



Te Wānanga o Aotearoa Waka Ama Sprint Nationals

12th- 18th January - Lake Karāpiro, Cambridge

HAPPY NEW YEAR! – Kohitātea – Pānui 3

PŌWHIRI -SUNDAY 12TH JANUARY 8:00AM

The Pōwhiri will take place at 8:00am Sunday 12th January - Manuhiri to assemble in the car park at the Don Rowlands Centre at 7.45am.

We would like to encourage as many paddlers and supporters to attend the Pōwhiri. Everyone is welcome. There will be cup of tea/coffee and refreshments available in the Don Rowlands centre after the Pōwhiri.

If it is raining, the pōwhiri will be inside the Don Rowlands Centre – Manuhiri will still assemble in the carpark.

MANAGERS MEETINGS

All Mangers meetings will be held in at the Don Rowlands Centre.

We will be having 4 managers meetings this year. It is important that your club attend the relevant meetings.

When	Relavent to:	Time	Where
Saturday 11 th January	Taitamariki racing Sunday	4:00pm	Don Rowlands Centre
Sunday 12 th January	All other Junior grades	6:00pm	Don Rowlands Centre
Tuesday 14 th January	W1 Racing	6:00pm	Don Rowlands Centre
Wednesday 15 th January	J19 and Senior W6/W12 racing	6:00pm	Don Rowlands Centre

ID CARDS

Pre –ordered ID cards can be picked up from Admin inside the Don Rowlands Centre by the designated Club Co-ordinator. Any replacements ordered after 6th January or at Nationals will cost \$15 each

FEES AND PAYMENTS

All club fees and outstanding accounts must be paid by Friday 10th January.

All queries to the admin office which will be open onsite on from Saturday 11th January @ 2:00pm

***Fees include Nationals Entry Fees, ID Cards and Club Affiliation fees.
No Cheques will be accepted.***

CLUB TROPHIES



In 2011 Nga Kaihoe o Aotearoa awarded 2 new trophies. These trophies are perpetual trophies that will be awarded at future nationals and enjoyed by Generations of Waka Ama paddlers. The Trophies were carved by Matahi Whakataka- Brightwell who has been instrumental in the re-birth and growth of the sport of Waka Ama in Aotearoa.

The first is a trophy that recognises clubs paddling excellence and achievement throughout the week. Points will be accumulated throughout the week from all finals and the club with the most points at the end of the week will be awarded this honour.

This trophy was last year awarded to **Horouta Waka Hoe** who topped the club points with 343 [Click here to see full club list of points](#)

The second trophy was carved and named in honour of Ace Cuthers who we sadly lost in 2010. It is the “Ace Cuthers Memorial Club Spirit Award”. It will be chosen by the Volunteers and Officials at the event. They will take into consideration actions of the club throughout the week, their performance on and off the water. The club that optimises the values of Waka Ama; Manaakitanga, Whanaungatanga, Hauora, Tu Tangata.



The winning club in 2019 was **Mitamitaga o le Pasefika Va'a-alo Canoe Club**, they were presented with the trophy by Louise Henderson, Matahi Brightwell and Pili Muaulu. It was fitting that their club founder and Waka Ama stalwart Pili Muaulu, who now resides in Brisbane, was present at the awards ceremony <https://wakaama.co.nz/stories/read/1004969>



Both trophies will be on display all week in the Don Rowlands centre and will be awarded at the final medal presentation on Saturday 18th January.

VENUE MAPS AND TENT ALLOCATIONS

Tent allocation sites have been marked for each region (as per below). **Regional coordinators** are to ensure that tents for their region stay within the designated area and are erected in such a way that maximises space for everyone. Please make sure you are mindful of all the clubs from your region and make space for everyone.

(End closest to the tower)

TPOTI	HTPWAA	AROCA	TTPCA	TUOTR	TWOA
54	28	59	20	38	2

Here are the historic regional tent allocations for the past 6 years.

2020	TPOTI	HTPWAA	AROCA	TTPCA	TUOTR	TWOA
2019	TPOTI	TWOA	HTPWAA	AROCA	TTPCA	TUOTR
2018	TPOTI	TUOTR	TWOA	HTPWAA	AROCA	TTPCA
2017	TPOTI	TTPCA	TUOTR	TWOA	HTPWAA	AROCA
2016	TPOTI	AROCA	TTPCA	TUOTR	TWOA	HTPWAA
2015	TPOTI	HTPWAA	AROCA	TTPCA	TUOTR	TWOA

Tent's cannot be erected onsite until
Friday 10th January.

