

# PĀNUI 3



## Waka Ama Sprint Nationals

Sunday 12 - Saturday 18 January 2025

Lake Karāpiro, Cambridge



**waka ama**  
Aotearoa New Zealand

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## KEY INFORMATION AND DATES

Thursday 2nd January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b><u>ROSTER CLOSED</u></b>– Paddler Registrations are now closed.</li> <li>● A \$50 late penalty fee per paddler applies for <u>changes</u> after close-off</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● There must be enough people on your roster to fill the crews you have entered</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <u>Additions</u> to the paddler roster after this date incur a \$50 penalty per person</li> </ul>
Friday 3rd January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b><u>ID Cards must be ordered.</u></b></li> <li>● Any ID Card orders received after this date will cost <u>\$15 each</u></li> </ul>
Friday 3rd January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>CLUBS/TEAMS WILL BE INVOICED FROM TODAY</b></li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b><i>IMPORTANT: Once invoices are generated and sent to clubs there are no refunds on entry fees invoiced. Any teams that withdraw after the 5<sup>th</sup> of January will be invoiced the full entry amount plus the \$50 penalty fee</i></b></li> </ul>
Monday 6th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Pānui 3 Released</li> </ul>
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b><u>PAYMENT FOR ENTRY IS DUE</u></b> (Payments can be made by Internet Banking or Cash)</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No payment, no racing</li> </ul>
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>FINAL ROSTER CHANGES CLOSED</b></li> </ul>
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b><u>POWHIRI</u> Sunday Morning 8:30 am.</b></li> <li>● Racing will start on Sunday <b>approx 11am</b> for Taitamariki paddlers.</li> </ul>

## EVENT SCHEDULE

Please note ALL on-site Manager's meetings will be held inside the Don Rowlands Centre.

The race schedule and lane draw are available on the Event website [Sprint Nationals 2025](#)  
And will also be on [www.liveresults.co.nz](http://www.liveresults.co.nz) during the event.

Date	Racing Day	Racing information and Managers meetings
Friday 10 January 2025	0	12pm onwards - W6 Club Waka drop off (Hire agreements to be signed)
Saturday 11 January 2025	0	2pm - Admin Desk (onsite) Opens 4pm - Race briefing for Taitamariki team managers
Sunday 12 January 2025	DAY 1	8.30am Pōwhiri (meet in Don Rowlands car park) Taitamariki racing 6pm - Race briefing for Int/J16 Managers
Monday 13 January 2025	DAY 2	Taitamariki / Intermediate / J16 racing Taitamariki Prizegiving
Tuesday 14 January 2025 (W1 Drop off – 4pm - 7pm)	DAY 3	Intermediate / J16 racing Junior Prizegiving 6pm - Race Briefing for W1 Managers
Wednesday 15 January 2025 (W1 Drop off – 6am - 7am) (Wash down and Pick up of W1 waka from 3pm)	DAY 4	W1 racing W1 Prizegiving 6pm - Race briefing for J19 / Adult Managers
Thursday 16 January 2025 (Wash down and Pick up of ALL W1 waka from 3pm)	DAY 5	J19 / Adult racing Regional W12 and W1 races Prizegiving
Friday 17 January 2025	DAY 6	J19 / Adult racing Corporate Challenge Prizegiving
Saturday 18 January 2025	DAY 7	J19 / Adult racing - FINALS Prizegiving



## PŌWHIRI

The Pōwhiri will take place at **8:30 am on Sunday 12th January**. Manuhiri please assemble in the car park at the Don Rowlands Centre at 8:00 am.

We welcome all paddlers and supporters to attend the Pōwhiri. There will be a cup of tea/coffee and refreshments available in the Don Rowlands Centre after the Pōwhiri.

If it rains, the pōwhiri will be inside the Don Rowlands Centre. Manuhiri will still assemble in the car park.

