



4th October 2025

Turangawaewae Marae, Ngaruawahia

Turangawaewae Waka Sports

Updated Event Paanui

EVENT SUMMARY

Turangawaewae Waka Sports welcome you to the Turangawaewae 20th Anniversary Regatta to be held at Turangawaewae Marae, Ngaruawahia, 4th October 2025. This is a special event to celebrate our club's 20th year, that offers something to all levels of waka ama paddlers. The event is a full day of fun racing, spot prizes, food vendors and prize giving. We welcome you and your whaanau to join us for this event.

UPDATED EVENT SCHEDULE

7:00am	Waka drop off or night before
7:30am	Registration & safety checks
9:00am	Karakia/Race & safety briefings
9:30am	Race 1 start – 8km W6 Jnr/Novice
9:35am	Race 1 start – 8km W1/W2 ALL Divisions
10:30am	Race 1 finish
10:45am	Race 2 start – 15km W6 Men
10:50am	Race 2 start – 15km W6 Women/Mixed
12:30pm	Race 2 finish – Hangi ready for paddlers
1:00pm	Closing Karakia

- Races will start on time and will begin with the sound of a hooter.
- **Race 1** – Paddle from start buoy at Turangawaewae marae down-stream 4km to Hopuhopu Island, paddle around the island non-ama side and return to finish at Turangawaewae marae.
- **Race 2** – Paddle from start buoy at Turangawaewae marae down-stream 7.5km towards Taupiri, turn ama side on halfway buoy and return to finish at Turangawaewae marae.

RACE DAY INFORMATION

Car Parking: Parking is available at designated carpark below the marae, next to the awa. Please note that parking at the top carpark of the marae is not allowed. All parking is under Turangawaewae Waka Sports Event Management; you will need to read the signs and park accordingly.

Trailer parking: Trailer parking will be in the fields by the marae. Due to restrictions, this will only be available for trailer drop off – you will need to park your car at the front carpark for the day.

Food: Kai will be provided to all paddlers. You are welcome to bring your own kai as well, but please be mindful of rubbish.



Toilets: Toilets are located at the right of the event near the main registration tent.

First Aid: First Aid will be available at the registration tent.

Rubbish/Recycling: We encourage you to please take what you bring.

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 by the front landing and will be clearly signed with entry & exit
 - Trailer parking is on the nearby paddock, 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 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
W1	8km	J16, J19, Open, Master, Senior Master, Golden Master	Men & Women & Junior & Mixed
W2	8km	J16, J19, Open, Master, Senior Master, Golden Master	Men & Women & Junior & Mixed
W6	8km	Novice	Men & Women & Mixed
W6	15km	J16, J19, Open, Master, Senior Master, Golden Master	Men, Women, Mixed

FEES

Fee structures:

- **Per person by age division** (charged one fee according to age division on race day)

PER PERSON BY AGE DIVISION (charged <u>one fee</u> according to age on race day)	
Age Division	Cost
J16	\$25.00
J19	\$25.00
Open	\$35.00
Master	\$35.00



Senior Master	\$35.00
Golden Master	\$35.00

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 your club admin to process your entry
- No entries on the day, no exceptions
- Entries close on **1st October 2025**
- **Rosters close on 2nd October 2025, rosters must be completed by close date, no exceptions** •
- Once entered, payment can be made online to:
- Turangawaewae Waka Sports
- 38-9022-0510483-000
- Use your club, team name and division as your reference

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- All waka must be Safety Checked
- All Junior (J16 & 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, 1 for W1/2
- Tow Rope (W6)
- Leg leash (for sit on top W1 and W2)

