



# KAREWA ISLAND CHALLENGE IRON OR CHANGEOVER



Karewa, is a small, 3.57 ha, predator free wildlife sanctuary in the Bay of Plenty which sits **6 km off Matakana Island** and is administered by the Department of Conservation, with Ngāti Ranginui as a Tuatara Reserve. Its main species are tuatara and flesh-footed shearwaters. The legend of Taurikura relates how the tuatara on Karewa are descended from a chief's errant daughter.

## EVENT SUMMARY

**This race is the same weekend as the James Bhutty Moore Morial Race  
Come to the Mount for a weekend of paddling.**

- Date: Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2023
- Cost: \$60 per paddler, includes Hangi meal post-race
- Distance: **IRON** Approximately 25km, **CHANGES** approx. 35km
- Team: Make up. Iron 6 paddlers, mixed 3 Male, 3 Female, Changes Men’s crew of 9, Changes Women’s crew of 10, mixed crew of 10, a minimum of 4 female paddlers, 2 of which must be always in the Waka.

The minimum age for participation of any paddler in an open water event shall be 16 years. Age is taken as reaching the specified age in the year of competition.

Tides: High Tide – 8.20am Low Tide – 3.0pm

Iron Start: 10:00am

Changes Start: 10:15am

(Note: Those who wish to do a change-over race must supply their own support boat, but Hoe Aroha will assist where possible.

Venue: Pilot Bay Mount Maunganui

## EVENT SCHEDULE

8.00am	Registration, waka drop off & safety checks
8.30am	Karakia
8.45am	Support boat safety briefings
9.30am	Race briefing both races



10.00am	Iron race start
10.30am	Changes race start
3.00pm	Closing Karakia

### RACE SCHEDULE

Time	Race
8.30am	Waka Safety Checks All Races
9.30am	Race Briefing - all races
10.00am	Race Start W6 IRON
10.30am	Race Start – W6 Changes

### RACE DAY INFORMATION

**Car Parking:** Parking is available by street parking. Please note all parking is under Council management, you will need to read the signs and park accordingly.

**Trailer parking:** Trailer parking will be in the boat trailer car park Pilot Bay

**Food:** We encourage you to bring your own healthy kai, however a Hangi will be available for competitors. Coffee vender will be on site.

**Toilets:** Toilets are located just past the club and the main registration tent.

**First Aid:** First Aid will be available at the registration tent. A defib is located in the club shed.

**Rubbish/Recycling:** We encourage you to please take what you bring. However, there are rubbish bins located near the registration tent.

**Alcohol/Smokefree:** Alcohol, smoking, vaping and any other substance use is not permitted at this event, including all premises of the event.

### WAKA DROP OFF & SAFETY CHECKS

#### Waka Drop off:

- Waka drop off will be available from 6.00am on the event day
- Waka drop off will be on the beach front landing and will be clearly signed with entry & exit
- Trailer parking is on the side of the road, please be aware of your surroundings through this process

#### Safety Checks:

- All waka will have to pass a safety check and be marked before racing. Any boats not marked will not be permitted to race.

### RACE RULES

All sanctioned events must adhere to Waka Ama NZ race rules. Include any other rules relevant to your event.

All entrants must be familiar with the Waka Ama New Zealand race and safety rules.

Refer to the following link for more information: [Waka Ama NZ Race Rules](#)

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### AGE DIVISIONS & RACE EVENTS

WAKA	DISTANCE	DIVISIONS	GENDER



<b>W6</b>	25 km	J19 and above IRON race	Men, Women, Mixed
<b>W6</b>	35km	J19 and above CHANGES	Men, Women, Mixed

### FEES

1. Register online at Waka Ama NZ website via your club representative. No Registrations accepted on the day.
2. Make one payment per club to Hoe Aroha **03-0374-0182793-000** ref club.

