2013 Rogue24 - Course Information Sheet

<u>IMPORTANT</u> – Competitors are advised to read this information carefully. It contains a description of the logistics of each leg of the race. There are a total of 53 check points available on the course. Each stage must be attempted in order. Teams may only collect checkpoints from the stage they are on at that time; they cannot go back to collect checkpoints from previous legs, or punch checkpoints from future legs (penalties apply). Within each leg, teams may collect as many checkpoints in any order they wish. Each checkpoint is assigned its own score value.

Stage 1. KAYAK and TREK. Use Map 1.

Start at HQ. Finish at TA9 (Bike Drop). 8 CPs available (CP 1 - 8). 570 Points. Approximate distance:

- 20km of Kayaking.
- 5km of Trekking.

The Rogue24 kicks off with one of the more scenic creek paddles in south east QLD. Yabba Creek is characterised by long pools separated by grade 1 gravel races. These multiple flowing sections are fun paddling after rain, but will require portaging at lower water levels. A number of platypus were spotted during course setting. There is little in the way of route choice in this leg, but a number of strategic decisions to be made about optional CPs on foot.

- Caution: there are a number of fence crossings and log jams to negotiate on the creek.
- Do not drag boats under any circumstance. Lift and carry them.
- Boast must be left with the official at CP4 if attempting CPs 5 and/or 6 by foot.
- No portaging along the road. The road is OOB except at bridge crossings.
- Caution at bridge crossings. Use your judgment and cross when there are no cars.
 - Teams must use the paddles and PFDs provided (they cannot use their own on this leg)

Stage 2. BIKE. Use Map 2.

Start at TA9. Finish at HQ. 18 CPs avail. (CP 10 – 27). 1090 Points. Approximate distance: 80km. The real racing starts on Stage 2 with a potentially long and testing bike rogaine in North and South Imbil State Forests. This leg offers up plenty of route choice and navigational challenge.

Note that there are no road closures for the course. Demonstrate caution and give
way to traffic, particularly on Yabba Creek Rd, where cars may travel at speed and the
road shoulders are parrow.

Stage 3. TREK. Use Map 3.

Start and Finish at HQ. 11 CPs avail. (CP 28 – 38). 720 Points. Approximate distance: 19km. This trek leg takes in some classic rogaine country in the Bella Creek region north of Borumba Dam, as well as some challenging climbs in Imbil Forest to the south. Again, plenty of route choice and tough navigation, particularly given that most teams will tackle this leg at night.

- Teams must punch in at HQ at the start and end of this leg.
- Please be courteous and quiet when transitioning at HQ as there will be campers trying to sleep.
- The vegetation directly between CP 29 and HQ is very thick, making an approach from this direction difficult. Teams are advised to cross Yabba Creek via the causeway at the original kayak launch site before making an approach on CP29.

Stage 4. KAYAK and TREK. Use Map 3.

Start and Finish at HQ. 13 CPs avail. (CP 39 – 52). 940 Points. Approximate distance:

- 18km of Kayaking.
- 7km of Trekking.

OPENING TIME: 5:30am

The final leg of the Rogue24 - a paddle and trek amongst the flooded trees of Lake Borumba - offers up a swag of large points for teams that time it right and have the perseverance to see out the full 24hrs.

- Teams must check in at HQ prior to starting this leg, before continuing on by foot to the kayak launch point at the dam boat ramp.
- Teams with their own paddles/PFDs must transport these to and from HQ themselves.
- Boats will be ready for preparation at the Dam at 5am. Due to permit restrictions, teams are not allowed to enter the water until 5:30am.
- Teams that arrive at HQ before 5am who have swept the course until that point will be given a time credit up until 5am, which will be deducted from their final finishing time.

Emergency Procedures

In the event of a true emergency call 000 first. Stabilise the patient, apply basic first aid and notify another team of the situation. Mobile phone reception on the course is very poor, however the **event organisers number is 0405728128 or 0487588628**. In the event that a team wishes to withdraw early from the race, make your way back to HQ, notify an official and hand in your timing tags.

Navlight

Navlight timing tags will be distributed when you resubmit your indemnity forms. There is one per person. Please ensure they are attached firmly and correctly so that they don't get lost during the event as they are quite expensive to replace. You will need to check in with the briefing punch just prior to the race start. Tags will be collected by an official when you return to the finish site and your score downloaded.