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In this Newsletter

Welcome to the Northern Territory Rogaining Association's March 2016 newsletter. This edition contains interesting information on:

- Editor's Note
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- AGM Result
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- Behind the Scenes
- Event Wrap up : Reports, map, results and photos

Editors Note:

This is the first newsletter for the year and I hope you will enjoy reading them. As editor I put together reports that are written by you, the competitors/setters/vetters, and would like to thank all those who have contributed.

Presidential Comments

Firstly, a huge thank you to my intrepid team mates Donna and Clare, who urged me to extract the finger and get a wriggle on in the recent Norburbs, which enabled us to come away with a half reasonable result. Dave & Julie Page did a sterling job as first time course setters. A big thankyou to them, John Shaggers, Mike, Marj and all others who had a hand in giving us a great Saturday's entertainment....very sore feet notwithstanding.

As a result of the 2016 AGM, we have two new committee members in the form of Scott Mitchell, over here from Banana Land, and Susi from the wilds of Fannie Bay. We heartily welcome them and promise to bestow more work on the pair of them than they can possibly handle. For some time now the club has been wanting in the pre event PR department so the new mob will make the addressing of this malady a priority for all future events.....

And while we're on the subject, the first of the aforementioned events will be the 'Glee, Gulches & Gullies' 12 hour & 6 hour roving to be held on June 20 in the Florence Falls & Southern escarpment area of Litchfield National Park....prepare to be bombarded with information on this very user friendly event over the coming weeks. **JP - NTRA President**



Next Event: 'Glee, Gulches & Gullies' June 12 Hour or 6 Hour Roving Event

When: Saturday, 18th June, 12pm to 12 am or 12pm for 6hr only Option.

Where: Litchfield Park – Florence Falls Southern Escarpment

What: This area has been used in the past, It is designed to be a User Friendly course.

Details: Further details, including entry forms, will be available soon. <http://nt.rogaine.asn.au/> Detailed information and course notes will be distributed on receipt of entry.

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If you'd like to take part and need a partner, contact us via email info@nt.rogaine.asn.au

AGM: This was held in March. We have presented the new committee at newsletter Header.

It is really good to see some new faces on the committee to take up positions that have been “vacant” but added to the work of committee members. Please do consider helping out, meetings are infrequent (before /after events, at this stage 4 events/year), so not too onerous.

AGM Report – 2015-2016 Mike Dunbar

The NTRA has had a very reasonable year. We have produced four good events with excellent attendances. On behalf of the NTRA I thank the committee Jon Potter, Marj King, Simon & Ben Saunders and Paul Potter for their support throughout the year to ensure that these events were executed as professionally possible and were enjoyed by all. The committee is there to ensure that the Association continues to promote and cultivate Rogaining as a sporting activity through the community as its sole driving agenda. We have achieved this through an increase in the use of social media, promotional activities and ensuring our events cater to a wide variety of the community to see that our participation rates increase.

But it is not without its challenges as like most associations and volunteer organisations it comes down to available time and effort available from people who already have full time responsibilities.

There are many other people that also have made significant contributions throughout the year with the event secretary role being diligently managed by Susi Berti. Jane Saunders for being there every time with the catering and no doubt assisting with the ongoing maintenance and general reorganisation of the equipment, Plaxy Purich, Trevor Paynter, Emily Pritchard and Duncan Rance for their efforts with the Litchfield event, John Shanahan, Julie and David Page for the more recent Metrogaine in the Burbs, Paul Birch and Wolfgang Mieke for their assistance when required.

There are also organisations like Park and Wild Life for their support with courses (Litchfield) or part of (Casuarina Coastal or Holmes Jungle), the schools that we use, and the organisations that promote our Activities through their networks like the orienteering nt sand the Bushwalkers, Every contribution assists in making it all happen. And of course you as competitors and it's encouraging to see those that were new to the sport once are now introducing new people with them.

The year ahead looks exciting with the Territory hosting the worlds and a large number of teams heading down to compete it should be great, thanks to the ARA for making it happen as well as Jon Potters for his involvement with the initial on ground logistics.



Will the territory host the Australian Rogaining Championships in 2018 well that is a decision for the new incoming committee?

Events happening elsewhere:

World Rogaining Championships: 23-24th July 2016

Being held at the Ross River Resort and adjacent properties in the East MacDonnell Ranges east of Alice Springs.

