

Auckland Regional Sprint Championships 2018

Saturday 8th – Sunday 9th December Lake Pupuke, North Shore, Auckland PĀNULTWO

Tēnā koutou ngā kaihoe o te rohe o Tāmaki Makarau. Ka nui te mihi ki a koutou mai te poari nei. Kua tae ki te wā ki te whakaritenga te hinengaro me te wairua o ngā tangata mō te whakataetae matua ā tērā tau. Nau mai, piki mai ki te roto o Pupuke.

Karawhuia tātou.

Key Dates are:

Tuesday 28 November: Entries closed

Tuesday 5 December: Late entries (if accepted) and any roster changes

Wednesday 5 December: Lane Draw Available (on the WANZ website)

REGATTA EVENTS				
W1	250m dash	J19 & Premier		
W1	500m	Intermediate – Master 70s		
W6	250m	Straight race for Midgets		
W6	500m	Intermediate – Senior Masters / Golden Masters / 70s		
W6	500m turn	Intermediate		
W6	1000m turns	J16s – Senior Masters		

Volunteer Breakdown Regional Championship					
	Subject to Change				
		Saturday	Sunday		
Loading Bay	6- 12	Manukau (3) / Ocean Blue (3) (W1 day so less needed)	Akarana(4) / Tui Tonga(2)/Manukau (6)		
Runners/ Food and Water delivery		T Tara ai Ora	T. Tanai Ora		
(lunchtime only)	2	Tu Tangi Ora	Tu Tangi Ora		
Marshall	4	Pakuranga (2)/ Portage Crossing (2)	Cook Islands (4)		
Registration	3	Waitakere	Waitakere		
Parking	4	Cook Islands	Te Pou		
Starter	2	TBC	TBC		
Spotters / Results	6	Waitakere (2) /Te Paerangi (1)/Lorry (1)/ Tamaki (1) AROCA rep	Waitakere (2) /Te Paerangi (1)/Lorry (1)/ Tamaki (1) AROCA rep		
Variety of clubs required for spotting to ensure consistency and fairness					
Waka Rigging/De- rigging	3	Tanis do a / To Danaranai	Taniuha / Ta Daaranai		
Assistance only Waka Weighing	4	Taniwha/Te Paerangi	Taniwha/ Te Paerangi		
Safety Boats Spotters	4	Aratika/Tamaki			
(not drivers)	2	Aratika/Tamaki	Te Pou (1) / Manukau (1)		
Safety Boats Drivers	3	No Club allocation will arrange separately			
Commentator	2	No Club required			
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All participating clubs are expected to provide non paddling volunteers for each day of the event. A draft volunteer schedule has been provided so that clubs have an idea of area of allocation.

All volunteers will be provided with lunch both days and a Volunteer t-shirt (note sizes will be limited but all steps will be taken to provide a suitable size)

One representative from the clubs must check in at the admin desk - collect shirts and confirm they are onsite and numbers for lunch.

*Note any individuals wishing to assist can contact admin@aroca.co.nz

RACE RULES AND EVENT DAY DETAILS

Race Rules - See PĀNUI One for details

ARRIVAL OF PADDLERS ON RACE DAY

- Team managers or club representatives only to advise of withdrawals to admin.
- Admin will be based at covered area by the toilet block.
- Paddlers (and/or club reps) to become familiar with the race course layout, the event area, race schedule and lane draw.
- Know when your race is and listen for the marshalling call over the sound system.
- All paddlers / teams in the marshalling area must have with them their lifejackets (midgets and intermediates), their paddles and/or W1 waka. Races will not be held for teams waiting for equipment or W1 waka they will miss their race.

PRE PROCEDURE

- All races will have one call via the MC 20 mins prior to racing. Paddlers must ensure they are able to hear the calls.
- The marshalling area will call paddlers twice. The first will be race number only, the second will be by name of any missing paddlers.
- Parents and coaches are not permitted through marshalling area and at loading bay.
- Loading Bay officials will notify paddlers when to load out. Lanes will be loaded out 8 through to 1.
- Paddlers are then to wait 50m off the start line. Please avoid drifting.
- Race starts will be by flags only, no verbal calls will be made.
- Adults trailing midget crews please do not cross the finish line and follow rules as listed in Waka Ama NZ rules attached herewith.

WAKA WEIGHING

The Weigh In station will be located at the gated end of the carpark area and clearly marked for paddlers to see. Weigh In will be open from 6.30am – 9.30am. This timeframe will be the only time available for weigh in.

There will be two sets of scales to assist with the large number of waka to be weighed. Waka will be marked with a coloured tag if they are over or under weight. **Green** for 16kg or over; **Red** for under 16kg. These tags must remain on your waka until the end of competition.

If you know your waka will be under 16kg in weight, you will need to bring appropriate weights to reweigh and confirm legal weight. Appropriate weights like vinyl, rubber or cast iron weights. Rice and water are not accepted weight options.

If additional paddlers will be using your waka for regionals have their name, club and race division available so it can be recorded along with your waka details.

PROGRESSIONS

Details on who progresses from heats to finals will be available at administration and on the website.

NOTE: 250m dash will be on times due to the large number, ensure your paddlers know to paddle as fast as possible in their race and not just try and win that heat.

BRIEFINGS

Will be held in front of the administration area. It is suggested as many people as possible attend. We will endeavour to do a second briefing for those who arrive later in the day. If you have any questions ensure you ask these prior to your races.

PROGRAMME

Programme is available on the website for download.

