

# **BULLETIN 1**

#### Rogaining Finnish Championships 2022

The Rogaining Finnish Championships of 2022 will be held in Sulkava on Partalansaari, hosted by the Finnish Rogaining Federation (Rogaining Finland ry) and the Northern Adventure Team. The event will also serve as a prelude to the European Championships in Finland in 2023.

# Preliminary schedule of the event Friday 29.7.2022

15.00 The competition center opens; camping at the race center starts 20.00 The competition center closes 22.00 Silence in the tents Saturday 30.7.2022 07:00 The competition center opens 09.00 Distribution of maps for 24h-series 12.00 24-hour series start 13.00 2h and 4h map distribution 14.00 2h and 4h series start 16.00 2h series finish 18.00 4h series finish 16.00 Hash House opens 20.00 8h series map distribution 22.00 8h series start 06.00 8h series finish 12.00 24-hour series finish 13:00 Hash House closes 14.00 Prize ceremony

17.00 The competition center closes and camping at the competition center ends

We reserve the right to make small schedule changes.

#### The competition Center

Event center is the former Kaartilankoski village school in Partulkansaari, Sulkava municipality, i.e., the current Kaartilankoski village house. Address is Auvilantie 39, 58720 Sulkava.

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#### Accommodation

We recommend that the competitors arrive in Sulkava on Friday and stay either in the immediate vicinity of the competition center in tents or rent comfortable cottage accommodation at www.visitsulkava.fi.

#### If you are not attending the race:

There are many things to see and do in Sulkava. For example, we recommend exploring the Oravareit by paddling, the Sarsuinmäki artillery battery, Kivikirkko, or the Vilkaharju nature trail.

#### Competition

Competition area is Partalansaari, with a total area of approximately 170 km2. Partalansaari is surrounded by Lepistönselkä on the east, Enonvesi on the northwest and Haapaselkä on the southwest. There are more than 80 lakes and ponds inside the island, the largest of which are Lake Kulkemusjärvi and Saajuu. The island's road connections to the mainland run north through the bridge over Hakovirta to the center of Sulkava municipality and south across Kietäväsalmi by ferry to Viljakansaari and further to the main road 62 southeast of Puumala church village. On the island, on the Sulkava side, are the villages of Auvila in the southeast, Kaartilankoski in the north and Karjulanmäki in the west. The villages of Keriniemi and Kietävälä belong to Puumala. The island has about 400 permanent residents. In addition, the island has a lot of cottage settlements, especially during the summer. Crossing waterways is only allowed from "wading places" marked on

the map.

#### Rules

The competition follows the rules of the International Rogaining Federation (IRF). Exceptions and additions announced by the organizer will be published in the final competition instructions.

#### Official language

The official language of the competition is Finnish.

#### **Prohibited areas**

Prohipited areas are marked on the map. The island has a lot of cottage settlements. The courtyards of the cottages must be left alone, even if they are not specifically marked as prohibited areas. The island also has a lot of traditional farms focused on agriculture and forestry, through the courtyard of which there is a village road, the use of these roads is

allowed.

#### Competition

Competition terrain is a diverse forest and lake landscape in southern Savonia, with many forest roads, both old and new. There are more than 80 lakes and ponds on the island. They provide a nice addition to route planning and allow for refreshment during the race. The island's forests are very diverse, as the island has been used for forestry throughout history, and the age of the forests varies from clear-cutting to up to 150 years old. There aren't a lot of single-track trails. Mostof the tracks in the woods are made by tractors or forest machines and their runability & drivability vary from excellent to slightly slower. The island has a lot of beautiful rocks, some of which are bigger than a house, which can be found on the map and some of them can be admired by competitors. In the terrain, competitors can also meet animals belonging to the Finnish wilderness forest, which, however, will quickly run away from competitors.

#### Races On foot:

24 hours for real Rogaining enthusiasts (official SM 2022)

- 8 hours (men, women and mixed) series
- 4 hours (men, women and mixed) series
- 2 hours (men, women and mixed) Series

MTB:

8 hours (men, women and mixed) series 4 hours (men, women and mixed) series

# **Competition classes**

In accordance with the international rules of the sport, the 24-hour series includes the following

classes MO Men open WO Women open XO Mixed open MY Men under 23 WY Women under 23 XY Mixed under 23 MV Men 40+ WV Women 40+ XV Mixed 40+ MSV Men 55+ WSV Women 55+ XSW Mixed 55+ MUV Men 65+ WUV Women 65+ XUW Mixed 65+

# **Championship Medals**

Championship medals are awarded to the top three in the official Rogaining Federation 24h Championship series. Medals are also awarded in the 8h MTB series.

