



# 2021 Waka Ama Long Distance Nationals

WAITOHI – PICTON 23rd - 25th April 2021

Pānui 3 | April 2021

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*Tēnā koutou katoa, ngā kaihoe o Aotearoa, o Te Moananui a Kiwa, ngā waka, ngā maunga, ngā rangatira, nau mai haere mai ki Te Tau Ihu o Te Waka a Māui.*

Welcome to Waitohi-Picton, where we, Te Waka o Aoraki region, extend our warmest welcome to you all.

## PĀNUI

### VENUE - SEE SITE MAP (PAGE 7)

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The venue is at Waitohi-Picton Marina, Shelley Beach which is five minutes walk from town over the Coathanger bridge, or you can drive. Directions below on map link attached with options on things to do and places to eat.

<https://www.visitpicton.co.nz/index.php/information/google-map-directory/google-map/>

Totaranui is the name given to one of the channels within the Marlborough Sounds, also called Queen Charlotte.

Administration and registration will be run out of the Queen Charlotte Yacht Club (QCYC) [QCYC](#).

If you have checked out the [Facebook page](#) we will continue to load updates on the building - the whare is looking awesome and will cater to all the paddlers attending.

A couple of house rules for the QCYC building

- Please do not to wear any wet gear or swim wear into the whare.
- You must wear dry clothing and wear tops and bottoms inside.
- QCYC asks that people be dressed appropriately when entering the whare.

The pōwhiri will take place at Waikawa Marae - 210 Waikawa Road, Waikawa 7220

<https://www.waikawamarae.com/>

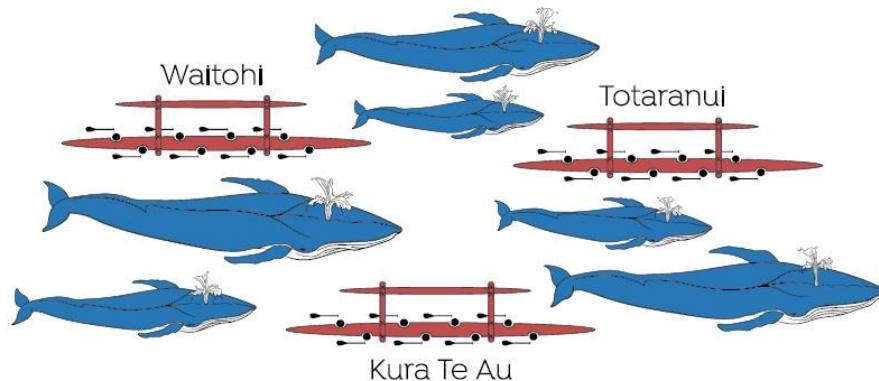
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## Event Tohu

# LONG DISTANCE NATIONALS WAKA AMA

## Waitohi - Te Waka o Aoraki



### Te Whakamāramatanga o te Tohu

This design for the 2021 Long Distance National Waka Ama event being held at Waitohi (Picton), pays homage to the locations and natural history of the area.

- The 8 iwi who old mana whenua over Te Taihu all draw spiritual essence from this place. They are represented by the 8 paddlers in the waka.
- The spout of the Blue whales in the design represents the Te Ātiawa 3 white feathers of peace. Blue whales and other baleen whales, visited these waters annually to feed on krill which cover areas so vast that the tidal flow turned red. The colour of the waka ama depicts this phenomenon. This tide is known as Kura Te Au, also the name of Tory Channel.
- Totaranui, the original name of Queen Charlotte Sound and Waitohi, are very significant wāhi to all of Te Taihu iwi.
- The movement of the design, the uniformity of straight linear lines, depict the way these whales migrate from the breeding grounds in the Tropic of Capricorn, to the feeding grounds of the Antarctic. This is the longest migration of any mammal.
- The adult whales do not feed while in the Tropics. The new-born calves feeding from their mothers, drains their energy, which is why the journey is direct, no time for blunders or slip-ups.
- Totaranui and Kura Te Au is at the half-way mark and where they start feeding. Waka Ama racing has a similar, basic way of traversing, as quickly as possible from the start to the finish line.

The LDN races start in Waitohi waters moves into Totaranui waters and then into Kura te Au waters

The artists name is: Tahua Solomon



## VENUE TIKANGA

Reusable coffee cups and water bottles are encouraged to assist with low waste, we are asking paddlers to bring your own coffee cup (though there will be cups available) AND water bottle. There will be no sale of water in plastic bottles at the site, we will have drinkable water taps available around the event site. As with all National events this is a no smoking, no vaping, no alcohol and no drug event. Please be mindful of some of the alcohol rules that may be around the marina. If you must inhale we suggest you go off site or onto the main road.