Please note – these 2 areas are prohibited for tent placement

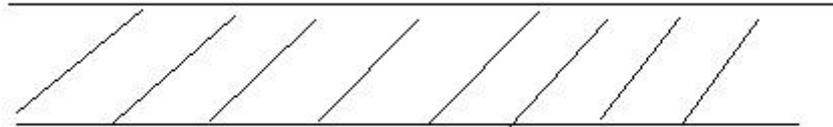
1. The entire hill behind the tower to the merchandise tent
2. Directly in front of the Podium Café

Any tents placed in these areas will be asked to move

SPECTATOR EMBANKMENT

Regions are to co-ordinate their space and ensure tents are erected in such a way that it maximises space and viewing for everyone. (The short side of the tents must face the lake)

We will be marking out an area of the spectator bank on Friday 11th (parallel with the lake) that must be kept clear of all tents, structures or marques. This is to allow for safe walking passage. It will look something like this:



Please remember that any tents or pop up structures erected on the sloping embankment will need to be put down for prize giving each day.

If tents (club or otherwise) are erected in the wrong area or in such a way that it does not maximise space we will ask that they are taken down.

PARKING

Large vehicles will be permitted to drop off passengers and gear each morning depending on the start times for the racing.

Day	Large vehicles must be removed from race venue by:	Race Starts
Sunday (Day 1)	7.30am	Pōwhiri starts 8.00am
Monday (Day 2)	7.30am	8.00am
Tuesday (Day 3)	7.30am	8.00am
Wednesday (Day 4)	7.30am	8.00am
Thursday (Day 5)	7.30am	8.00am
Friday (Day 6)	7.30am	8.00am
Saturday (Day 7)	8.30am	9.00am

There will be no parking within the race venue. All vehicles will be required to park in the top field gate 3 entrance at a cost of \$5 per vehicle. Day passes will be issued if you wish to leave and return at no extra cost.

DISABLED PARKING

Disabled Parking is through gate 3, the parking spaces are located in the drop off zone and passes must be displayed at all times.

WEEKLY PARKING PASSES

Week Parking passes are available for \$25. Week passes must be displayed on the vehicles dashboard for clear viewing and must include the vehicle registration number.

Week passes will be available for purchase from the admin desk at the Don Rowlands Centre and online at the Waka Ama On-Line Shop <https://waka-ama-nz-shop.myshopify.com/> until Saturday 11th at 5:00pm

After 5pm on Saturday you will need to purchase directly from the Admin on Sunday.

(Week passes will not be available for purchase at the gate or after Sunday).

Any online purchases need to be collected from the Admin office inside the Don Rowlands Centre.

WAKA USE

As W6 waka are kindly loaned by clubs and Te Wānanga o Aotearoa, Waka Ama NZ will fine anyone who stands up in W6/W12. The fine is \$100 per individual, per infringement. No exceptions. The cost of the fine will be charged to the club concerned. Respect and care for all waka, paddlers, volunteers, and officials is paramount to the sport.

Any team causing damage to any W6/W12 waka at any time during the event will incur the cost of the repairs, which will be charged to the team's club.

All contracted W6 waka are used solely for competition. No contracted waka may be taken or used for training purposes while contracted to the event; this non-permitted use will incur a fine to the offenders' club of \$200 per incident.

W1

A reminder to all W1 competitors:

- There is no restriction to the amount or type of W1 that can be used for this event.
- W1 must be weighed and checked-in on Tuesday 14th between 3pm and 7pm.
- **Hull, Ama and Kiato will be weighed and must weigh a minimum of 16kgs**
- Space will again be marked out for each region.
- Each Region can appoint up to 6 Regional W1 Co-ordinators
- Regional coordinators are expected to monitor this space and ensure access-ways are not blocked.
- Paddlers are responsible for storing W1 in allocated spaces without causing damage to any other waka.
- Your W1 is your responsibility.
- Bring your own bungs for your waka and look after them.
- A limited supply of number holders will be onsite and can be purchased from the Admin building



for \$5 each. Please bring your own Duct tape.

Number Holders can be ordered online via the <https://waka-ama-nz-shop.myshopify.com/> and picked up at Admin at the lake.

EVENT PENALTIES

Non permitted use of waka	\$200 per incident
Damage to W6 /W12	\$cost of repairs
Team additions after 12th Dec	\$50 (per team)
Team withdrawals after 12th Dec	\$50 (per team)
ID Card orders after 6th Jan	\$15 (Orders by 7th Jan = \$5)
Team /Individual withdrawals after 6th Jan	Full Entry fee plus \$50 Penalty fee
New Paddler registration after 6th Jan	\$50 (per paddler)
Protests (per incident)	\$100 (refunded if protest upheld)
Fines (Support W1 paddler crossing finish line)	\$100
Appeals (per incident)	\$200 (refunded if protest upheld)

HALF LANES

After the success of the previous years, we will once again be using the half lanes for all straight races (500m and 250m). This is in keeping with standard practice at World Sprint Championships and will allow further growth in the numbers of competitors at nationals.