## MANAGERS' MEETINGS

All meetings will be held inside the Don Rowlands Centre onsite

Date	Racing Day	Racing information / Managers' meetings
Saturday 11 January	Taitamariki racing Sunday	<b>4:00 pm</b>
Sunday 12 January	All other Junior Grades	<b>6:00 pm</b>
Tuesday 13 January	W1 Racing	<b>6:00 pm</b>
Wednesday 14 January	J19 & Senior W6/W12 racing	<b>5:00 pm</b>

## START TIMES

Here are the start times for each race day - the First race call will be 30 minutes before the first race.

	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
'Waka Fit' Loading Bay	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am	x	6:30am	7:00am	7:00am
Karakia - lakeside at the Podium	<b>8:30am (Pōwhiri)</b>	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am	7:00am
Admin Desk (onsite) open	7.30 am	7.35 am	7.30 am	6.30 am	6:30 am	7.30 am	7.30 am
First Race Call	10:30am	8:00am	8:00am	7:05am	7:05am	8:00am	8:30am
First race at Start line	11:00am	8:30am	8:30am	7:30am	7:30am	8:30am	9:00am

***NB: times may vary and be updated. Please listen to all MC announcements and information transmitted through the RT system.***



<b>GATE 1</b> W1 Drop Off Only	1 Don Rowlands Centre	8 VIP Parking	15 Waste Station
<b>GATE 2</b> Officials Vendors Media/VIP	2 Admin	9 ACC Whānau Zone	16 Gate 2 Parking
	3 Marshalling Area	10 First Aid	17 Spectator Bank
<b>GATE 3</b> General Parking Disability Parking Drop Off Zone	4 Loading Bay	11 Results Tent	18 Disability Parking
	5 Loading Bay Shade	12 Prizegiving	19 Gate 3 Parking
	6 Waka Wash Station	13 WANZ Merch Tent	20 Gate 3 Parking
	7 W1 Waka Weighing	14 Vendor Lane	

## REPLACEMENT PADDLERS

As per the race rules, paddlers may only be removed and replaced after the heat of an event by producing a medical certificate from a registered medical practitioner or the medical first aid on site. This confirms that the paddler has been examined, and had a legitimate medical reason for not being able to paddle at that particular event and time. Replacement paddlers will need to be actioned at the admin desk onsite or email [events@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:events@wakaama.co.nz)

### COVID-19

We understand that COVID-19 may still impact some paddlers and teams. Therefore, should a paddler test positive for COVID-19, they are not required to produce a medical certificate. They may simply send a photo of their positive test to their club coordinator, who must then come to the admin onsite and replace them with an eligible paddler from their club roster. Should the Club have to add a new paddler to their roster to replace the paddler, the late fee for this paddler will be waived. Entry fee and ID card costs will apply as required.

The paddler who tested positive for COVID-19 will not be eligible to race in any further events at the 2024 Waka Ama Sprint Nationals. The paddler must take all COVID precautions as required and isolate offsite in line with Ministry of Health rules.

## CLUB TROPHIES

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.

### **Waka Ama Sprint Nationals Club Points Trophy**

The first is a trophy that recognises club 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. In 2024 the trophy was again awarded to **Horouta Waka Hoe** who topped the club points for the 12th time in 13 years.



### **Ace Cuthers Memorial Club Spirit Award**

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 the actions of the club throughout the week and their performance on and off the water. The club that optimises the values of waka ama.

The winning club in 2024 was **Te Pou Herenga Waka**. As a club they embodied the values of Waka Ama throughout the event - Manaakitanga, Whanaungatanga, Hauora, TŪ Tangata. A true reflection of all working together as one.

## FEES AND PAYMENT

All club fees and outstanding accounts must be paid by **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January.**

All queries to the Admin Desk which will be open onsite on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> January @ 2:00 pm  
*Fees include Nationals Entry Fees, ID Cards and Club Affiliation fees.*

## MERCHANDISE

The official Waka Ama NZ merchandise tent is again located on vendor lane.

