

EVENT RECAP FOR 2025 CHARLES BAKER ROGAINE

The 2025 Charles Baker Rogaine is now complete! In a manner reminiscent of the 2011 CNYO Rogaine at the same venue, the weather was great for the 6-hour and 12-hour competitors, sunny and warm, but the 24-hour teams had a chance to sample different conditions! In 2011 they were treated to heavy winds and massive rainfall from Hurricane Irene for the last half of the event, with treefalls blocking almost all of the roads out of the State Forest, and destruction of area bridges by flooding creating convoluted routes home for most competitors. This year, the winds were not quite as high, but the thunder and lightning were spectacular, there was still massive local flooding and some area road closures, but the tornado touched down 23 miles north of the hash house and there weren't many trees coming down in the state forest. All teams did make it back safely, though one team that had taken cover for a few hours under a back porch on the Baptist church in Brookfield decided to call the hash-house and get a ride back in for the last 6 miles (perhaps influenced by the early arrival of the pastor for the church to get set up for services, who informed them that heavy flooding, road closures and tornadoes were expected, with cautions to shelter in place for any who could avoid travel).

John Pane forwarded the following interesting information on the storm to us Sunday evening, that at the Hamilton airport about 5 miles from the event center, the total precipitation in the early morning hours was 4.11 inches, with the bulk of it coming between 4 and 7:30 in the morning.

--Also, the tornado was 23 miles north of base camp and the storm was tracking north-to-south.

<https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nys/central-ny/news/2025/06/22/oneida-county-storm-leaves-3-dead-officials-say>

I am attaching a page showing the overall results for the 6, 12 and 24 hour events, but have not shown a further breakdown of the scoring for each of the multitudes of official categories, though you can quickly look down through the list and see how others in the same category did in comparison. I am also attaching an excel spreadsheet showing a listing of which controls each team visited. If you don't have excel on your computer, you can probably also open it in something like Google Sheets or Libre Office.

I would like to thank a number of people that have been crucial in helping make this year's rogaine happen successfully! Stacy Pendell has taken care of the web page operations, Shawn Forney for doing the EventReg stuff, Barb Dominie for acting as registrar and helping out with some of the equipment issues, Mark Dominie for having created the original version of this generation of regaining map of the area, and mapping help in general, John Boland, Mitch Hansen and Mary Smith for having helped in putting the controls out in the woods before the event, and Joe Shayka and David Vickers for taking them back out again. Ann Leonard towed the club trailer out to the venue, and back again after the race, and helped out with the setup, cooking and cleanup operations. Tom Rycroft was incredibly versatile in helping out around the hash-house area throughout the event, from organizing parking, cooking, loaning an extra tent, speeding up the check-in flow, keeping track of incoming arrivals at the finish. And the DEC was very helpful and cooperative in the permitting process. Mary is much more organized than I, and critical to keeping the whole undertaking on track. And of course having a host of cheerful and enthusiastic participants is the whole reason for putting on the event, so thanks for coming out again this year!

We have already heard from the team that inadvertently left a pack at the hash-house, but we have two pairs of reading glasses and one glasses case that were left behind. Is anybody missing those? Please let us know.

If you took any pictures at the event and would be willing to share them, could you please send them to Shawn Forney and we'll try to see about getting them up on our website for the event. Thanks!