2h and 4h series merchandise prizes will be raffled.

# Teams

A team consists of 2-5 people who move together during the competition in accordance with the rules of the Finnish Rogaining Association. At checkpoints, all team members must stamp within 60 seconds of each other.

# Team mandatory equipment in ALL (2h, 4h, 8h and 24h) seriesThe team must have at least

-1 backpack where the team carries the team's mandatory equipment

- A phone (closed & packed to be waterproof)

- First-aid kit with band-aids, a so-called ankle tape roll, bandage needs, and a "kyypakkaus" (can be found in Finnish pharmacies, helps with snakebites). In addition, we recommend a blister patch.

# Personal mandatory equipment in the 8h and 24h series:

water bottle food whistle emergency blanket waterproof jacket hat or similar sun protection

# Personal mandatory equipment in the 2h and 4h series:

water bottle food whistle hat or similar sun protection

# MTB series in addition to the previous ones:

Helmet (must be worn during the entirety of the race) head and rear light on the bike (8h MTB series)

# Insurance

The organizers do not have insurance against accidents and equipment damage, all competitors compete with their own risk.

# **First Aid**

Each team carries a small first-aid bag for first aid needs. The competition center has a first aid point. There are no first aid points in the terrain.

If a competitor is seriously injured during a performance, the team will call the emergency number 112. We recommend that you download the 112 application to your phone.

In the event of a minor but interrupted injury, the team will contact the race center's emergency number (the number can be found on the race map). You should also save the number on your mobile phone.

# Map and scale

The first map of the island was made around 1915. The rogaining special map made for this event will be used in the competition. The base material of the map is based on the free map material of the National Land Survey of Finland. The description of forest density is not perfect on the map. The distance between the contours on the map is 5 meters. Auxiliary curves are also used in a few places to describe the stunning shapes of the terrain. The competition map has been completed in 2022. The scale of the competition map is 1: 25000. The size of the map is about 80x80cm.

NOTE! The 2h & 4h series have their own map with a size of A3.

#### Controls

There are many controls in the terrain. Each control has a orienteeringcontrol flag and a stamping device.

The Championship competition (24h and 8h) uses a Sport Ident (SI) stamping device and an SIstick lent to the teams by the organizers.

2h & 4h series use cell phone stamping. More detailed instructions on mobile phone stamping will be published in Bulletin 2.

#### Map cover

A 70x50cm plastic map cover (similar as normally used in orienteering competitions) will be distributed to the competitors

#### Water crossing

Crossing is only allowed in "wading places" designated by the organizers.

# GPS devices / multifunction clocks

The use of clocks or similar devices that display GPS or map data is prohibited during rogaining navigation. If the Athlete wishes to carry a wrist computer that records the route, it will be enclosed in an envelope during the competition. If a team has a Garmin (watch) that supports the sport: Adventure Racing, its use is allowed during the race. If you use Adventure Racing mode, you must notify the race director 2 days before the race.

# Phone

Phone is mandatory equipment but should be turned off during the competition. The phone should only be opened in an emergency for assistance.

# Equipment

It is forbidden to leave any equipment or food in the terrain, even for a part of the race.

# Littering

It is forbidden to leave any trash in the terrain. For example, we recommend a small so-called fruit bag for empty gel bags, in which it is easy to temporarily put the rubbish in the backpack. In connection with the drinking controls, there are large garbage bags in which rubbish can be left during the race.

#### Water points

Several water points are marked on the map. A more detailed description of them will be published in the competition instructions.

#### Toilets

The competition center has toilets.

# Washing

The competition center has a lake for water washing. The use of detergents is prohibited in accordance with the ecological values of competition.

# Dining after the race

Available at the competition center

#### Hash House (maintenance during the night)

Serves the competitors from 4pm in the courtyard of the Village House. Lunch at Hash House is provided by K-Market Wiljami and NOSHT in the center of Sulkava. The catering will be published in Bulletin 2.

#### Photography

A professional photographer and a videographer are likely to be a part of the event. Images are used to market upcoming events and sports. Photos and video will also be available for everyone to see. By participating in the event, you consent to the publication of images and video.

# Communication

Northern Adventure Team has its own Instagram account @northernadventureteam which is worth following. In addition, the organizers have an Instagram account @SulkavaOutdoor and a hashtag # SulkavaRogainingSM2022. We hope all competitors will actively use the tags below when posting pictures of training and preparing for the competition. We will reward the best poster separately during the event.

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