Orders that were made by midday 7th January 2025 can be collected from the Merch tent from Midday Sunday 12th January onwards

Pre-orders closed on 7th January 2025.

**Merchandise will go on sale on-site at the event from Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January at midday.**



## AIR TAHITI NUI PARTNERSHIP

Waka Ama NZ has an exciting new partnership with Air Tahiti Nui, the flagship carrier to the breathtaking Islands of Tahiti. Air Tahiti Nui has a long-established history of supporting the growth of Va'a; Polynesian outrigger canoe racing in the Islands of Tahiti.

As part of this partnership, the airline will serve as the preferred airline of Waka Ama NZ and feature at the four major events, working collaboratively with Waka Ama NZ to further develop the sport.

At the 2025 Waka Ama Sprint Nationals, **we will be giving away 4 double tickets to Tahiti.** Keep an eye out for information about how to go in the draw online and around the venue at Karāpiro

For more info about this partnership and Air Tahiti Nui please visit the Air Tahiti Nui Website [here](#) and follow Air Tahiti Nui on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)

## ID CARDS

Pre-ordered ID cards can be picked up from the Admin Desk inside the Don Rowlands Centre by the designated Club Coordinator. Any replacements ordered after 5<sup>th</sup> January or at Nationals will cost \$17 each.





## REGIONAL 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.

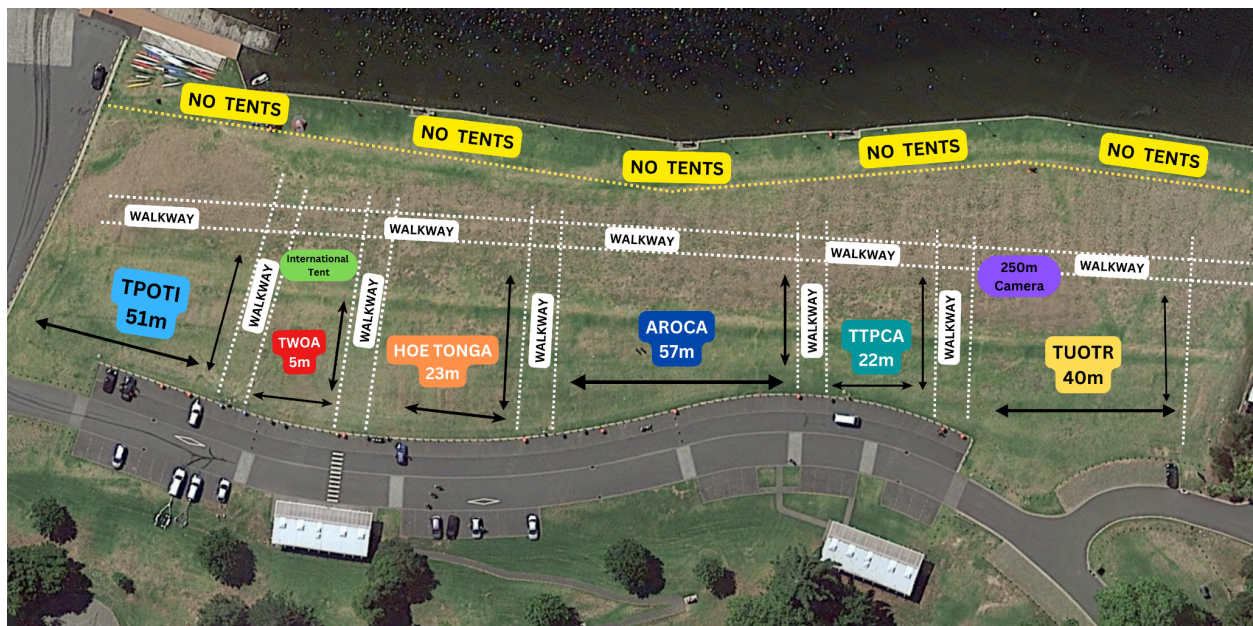
(End closest to the tower)

