



7th Annual Pearl of the North Race

Date Saturday 24th October 2020



Kia ora koutou e te whanau huri noa te motu.

Ka tuku mihi ki te rungarawa, mo ona tini manakitanga, tae noa ki tenei ra, ki tenei haora. Ratou kua wehetia, haere haere haere. Ratou i mawiwi tia ana i runga i te rewaha Covid 19, ka aroha atu ki a koutou.

Ara ki a tatou kua whiwhi te honore me te oranga na te atua e homai.

Tena ra koutou tena tatou katoa.

It is our privilege to invite you all to the 7th edition of the Pearl of the North, knowing full well other regattas have not been so fortunate to be held.

Obviously we as a whanau, are experiencing some very tough times with this pandemic ravishing countries around us, and we get it...

We also know, we miss one and another, and so we will do all that we can to make this a memorial, but safe regatta.

Venue Tapuaetahi Beach

Entry to venue is off Purerua Rd just 1km past the Bay of Islands International Academy and through a coded gate, which will be left open.

Early birds may drop of waka on Friday if staying close by.

RACE FEES

Paddle all you want OC1-V1-W6....Race fees include soup straight after all races and a much anticipated hakari.

We will endeavour to make your day a totally worthwhile experience, topped off with a delicious meal. With a seafood feast promised and hot servings to send you home happy...if you want to go home, cos we'll have more for those staying behind!!

10km Categories are from J16-Seniors

OC1-W1/2 /3 /W6 female/male/mixed

All paddlers \$40 p/p female/male /mixed

24km

All paddlers \$50 p/p

For super fit paddlers!! 10km W1/2/3 and or W/six



6am Unload and rig waka

7am Registration open, completed waiver forms handed in.

Safety Checks

9am Karakia

Race 1 brief, steerers and boaties must attend

930 Race 1 beach start. (Flags red/green)

W1/2/3 (ruddered and rudderless)

3 laps of 3.3km triangular course

11am Safety check

Race brief

1130 Race start

24km

Safety checks will commence when last waka finishes and all accounted for.

*Please be organised and ensure all waivers are signed and handed in well in advance.
This is so that all teams are accounted for during and after the race .*



Race director reserves the right to alter the program or course as he/she sees fit...

Conditions may change which may alter the course direction or layout, eg from one 24km triangular lap, to 2 x 12km, or even 3 x 8km.etc

Race 2 Safety check approx. 11am

Race 2 Brief with steerers and boaties 1115am

Race 2

10km start from the beach all category 1130pm

Race 3 24km All Categories

1230 Safety checks

1244 Race brief with paddlers and boaties

1300 race 3 beach start

Soup will be served throughout the day for paddlers, and food and coffee stalls for all.

Accommodations

There are now marae facilities available at Hiruharama Hou this year.

So in order to pay for this, we will be charging \$20 p/p which will include use of all amenities , breakfast/dinner .If you have any special requirements please bring your own food.

Please book early to give us a fair indication of expected numbers

However there are lots of motels and BnB only 10mins away in the Kerikeri/Waipapa area as well as bookabache at Tapuaetahi Beach.

No reira, ,

Please also register your teams early to give us the best opportunity to arrange waka for those

coming from a far. Although with the lack of events in recent times and paddlers thirsting for action, we encourage you to arrange your own waka.

We will work with local clubs to ensure teams South of Auckland are taken care of 1st and foremost.

WAKA HIRE

are typically around \$120 for a mahimahi with skirts, bring your own bailers , rope and jackets and any extra lashings, just in case.If you damage them your club will be invoiced for repairs carried out.

W1 \$30 (includes \$10 bond, as last year paddlers just walked off without putting hired waka away)

No reira e nga mata waka, nau mai haere mai, ki te Riu o Ngati Rehia

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(All team payment with references through your club reps please)