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<b>PER PERSON BY AGE DIVISION</b> ( <i>charged <u>one fee</u> according to age on race day</i> )	
<b>Age Division</b>	<b>Cost</b>
<b>J19</b>	<b>\$60.0</b>
<b>Open</b>	<b>\$60.0</b>
<b>Master</b>	<b>\$60.0</b>
<b>Senior Master</b>	<b>\$60.0</b>
<b>Golden Master</b>	<b>\$60.0</b>

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- Online entries are to be completed using the Waka Ama NZ online entry system.
- All entries to be completed through your club admin – contact your club admin to process your entry
- No entries on the day, no exceptions
- Entries close on **Tuesday 31 Jan 2023 11.59pm**
- Rosters close on **Wednesday 1 February 2023 11.59pm**, rosters must be completed by close date, no exceptions
- Once entered, payment can be made online to:
  - Hoe Aroha
  - **03-0374-0182793-000**
  - Use your club, team name and division as your reference

### SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- All waka must be Safety Checked
- All Waka must have the following safety equipment
  - PFD - Personal Floatation Device (per person)
  - Bailers x2
  - Flare
  - VHF radio or cellphone in waterproof case
  - Spare Paddle - 2 for a W6,
  - Spray Skirt (W6) Must be fitted



- Tow Rope (W6)

#### INDIVIDUAL & TEAM WAIVERS

- Team waivers must be completed by all paddlers/teams
- All paddlers U18 must have their waiver signed by their parent/guardian
- Waivers can be sent to [hoearohawhanau@gmail.com](mailto:hoearohawhanau@gmail.com) or handed in at the managers meeting on the day

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

- All enquiries please email: [hoearohawhanau@gmail.com](mailto:hoearohawhanau@gmail.com)
- All urgent matters please call: **Mike Hickson 0272840658**
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/224780754331470/>

#### COURSE MAPS

- High tide:0820
- Low tide:1430

Basic course for the Iron event, is from Pilot Bay out to Karewa Island and return.

The basic course for the changes race is from Pilot Bay around and around Rabbit Island then out to A buoy around A buoy and across to Karewa Island, around Karewa and back to Pilot Bay.

#### IRON Race Course

- Le mans start on Pilot Bay beach between cones
- Proceed towards the Harbour entrance keeping to the right-hand side of the shipping channel and on the Mauao side of the 10 knot navigation buoys
- Karewa Island is located NNW from the Harbour entrance, crews may plot their best course to Karewa island rounding anti-clockwise around the island, return course is the same keeping inside the 10 knot navigation Buoys at the entrance to Tauranga Harbour.
- Finish line between flag on beach and red buoy approximately 20 metres off beach outside club shed

#### Changes racecourse:

**Racecourse is out around Rabbit Island out to A marker then to Karewa island, round Karewa Island and return direct to Pilot Bay**

- Le Mans start on Pilot Bay beach between cones.
- Proceed towards the Harbour entrance keeping to the right-hand side of the shipping channel and on the Mauao side of the 10 knot navigation buoys.
- 1<sup>st</sup> change can be made after rounding Kuia point. Crews are not permitted to cut the corner and go between the rocks.



- Proceed around Mauao and head for Tirikawa point. (Out crop of rocks at the head of Mauao with red can on them) Crews are not permitted to cut the corner and go between the rocks.
- Round Tirikawa and head towards Motuotau (Rabbit) Island.
- Round the island in an anti-clock direction keeping outside rock reef.
- Head for A marker (pole in roughly North direction around 5klm)
- Go around A marker and head to Karewa island rounding it in an anti-clock direction.
- Return course direct to pilot Bay keeping inside the 10 knot navigation Buoys at the entrance to Tauranga Harbour
- No changes after Kuia point at the entrance to Tauranga harbour.
- Finish line between flag on beach and red buoy approximately 20 metres off beach outside club shed
- **Safety Equipment:**
- Spray skirts must be fitted and in full operational condition.
- Two spare paddles, two bailers, 1 flare, tow rope fitted, handheld VHF radio, 6 life jackets, spare lashing. All to be carried on the Waka
- Hydration system for each paddler
- This is an open ocean race and conditions can change rapidly. Crews should be experienced in open ocean racing
- The tidal currents at the entrance to Tauranga Harbour can be very strong with steep waves in the central channel area.
- The port of Tauranga is the busiest in NZ. Container/Log/Fuel Ships have right of way.
- Tugs and the Yellow Pilot boat can create large wakes.
- All contestants should familiarize themselves with NKOA long distance race/safety rules.

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