



Taupo Crossing Bay2Bay 25th October 2025

Ferry Road, Tapuaeharuru Bay, Lake Taupo

Taupo Wakaama

Pānui 1

EVENT SCHEDULE

9am	Registration, waka drop off & safety checks
10.am	Race & safety briefings
11am	Racing Starts
2pm	Racing finishes
3.30	Prizegiving with sit down Kai

RACE SCHEDULE

Time	Race
10am	Race Briefing - all race
11am	Race Start – women ,mix, w4,w2
11.15am	Race Start Men w6

RACE DAY INFORMATION

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

Trailer parking: Trailer parking will be off street parking. Due to restrictions, this will only be available for trailer drop off – you will need to park your car elsewhere for the day.

Food: We encourage you to bring your own healthy kai, however a Kai will be provided after the race at the prize giving

Toilets: Toilets are located next to the venue

First Aid: First Aid will be available at the registration tent, and also on the water.

Rubbish/Recycling: We encourage you to please take what you bring. However, the main rubbish and recycling station is located by the main toilet block.

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 7.00am on the event day
- Waka drop off will be on the beach front and will be clearly signed with entry & exit
- Trailer parking is on the opposite side of the road, please be aware of your surroundings through this process.

Safety Checks:

- All waka are required to have their spray skirts fitted before the safety check/racing
- 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 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](#)

AGE DIVISIONS & RACE EVENTS

WAKA	DISTANCE	DIVISIONS	GENDER
W6	24 km-28km	Open (16+) J19 (16+)	Men, Women, Mixed
W4	24 km-28km	Open	Men, Women, Mix
W2	24 km-28km	Open	Men, Mix , Women

FEES - PER TEAM

Event	Cost
Open Men/Women/Mix – W6	\$480 per team (\$80 each)
J19 Women,Mix, Men	\$240 per team (\$40 each)

ONLINE ENTRIES & PAYMENT

- Online entries are to be completed using the Waka Ama NZ online entry system.
- All entries to be completed through your club admin – contact them to process your entry
- No entries on the day, no exceptions
- Entries close on **19/10/25**
- Rosters close on **19/10/25**, **rosters must be completed by close date, no exceptions**
- Once entered, payment can be made online to:
 - Makoha Trust account
 - 12-3162-0167368-00
 - Use your club, team name and division as your reference

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- **Competitors should expect strong winds and be competent in paddling in these conditions.**
- **All paddlers will be screened before their entry is accepted.**
- If weather conditions dictate, the Race Director will instruct all paddlers to wear their life jackets to be able to compete
- All waka must be Safety Checked
- Spray skirts must be fitted to all waka before racing commences.
- All Junior (J19) and Senior (Open and above) must have the following safety equipment for their races:
 - PFD - Personal Floatation Device (per person)
 - Bailers
 - Flare or cellphone in waterproof case
 - Spare Paddle - 2 for a W6,
 - Spray Skirt (W6) - fitted onto the waka before racing commences.
 - Tow Rope (W6)
- **Each team will be required to download the Windtracker App, and have that live during racing.**

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 ***taupoCrossing@gmail.com*** or handed in at the managers meeting on the day
- The Team waiver can be found on our event page on the Waka Ama NZ website

CONTACT INFORMATION

- All enquiries please email: ***taupocrossing@gmail.com***
- All urgent matters please call : JB ***02102711252*** or Nia ***0211527336***

COURSE MAPS

Course A is preferred option however Course B & C are alternatives depending on wind direction

