



Victorian  
Rogaining  
Association  
Inc.

## Event Briefing

What needs to be announced before at the Pre-Event Briefing.

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### PRE EVENT BRIEFING NOTES - PRIOR TO EVENT

The pre-event briefing conveys important event and safety information to competitors at a Rogaine. It should not exceed 10 minutes. It is usually conveyed by an attending VRA Committee member and the Event Organiser. Competitors are usually corralled at 15 minutes before the event start time.

#### Committee Member

- Introduce yourself
- Welcome all to the event
- Announcements – upcoming events (e.g. training days, AGM, other related events such as orienteering)
- Anyone requiring assistance stay behind after the event starts and inquire at Admin
- Thank you (general) - co-ordinator, setters, vetters, admin, caterers and all other people who helped make the event a success
- Remind everyone of the use of whistles (3 blasts for SOS) and evacuation (4 horn blasts) in emergencies. Note the general rule
- Introduce the event co-ordinator, who will give details of the course and things to watch out for

#### Event Coordinator – Process/Admin

- Details of events (e.g. 6 hr and a 12 hr and entrants)
- Novices
  - navigate to a control. It looks like this. There is a punch on it. Punch your Navlight wrist tag and see the LED flash (or punch your control card in the correct numbered place)
  - If you want help stay behind at the start and give me a call. We have some trainers who can help you get started and give you some hints
- Make sure you have “punched in” your Navlight wrist tag as you enter the briefing area (penalties apply)
- At the end of the event, clock in with the admin team who will record your finish time. (Control Cards: Admin will then give you back your control card and ask you to add up your own score up and hand your control card back in.)
- First aid officer is ### and if you need him / her, go to Admin
- Food will begin to be served at the HH from ? pm onwards. There will be breakfast the next morning from #am to #am. (12 hr & 24 hr events only)
- Please be on time – teams later than 30 mins have Safety Search Rescue procedures enacted at this time

#### Event Coordinator – Course Details

- Out of bounds areas are shown in pink on the map. There are a number of roads which are marked which go through the out of bounds area. You can travel on these roads to go through the out of bounds areas.
- The following checkpoints are incorrectly marked \$\$\$\$. See master map at admin to find out where they should be.
- Safety vehicle route is marked on the map as a yellow line. If you are injured or want to get picked up, go to safety route road and wait for Rogaine sweep car - It will have "Rogaine" sign on it.

- Waterdrop points have points associated with the checkpoint – please use them.

### Event Coordinator – Course Warnings

- Vegetation thick / scrubby or not appropriately marked and where.
- Some roads are not accurately shown or not shown at all on the map. Best advice is to follow the contours instead.
- We found some mineshafts and cliffs at the following locations. Be careful in those locations especially at night. Note that there may be others that we have not found.
- Water course levels especially in flood, or dry. Which creeks can be crossed.
- Don't drink the water in the local water courses.
- Warning - Hot day. Beware heat exhaustion. Drink lots. See map for water drop locations.
- Event Recall – 4 car horn blasts, repeated every minute. Make way to safety road when safe to do so.
- Assist any teams in difficulty

### Rogaine Etiquette and Rules

- Leave the gates as you find them. Don't damage fences
- Steer clear of farm buildings especially at night
- Don't bother stock - Walk round them. Don't walk over newly planted fields
- All must be within 20 m of checkpoint before you can claim the points for that checkpoint. Do not split the team up. You must be in within voice contact of each other
- If you come back to the HH early, you must visit Admin to punch in/out (or hand your control card in. You can pick it back up when you go out again)
- Do not leave the rogaine event without handing your control card to the admin. If you do leave and do not hand in your control card, we will start a search for you and it could escalate to a full SES / police matter.
- Control cards and time
- Control cards are on clothes line over there with the lowest team's card here and the highest there. Please don't collect them till we signal the start of the event.
- Start and finish times. Rogaine time is now ##o'clock. The event finishes ## hours after the declared start time. Determine the stage at which the cancellation decision is made, as this determines actions required.

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