<b>TPOTI</b> 51m	<b>TWOA</b> 5m	<b>HTPWAA</b> 23m	<b>AROCA</b> 57m	<b>TTPCA</b> 22m	<b>TUOTR</b> 40m
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Here are the historic regional tent allocations for the past 5 years

<b>2024</b>	TPOTI	TUOTR	TWOA	HTPWAA	AROCA	TTPCA
<b>2023</b>	TPOTI	TTPCA	TUOTR	TWOA	HTPWAA	AROCA
<b>2021</b>	TPOTI	AROCA	TTPCA	TUOTR	TWOA	HTPWAA
<b>2020</b>	TPOTI	HTPWAA	AROCA	TTPCA	TUOTR	TWOA
<b>2019</b>	TPOTI	TWOA	HTPWAA	AROCA	TTPCA	TUOTR

Please note the areas on the event map where tents are not permitted - this includes the spectator bank walkways and 10 meters of the lake frontage.



## REGIONAL AND CLUB TENTS

Tents cannot be erected on-site until **midday Friday, January 12th.**

Please note - as per the image above, these areas are prohibited for tent placement:

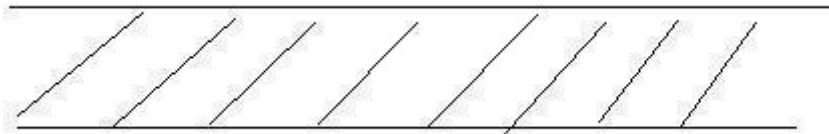
1. The entire hill behind the tower to the road and Don Rowlands Centre car park
2. Directly in front of the Podium Cafe
3. 10m pathway along the lakefront of the spectator bank
4. The walkways through the spectator area.

**Any tents placed in these prohibited areas will be asked to move**

If you have paid a company to erect your club/regional tent please ask them to check in at the admin area (Don Rowlands Centre) when they arrive onsite and before erecting any tents. They can also contact Aroha (021 809 845) or Lara (027 5484612) for assistance on the day.

## SPECTATOR EMBANKMENT

Regions are to coordinate 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 10th (parallel with the lake) that must be kept clear of all tents, structures or marques. This is to allow for safe walking passages. 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 be taken down.

## PARKING

There will be no access to the lower road every day, between half an hour before the first race call (See race schedule) and after 5 pm, excluding emergency and service vehicles.

All vehicles are required to **access parking through Gate 3** for \$5 per vehicle per day

Day	Lower road access prohibited from:	Race Starts
<b>Sunday (Day 1)</b>	7.45 am	Pōwhiri starts 8.30 am
<b>Monday (Day 2) and Tuesday (Day 3)</b>	7.30 am	8.30 am
<b>Wednesday (Day 4) &amp; Thursday (Day 5)</b>	7.00 am	7.30 am
<b>Friday (Day 6)</b>	7.00 am	8.00 am
<b>Saturday (Day 7)</b>	8.00 am	9.00 am

## WEEKLY PARKING PASSES

Week-long Parking Passes are available for \$25. Week-long passes must be displayed on the vehicle's dashboard for clear viewing and must include the vehicle registration number.

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

**After 5 pm 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 (other than merchandise) need to be collected from the Admin Desk inside the Don Rowlands Centre.

## 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.

## WAKA USE

All W6 waka are kindly loaned by clubs and our Waka Fleet Partner Te Wānanga o Aotearoa. 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. Please respect the Waka and treat them as you would if they were your own. All contracted W6 waka are to be 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 offender's club of \$200 per incident.

## WAKA FLEET PARTNER

Waka Ama NZ is excited to once again partner with Te Wānanga o Aotearoa as our official Waka Fleet Partner for the 2024 Waka Ama Sprint Nationals. With the support of Te Wānanga o Aotearoa, we are excited to deliver another successful event.