Please contact admin@wakaama.co.nz if you have any questions.

A course map is online here <https://wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/lookup/1521>

RACE RULES

Please ensure you are familiar with the race rules. The updated race rules can be found here <https://wakaama.co.nz/pages/read/1005147>

EVENT SCHEDULE

<p>FRIDAY 10TH & SATURDAY 11TH</p>	<p>All W6 Waka to be delivered to site and rigged Admin will be open from 2pm Saturday 11th</p> <p>Managers Meeting for Taitamariki teams 4:00pm Saturday 11th</p>	
<p>SUNDAY 12th</p> <p>DAY 1</p>	<p>Pōwhiri</p> <p>Taitamariki Start Racing</p> <p>Managers Meeting (All other Junior grades)</p>	<p>8:00am assemble at 7:45am</p> <p>First Call 10:00am First Race 10:30am</p> <p>6:00pm - Don Rowlands Centre</p>
<p>MONDAY 13th</p> <p>DAY 2</p>	<p>W6 & W12 races</p> <p>Medal presentation at the conclusion of racing</p>	<p>All Taitamariki, Int, J16</p> <p>7:00am Karakia followed 7:30am First Race call 8:00am First Race Start</p>
<p>TUESDAY 14TH</p> <p>DAY 3</p>	<p>W6 races</p> <p>Medal presentation at the conclusion of racing</p> <p>W1 weigh-in and storage</p> <p>Managers Meeting (W1 Racing)</p>	<p>Int, J16</p> <p>7:00am Karakia followed 7:30am First Race call 8:00am First Race Start</p> <p>Between 3pm and 7pm</p> <p>6:00pm - Don Rowlands Centre</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 15TH</p> <p>DAY 4</p>	<p>W1 races</p> <p>Medal presentation at the conclusion of racing</p> <p>Managers Meeting (J19 & Snr)</p> <p>Nga Kaihoe o Aotearoa (Waka Ama NZ) AGM</p>	<p>All Age Groups</p> <p>7:00am Karakia followed 7:30am First Race call 8:00am First Race Start</p> <p>6:00pm - Don Rowlands Centre</p> <p>6.30pm Don Rowlands Centre</p>
<p>THURSDAY 16TH</p> <p>DAY 5</p>	<p>W6 & W12 races - J19 and older</p> <p>Corporate Racing</p> <p>Medal presentation at the conclusion of racing</p>	<p>7:00am Karakia followed 7:30am First Race call 8:00am First Race Start</p> <p>Throughout the day</p>
<p>FRIDAY 17TH</p> <p>DAY 5</p>	<p>W6 & W12 races - J19 and older</p> <p>Premier Regional W12</p>	<p>7:00am Karakia followed 7:30am First Race call 8:00am First Race Start</p>

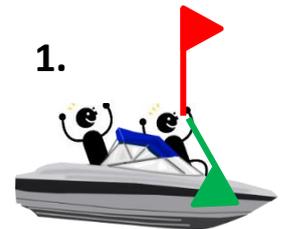
	Medal presentation at the conclusion of racing	
SATURDAY 18TH	W6 races W1 Dash	8:00am Karakia followed 8:30am First Race call 9:00am First Race Start
	Medal presentation at the conclusion of racing	Onsite at the Don Rowlands Centre –
	After Party!	8:00pm till 12:00am

START FLAGS

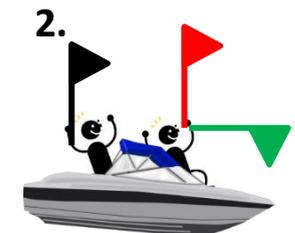
Every race will approach the false start line and start line the same.

- ◆ Just as normal the **WHITE FLAG** will be used to signal to the Waka they are aligned and to proceed to the false start line.

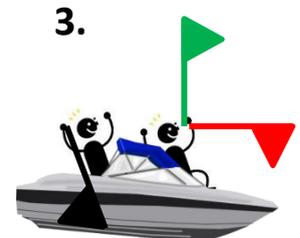
1. As per normal once the Waka are aligned on the false start line the **RED FLAG** will be raised to proceed to the start line.



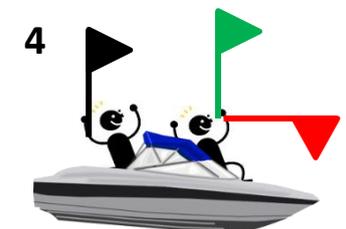
2. If during this time at least the bow of **one** canoe is over the start line – the **BLACK FLAG** will be raised.
(This allows for canoes to correct themselves if they find they are over the start line.)