## FIRST AID

Hau Ora will be available to all competitors, there will be a specific tent where our practitioners will be located. If you need assistance, please do not hesitate to utilise this service.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- **22 April** Registration from midday at the Yacht Club (Rego will be closed while Powhiri is on)
- **22 April** LDN Pōwhiri 4.00pm @ Waikawa Marae
- **23 April** Race 1, 2 & 3
- **24 April** Race 4, 5 & 6 (Racing will start at 8am)
- **25 April** Back Up Race Day
- **26 April** Public Holiday

## BACK UP RACE DAY

If the weather or sea conditions make it unsafe to paddle any one of the allocated races then Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021 is the back-up race day. Paddlers are advised to make plans to be available that day.

## PENALTIES & FEES

Any late additions/changes/withdrawals after the 7<sup>th</sup> April, a \$20 per paddler late fee will apply e.g. division changes, paddler swap, additions.

There will be no late entries taken at the event.

All entry fees must be paid in full prior to racing.

**Any club that withdraws teams after being invoiced will still be charged the full entry fee.**



## RACE RULES

All entrants must be familiar with the Waka Ama New Zealand race and safety rules. Refer to the following link for more information - <https://wakaama.co.nz/pages/read/1005147>

**PFD's** – All J16 and Novice paddlers/Teams must wear PFD's to race.

All others must have them readily available in the waka.

Should the conditions require it – The Race Director may advise it compulsory for all paddlers to wear their PFD.

**Spray Skirts:** All W6 must have spray skirts and these will be required to be fitted for safety check.

**Only 1 Entry in a division** – As per the race rules: There must be a minimum of two (2) paid entries for a programmed race to be run. If there is only one entry for a race, the organising committee may combine this entry with another race, but shall inform the affected paddler or team, and in any case identify their results in relation to the programmed race.

We will be making contact with those clubs who only have 1 entry in a division to advise the new division for that paddler/team.

**Please note** : there are no medals awarded for divisions with only 1 entry.

### Race Briefings

One (1) member of each crew will be required to attend the race briefing and sign the briefing check in form.

## RACE PROGRAMME

### Thursday, 22 April

8:00am – 3.30pm	Trailer Parking will be open
12.pm to 3.30pm	Registrations and administration enquiries open
4.00pm	Pōwhiri at Waikawa Marae
5:00pm till late	Trailer parking open
5:30pm till 7:30pm	Registration open
1pm to 3:00pm – 5:00pm to 7:00pm	Safety Checks for Fridays racing



## Friday, 23 April

Registrations Open: 6.30am

### Race 1

Safety Checks start at 6:30am

Race Briefing: 7:15 am

Race Start: 8:00 am

Open Women, Master Women, Snr Master Women	W1 Rudderless	16km
J19 Women, Gld Master Women, Master 70 Women	W1 Rudderless	10km
Open Men, Master Men, Snr Master Men	W1 Rudderless	16km
J19 Men, Gld Master Men, Master 70 Men	W1 Rudderless	10km
Open Women, Master Women, Snr Master Women	W2/W3	16km
J19 Women, Gld Master Women, Master 70 Women	W2/W3	10km
Open Mixed, Master Mixed, Snr Master Mixed	W2/W3	16km
J19 Mixed, Gld Master Mixed, Master 70 Mixed	W2/W3	10km

### Race 2

Safety Checks start at 10:00am

Race Briefing: 10:45 am

Race Start: 11:30 am

Open Women, Master Women, Snr Master Women	W1 Rudderless	16km
J19 Women, Gld Master Women, Master 70 Women	W1 Rudderless	10km
Open Men, Master Men, Snr Master Men	W1 Rudderless	16km
J19 Men, Gld Master Men, Master 70 Men	W1 Rudderless	10km
Open Men, Master Men, Snr Master Men	W2/W3	16km
J19 Men, Gld Master Men, Master 70 Men	W2/W3	10km

### Race 3

Safety Checks start at 11:45am

Race Briefing: 12:45 pm

Race Start: 1:30 pm

J16 Men, J16 Women, J16 Mixed	W6	10km
Open Men, Open Women, Open Mixed Short-course	W6	10km

**Prizegiving for DAY 1** Will commence approx. 30 minutes after Race 3 has concluded  
**Registration for Day 2** open until 6:00pm Friday