Te Wānanga o Aotearoa will have a site in Vendor lane at the Sprint Nationals. Head to their site to have a korero and check out all their great courses available.

For more information about their courses head to their website

<https://www.twoa.ac.nz/>





## Waste Minimisation Plan for Sprint Nationals 2025

The Mighty River Domain is continuing to work towards operating as a “Zero Waste” site.

- There will be a large Waste “Sort yourself” Minimisation Station set up along Vendor Lane.
- All clubs, paddlers, vendors and spectators will sort their own waste when arriving at the Sorting Station.
- There will be large skip bins provided by Mighty River Domain labelled for flattened cardboard and plastic bottles/aluminium cans.
- There will be large wheelie bins provided by Mighty River Domain labelled for glass and food waste.
- There will be smaller wheelie bins provided by Mighty River Domain labelled for general waste.
- The station will be manned each day from 8am - 5pm (or until 30 mins after the last race), by a fundraising group of Kaitiāo (Volunteers), to ensure patrons use the correct bins for their waste.
- Bins will be monitored regularly and emptied by venue staff as required, and at a minimum every night.



- There **will not** be the capacity to remove broken umbrellas, broken chairs or gazebos, chilly bins, or other large items, so patrons must take these with them when leaving
- Clubs will not be issued with black rubbish bags, or individual rubbish boxes.
- Attendees will be advised to bring a **refillable drink bottle** to fill from the water stations. This greatly reduces the plastic rubbish in the environment.
- Attendees will be advised to bring a **reusable keep cup** for hot or cold drinks at vendor sites
- Other recycling stations throughout the site will still be set up for glass, plastic, aluminium and food scraps
- Regular announcements will be made, reminding attendees to please use the waste and recycling station

### VENDORS

- Food & retail vendors will also be required to take **flattened** cardboard, **rinsed** plastic bottles, food and general waste to the Sorting Station from their site each day
- They are advised to get rid of excessive packaging, eg plastic bags, boxes before arriving on-site
- The use of compostable plates, cutlery and cups where possible, or recyclable plastic cups are promoted
- The use paper bags or fabric bags for purchases or promotional goods are promoted
- **The Cambridge Transfer Station centre is available in town located at 27 Mato Segedin Drive, 10 minutes from the Domain, for all recycling and waste from your accommodation sites.**

We remind everyone to reduce, recycle and reuse as much as possible at the 2025 Waka Ama Sprint Nationals as kaitiaki and work with the Mighty River Domain operating as a “Zero Waste” site.

### Communication Plan

The waste minimisation plan will be promoted in all pānui and social media platforms. Pre-event it will be sent directly to all clubs and confirmed vendors. And announced regularly throughout every day of the event.



## W1 RACE DAY

**IMPORTANT – PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH ALL W1 PADDLERS AND MANAGERS**

### Waka Drop off

- **4 - 7 pm - Tuesday, January 14th** - there will be access for W1 paddlers to head out on the race course after prizegiving
- **6 - 7 am - Wednesday, January 15th** - there will be **NO** access for W1 paddlers to head out on the race course
- **W1 must only be dropped off at the allocated times above**
- Drop off access is via Gate 1 and exit via Gate 2
- Space will be marked out for each region - check with your regional coordinator
- Your W1 is your responsibility.
- Bring your 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 - <https://waka-ama-nz-shop.myshopify.com/>
- There will be access to the race course for W1s after the prizegiving on Tuesday 14th – **there will be no lake access on Wednesday morning.**

### Pre Race

- W1 Waka must all weigh a minimum of 14kgs (fully rigged)
- We will not be weighing all W1 Waka before the racing - **It is your responsibility to ensure that your waka weighs 14kg when you race.**
- We will have the scales set up during drop off and before racing and you are welcome to weigh your waka yourself on our official scales to check its weight
- You are responsible for ensuring your waka has weights in it when you race if it needs weighing up
- There is no restriction to the amount or type of W1 that can be used for this event.
- Hull, Ama and Kiato will be weighed and must weigh a minimum of 14kgs