WRC 2016 entry for Australia/New Zealand Rogainers

Written by David Rowlands

The WRC Organising Committee has provided preliminary information on the entry process for those planning to enter the 2016 World Championships in Central Australia. Entries were opened in October 2015 and are limited to 800 persons.

Follow this link to the [WRC 2016 Broadcast to ANZ Rogainers.pdf](#)

Also if you are interested in volunteering for the World Champs go to the following link to get information and enter details. This is a huge event and it would be great if Territorians could get involved. The organisers are already in the process of allocating people to positions.

<http://worldrogainingchamps.com.au/index.php/event/volunteers/information>

Australasian Championship Event: September 17-18th 2016

This event is being hosted by the WA Rogaine Assn., details out in due course.

Volunteers Wanted in West Oz and in the NT

WA is a state that held 9 events last year. How did they do it?

Quote from WARA Website: "All WARA activities are carried out by volunteers - that is how we can keep the cost of competing so low.

If you have done 10 or more events since you last volunteered it is time for you to volunteer.

Anyone can do a job in Administration or the Hash House - you will receive training."

If for a change you, a partner or friend would like to give the very busy organisers a hand with jobs like help with setting up, assisting with the cooking, basic administrative tasks, etc please email Scott at info@nt.rogaine.asn.au. Setting up/packing up doesn't necessarily preclude you from competing



My Norburbs Knockabout Adventure by Cath Hood

This was our 2nd attempt at Cycloganing and after our first experience we defiantly learnt a lot. The first event in November, we turned up about 15mins before the start with our bikes and camel packs as if we were just going for a 4hr ride. We didn't quite understand what we were in for and noticed people planning their routes with strings and covering their maps with contact paper. We hadn't even thought to bring anything to protect our map in case it rain or just from sweating all over it. As soon as the starter bell went off we had to race to the news-agency across the road to buy some loose leave sleeves to protect our maps. We also struggled with no lights on our helmets when night-time approached.

Fast forward to The Norburbs knockouts in Feb we were a lot more prepared. Rob kitted our MTB bikes with little clipboards on the bars to attach our maps to, which defiantly worked well and saved time with viewing where we need to get to. And having the lights on our helmets, as well as on the front of our bikes made a huge difference!

What were our Strategies?? Other than to ride really really fast between the checkpoints we didn't really have any as such. We picked a rough route/ direction to travel in just knocked 1 check point off at a time and see how far around we could get. We then decided to give it a bit more thought with about 1hr to go as to how many more checkpoints were achievable to get us back before the cut off time. We arrived back with 5 mins to spare after checking 1 extra little check point close to the finish point. And what can I say - Team work was the key - we each had our designated jobs - Rob was chief navigator. It was up to him to not get us lost and I think he did alright with this! And I had the job to read out the questions or advise what we were looking for. And write down the answers.

A big thanks to everyone who put this event together – It was a very hot day out!!! The checkpoints were very well thought out, some with a degree of difficulty and thinking required which kept us on our toes. We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and we will be back for the next one to defend our title!