PROTESTS

Protests: to be made to Registration within 15 minutes of the respective event result being posted. These must be done by Club rep or team manager.

Weather Conditions or Other Delays

In case of severe weather conditions on race day, the race director retains the right to stop, postpone and/or cancel races on race day. Please note that we will be unable to refund race fees in this case.

If delays occur, races may be combined or shortened at the sole discretion of the organising committee or the race director.

NATIONALS QUALIFICATIONS

As well as a Regional Championship, this is also the qualifying event for the 2019 NKOA Sprint Nationals. The quota number of paddlers who will qualify from the Auckland Region is listed in Pānui One.

WAITLIST

Paddlers unable to participate at the regionals wanting to make quota for Nationals will be required to write to the Regional Event Committee at admin@aroca.co.nz requesting their inclusion on the Waiting List before entries close. The fee applicable for inclusion on the waiting list is the same as the event entry fee for that race. Participants who make quota are included at the bottom of the quota list. Participants from Regionals who compete but do not qualify can be placed on the waitlist for Nationals with the waitlist fee included in their regionals entry fee. NOTE: Regionals participants who do not qualify MUST advise AROCA if they want to be included on the waitlist. Paddlers who do not qualify or are 1st or 2nd in line will automatically be added to the waitlist and must notify AROCA if they do not wish to be included.

W12 QUALIFICATION

AROCA W12 teams will be selected by the first and second placed team in the Open category. If teams are not wanting to be included in the representative teams this must be notified to the registration tent at the event so that the third team can be notified.

AROCA REP SHIRTS

All W1 paddlers who qualify will have the option to purchase an AROCA representative shirt at a subsidised rate. Shirts can be worn to race at Nationals but will not be compulsory.

All W12 paddlers MUST wear an AROCA representative shirt to paddle in the W12 National race. These will be provided free of charge.

TIMELINE DETAILS

All W1 paddlers who have qualified and the W12 representative teams will be updated online 12th December. All paddlers must confirm by the 15th December at the latest so that entries can be made by closing date.

Note if paddlers are confirmed and then withdraw a \$50 administration fee will be charged. These charges will be invoiced to the club.

SITE INSTRUCTIONS

SAFETY

ON WATER

There will be three support boats on the water with at least two support boats monitoring racing.

One of these will be stationary on the start line (aligner boat); the flag boat will be roaming to monitor the racing.

- Midget and intermediate paddlers must wear life jackets.
- Paddlers that are not able to swim at least 50m must also wear life jackets. This also applies to adult paddlers.
- Clubs must ensure that the paddlers they enter are sufficiently capable to participate in their events and handle reasonably difficult conditions (eg wind gusts up to 30knots). Note that while support boats will rescue paddlers, they will NOT assist paddlers in lining up (which can be difficult for novice paddlers, especially in W1, if winds are stronger than 10knots).

If paddlers are not able to line up within a reasonable time frame, the race will be run without them and they will be disqualified.

• In case of adverse weather conditions on race day, the race director retains the right to stop, postpone and/or cancel races on race day. Note that organisers will be unable to refund race fees in this case.

LAND

- Clubs are to observe all rules specified at briefing
- Each club should have a first aid kit onside. An additional event kit will be available at admin.
- No vehicles will be permitted to park on the drive way areas, the exception being any emergency vehicles and domain management vehicles

EVENT REQUIREMENTS

VENDORS

Any commercial vendors wanting to be onsite need to apply to admin. There is a \$100 site fee for the full weekend event.

CATERER

We are looking for a Caterer to provide a food stall at the event on Sunday. This is a great fundraising opportunity for teams leading up to Nationals. You will need to supply healthy food options and drinks for purchase. Email admin@aroca.co.nz for more information.

WAKA HIRE

We have 8 lanes for our event and 16 W6 Waka are required. Three clubs have offered their waka and we are looking for 10 more waka. Clubs will be paid \$100 per waka. All waka are required to be rigged and unrigged by the providing clubs and must be rigged and at pontoons 1 hour prior to races starting (at the latest). If trailer parking is required, clubs must contact admin@aroca.co.nz to confirm arrangements.

TENT ALLOCATION

Clubs will not be allocated a site but if tents are placed on the hill leading down towards the water they must not be at a height to unreasonably limit the view of other spectators. This will be at the discretion of the event organisers and you may be asked to move further back.

PARKING

Grass parking will be allocated on Saturday to paddlers, specified volunteers vehicles with club tents and club trailers in the first instance. If space is available, additional parking may be available. It is essential drivers use their hazard lights and drive at a slow speed. Spotters will assist in parking allocation.

Mobility parking will be available in the carpark by the toilet block, a current mobility pass will need to be displayed.

Additional volunteer parking may be available in this space but a pass must be visible. If no volunteer pass or mobility pass is visibility cars may be removed at the cost of the vehicle owner. AROCA will give passes to those that require them.

WAKA STORAGE AND DROP OFF

Clubs that are bringing waka need to work with AROCA on trailer parking and drop off zones. Trailer parking will be on the driveway at the base of the lake. If additional trailer parking is necessary, space will be available up on the grass area. Security will be onsite Friday and Saturday evening. The park gates are also locked overnight.

PRIZES

OVERALL CLUB PRIZE

A trophy and prize of \$1,000 will be awarded to the club with most points over the weekend. Points will be awarded from finals, as per pānui one breakdown

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS / PRIZEGIVING

A formal prize-giving ceremony will take place immediately at the conclusion of each day's racing and throughout the day as specified in the schedule or via the MC. Note that the AROCA Regional Awards are being awarded at AROCA AGM.