### W1 Weighing Process - post race

- The first 3 Waka in each race will be weighed by dedicated Kaitūao when they come off the water at the end of their race
- The dedicated Kaitūao will let paddlers know as they arrive back into the loading bay if they need to be weighed
- If any of these Waka weigh less than 14kg this will be noted and the Regional W1 coordinator for that paddler will be called for
- The Waka will be reweighed and verified by regional coordinator - if the waka is less than 14kg they will be disqualified and the results will be updated to reflect the disqualification
- Weighing for the first three across the line will be done for all races from Heats to Finals.

On W1 day, the loading bay bank will be marked out for each region. 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.

**PICK UP / COLLECTION OF W1 WAKA - Wednesday and Thursday, end of day**

As above, ALL W1 waka finished with on Wednesday are to be Checked, Cleaned, and **removed from the Loading Bay**. Access will be from 3pm. After the Regional W1 250m Dash on Thursday, the rest of the W1 waka are to be Checked, Cleaned, and **removed from the Loading Bay**.

**LANES/FLAGS**

**Straight Races from the 500m Startline**



**Turn races starting from the start/finish line end**



## RACE RULES

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

## EVENT PENALTIES

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

## RACE STARTS

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

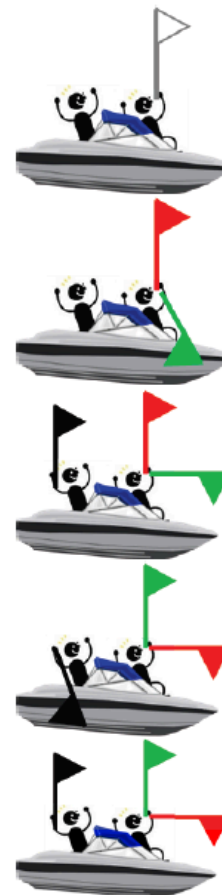
The **WHITE FLAG** will be used to signal to the Waka they are to proceed to the false start line.

Once the Waka are aligned on the false start line the **RED FLAG** will be raised to proceed to the start line.

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

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

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



- 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 LINE FAULT*

**Preparation for starts is key. Small factors can make a huge difference, such as:**

- Ensuring your crew can distinguish the false start line from the start line
- Watching a few races start before your own (particularly the Steerer)
- Taking into considerations conditions on the day and how this will affect the start
- The Steerer assessing what impact the wind is having on the waka before reaching the false start line, to determine the angle of their approach



## KAITŪAO



We have a dedicated team of kaitūao (volunteers) for the entire week. We are very grateful for all those who have offered their time to volunteer during the week - **KA NUI TE MIHI!**

Please respect and follow their instructions at all times, and at the different areas of the event.

We kindly ask 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.

## UNIFORMS - TOPS - UPDATED RACE RULE

As notified in Pānui 2, and as per the [2023 updated race rules](#) (race rule 11), uniform tops will now be defined by the following three categories:

Category	Example of the category cut
<p><b>Category one:</b></p> <p>Singlet (<i>any cut of singlet as long as artwork and, colour and design are the same</i>)</p>	 <p>Paddlers can wear either singlet in one team as long as the artwork and, colour and design are the same</p>
<p><b>Category two:</b></p> <p>Short Sleeve (<i>any cut of Short Sleeve as long as artwork and, colour and design are the same</i>)</p>	

**Category three:**

Long Sleeve (*any cut of Long Sleeve as long as artwork and, colour and design are the same*)



- Teams must wear Club Uniform
- W1 paddlers may wear Club or Region Uniform
- In W6 events a team must be wearing the same category of tops.
- In W12 events, either all 12 paddlers in the same category of tops or two sets of six paddlers each with the same category of tops.
- As per the race rules, **BOTTOMS do not have to be uniform for W6 and W12 teams**

## CLUB COORDINATORS

Nearly all Clubs have registered their coordinators for this event - ngā mihi nui! To ensure that urgent messages, correction of entries or any other issue is dealt with urgently. It is important that Event organisers can communicate to Regions and Clubs quickly. This will also prevent delays and/or disappointments. Send details of the club or region: the Coordinator's Name, email address and mobile number to [event@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:event@wakaama.co.nz) - subject heading Club COORDINATOR.

