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## Strategic Plan for Rogaining

A small number of comments have been received and posted on the strategic planning site. A summary of comments to date has also been uploaded. Further invitations will follow (contact the IRF if you have not been included yet and wish to contribute).

## Geoduck award for international rogaining leadership (Order of the Geoduck)

The 2005 Geoduck Award has been won by Andres Käär of Estonia. The award recognizes current, active work in the organizing, promoting, and actual running of 24-hour rogaines with an international focus.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Nth American Rogaining Championships, Kamloops, Canada

First three places in the recent NARC were:

Chris Koch, Bart Jarmula 2010  
Tomas Zdrahal, Tomas Vaclavek 1980  
Kari Jylha, Pertti Ahtiainen 1960  
Held 2-3 August 2005.

See the web page for results.

<http://www.orienteeeringbc.ca/sage/2005narc/2005rogindex.htm>

In recent IRF Newsletters we have published the list of overall winners of the World Rogaining Championships (#100) and Australian Rogaining Championships (#104). We can now complete the list of winners for North American Rogaining Championships to date.

1993: 1WHRC (Washington State)  
Peter Gagarin & Fred Pilon  
1994: 1NARC (Kamloops, BC)  
Allan Stradeski & Peter Mair  
1995: 2NARC (Washington State)  
Brian Chubb & Allan Stradeski  
1996: 3NARC (New York State)  
Bridget Brunnick & Joe Ratermann  
1997: 4NARC (Arizona)  
Tom Possert & Adrian Crane  
1999: 5NARC (Nova Scotia)  
Peter Gagarin & Ernst Linder  
2001: 6NARC (Arizona)  
Alar Ruutopold & Ernst Linder  
2002: 7NARC (Kamloops, BC)  
Matt Chamberlain & Mike Wilke  
2005: 8NARC (Kamloops, BC)  
Chris Koch & Bart Jarmula  
2006: 9NARC (New York State, planned)

## II European Rogaining Championships

The second European Rogaining Championships were in Estonia on 11-12<sup>th</sup> June 2005 and attracted 201 participants from eight different countries.

<http://www.orion.ee/rogain/en/>

Four teams finished the 24 hour course with less than five minutes separating the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> teams:

Margus Klementsov, Jaanus Reha 21.49

Raimonds Lapins, Kaspars Kursinskis 23.00

Miroslav Seidl, Petr Boranek 23.02

Guntars Mankus, Anita Liepina 23.04

The first European Rogaining Championships were in Perm, Russia in 2003. Winners: Petr Boranek and Miroslav Seidl (Czech).

### Rogaining in Latvia

The third Latvian rogaine attracted 174 participants in an 18 hour rogaine on 30-31 July 2005. The event was held in the Tukums district, 80 km west of the capital, Riga, and attracted eight international teams from Estonia, Czech Republic and Russia, and a strong Latvian representation. First place went to Ainārs Skrubis & Ints Ulmanis (349), then Inguna Valdmāne & Armands Broks (345), and Sergey Yashchenko & Sergey Yutkin (340). A further 50 participants took part in a 5-hour rogaine. More details:

<http://www.brivnieki.lv/rogaine/index.htm>

The competition map was prepared using orienteering maps and old army maps. There were 56 checkpoints with a total straight-line course length of 74km. The terrain and map demanded good navigating skills and physical strength. Several windfall areas from the winter storms and large number of marshes and bugs slowed down the teams so that the winners collected only 44 checkpoints (349 points).

This successful rogaine follows two earlier rogaines in Latvia near Cēsis on 24-25 July 2004, and Kadaga on July, 26-27, 2003.

[http://www.brivnieki.lv/rogaine/pics2005/index\\_slide.html](http://www.brivnieki.lv/rogaine/pics2005/index_slide.html)

## Western Australian Rogaining Association

WARA is celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year and running its 109<sup>th</sup> bush rogaine (excludes metrogaines). Attempts were made to hold a celebratory rogaine at the same place as the original WARA rogaine in 1980 (Chittering Valley outside Perth) but land access issues made this impossible. WARA runs six rogaines in the southwest of the state annually, and has over 1000 members. A rogaine near Karratha, 1000 km north of Perth, on 6-7 August 2005 attracted 94 participants and strong positive community support. There are some photos at the Northwest Rogaining web site [www.karratha.com/nwrogaining](http://www.karratha.com/nwrogaining).

### Rogaine Ireland 2005

18-19 June 2005

Winners: Eoin Keith Paul McArthur, 55 participants.

<http://www.setantaorienteers.org/>

"The experience of a full moon at the break of dawn opens a Man's heart to his Universe in ways Science and Religion may not."