February Norburbs Knockabout - Results

6 Hr Metrogaine

| Team No | | Total Points | Qty of Ctrls | Total Time | Men | | Women | | | | Mixed | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | Min | Sec | M | J | M | V | M | S | W | J | W | O | V | X | S |
| WO11 | Mirjam Kaestli, Zoe Radford | 1800 | 35 | 5 | 52 | 56 | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| WO18 | Plaxy Purich, Susanne Casanova | 1600 | 34 | 5 | 57 | 45 | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| WV1 | Verena Tinning, Sue Berger | 1440 | 29 | 5 | 54 | 48 | | | | 3 | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| XO15 | Jon Potter, Clare Weatherly, Donna Shakelaar | 1360 | 29 | 5 | 32 | 6 | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| MO16 | Ben Saunders, Simon Saunders | 1340 | 27 | 5 | 46 | 53 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| XO24 | Emily Prichard, Duncan Rance, Melinda Schera, Leviv Schera | 1170 | 26 | 5 | 50 | 27 | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | | |
| XO32 | Josh Jones, Amy Pallentine | 1150 | 24 | 5 | 33 | 44 | | | | | | | | | | | 3 | | |
| XSV21 | Robyn Liddle, Dave Liddle | 1120 | 22 | 5 | 37 | 28 | | | | | | | | | | | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| XO34 | Lauren Berecry, Glenn Bulloch | 1090 | 30 | 5 | 22 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | | |
| WO10 | Rebecca Hughes, Jenna Dennison | 1010 | 18 | 4 | 23 | 12 | | | | 4 | | | | | | | | | |
| WO4 | Mikaela Carroll, Kate Robertson, Kia King, Racel McLean, | 1000 | 22 | 4 | 13 | 2 | | | | 5 | | | | | | | | | |
| XV13 | Greg Holt, Toni Sherrock, Rose Stephens, Dave Panjeer, | 960 | 20 | 5 | 38 | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | 6 | 2 | |
| WO2 | Tara Purcell, Jessica O'Riely | 680 | 17 | 4 | 22 | 35 | | | | 6 | | | | | | | | | |
| WSV5 | JANE DARVALL, Moira Stronach, Mary Fathers, Kitty Kahn, | 510 | 14 | 4 | 53 | 36 | | | | 7 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| XSV33 | Julie Mastin, Ron Ninnis, Trish Greenfield, Gurmeet Sing | 250 | 10 | 5 | 4 | 53 | | | | | | | | | | | 7 | 3 | 2 |





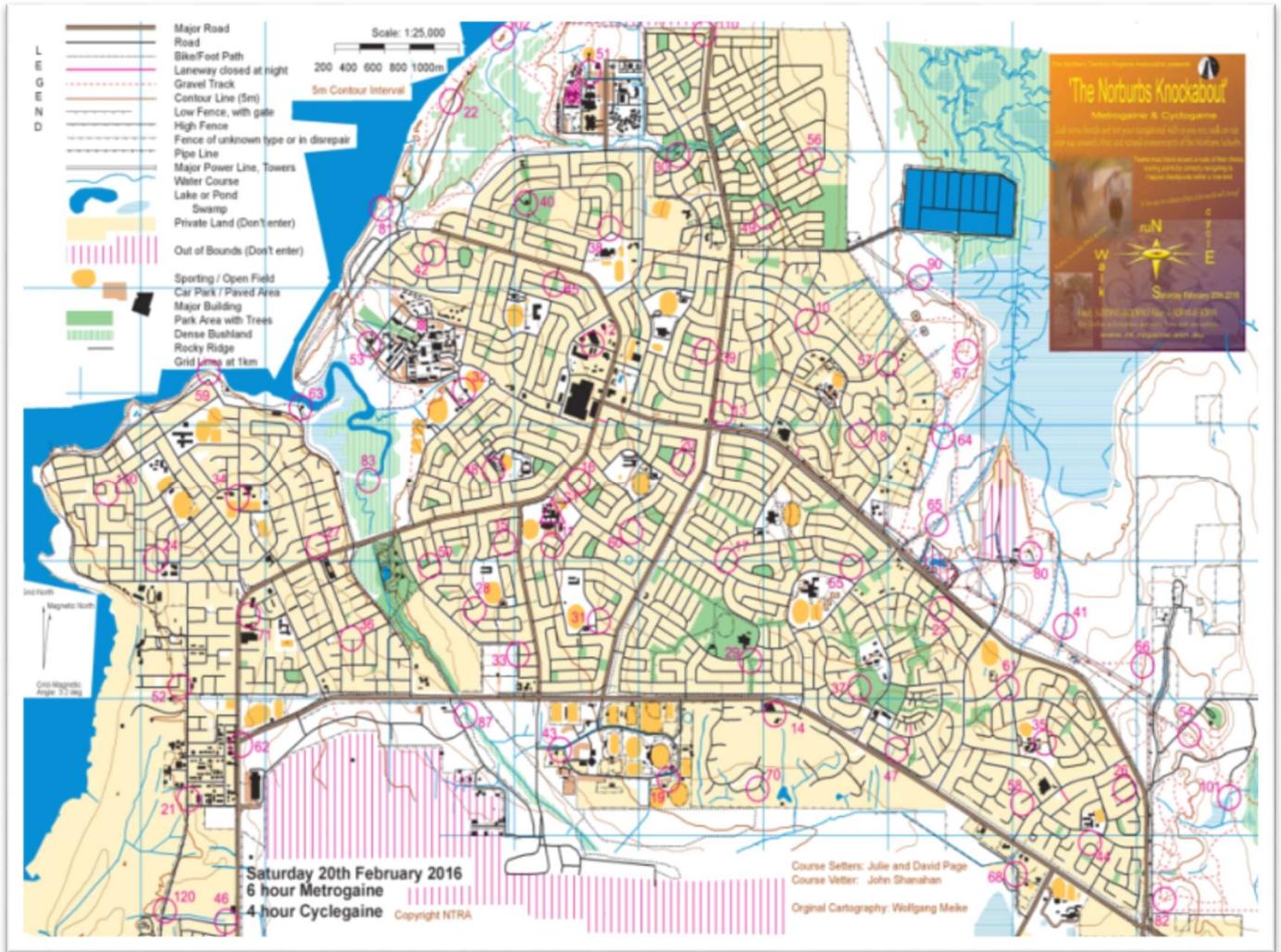
February Norburbs Knockabout 4 Hr Cyclegaine Results