INDIVIDUAL & TEAM WAIVERS

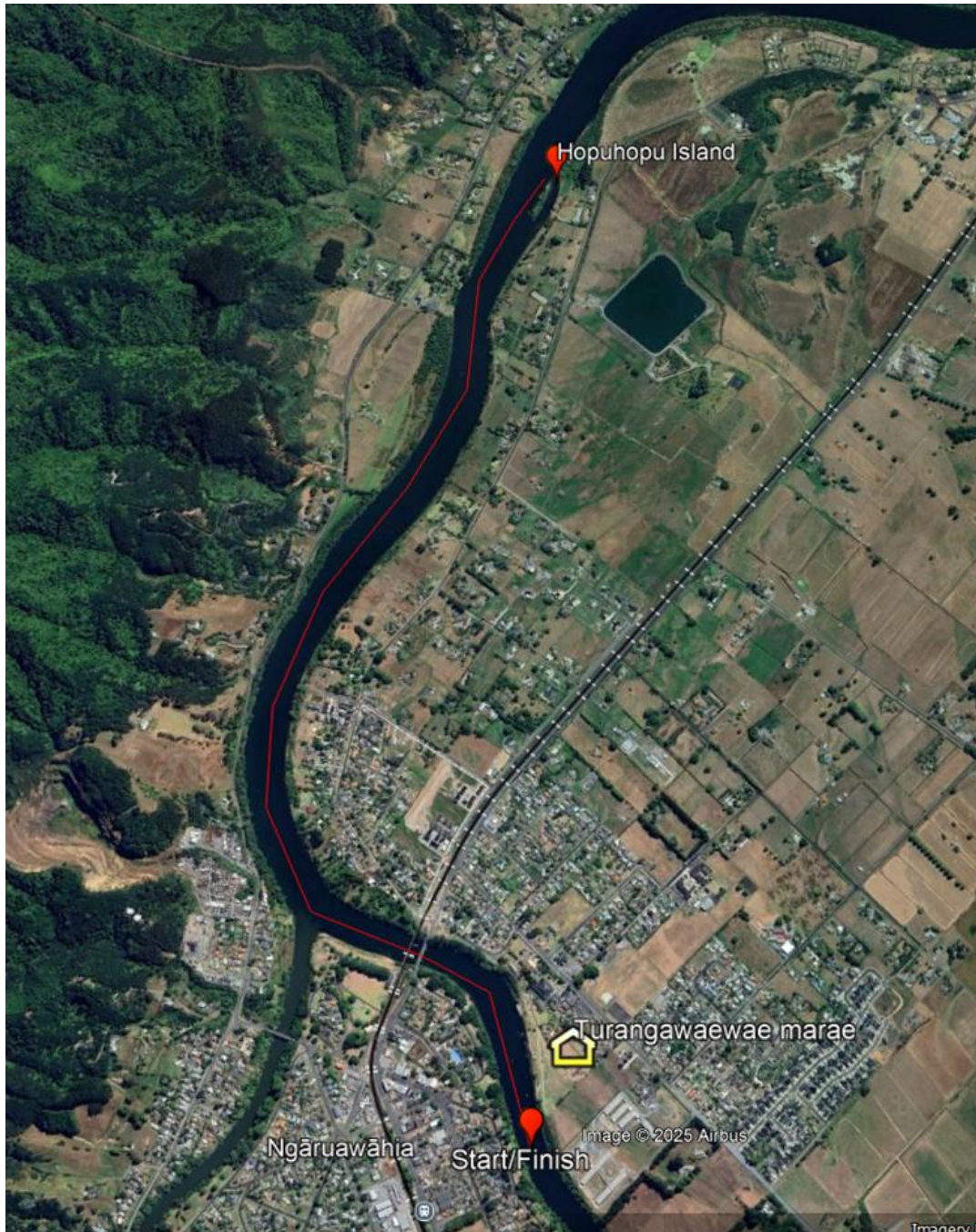
- Individual and Team waivers must be completed by all paddlers/teams
- All paddlers U18 must have their waiver signed by their parent/guardian
- Waivers can be sent to turangawaewaewakasports@gmail.com or handed in at the managers meeting on the day
- Individual & Team waivers can be found on our event page on the Waka Ama NZ website

CONTACT INFORMATION

- All enquiries please email: turangawaewaewakasports@gmail.com
- All urgent matters please call: **0212592921 - Pura**

COURSE MAPS

RACE 1 COURSE MAP: 8km



Staggered race start will begin with the sound of a hooter.

Race 1 – Paddle from start buoy at Turangawaewae marae down-stream 4km to Hopuhopu Island, paddle around the island non-ama side and return to Turangawaewae marae.

- 9:30am Race 1 start – 8km W6 Jnr/Novice
- 9:35am Race 1 start – 8km W1/W2 ALL Divisions

RACE 2 COURSE MAP: 15km



Staggered race start will begin with the sound of a hooter.

Race 2 – Paddle from start buoy at Turangawaewae marae down-stream 7.5km towards Taupiri, turn ama side on halfway buoy and return to finish at Turangawaewae marae.

- 10:45am Race 2 start – 15km W6 Men
- 10:50am Race 2 start – 15km W6 Women/Mixed