



Antelope, Oregon
columbia river
orienteering club

The Big Muddy
Rogaine
June 7-8, 2003

ROGAINE
A good team, good shoes, great food, map, compass and the rolling hills of north Central Oregon. All the ingredients for an adventurous race.

Twenty years ago, we knew it as *Rajneeshpuram*. Today, let's call it *Rogainepuram*: 65,000 acres of rolling ranchland in north central Oregon, primed and waiting for the marathon of map-and-compass sport.

Columbia River Orienteering Club is proud to host the Big Muddy Rogaine, the Northwest's only rogaine for 2003. The event will be June 7-8 near Antelope, Ore., on the Big Muddy Ranch (to use the name that harkens back before devotees of Baghwan Shree Rajneesh made this a notorious landmark in the early 1980s).

A rogaine is an endurance race. Teams of two to five members chart their own routes to 55 or so checkpoints ("control points," in orienteering terminology) scattered across the rolling, sage-clad terrain. Competitors follow no set course, but try to find as many of the checkpoints as possible, without exceeding the time limit. Strategy and planning are important. Night orienteering is a must to be competitive; an option if you're just having fun.

Teams are awarded points for each control point they reach, with higher points awarded for the most distant, difficult-to-find controls. Penalties are assessed for each minute teams are late to the start/finish area.

Teams of two to five participants will be accepted in the following categories:

Division: 8 hour, 12-in-24, 24-hour (The 12-in-24 Division allows you to check in and out, as long as you don't exceed 12 hours actually on the course, or come back in after the 24 hour limit.)

Class: Male, Female, Mixed

Age group: Open, Veterans (all members 40+ years), Super-Veterans (all 60+)

Competitors will use an enhanced 1:24000 USGS topo map, with 20- and 40-foot contour portions. You'll be looking for about 55 controls in a roughly 50 square mile area, located within an elevation range of 1700-4000 feet. The event center ("Hash House," in Aussie-born rogaine jargon) is centrally located at an elevation of 2600 feet.

Water controls will be maintained on the course, and water will be available at the Hash House during the event. On-site camping is available for all participants. Portable toilets will be located near the Hash House area and showers (for you newbies, this is unheard of at a Rogaine) will be available immediately following the finish, 1-2 miles from the Hash House. Food will be available at the Hash House from 5 p.m. Saturday to noon Sunday.

Entry fees are listed on the entry form on the back of this flyer.

www.croc.org has additional event information, photos of the terrain/vegetation, and details about nearby accommodations if you don't plan to camp.

Directions to the Big Muddy Rogaine Hash House: From Portland, drive east through The Dalles on Interstate 84. Take the Biggs Junction/U.S. Highway 97 exit (Exit 104). Drive south on Highway 97 for 56 miles to Shaniko, then take Highway 218 south through Antelope. Continue 3.7 miles past Antelope on Highway 218 towards Fossil, then turn right on Cold Camp Roa (gravel). Drive 3 miles and turn left on Muddy Road. Drive about 10.5 miles on Muddy Road then follow the orienteering signs.

If you are coming north on Highway 97, there is a county road that goes to Antelope. It leaves Highway 97 at a point 22 miles north of Madras and 20 miles south of Shaniko. The last gasoline, pay phone, and café are in Antelope. The last big stores are in The Dalles and Madras.

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