



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

**WORLD RANKING EVENT – LONG DISTANCE**

## Bulletin 3

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 Begium

### Technical Staff

Course Planners: Anna COLOMBI et Jean-Luc DUBOIS

IOF Event Advisor: Jean-Pierre KELLENS

Internal Controler: Bernard PIQUERAY

### Classes

Men Elite (HE) – winning time 90'

Women Elite (DE) – winning time 70'

### Program (3 days of Belgium)

Training: Friday 29 June – 20 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 8 am: long distance

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

### Time table

9.00: opening of Event Center

13.00: first start

19.00: closing of controls

20.00: price giving ceremony (Event Center)

## Registrations

ME : 23 (BEL 19 - POL 1 - EST 1 - BLR 1 - LAT 1)

WE : 6 (BEL 6)

(at 15.06.12)

## Technical data

Class	Length	Climb	Controls	Refresh-ments	Control description size	Maximum running time
HE	12.740	450	29	3	192 x 52	150
DE	9.430	310	25	3	192 x 52	150

Start and finish procedure, and a wide range of general and technical informations are available in the official program of the 3 Days of Belgium (available on the website and at the Event Center).

Please note that the use of GPS devices is strictly forbidden for the 2 WRE races.

Written complaint to be formulated at the stand Reception no later than 15 minutes after the end of the race.

## Bib-numbers, warm-up map

No bib-numbers have to be worn at the WRE.

A warm-up map will be available, for elite runners only, at the start on production of your backup with EMIT number.

Warm-up area is located close to the start.

## Map

Poudingue de Wéris – Val d’Aisne – La Platte: scale 1:15000 / contour interval 5m / Mai 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>

Sporting fairness requires finishing runners to keep the map hidden and not show it to runners who have still to start.

## 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.

### **Jury**

Chairman : Jean-Pierre KELLENS (IOF Event Advisor)

Olivier CHATTLAIN (FRSO)

Nicolas SILLIEN (FRSO)

Tim SANDS (GBR)

Jacques HOFMANS (substitute)

### **Embargoed areas**

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

**Accomodation & 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.

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