You can have 2 co-ordinators e.g. one junior, one senior; and/or some clubs are so big they will need more than one person to share the load over the week. We will issue you with a club co-ordinators pass.

## VENDORS

We have over 60 vendors and promoters who are going to be onsite for the week, plus some of the Cambridge businesses are offering discounts to the waka ama whanau. Please support them!

## HEALTHY KAI

With the support of our vendors and whanau, we are continuing to follow this kaupapa to be a healthier event. There will be no fizzy drinks or deep fried food available to purchase onsite. Water stations are available onsite to re-fill your bottles during the week.

Finally..... most of the Waka Ama NZ staff will be onsite at the Lake setting up from Friday 12th January. So please do not expect prompt responses to emails. **For matters of an urgent nature please call Aroha on 021809845 or Lara on 0275484612. Otherwise, the Admin desk will be open at the lake in the Don Rowlands Centre from 2:00 pm- 7:30 pm on Saturday 11th January**

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

## INVASIVE SPECIES MANAGEMENT

As kaitiaki of our roto and awa, we are emphasising the importance of following the new Check Clean Dry steps for our Waka Ama whānau to ensure we do not spread the invasive clam or any other species in our lakes and rivers. For more information, please visit the [Ministry for Primary Industries website](#)

All hoe, life jackets/PFDs, clothing and footwear will need to be **Checked** and washed **Clean** of any visible debris before leaving Lake Karāpiro. On return to your whare, you will also need to follow the Clean and Dry instructions for your clothes, lifejackets, water shoes, and hats.

There will be dedicated wash stations set up for W1 and W6 waka, ama and kiato in the loading bay area - **ALL W1 waka will need to be Cleaned, and stickered BEFORE leaving the loading bay.** Please do your part, follow the instructions of the Kaitūao, and wait patiently for your turn.

### PICK UP / COLLECTION OF W1 WAKA - Wednesday and Thursday, end of day

To clear the area, and monitor the waka washing, we please ask that **ALL W1 waka** finished with on Wednesday are Checked, washed Clean, and **removed from the Loading Bay at the end of the day.** Access will be granted from 3pm. After the Regional W1 250m Dash on Thursday, we ask again please for **ALL W1 waka** to be Checked, washed Clean, and **removed from the Loading Bay.** Access will be from 3pm.



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**When you move gear or waka from one river or lake to another:**

### CHECK - for what is visible

- CHECK and flick off any visible matter like weed, mud or adult clams at the site.



### CLEAN - for what is not visible

- Blast your waka inside and out with tap water, including the ama and kiato, beside the waterway or at home - NOT into a stormwater drain.
- Be sure to wash out any nooks and crevices.
- Then drain it, including removing the bungs.
- Use one of the treatments (below) for absorbent materials that have been in the river or lake water and can stay wet longer - lifejackets, canvas sprayskirts, removable seats, dry bags, booties, straps/ratchets and ropes.

#### CLEANING OPTIONS:

1. Soak in hot tap water (50-55°C) for at least 5 minutes; OR
2. Soak in 5% bleach solution (5-litre mix = 250ml bleach in 4.75L of water) for an hour; OR
3. Freeze until solid (overnight)

### DRY - to be sure

- DRY areas inside the waka where water has pooled with an old towel.
- Ensure all gear is completely dry to touch inside and out.
- Leave waka and gear completely dry for 2 days.



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