



“The Golden Road Rogaine”

13hr, 6 hr, and Family 3hr Rogaines

Saturday 12th July 2014, Otago

- Registration and Start times:** 13 hour - registration and map issue from 6.30am, start 8am
6 hour - registration and map issue from 11 am, start 12 noon
Family 3 hour - registration and map issue from 1.00pm, start 2.00 pm
- Location:** Based at El Dorado woolshed – end of El Dorado (Mt Watkin) Road. From Waikouaiti travel west on Ramrock Rd for 3km to Mt Watkin Rd, then north /north-west 14km to the end of El Dorado (Mt Watkin) Rd.
- Accommodation:** There is a camping area available near the woolshed but no facilities other than toilets and water. Motel and campsite/cabin accommodation is available in Waikouaiti.
- Terrain:** Farmland, forest, tussock country, and scrub patches. The contour varies from rolling uplands with schist and volcanic (basalt) outcrops and several distinct volcanic cones, to steep gullies and deeply incised valleys.
- Map:** A3, 1:40 000 with 20m contours derived from the standard NZ topographic map. It will be pre-marked with checkpoints and out of bounds areas.
- Scoring:** Navlight will NOT be used. Checkpoints will be clearly marked and there will be clearly visible coded tags at the sites. Samples will be shown at registration. Record the code to verify your visit to the checkpoint. All members of a team MUST visit to within 20 metres of the checkpoint (together) and must be in close, verbal contact throughout the course. Teams that split up will be disqualified.
- Instruction:** Available to those needing it on the day.
- Cancellation:** Only if conditions are extreme on the day. Organisers reserve the right to shorten the event before the start. (No entry fee refund if the event is cancelled as all the expenditure will have been committed). An alternative, lower altitude area is available and will be used if the weather so determines. The two longer options will be reduced to 9 hours and 4 hours respectively. This may be a last-minute change, but road access is such that there is no risk of arriving at the wrong start area/base.
- Responsibility:** Neither NZRA, the organisers nor the landowners accept liability for any accident or injury to participants during the event. The ‘team contact’ on the entry form must ensure all team members are aware that they participate at their own risk.
- Land Access:** We acknowledge the generosity of the landowners who are hosting us on private land and we ask participants to return their goodwill.
- Categories:** Men, Women & Mixed in Junior, Open, and Vet (50+) grades in the 13hr and 6hr events. No separate grades or gender categories in the Family 3hr.

Event fee: (Includes a post-event meal for the 13hr event and light refreshments for the 6hr and 3hr events)

13 hr event: Seniors - \$70 per person
Juniors (18yrs or less) and students - \$25 per person

6 hr event: Seniors - \$45 per person
Juniors (18yrs or less) - \$20 per person
Family (2 seniors maximum) - \$75 per family

Family 3hr: One or two adults plus at least one junior - \$20 per family

Note: Those who entered in the postponed event (November 2013) and were not refunded may enter at the previous rate (i.e. free of charge for this rescheduled event).

Entry: Online entries will open 12th June. The closing date for entries is Saturday 5th July. Late entries may be accepted at the organiser's discretion and for an additional fee of \$10 per person. No refunds after 5th July. Please, no switching between events after you have entered.

Payment: Either direct credit to Dunedin Rogaines Kiwibank Acct 38 9005 0281789 00 or by cash/cheque payable to **Dunedin Rogaines**. Send cheques to:

Golden Road Rogaine
c/- Bob Cunninghame
210 Signal Hill Road, Dunedin 9010
Email: signalhill@xtra.co.nz Phone: (03) 473 8330

Confirmation of entry:

Your entry will be posted in the [List of Entrants](#) on the NZRA website after payment has been received. Travel instructions to the event, rogaining rules, and other information will be emailed to each team contact in the week prior to the event and will also be available on the [NZRA website](#).

Entry Enquiries: Jane Matchett, alan.matchett@xtra.co.nz, (03) 465 1383 or 021 758 589

General Enquiries: Bob Cunninghame, signalhill@xtra.co.nz, ph. (03) 473 8330

WHAT IS ROGAINING?

A rogaïne is a cross-country navigation event on foot, using a map and compass. This event will take you over a mix of challenging farmed hill country with some scattered scrub, native bush and pine forest.

Each team (comprising 2 to 5 people) is given a standard topographical map with up to 60 checkpoints marked on it. A clue is provided for each checkpoint, e.g. "A saddle, N side". Teams collect points by visiting as many checkpoints as possible over the duration of the rogaïne. Late finishers lose points. The team with most points wins.

As a team you choose your own route and distance within the mapped area. You decide which checkpoints to visit and in which order. You can be as competitive or as social as you choose. A team can go out 'on course' for the full time, or just a few hours. Water may be provided at one or more locations on the course. If they wish, teams can take a break at the hash house for rest, sustenance and recovery. Refreshments are provided after the event, too.

Plan your course well. Rogaining is as much about careful route choice and navigation as it is about physical endurance. For fit, first-time people, plan on about 2 to 2.5 kms per hour average over the whole event time. If you find you travel faster or slower adjust your course as you go.

For further information and explanation of Rogaining see – www.rogaine.org.nz