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TEAM BLACKHEART IS AN AUSTRALIAN ADVENTURE RACING TEAM THAT RACES NATIONALLY AND ABROAD. THIS SITE WILL FOLLOW THE TEAMS ADVENTURES ON THEIR WAY TO THE WORLD AR CHAMPIONSHIPS IN PORTUGAL IN NOVEMBER 2009. THE TEAM CONSISTS OF ROB PRESTON, KIM WILLOCKS, DAMON GOERKE AND JOSH STREET.

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14th at end of Stage 4

So the leaderboard has been updated for the end of Stage 4 and the Team went from 36th (end of Stage 3) to 14th! Even though they missed the cut-off they must have charged the long Trek and MTB legs collecting a lot of cp's before 12am and have also been recredited with the cp's from Stage 3.

<http://www.arwc2009.com/en/live.php?page=leaderboard>

I haven't heard from the Supercrew or the Twitterati but can only assume that the team is presently their on MTB's between the start of the Stage 5 short course and the end of the 45k leg 3 MTB.

You can also see that Lundhags who also missed the cut-off but collected extra cp's like our team and have moved up to 2nd place overall. Can't help but think there will be many more changes over the last 24 hours of racing.

Just as I write this I see the latest Twitter update:

@arwc2009leite teams #24 and #03 leave T14

So ... correction ... they have just finished the MTB and have left on leg 4 of Stage 5 which is a 40km Trek, then it's just a "short" 75k MTB and 25k Trek to the finish!

Just before hitting the submit button on this post Fleur sent me a message after she spoke with the Supercrew so here's an earlier update.

Blackheart arrived at the end of Stage 4 at 4am and had to have left by 6am. So after 75 min sleep the Supercrew dragged them out of their beds and threw them onto the trail like zombies hoping they knew which direction they were headed – Apparently they're pretty tired now.

How's this for a funny tweet

@arwc2009claudio #01 team captain of Orion have been lost by 3 hours from the rest of the team, nike found him in the trekking (S5S1) and they will continue

It's much easier than you think to lose team mates after 5 hours sleep in 5 days. Glad everyone's ok. Look for an updated story on Sleepmonsters shortly. There was also a twitter post suggesting that the organisers thought Helly Hansen may now be leading the race ... Going to be hard to go to sleep tonight – thankfully the Blackheart GPS tracker isn't working.



POSTED BY DAVID PROVAN AT 3:42 AM



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