



**3 days of Belgium – Day 1 – Saturday 30.06.2012**

**WORLD RANKING EVENT – LONG DISTANCE**

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Hermathenae Orientation Spa is happy to welcome you to the 3 Days of Belgium 2012. Day 1 is a World Ranking Event.

**Organisers:** Hermathenae Orientation

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**Event Center (EC):** rue du mont 6940 Wéris

### Technical Staff

Course Planners: Anna COLOMBI et Jean-Luc DUBOIS

IOF Event Advisor: Jean-Pierre Kellens

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### Classes

Men Elite (HE) – winning time 90'

Women Elite (DE) – winning time 70'

### Program (3 days of Belgium)

Training: Friday 29 June – 16 km from EC – from 1 pm

Day 1: Saturday 30 June - from 1 pm: long distance WRE

Day 2: Sunday 1 July – from 9 am: middle distance

Day 3: Monday 2 July – from 9 am: long distance

Meeting point for day 1, 2 and 3 is the EC

### Map

Poudingue de Wéris – Val d'Aisne – La Platte: scale 1:15000 / contour interval 5m / April-Mai 2011 (update April 2012)

Mapmakers: CAP ORIENTATION

Old version of the map available by request to [WRE2012@3days.be](mailto:WRE2012@3days.be).

New map samples on <http://2012.3days.be>

## Terrain description

The 3 days competition area is spread around a ridge 8 km long and 300 m wide. The gradient is quite important. The highest point reaches 390 m, and the lowest is located at 220 m. The forest consists of various species and ages plantations: oak, birch, beech, pine, spruce... with few clearings, young plantations, bushes, high forest. The soil is generally dry (less than 5% of moderately swampy land) and streams are narrow and easily passable. Racing opportunities are good, but the visibility is reduced. Many small valleys cut one slope and offer interesting route choice. On this area the forest is mainly composed of oaks, and the network of paths is slight. On the central area, flatter, the forest is mainly composed of spruce, with a more important network of paths and many changes in vegetation. On the other side, the soil is rocky, with a ground vegetation that can be quite important (blueberries, ferns, brambles) and above, a large number of rocks of all sizes (up to 50 rock elements per km<sup>2</sup>) imposing a precise orienteering.

Climate is tempered.

## Embargoed areas

See google map on <http://g.co/maps/39mpz>

## Entry

<http://2012.3days.be>

We invite you to take part to the whole 3 days (WRE is days 1).

Entries only to World Ranking Event only: 20€ (latest date: June 15)

Belgian competitors are kindly asked to register via their club like for other Belgian National competitions.

Members of foreign clubs are asked to register through <http://www.orienteeringonline.net>. For the foreign runners only registering to WRE day a specific event page on OrienteeringOnline has to be used.

Entries will not be registered until payment of the whole sum due in Euros to the Bank account: CHATELAIN GUY - BIC : GEBABEBB - IBAN: BE56 0352 2520 2336

**Accommodation & Food:** See relevant links on <http://2012.3days.be>

**Transport :** Not provided

**Visa:** check whether passport/visa needed with Belgian embassy/consulate in your country before departure.

**Contact:** 3 jours de Belgique 2012

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