3. If the canoes are corrected the **BLACK FLAG** will be lowered and the **GREEN FLAG** will start the race.



4. If after a reasonable amount of time the canoes have not been corrected the **BLACK FLAG** will remain raised and the **GREEN FLAG** will then start the race.



This makes it clear:

- If the **BLACK FLAG** is **lowered** when the **GREEN FLAG** is raised – *No teams will be disqualified for START LINE FAULTS*
- If the **BLACK FLAG** is raised and then **remains risen** as the race starts – *There will be at least one team disqualified for a START FAULT.*

VOLUNTEERS

We have a dedicated team of volunteers for the entire week. We are very grateful for all those who have offered their time to volunteer during the week, thank-you.

We would request all regions to assist at the end of each day to remove the Waka from the water. Many hands make for light work and an announcement will be made calling for your assistance each day.



2020 WAKA AMA AFTER PARTY – HOE DOWN!

Come and celebrate the first Waka Ama Nationals of the decade with us!

It will be held onsite at the Don Rowlands Centre on Saturday 18th January from 8:00pm until midnight, spot prizes and More!

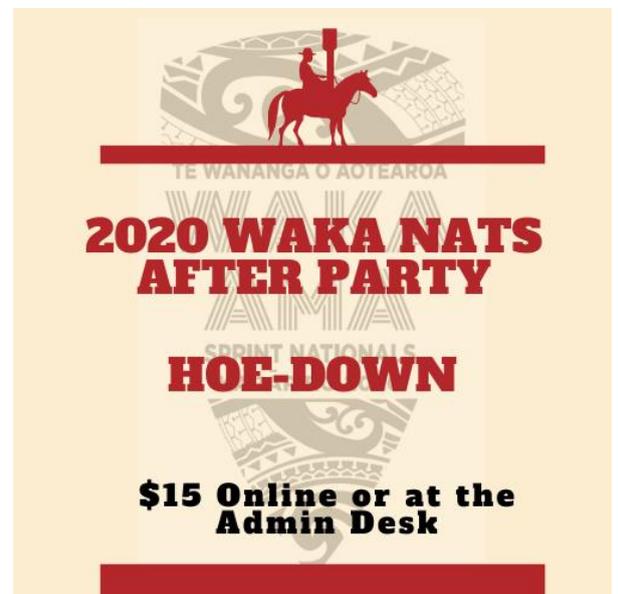
Theme is country western and there will be prizes for the best dressed!!

Tickets are \$15 if you buy them online here: <https://waka-ama-nz-shop.myshopify.com/> or at the Admin Office during the week of Nationals, there is the option to purchase the tickets online from the admin desk for debit and credit card holders. There are limited tickets so don't leave it till the last minute and miss out! Tickets will be \$20 at the door.

Approved ID will need to be presented at the door for young people 18+ to enter the social

i.e. Current drivers licence, passport, 18+ Card or Kiwi Access Card.

NOT your NKOA ID card, this is not approved by the licencing authority



VENDORS

We have a over 40 vendors and promoters who are going to be onsite. The full list of vendors will be uploaded online here: <https://wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/lookup/1521>

HEALTHY KAI

This year we are again sticking with the kaupapa to be a healthier event. There will be no Fizzy drinks or Deep Fried food available for purchase onsite. Water stations are available onsite to re-fill your bottles during the week.

MERCHANDISE

T-Shirts will be on sale from **Monday 13th January from 11:30am**. We have limited supply so get in quickly!!!

Paddler Shirts Available In various colours



CAMPSITE RULES

**For those staying in the campsite:
Campers at Mighty River Domain, Lake Karāpiro.
Temporary Liquor Ban**

There is a liquor ban on the following days: 14th -20th January 2019

There is an exception for those staying in the campground whereby you may consume alcohol between the hours of 5.00pm – 9.00pm.

ATM

The ANZ ATM container will be located in the middle of vendor lane.

CLUB/REGIONAL COORDINATORS

Not all Regions or Clubs have registered their co-ordinators for this event. To ensure that urgent messages, correction of entries or any other issue is dealt with urgently it is important that National Event Organisers can communicate to Regions and Clubs. This will also prevent delays and/or disappointments. Send details of Club or Region, Coordinators Name, email address and cell number to admin@wakaama.co.nz , subject heading COORDINATOR

Each Club should have a designated co-ordinator. We are happy if you wish to have 2 co-ordinators. Some clubs are so big they need more than one person. We will issue you with a club co-ordinators pass. These individuals will be given an identification pass.

Finally: We will be onsite at the Lake setting up from Friday 10th January. So please do not expect prompt responses to emails. For matters of an urgent nature please call, Lara on 0275484612. Otherwise the Admin desk will be open at the lake from 2:00pm- 7:30pm on Saturday 11th January

Look forward to seeing you all at the Lake, please drive safely.



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