



**Manukau Outrigger Canoe Club 2026
Taitamariki/Intermediate Race Series
Sunday 17th May 2026
Ian Shaw Park Reserve, Mt Wellington
Pānui 1**

EVENT SUMMARY

Manukau Outrigger Canoe Club invites you to the 2026 Taitamariki/Intermediate Race Series, taking place at Ian Shaw Park Reserve on Sunday, 17th May 2026. The Manukau Taitamariki/Intermediate Race Series is a winter-season event designed to give our tamariki the chance to continue paddling during the colder months, while keeping waka ama as an accessible and enjoyable sport year-round. The series is open to paddlers of all abilities, from beginners to more experienced juniors, ensuring everyone has an opportunity to participate. The event promises a full day of exciting races, food vendors, and fun for all our tamariki.

We warmly invite you and your whānau to join us for this fun and inclusive event!

EVENT SCHEDULE

8.00am	Registration & safety checks
8.10am	Karakia
8.15am	Managers meeting
8.30am	Race & safety briefings
9.00am	Racing starts 2km
10.00am	Racing starts 4km
12.00	Racing finishes
12.30pm	Closing Karakia

RACE SCHEDULE

Time	Race
8.30am	Race Briefing - all races
9.00am	Race Start – W6 2km Taitamariki
10.00am	Race Start – W6 4km Intermediate



RACE DAY INFORMATION

Car Parking: Parking is available inside the venue behind the Ngā Hau Maiangi building as well as street parking. Please note all parking is under Auckland Council management, you will need to read the signs and park accordingly. There is strictly **NO** parking past the island/roundabout.

Food: We encourage you to bring your own healthy kai.

Toilets: Toilets are located under the Ngā Hau Maiangi building.

First Aid: First Aid will be available at the registration tent.

Rubbish/Recycling: We encourage you to please take what you bring. However, there are council rubbish bins at the venue. Please note these are small bins only.

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

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.
- **Life Jackets are compulsory for all tamariki.**

RACE RULES

All entrants must be familiar with the Waka Ama New Zealand race and safety rules.

Refer to the following link for more information: [Waka Ama NZ Race Rules](#)

AGE DIVISIONS & RACE EVENTS

WAKA	DISTANCE	DIVISIONS	GENDER
W6	2km	Taitamariki	Boys, Girls, Mixed
W6	4km	Intermediate	Boys, Girls, Mixed

FEES

Fees: Fees for this event are *a gold coin koha per paddler. Pay at registration on the day.*

PER PERSON BY AGE DIVISION	
Age Division	Cost
Taitamariki	Gold coin koha per paddler
Intermediate	Gold coin koha per paddler

ONLINE ENTRIES & PAYMENT

- Online entries are to be completed using the Waka Ama NZ online entry system. <https://www.wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar>
- 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 **Wednesday 13th May 2026 11.59pm**



- Rosters close on **Thursday 14th May 11.59pm**, rosters must be completed by close date, no exceptions. No late entries will be accepted, including on the day.

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- All waka must be Safety Checked
- All taitamariki and intermediate age divisions **must wear life jackets**
- All Juniors must have the following safety equipment for their races:
 - PFD - Personal Floatation Device (per person)
 - Spare Paddle - 2 for a W6

INDIVIDUAL & TEAM WAIVERS

- Team waivers must be completed by all paddlers/teams
- All paddlers U18 must have their waiver signed by their parent/guardian
- Waivers can be sent to manukauoutriggers@gmail.com or handed in at the managers meeting on the day.
- Team waivers can be found here: [Manukau Taitamariki/Intermediate Series: Race 1 \(Subject to Sanctioning\) - Waka Ama NZ](#)

CONTACT INFORMATION

- All enquiries please email: manukauoutriggers@gmail.com
- All urgent matters please call: **Tamara Rameka 0211115313**



COURSE MAPS

2km Course

4km course will be the 2km x 2





500m Course



- High tide: 7.12am
- Low tide: 1.20pm