## Saturday, 24 April: (Racing Starts at 8AM)

Registration Open 6:30 am

<b>Race 4 – Senior Women W6, J16 &amp; Adaptive W1</b> Safety Checks start at 6:30am Race Briefing: 7:15 am Race Start: 8:00 am		
Open, Master & Snr Master Women	W6	24km
J19 Women, Gld Master, Master 70 Women	W6	16km
J16 Women	W1 Rudderless	10km
J16 Men	W1 Rudderless	10km
Adaptive Women	W1	10km
J16 Men	W2/W3	10km
Adaptive Men	W2/W3	10km
<b>Race 5 – Senior Mixed W6, J16 and Adaptive W1</b> Safety Checks start at 9:30am Race Briefing: 10:15 am Race Start: 11:00 am		
Open, Master & Snr Master Mixed	W6	24km
J19 Mixed, Gld Master Mixed, M70 Mixed	W6	16km
J16 Women	W1 Rudderless	10km
J16 Men	W1 Rudderless	10km
Adaptive Men	W1	10km
J16 Women & Mixed	W2/W3	10km
Adaptive Women & Mixed	W2/W3	10km

<b>Race 6 – Men W6 Race</b> Safety Checks start at 12:30pm Briefing: 12:15 pm Race Start: 2:00 pm		
Open, Master & Snr Master Men	W6	24km
J19 Men, Gld Master Men, M70 Men	W6	16km

Prizegiving 5.00pm



## IMPORTANT INFO

### OPENING AND PŌWHIRI

As part of the opening ceremony local waka tangata from Te Ātiawa o Te Waka a Māui and Ngāti Kuia Iwi Pākohe with a waka haurua from Kawhia Moana -Hinemoana will be in Waitohi. These waka will be here for LDNs and will be part of the ceremonial opening to welcome Ngā Kaihoe o Aotearoa to Waitohi, Te Taihu o Te Waka a Māui.

### Kawa

Waikawa Marae kawa can be found here: <https://www.waikawamarae.com/powhiri>

If you are attending the pōwhiri please make sure you arrive at the Marae:

210 Waikawa Road, Waikawa 7220

### No later than 3:45pm on Thursday 22nd April

Make sure you dress for the weather. As soon as the sun goes down it will be cold. So please bring a jacket.

### PADDLER KAI – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April

Paddler Kai will be served at the Yacht Club from 4:00pm on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April.

All paddlers will be given a wrist band when teams complete registration. The wrist band entitles each paddler to receive one meal on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April.

There are no extra paddler meals available for sale – supporters and spectators are welcome to purchase kai from food vendors on site or from local cafes/restaurants just a short walk across the bridge

### MERCHANDISE

Official Event Merchandise will be available for sale onsite. Hoodies, paddling tee's & long sleeve paddling tops available.

**Hoodies: \$50**

**Long Sleeve \$40**

**Short Sleeve \$30**

**Limited supply available SO GET IN QUICK! Merch will go on sale from midday Thursday.**





**VENDORS** – There will be several vendors onsite.

Kai	Goods
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Waikawa Waka Ama</li><li>• Kohatu Kai Hangi meals, sliders,</li><li>• Kiwi kai</li><li>• Baba Yagas Coffee, Savory pancakes Chinese style</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Maori Spartan</li><li>• Waka Paddle</li><li>• MPI Industries</li><li>• Kelly ketes</li><li>• Fleur apparel</li><li>• Earrings &amp; necklaces</li></ul> <p>And more...</p>

### WAKA TROLLEYS

If you are bringing W6, Please try and put a Trolley or two on your trailer. It will save a lot of carrying of waka as there is quite a distance from the Waka parking area to the water.  
Trolleys!

### PARKING

All car parking is in Memorial Park Reserve.

### HEAD LAMPS

It will be dark in the morning when rigging waka and preparing for the first races of the day. It is advised to bring a headlamp or torch with you.

### ANZAC DAY – 25<sup>th</sup> April

The ANZAC DAY service will be held on Sunday morning at 6:00am at Picton War Memorial, London Quay, Picton, Marlborough.

Further information can be found here: <https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2019/anzac-day-service/picton>







## QUESTIONS AND ENQUIRIES

For any further information please go to [www.wakaama.co.nz](http://www.wakaama.co.nz) or contact us on [ldn@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:ldn@wakaama.co.nz).

On behalf of Te Waka o Aoraki, we look forward to hosting you all in Waitohi - Picton for LDN 2020.

