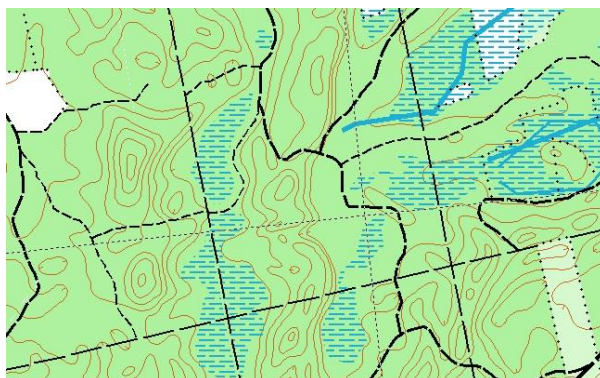


Latvian Cup and Latvian Rogaining Championship 24-25th August 2013

3. bulletin (pre-start information)

Map: The competition map is a specific map, prepared for Latvian Rogaining Championship and drawn in OCAD. The map is prepared using old military maps of former SU (contours), orthophotos, information from forestry institutions and investigations of competition area. The map scale is 1:30000 (1 cm on the map fits 300 m in real world), contour interval 5 m. Size of the map sheet – format B1 (70x100 cm). The map is printed in offset print and laminated from both sides, water and tear-resistant. In case of wet weather it may be useful to use the additional protection (to tape over edge of the map by Scotch tape). Controls' descriptions (legends) are printed on the map. Controls' descriptions will not be available on separate sheets.

Map sample:



In the map, green color means forests, light green – coppices and semi-open areas, white – fields, meadows and new clearings.

Course: The total number of controls is 79, values from 3 to 10, maximum value of points 514. The optimal route to visit all controls is about 125 km in „straight line”. According to organizers forecasts, no one team will be able to fill all the route.

The first digit of the checkpoint number reflects its point value. The checkpoints are located in visible height and have reflectors.

5 water stations will be placed throughout the competition area. The water stations are indicated on the event map by red symbol of glass, the precise locations are marked by red points:



Punching system: SportIdent (SI) electronical punching system will be used. One SI card, version 6, 10 or 11 (own or rented), is necessary for each team member of 24 h event.

6 h event competitors can use other version SI cards, considering capacity of the particular SI card and planned amount of checkpoints to be visited.

Organizers will not accept protests if, using your own SI card, you will exceed capacity of SI card.

SI cards will be attached to wrist of each competitor with a non-removable wristband. This will be done by the organizers during registration.

By visiting of checkpoint, all members of the team shall punch their SI cards in the SI station of the particular checkpoint within 1 minute.

Hazards and annoyances: Main hazards: some wide ditches and ticks. Wide ditches can be crossed using fallen trees or beaver dams. Some ticks may carry tick-borne encephalitis or Lyme disease, therefore it is advisable to use special insect repellents and to check the whole body after the race. Main annoyances: nettles, mosquitos and horse-fly.

Wildlife: Competitors may encounter elk, roe, fox, hare, wild boar, beaver.

Indemnity form: All competitors shall sign an indemnity form, that they participate in the competition at their own risk. This document shall be signed during registration.

Medical aid: In more complicated cases, the injured competitor may be transported to a hospital.

Weather: <http://www.weathercast.co.uk/world-weather/city-weather/city/371X3624/baldone.html>

Start: All competitors shall enter the start area by 11:45. SI cards are cleared and checked by organizers at the start area gate. Each competitor must be sure, that his SI card is cleared and checked, when entering the start area.

Start is given at 12:00 on Saturday, 24-th August, with well audible sound.

Hash House: Hash House will be available for the competitors during the race. Catering available at the Hash House from 18:00 24-th August till 9:00 25-th August. Meal will include hot soup, bread, fruits, coffee or tea.

Finish: The control time is 12:00 on Sunday, 25-August. After finishing the course (by punching the SI station „Finish”), the organizers will remove the wristband and download the reading of the SI card. ***The point penalty for finishing after the nominated finish time is 1 point per each minute or part thereof.*** Teams finishing more than 30 minutes late are not eligible for the placing.

Results: After the finish, each competitor gets a printout of the reading SI cards, indicating all controls visited, the total time, time of each leg and the sum of points collected. The individual SI printout shall be considered as a preliminary, not a final result. The preliminary team results will be posted in the competition center after the control time. The final results will be published in Latvian Rogaining website: www.rogaining.lv.

Protests: Within 60 minutes after the nominated finish time, a team may submit a protest about any team thought to have breached the rules, about the preliminary results of the team or about any actions of the organizers that they consider made the competition unfair. Protests shall be submitted in written form. Verbal protests will not be considered.

Jury: Any protests are considered and determined by a three persons jury. Members of the jury will be drawn from five experienced rogaining competitors. If the protest concerns someone of the drawn jury members, he/she will be replaced by a spare member.

Prizes: The team with the highest score in each class is awarded with a Latvian Rogaining Cup. Three best teams in each class are awarded with prizes.

Accommodation: Accommodation available starting from Friday, 23-th August, 20 o'clock in the event center – in your own tents and sleeping accessories. For information about other accommodation possibilities, please visit local websites or contact nearby Tourist information center.

Getting there and Parking: references to event centre from auto road Tome-Baldone 4th km. Map how to get event centre you can find [THERE](#): Parking area situated closely to event centre. ***Please respect organizers guidances during parking!***

Catering: Catering will be provided at the buffet in event center. Catering will be available from 17:30, 24-th August (6 h competitors) and from 11:00, 25-th August (24 h competitors). Meal will include hot soup, main course, bread, soft drink (juice). Coffee and tee also will be available.

Showers: The 24 hours competitors will have possibility to use warm showers at the event center after finish.