| Team No | Team Name | Total Points | Qty of Ctrls | Total Time | | | Men | | | | Women | | | | Mixed | | | | |
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| | | | | Hr | Min | Sec | MJ | MO | MV | MS | WJ | WO | WV | WS | XO | XV | XS | F | |
| XV31 | Deb Carr, Adrian Curry | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 8 | 4 | |
| XO19 | Cath Hood, Rob Brooks | 1680 | 32 | 3 | 54 | 25 | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| XO7 | Anna Richards, Scott Mitchell | 1610 | 35 | 3 | 57 | 16 | | | | | | 2 | | | | | | | |
| MO29 | Graeme Finch, Victor Oecker, Clinton Baylis | 1460 | 25 | 3 | 49 | 45 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| MO20 | Kirk Dugdell, Steve Conn, Matt Jong, Joe D'Arcy, Zane Whitehorn | 1410 | 31 | 3 | 42 | 48 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| XSV3 | Annie Whybourne, Dan Baschiera | 1410 | 28 | 3 | 55 | 59 | | | | | | | | | | 3 | 1 | 1 | |
| MF22 | Simon Cruickshank, Jed Cruickshank | 1400 | 35 | 3 | 28 | 25 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| XF6 | Sara Martin, Phil Brownscombe, Samuel Brownscombe, Matthew Brownscombe | 1190 | 24 | 3 | 49 | 36 | 4 | | | | | | | | | | 4 | | 2 |
| MV23 | Daniel O'Brien, Les O'Brien | 1140 | 24 | 3 | 54 | 50 | 4 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| XF17 | Susi Bertei, Oscar Bertei | 1110 | 23 | 3 | 50 | 31 | | | | | | | | | | | 5 | | 3 |
| WO35 | Grace Patterson, Georgia Chambers | 910 | 18 | 3 | 55 | 0 | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| XO8 | Rowena Boyd, Mark Chatfield, Martin Boland | 900 | 20 | 3 | 36 | 52 | | | | | | | | | | | 6 | | |
| XF9 | Christine Marron, Mark Haste, James Haste | 780 | 16 | 2 | 29 | 32 | | | | | | | | | | | 7 | | |
| WV30 | Narelle Goodrem, Karen White | 770 | 15 | 3 | 51 | 38 | | | | | | 2 | 1 | | | | | | |
| XSV12 | Pete Stephens, Clare Labowitch, Moira Wiggly | 730 | 23 | 3 | 53 | 25 | | | | | | | | | | | 8 | 2 | 2 |
| MO28 | Russell Jennings, Ben Jennings | 710 | 15 | 2 | 49 | 35 | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| XO26 | Lauren Toll, Fiona Crick, Vaughan | 690 | 24 | 3 | 29 | 16 | | | | | | | | | | | 9 | | |



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| | Janes, Renee Janes | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| XO27 | Emma Andrada, Lisa Ward, Paul Ostwand | 240 | 11 | 1 | 26 | 0 | | | | | | | 10 |
| MV25 | Anton Pretorius, Ric Raymond, John Kirwin, John Wilson | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | | | | | |

Event Map – Norburbs Knockabout



Event Photography – Norburbs Knockabout



The Planning Stage . . .





All starters at the gates. . .





... into the suburbs



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