Or for more information check out the event Facebook page here:

<https://www.facebook.com/wakaamaLDN/>

## ATTACHMENTS

APPENDIX A: Venue Directions

APPENDIX B: Course Maps

APPENDIX C: Site Map

APPENDIX D: Car Parking

APPENDIX E: Trailer Parking





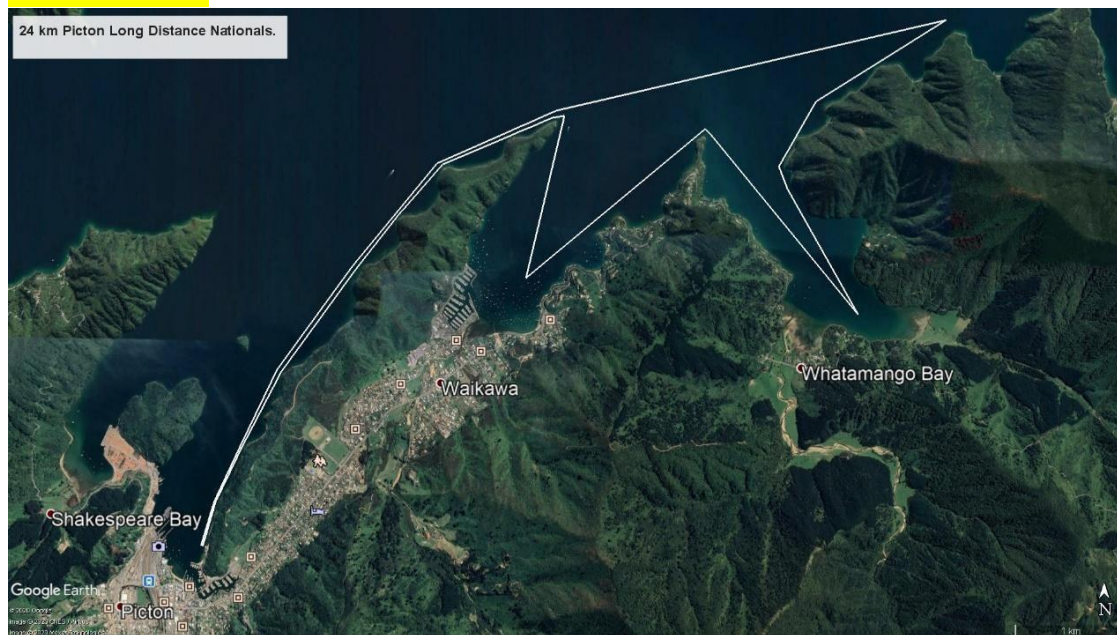
## APPENDIX A: Venue Directions

<https://www.google.com/search?q=map+of+Picton+Marina>

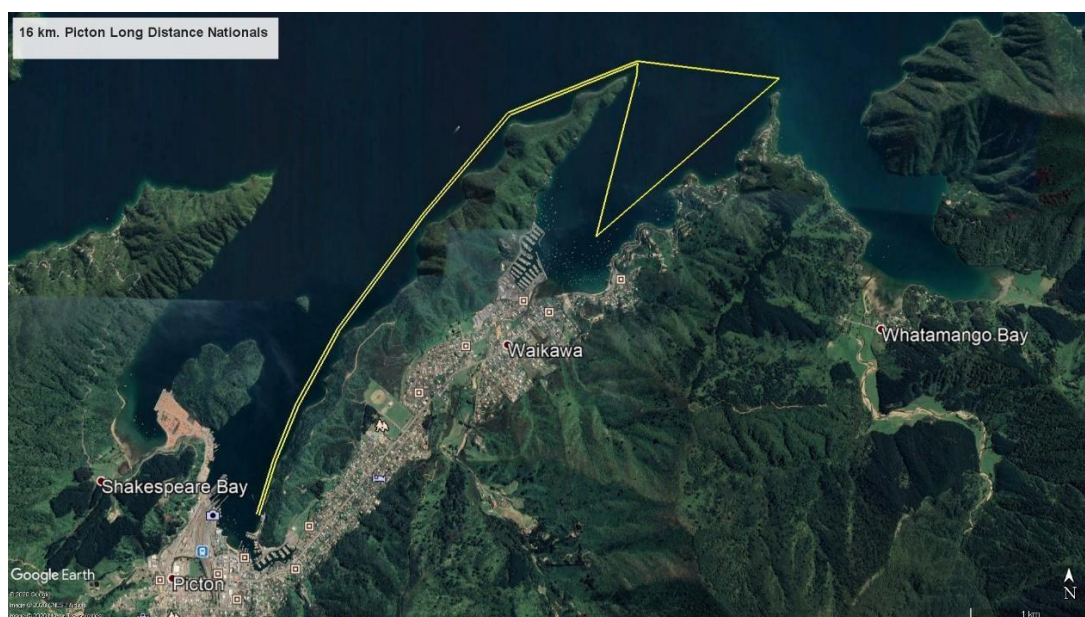
The link above offers various maps all showing how to get to the **Picton Marina and Shelley Beach**. Should you be sailing down information at this link can be found concerning berthing and where to pay fees etc. Picton Marina is off Waikawa Road about 1km heading east from the CBD.

