



**Hunter Valley  
Sleddog Sprint 2010  
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July**




# IFSS World Cup Event

## ASSA NATIONAL & STATE CHAMPIONSHIP & ASSA AFFILIATED EVENT

The race site is situated at Belford between Maitland and Singleton in the Hunter Valley and is only a few kilometers from the Pokolbin Vineyards. Situated close to the race site are service stations for fuel, ice and gas, IGA store for supplies, Chinese takeaway, bottle shops/hotels, restaurants and accommodation.

**Major Raffle Prize: Valued at around \$598.00**

 <p><b>SILVA LX II Headlamps</b></p>	<p>Experience the exceptional power of the new LX II! This state of the art technology, with the new, increased, beam angle, delivers such dramatic brightness that it leaves others in the shade. The LX II is the top model in Silva's compact LED headlamp range, with an impressive beam length of 75 meters. The LX II is ultra light – it weighs only 73 grams including the headband – thanks to the remote rechargeable battery pack that can be attached to a belt or put in a pocket or backpack.</p> <p><i>More information on page 3</i></p>
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Plus.....lots and lots of other prizes and some special auction items. Activities (TBA)...to be held on Saturday afternoon with all proceeds donated to the RSPCA.

Lunch is available for mushers (including vegetarians) Saturday and Sunday - also on sale at a low cost to others. The Hunter Valley Canteen will operate over the weekend offering pies, sausage rolls etc for sale.

**NO WATER IS AVAILABLE ON SITE - PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN**

### Race Schedule - Subject to alteration - depending on the weather

Friday	Saturday	Sunday
3 - 6 pm Driver check-in & equipment check	5.45 am Drivers meeting/roll call	5.45 am Drivers meeting/roll call
6.00 pm Late entries close	6.30 am Race start	6.30 am Race start
7.30 pm Drivers meeting/Bib draw	<i>Mushers Lunch after Pee Wee's Afternoon Activities TBA</i>	<i>Mushers Brunch and Presentation- ASAP after racing completed.</i>
	6.00 pm Banquet	
	7.30 pm Raffle and auction	

All race enquiries to: **Anne 0416 143 267**  
**Jaime 0412 524 387**

Or Email: [malusky@activ8.net.au](mailto:malusky@activ8.net.au)

# HVSS 2010 RACE ENTRY FORM

Post entries to: Hunter Valley Mushers

155 Bell Road, Belford NSW 2335

Email to: [Malusky@activ8.net.au](mailto:Malusky@activ8.net.au), or Fax to: 02 4932 9970

Please include a self stamp addressed envelope if race pack is not to be emailed.

## Driver's details: (One driver per entry)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- For drivers entering more than one class, second and subsequent entries \$20 each driver.
- Touring class is \$25.00 if the only class entered - \$20.00 if it is the second class entered.

### Breed of Dogs

Proof of registration may be required for pure bred awards. Pure bred teams must all be the same breed. (Please tick.)

- Alaskan Malamute     Siberian Husky  
 Mixed     Other

Please let us know how many vegetarian meals

Please assist with planning facilities by indicating the number of persons who will be attending the race site with you.

Adults (14+ years) \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_

\* HVSS Touring/fun class is offered for inexperienced mushers to help build confidence without pressure and for veteran or non-competitive dogs so they may have a fun run. Certificates only awarded 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> places.

*All classes will be run subject to minimum entries*

**Entries close last mail Friday 9th July, 2010.**

**Late fee of \$20 will apply to all late entries.**

### Classes

- 6 dog - 2 heats of approx 5-6km \$45.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 4 dog - 2 heats of approx 5-6km \$45.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 dog - 2 heats of approx 2-4km \$45.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 1 dog - 2 heats of approx 2.5km \$45.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Touring 1 dog – 2 heats of approx 2km \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Touring 2 dog – 2 heats of approx 2km \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Junior - 2 heats of approx 2.5km \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
ASSA membership No: \_\_\_\_\_  
If no ASSA membership please add \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_

### BANQUET Saturday Night:

#### Hot and Cold Smorgasbord with Damper

ADULT \$12.00ea x..... \_\_\_\_\_  
CHILD (Up to 10 years) \$5.00ea x..... \_\_\_\_\_

**sPre ordered Raffle tickets - \$1 ea or 3 for \$2.**

**Half book \$30, Full book \$60** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cheque payable to Hunter Valley Mushers enclosed

Payment made by direct deposit to HVSS bank account

**BSB: 802-386**

**A/C: 61215 BANK:** (Companion Credit Union)

**Reference:** Musher Name

*I agree to be responsible for my own conduct and safety, and that of my dogs, handlers and party, and will abide by any decisions made by race officials. I shall not hold the sponsors, race organisers, land owners, or other individuals associated with the race liable for any injury, damage or loss to myself, my dogs or equipment. (Parent to sign if musher is under 16 years old.) I understand and agree that competitors and/or their party are liable to pay the excess should they make an insurance claim.*

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Driver/Parent signature

All entries subject to HVM committee approval

If you would like the opportunity to win the Major Raffle Prize of the 2 headlights, tickets in the raffle may be purchased even if you are not entering or attending HVSS. Use the entry form above to request tickets. The prize will be sent or delivered to you.

