strong interest in rogaining. Leadership roles are open (web master, administrator, editor) as well as contributors for regions of the world to maintain their region's part of the calendar.

The New Zealand Rogaining Association has forwarded \$182.25 as capitation contribution for the year, thank you (13/3). The IRF account stands at AUD\$11616.93.

We will be looking at ways to make our communication more effective so that Council continues to have access to information, and important messages are evident.

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

Neil Phillips