



WAITAKERE W1 / W2 RACE EVENT Part of the AROCA Series

Saturday 26 August 2017
Bridge Ave, Te Atatu South, Auckland

Event Details

Host Club: Waitakere Outrigger Canoe Club

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Entries: Waka Ama NZ online system

Race Programme

Please note: We intend to run on-time!!

7.00am Registration Opens, Collect pack from registration

7.20am Safety boat briefing for all safety boat personnel at registration area

7.40am Karakia and Race Briefing for Paddlers Race 1 – 5km Race at registration area

8.00am Race 1 starts (to finish around 8.40am)

8.50am Race Briefing for Race 2 – 15km Women/Mixed at registration area

9.05am Race 2 starts (to finish around 11am)

11.10am Race Briefing for Race 3 – 15km Men/Mixed at registration area

11.30am Race 3 starts (to finish around 12.45pm)

There will be hot soup after each race.

Site Instructions

Please follow instructions from our friendly officials.

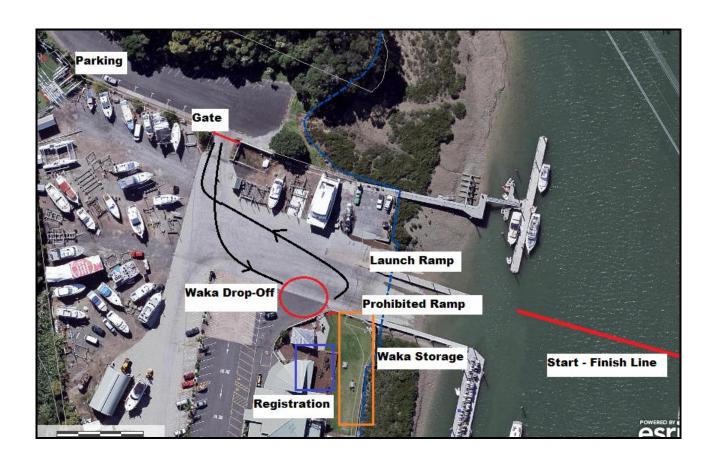
Most important requirement – sorry, we are not permitted to park on-site – you must park your vehicle out on the street. However you can come on to the site for waka drop-off purposes.

You will be met at the gate and directed to the waka drop-off area. Please do not dilly-dally dropping your waka off!! If you are OK with it our officials will safely take your waka for you. It is a short walk to place it on the grassed storage area next to registration. You then need to move your vehicle back out to the street.

Please complete your registration asap.

You must attend briefings on time, at the registration area. You will need to sign off on your attendance. No signature, no result recorded.

Looking from the land there is a right hand ramp and a left hand ramp. Use of the right hand ramp is prohibited (this is a Te Atatu Boating Club requirement). Anyone using the right hand ramp, either before or after a race, will be DQed. The left hand ramp is fine – especially as the tide will be high for most of the racing.



Safety Checks

All safety checks need to be completed 15mins prior to racing. Checkers will be in high vis and it is the paddler's responsibility to ensure your waka is checked. A coloured plastic tie will be attached to your kiato to signify check completed. If your waka is being used for multiple races you need to have another check between races (different coloured ties will be used for each race).

Race Courses

Races will begin outside the ramp. Please note paddlers will need to negotiate under the motorway bridge 200m from the start line, and then moored boats outside the bridge. Briefings will emphasise the need for safety, people and property.

See the Course Map below. The course requires the rounding of channel markers – this will be explained at briefing. There will be a 1 minute penalty for failure to round a marker.

High tide is 10.38am. Races 1 and 2 will start into the tide, Race 3 with the tide.

The 5km race turns on a red channel marker in the middle of the harbour. The 15k race turns just before the Chelsea Sugar Works wharf (actual turn position will depend on whether or not there is a ship at the wharf). The 15k course in particular can be challenging – it is unlikely conditions will be big but if the wind is up there is a short sharp chop and the currents can test your steering skills. Not so tricky for the 5k course unless it is very windy.



Results

All results will be on AROCA facebook page directly after the race, they will also be displayed at the venue.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOU JOINING WAITAK FOR A GREAT DAY'S RACING!!