## MAJOR RAFFLE PRIZE HVSS 2010

# HIS and HERS Silva LX 11 Headlamps

FROM SILVA in SWEDEN

- Low weight on the head – comfortable during use.
- Wide and long beam – perfect for “speedy” activities ie Running, MTB, XC Skiing or sledding.
- Battery pack with versatile attachment solution – fits most carrying options like belt, back pack, pocket etc.
- Ultra Light Rechargeable battery with Active Charge technology – low self discharge – freedom to use without thinking about maintenance charge more frequently than once a year!
- Red and white diffuser lenses included – spreading the light even more. Perfect for close range work or when night vision has to be preserved
- 4 light modes – flexible user applications and battery preservation
- Unique single hinge construction – keeps the reflector in its designated place without unwanted tilting.

An article of interest for further practical information

### Silva LX – 5W LED Headlamp

**International shore angler Iain Graham takes the plunge and ditches his old brick of a headlamp for a brand new Silva LX – 5W LED. Here’s what he has to say about one of the most popular LED headsets around ...**

Headlamps have improved dramatically in recent years. No longer is there need to be weighed down with crippling heavy batteries that require so many straps and harnesses so you end up looking like a fighter pilot. And with the superior longevity of battery life on LED units there should never be a need to suffer that dreaded dying of light half way through a good session. Having suffered too many fading ‘light deaths’, I finally bit the bullet and binned my tired headlamp – weighty battery, strap knitting and all – in favour of a modern LED forehead adornment.

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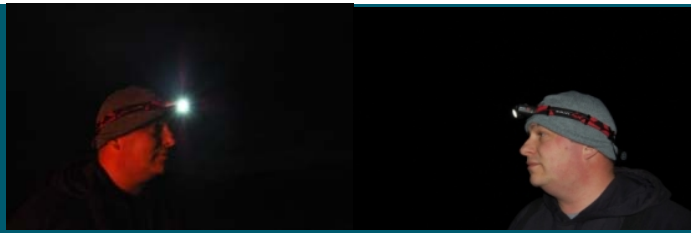
I have used many of the smaller cheap and cheerful multi-LED eBay lamps, and although they make excellent backups, they do not provide anything like enough light to safely navigate testing fishing environs such as rocks and cliff edges. And neither do they offer the serious angler the light he demands for routine night fishing in the absence of a degree of illumination from the likes of pier or promenade lighting, or where an additional static petrol or electric lamp is not used.



Recent developments at work involved me having to install high performance external LED light fittings, so I was acutely aware that away from these smaller cheap LED devices there was another world of LED technology emerging. I set upon scanning the internet for my new weapon of choice and after some consideration I eventually opted for the Silva LX which is the brightest of their L-series. To a tackle-tart like me, at a glance, it looked a stylish, lightweight but powerful headlamp boasting a single 5 Watt LED device.

#### Let there be light

The Silva LX headlamp utilises the latest 5 Watt high performance LED (Light Emitting Diode) technology. Based around the Luxeon K2 5 Watt high performance LED, the Silva LX boasts an impressive light output of a whopping 160 lumens, which is apparently something similar to the light generated in a small thermonuclear explosion, or similarly, that of a match held close to my rear after a strong curry! In fact when I first flicked the switch on the beach the word “lighthouse” was used more than once among those assembled.



The clarity and quality of light output is exceptional: I'd describe the light produced as a very clean, brilliant 'white'. On the 'ultra bright' setting the LX gives a very impressive 75 metre beam from its single LED device. During a recent match I had to drop down the output setting to mark my score card as the reflection was almost blinding as it bounced off the white card. Even on the lowest 'power save' setting the output is more than enough for normal fishing conditions. And set thus you have up to 50 hours continuous use... just incredible!



The headlamp is mounted on a comfortable single adjustable band with the lamp itself being able to swivel on the vertical axis, while it weighs just 73g which is a mere 2½ ounces. It comes complete with charger which has charging indicator, an adjustable waist belt, a mesh carry bag and a compact 4.5Ah NiMH battery pack which weighs only 360g or 13 ounces inclusive of the carry-case and belt. Also included are red and transparent wide beam lenses which clip on to the front of the lamp. An optional 9.0Ah NiMH battery is available, but to be honest I see no reason you could ever want this as bog standard battery life is between 15 and 50 hours dependant on the light setting.



The ability to operate safely is paramount when night fishing in what some might regard as precarious locations, and equipment performance and reliability is key. The Silva LX cuts it on both fronts, leaving my old lamp for dead. Wearing a headlamp all night no longer feels like a punishment. And the LX doesn't take up much space in a tackle box or rucksack either.

**Battery life:** 50 hours on power save, 30 hours on bright and 15 hours on ultra bright.

**Charge time:** 4 hours.