## APPENDIX B: Course Maps

### 24 KM COURSE



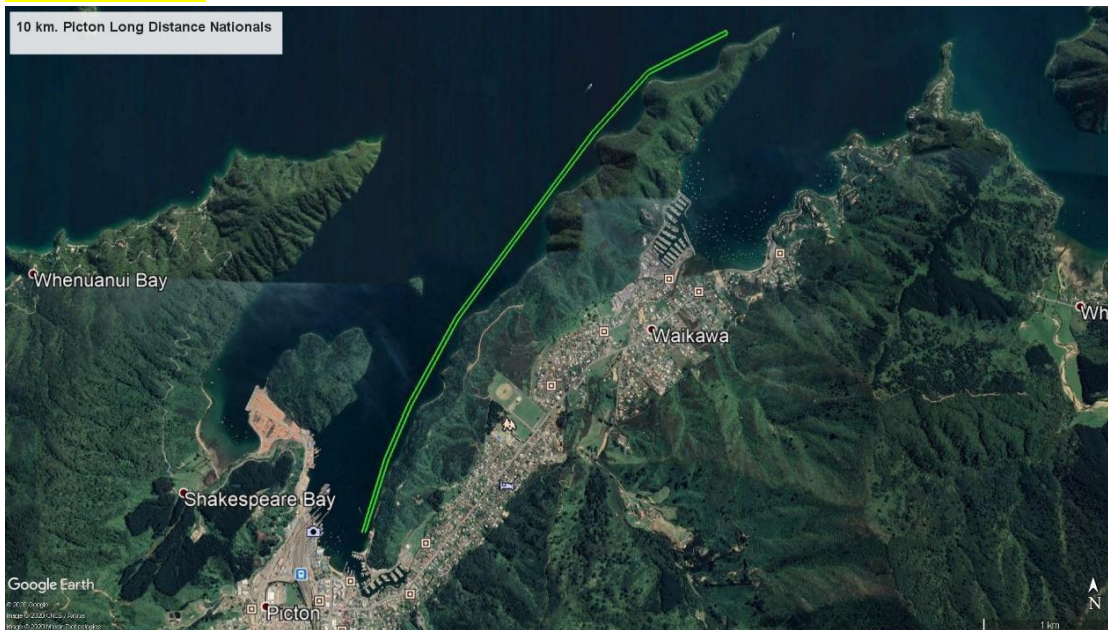
### 16 KM COURSE







## 10 KM COURSE



## APPENDIX C: Site Map



The site maps shows the location of everything including the boat ramp we will be using to load out waka. All waka will be parked in the green field. Safety checks will occur in the field, where all rigging will take place. This is to reduce congestion at the boat ramp and to aid in the flow of traffic around the marina.



## APPENDIX D: Car Parking

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<https://marlboroughmarinas.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/PICTON-MARINA-PARKING-MAP-MARINA-MAP-1.pdf>

Attached above is a link to the parking. Disability parking will be available closer to the beach, with specified parking for para paddlers. Shelley Beach Road will be closed to traffic except for emergency vehicles, QCYC Staff and Waka Ama NZ admin, specified para parking.

**Please note that there is ample free parking in the green field all other parking is paid parking.**

## APPENDIX E: Trailer Parking

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Note that trailer parking is also in the greenfield and a designated area is set aside for trailers. The trailer parking will be **open on Thursday from 8am till 3.45pm and then from 5pm till late**. On Friday the trailer park will be open from **3.30pm until late**. If you are arriving after 7pm please let us know so we can let security know you will be arriving late. Please email at [ldn@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:ldn@wakaama.co.nz).

If you are arriving before Thursday the 23rd April also please let us know, we can arrange to have your waka stored down at the site in the greenfield but we need to know in advance. Any storage before the 23rd will not have security, except for a locked gate.