

## INTERNATIONAL ROGAINING FEDERATION Inc.

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#### Peter Squires, Member New Zealand

Peter Squires recently announced his resignation from the IRF. Pete was one of the five organizers of the 4<sup>th</sup> World Rogaining Championships in New Zealand at the start of 2000, and followed that achievement with founding the New Zealand Rogaining Association. In

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subsequent years he has represented New Zealand on the IRF, assisted with some of our voting and selection processes, and provided wise counsel on some difficult issues. He developed the NavLight system specifically for rogaining and assisted rogaining associations in Australasian introduced this scoring system. Meanwhile he has been a pioneer of New Zealand -Australian rogaining especially through his regular participation in major Australian rogaines. Thanks Pete for a great contribution!

### Alan Holdaway, IRF Member, NZ

A smooth leadership transition is always appreciated, and Alan Holdaway has taken on New Zealand IRF representation. Alan describes himself as a 52 year old grape grower from Marlborough (i.e. the great Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc) started rogaining in 1997 and has completed 40 rogaines including four Australian Rogaining Championships, four New Zealand Rogaining Championships, two World Rogaining Championships, and of course many local NZ rogaines. Welcome.

#### Rogaining in New Zealand

While we are on the subject of rogaining in New Zealand, some reports of recent rogaines and details of some rogaines later this year. Great to see that their current World Rogaining Champion, Chris Forne, is a passionate organizer of rogaines and contributes his expertise back to the sport.

# The Eco City Challenge (Waitakere City, Auckland) – 13th April

This is a 4hr urban rogaine to show off the newly opened network of paths and walkways that have been created to join up the parks around Waitakere City.

# Alpine Mountain Marathon (Canterbury) 19-20 April

The inaugural event.

### Wellington City Safari – 18th May

In Wellington, of course, the City Safari using Public Transport: buses and trains and maybe even a ferry! http://www.citysafari.org.nz.

### T'WALK 2008 (Canterbury) 17-18 May

Organized by the University of Canterbury Tramping Club, the pioneer of long distance foot navigation events in NZ, this is the 42nd annual T'WALK (24hr walk). http://www.cutc.org.nz/twalk/.

# New Zealand Rogaining Championships 24-25 May 2008

On the North Island Central Plateau near Taupo. http://www.rogaine.org.nz.

# Mainly Tramping Wanaka Rogaine Saturday 31st May 2008

This event evokes memories of the 1st New Zealand Rogaining Championships organized by Ken & Anitra Dowling in 1995.

http://www.wanakahomestead.co.nz/page\_147.html.

# Lactic Turkey Piha Rogaine (Auckland) – Saturday, 7th June

http://www.lacticturkey.co.nz/

# Heights of Winter (Canterbury) –14 June

Terrain of rolling hills to 400 m with mostly clean open grassland, a little scattered scrub, and native bush in gullies.

### **Taylors Mistake Rogaine Series**

The weekly series of 3hr after work rogaines.

http://www.madeventz.co.nz/tmrogaine.

### **Ukrainian Rogaining Championships**

7-8 June 2008

Location: Rayduga rest center, Prosika village, Glyboka district, Chernivtsi region, western part of Ukraine. Organizer: Efim Shtempler.

The event is located in the foothills of the Eastern Carpathian Mountains. There are many streams in the forest, and small marshes. Beech forest with thin undergrowth ensures mostly good travelling. About 20% of the event area is open, and there are many tracks and paths in the forest. The map is 1:25000 scale with 5m contours.

# International Czech and German Rogaining Championships 2008

27-29 June 2008

## **European Rogaining Championships** 12-13 July 2008 Priozersky region,

Leningradskaya

Organizer: Aleksey Ozerov

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### Retki-Rogaining 16-17 August, 2008

### European Rogaining Championships 2009 15-16 August 2009 Finnish Lapland

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