



Race 1, Hosted By Hawaikinui Tuarua Waka Ama Club

Kaupapa

The Hoe Tonga Paddler Series is designed to attract new paddlers to our sport, and to enable paddlers and teams to race during the winter season. The Series is overseen by Hoe Tonga, but each event in the series is hosted and organised by clubs within the Hoe Tonga region.

DATE: Saturday - 20 May 2023

VENUE: [Ngāti Toa Sea Scout, 6F Pascoe Avenue, Paremata, Porirua](#)

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Site map [6F Pascoe Ave, Paremata – Porirua 5026](#)



General Information

- General vehicle access is restricted in and around Waka unload/loading area.
- Plenty of parking is available along the grass verge or along the road, prior to the no access zone.
- Waka trailers will be allowed in the restricted area to unload and park trailer during the event.
- Once your team arrive at the event, please register your team arrival at the Registration Desk.
- [Waiver forms attached in this Panui](#), must be signed by all paddlers and handed in at registration
- [Safety check list attached in this Panui](#), please ensure this is met prior to racing. This will be checked off on the day, before racing begins.



Event Details

Entries

- Entries must be completed online by your Club coordinator
- All paddlers must be affiliated to a Waka Ama club and Waka Ama NZ
- \$20 Entry Fee per Junior Paddler, and \$30 Entry fee per senior paddler
- Clubs will be invoiced by Hoe Tonga – Payment to be made to invoiced account.
- Entry fees are non-refundable but can be transferred to a paddler in your team.
- **Team entries closes on Saturday, 13 May 2023**
- **The paddler roster closes on Wednesday, 17 May 2023**

Race Categories

- **Short Course (7-9km)** for juniors and novice teams e.g. 1st year paddlers. **Race 1 - First Race.**
- **Long course (15-18km)** for more experienced paddlers. **Race 2 - Second Race.**

See below for race course, any change to the course due to weather conditions will be notified at the race briefing.

Course Divisions

Short Course:

- Junior teams (Grades J16/J19): men, women, mixed
- Novice teams (Grades J16 to M70): men, women, mixed and mixed age groups. They can also include up to three senior paddlers to make up numbers.

Long course

- U23 to M70: men, women, mixed

Safety

- Competitors must wear an approved personal floatation device (must be in good condition and correct size)
- W6 Spray skirts are mandatory.
- W6 safety checks must be met prior to race start, see attached safety check list on required items.

Programme

7:30am Volunteers arrive, safety boat briefing
8:00am Registration, rigging waka and safety checks
8:30am Karakia
9:00m Novice and Juniors race briefing
9:30am Novice and Juniors race start
11:00am Open race briefing
11:30am Open race start
1:00pm Pack up de-briefing

Race Forms

The following forms must be completed prior to racing;

- **Waiver Form:** This is required to be completed and handed in as part of your race entry. This form can be completed prior, by scanning the completed form and sending it to Hawaikinuiwakaama@gmail.com. Otherwise this can be printed off and handed into the race registration desk on the day. Form is attached below.
- **Safety Check Form:** This is required to be completed, and signed off on the day by the host club. This is to confirm that all safety requirements have been met for the race. Form is attached below.

Cancellation

Event organisers will endeavour to communicate any cancellations by 12pm the day prior to the event, or earlier if possible. Notification will be via Hoe Tonga pages.

Kai Pass

All race competitors at this event will be provided with a kai pass. The kai pass entitles you to hot foods prepared on the day. Passes will be handed out at the time of registrations being completed on the day.



Race Course

Race 1 Junior and Novice (7-9km) – Main course



Should conditions not be suitable for the main course, then the following alternate course will be used.





W6 Safety Check Form

Note: Safety check will be completed on the day by a safety officer.

Team name
Club name
Race #

Waka description (used in the event number goes missing - helps with identifying you at the finish line)

Waka name		Gunnel colour	
Skirt colour		Hull colour	
Other		Ama colour	

	2 x bailers
	1 x lifejacket per paddler
	2 x spare paddles
	Spray skirts
	1 x VHF radio or
	1 x Flare or
	1 x Personal locator beacon or
	1 x Cell phone - waterproofed or in waterproof case
	1 x Tow rope (20m) – rope must be secured to canoe
	Safety Check tag on kiato

Safety Check Officer Name _____

Safety Check Officer Signed _____