

Hikoikoi Waka ama is proud to host this event to celebrate Matariki at Te Raukura -Te Wharewaka o Poneke on Wellington Waterfront. Thanks to all our supporters and sponsors who have helped make this event come to life and the amazing volunteers who will assist on race day. Reminder our alternative venue is 24 Marine Parade, Petone.

Check our Matariki Harbour Challenge facebook page <u>here</u> for event updates. Information will also be posted on <u>Hoe Tonga Pacifica Waka ama Association</u> and <u>Waka Ama NZ</u> Confirmation on venue will be made and posted by noon Friday 14 June.

PROGRAMME/INFORMATION		SATURDAY 15 JUNE W6 EVENTS
Time	What	Where/Who
7.30am	Set Up	Te Wharewaka o Pōneke
	Volunteers, Key Personnel, Event Manager, Race Director	Support Boats, Whairepo Lagoon
8.00am	Unloading/rigging waka	Odlins Plaza
8.30am	Team Registration (Opens)	Makaro Room
8.45am	Safety Checks Commence	
9.10am	Karakia	
	Race Brief Race 1 will follow	8-10km W6 Short Course
9.30am	Teams Paddle out to start Buoy	
9.45am	Race 1 Begins	
11.00am	Race Brief Race 2	18-20km Women/Mixed
11:15am	Race 2 Paddle to Start Buoy	
11:30am	Race 2 Begins	
1.00pm	Race Brief Race 3	18-20km Men
1:15pm	Race 3 Paddle to Start Buoy	
1:30pm	Race 3 Begins	
3:30pm	Prizegiving	Makaro Room

#### **RACE FEES**

Race fees for all entries must be paid by 10 June 2019. **PAYMENT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY!** Race fees are non-refundable. Payment is to be made to account: 'Ngahuru Charitable Trust' **Westpac 03 0584 0295411 02** Ref: your team name, followed by 'waka' Any club that withdraws teams after 10 June will still be charged the full entry fee.

**REMINDER** - All novice and junior teams must have an experienced steerer and must wear lifejackets (PFD's) while racing. Teams racing in the novice category can be a combination of different age groups J16 – J70+.

All paddlers must be affiliated to a Waka Ama club and Waka Ama NZ.

Clubs are responsible for ensuring that all paddlers are competent to paddle in the divisions that they have been entered. The Race Director has the discretion to withdraw a team of an individual who is deemed to be unfit or unprepared to complete the race.

### WAKA AND TRAILER PARKING

Parking for canoe trailers **ONLY and the driver of that trailer**, has been arranged in Odlin's Plaza, Taranaki St. Wharf access must be arranged prior to the race for waka and trailers <u>hikoikoiwakaama@gmail.com</u>

Please register the number of waka and trailer arriving for your club, along with time of arrival on site. This can be done by emailing <u>hikoikoiwakaama@gmail.com</u> There are a number of events happening on Wellington Waterfront during the weekend and pedestrian traffic takes priority at all times. Wharf Access is on Friday 14 June (between 3 – 6pm) or between 7 – 9am Saturday 15 June. Due to limited access, you will need to be prompt with arranged drop off times. If you are bringing a Canoe Trailer/Waka into Wellington on Friday or early Saturday morning, please contact our representative at <u>hikoikoiwakaama@gmail.com</u>

- **NO** public parking is available on the waterfront Odlins Plaza, as we require space for rigging and set up of waka.
- **Tyres** must be brought with trailer and will be required for all waka. Please bring a **waka trolley** if your club has one available to save time at crew loading.

# OUR SITE/S

## Venue: Te Wharewaka o Poneke, 2 Taranaki St, Wellington Waterfront.





Alternate Venue: Hikoikoi Waka Ama Club, 24 Marine Parade, Petone



HIKOIKOI RESERVE	
Toilets	
Waka rigging, trailers	
Registration	
No parking	
Public Parking areas	

## **REGISTRATION PROCESS**

- 1. Report to Registration to collect your Race Pack (safety checklist and race number)
- 2. Safety Waivers must be submitted (spare available at registration).
- 3. Your waka needs to get cleared by Safety Check Crew (wearing high vis vests) at your waka.
- 4. Waka that have passed 'Safety Check' will have tag tied on front kiato or marked as directed by Safety Check Crew
- 5. Make sure your crew stays by waka and is ready for 5min call before to race start.
- 6. Waka must be rechecked before every race NEW NUMBER & NEW TAG.
- 7. This equipment is required for your safety, cheating the safety checks only endangers you and/or your crew

## SAFETY CHECKLIST

#### Waka (W6)

- 1 x Cell phone in Waterproof Bag or Flare
- 2 x spare paddles per W6
- 2 x bailers per W6
- 1 x 25-30m Tow Rope attached to taumanu of Waka accessible above spray skirt.
- **Spray skirts are compulsory for W6.** One appropriate fitting lifejacket or personal flotation device (PDF) for every person on board (all J16/J19/Novice paddlers must wear jackets during race).

## KAI

PLEASE KEEP your 'meal tickets' located in registration packs to enjoy some delicious hot soup and hot food after your race. Bring \$\$ for additional kai W6. There are plenty of options for kai around Te Wharewaka o Poneke and on the Waterfront. Check out KARAKA CAFÉ for great coffee and food!

#### PRIZEGIVING AND RACE VIEWING

Prizegiving will take place at the end of all racing – Makaaro Room at Te Wharewaka o Poneke. Hoe Tonga race resources will be used at this event and races are able to be viewed in real time on the big screen inside Makaro.

## SHOWERS AND TOILETS

Showers and toilets are available at Wellington and Star Rowing Club. You are most welcome to use these facilities but please do not touch any equipment inside and keep the premises clean and tidy.

#### ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST DURING THIS EVENT

If you wish to book in for a massage, see Matiu Julian inside Makaro - bring towel please and \$\$\$\$

#### ALSO CHECK OUT

- Amy P Jewellery
- Rowan STOMP Floral Love
- Water Safety NZ
- Slappers Jandals
- Have a go on our rowing ergs and paddle pro's

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