



Pakuranga Beach Series
6th June 2026
Narrow Neck Beach, Auckland
Pakuranga Outrigger Canoe Club
Pānui 1

EVENT SUMMARY

Get ready for the third Challenge of our Beach Series at Narrow Neck Beach — a must-do event for waka ama paddlers of all levels! This is a full day of thrilling racing, top-quality competition, and great food, all set against an epic beachside backdrop.

This year we're stepping it up with the inclusion of W1/V1 in the 8km race, expanding the challenge even further. Please note this category will run as Open Grade only, with a minimum entry age of 16. For W6 crews, the minimum age is 14 years, due to open-water conditions.

Prize money is up for grabs for first-place finishers in the 18km Men's, Women's, and Mixed divisions, provided there are at least five entries per division.

Bring your paddling mates, bring your whānau, and join us for an unforgettable day on the water and on the beach. We can't wait to see you there!

EVENT SCHEDULE

7.00am	Registration, waka drop off & safety checks
8.00am	Karakia
8.15am	Race & Safety Briefings
8.45am	8km Racing Starts: Open W1/V1 & J16/J19, Open M&W, MM, MW, SM, SMW, GM, GMW
9.30am	18km Race 2 Safety Briefings
10.30am	Race 2 Racing Starts: W6 Open M&W, MM, MW, SM, SMW, GM, GMW
2.30pm	Closing Karakia

RACE SCHEDULE

Time	Race
8.15am	Race 1 Briefing 8kms
8.45am	Race 1 Start
9.30am	Race 2 Briefing 18kms
10.30am	Race 2 Start
1.30pm	Finish

RACE DAY INFORMATION

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

Trailer parking: Old Lake Road, Vauxhall Road. 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 healthy kai, however a small range of food will be provided by hosts.

Toilets: Near the playground. Open 7am to 9pm in summer and 7am to 7pm in winter.

First Aid: First Aid will be available at the registration tent, via the main driveway.

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 6:00am on the event day
- Waka drop off will be on the beach front landing near boat ramp Old Lake Road, Vauxhall Road.
- Trailer parking is on the opposite 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 entrants must be familiar with the Waka Ama Aotearoa New Zealand race and safety rules. Refer to the following link for more information: [Waka Ama Aotearoa NZ Race Rules](#)

AGE DIVISIONS & RACE EVENTS

WAKA	DISTANCE	DIVISIONS	GENDER
W1	8km	Open	Men & Women
W6	8km	J16, J19, Open, Master, Senior Master, Golden Master	Men, Women and Mixed
W6	18km	Open, Master, Senior Master, Golden Master	Men, Women, Mixed

FEES

PER PERSON BY EVENT <i>(charged for each event entered)</i>	
Event	Event Cost
8km Course: W1/V1 or W6 per paddler	\$20.00
18km Course: W6 per paddler	\$30.00
Both 8km Course + 18km Course per paddler	\$40.00

ONLINE ENTRIES & PAYMENT

- Online entries are to be completed using the Waka Ama Aotearoa 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 **3rd June 2026**
- Rosters close on **4th June 2026**, rosters must be completed by close date, no exceptions
- Once entered, payment can be made online to:
 - Pakuranga Outrigger Canoe Club Te Tahawai O Pakuranga Incorporated
 - 38-9018-0482221-02
 - Use your club, team name and division as your reference

Note: You may use Pakuranga Outrigger Canoe Club as Account Name, payments will still be received so long as the bank account number is entered correctly.

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 to be handed in at registration on the day
- Individual/Team waivers can be found on our [event page](#) on the Waka Ama Aotearoa NZ website



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
 - Spray Skirt (W6)
 - Tow Rope (W6)
 - Leg leash (for sit on top W1)

CONTACT INFORMATION

- All enquiries please email: pocc1998@gmail.com
- All urgent matters please call: **Mike 0220936020**
- Facebook: [Pakuranga Outrigger Canoe Club | Facebook](#)

COURSE MAPS

MAP 1: Narrow Neck Beach 8km Course



MAP 2: Narrow Neck Beach 18km Course



- High tide: 11.16am Low tide: 05.07am