



- 2021 Pānui Released (via School contacts) do we have a School Sports Te Taihū, Marlborough, Tasman, Nelson Te Waka o Aoraki and WANZ)
- 1 September 2021 Entries Open
- 18 October 2021 Entries Close
- 22 October Lane Draw Published
- 29 October 2021 Race Day

Grades, Events and Divisions

There are two main grades for teams:

- Junior: Year 9-10
- Senior: Year 11-13

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There are two main events that will be contested in each age group:

- W12 500m (Double hull, 12 person canoe raced over 500 metres)
- W6 2.5km (Single hull six person canoe raced over 2.5kms)

Teams can be either all male, all female or mixed. Mixed W6 teams must have at least 2 Female paddlers racing. Mixed W12 crews must have at least 5 females, otherwise the team will race in the Male grade.

There will also be two main divisions:

- Tauhou / Novice (5 students required, with an adult steerer / or a steerer provided)
- Taurira/ learners-advanced (6 students including capable steerer)

Teams will race against teams in other divisions in the preliminary rounds before having finals for each division (depending on the number of entries).

Trophies will be awarded to the school that wins the finals in each division and grades.

Entries fees are \$25 per team and entries are to be made via Secondary School Sport (Tasman Sport). Please see your School Sport Coordinator to make your entry.

Trainings and Preparation

This event is aimed to encourage students to try waka ama therefore, is set up in such a way that minimum preparation is required on behalf of schools ahead of the event (particularly for teams in the Takiwai / Novice division). These teams will be given support and assistance at the event to ensure they get the most out of the day. For Schools who wish to undertake training ahead of the event, they are encouraged to utilise any existing resources within their school and/or relationships with local clubs to prepare teams. Training sessions can also be organised for those that request them, but are dependent on the availability of instructors to assist with these.

Indicative Programme – 29 October 2021

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| 0800-0900 | Karakia / Registration / Safety and Race Briefing |
| 0900-1100 | W12 Preliminary Rounds |
| 1100-1200 | W12 Finals |
| 1200-1230 | Lunch break |
| 1230-1330 | W6 Preliminary Finals |
| 1345-1445 | W6 Finals Prize giving / Karakia |

Race Director:: Callum O'Leary

Assistant RD: Mike Beech

Contacts:

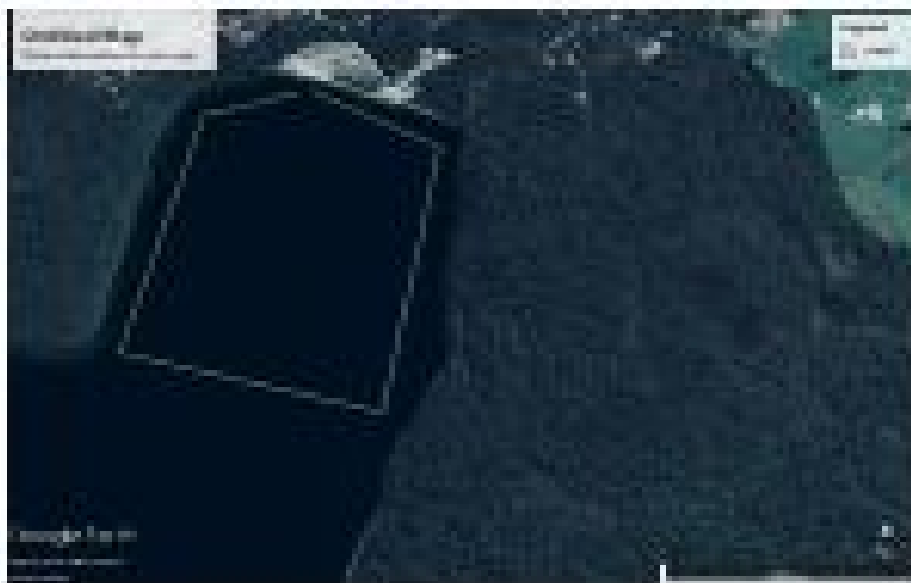
Erice Lander for Collingwood
Selwyn Farr for Takaka
Todd Jago for Motueka and
Kaiteretere
Kereama Payn for Waimea

Huriana Lawrence for Tuia Te
Matangi
Jane Townsend for Nayland
College
Charmain Payne for Nelson Girls

Anisha Huntley for QC College
Picton and Blenheim region



- The event is aimed at allowing those new to waka to give it a go, as well as providing some competition to those more experienced.
- Entries Open 1 September and close 18 October 2021.
- Entries must be made via the School Sport Coordinator and fees paid ahead of the event.
- The event on the 29 October runs from 8am until approximately 3pm.
- Questions or enquiries please contact: Jan Blythe
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