

Nau mai, haere mai ki Te Rotohoe i Rotomā 2017

Tēnei te karapu waka ama o Ruamata te pōhiri atu nei ki a koutou kei ngā tini mātāwaka huri noa. Ruamata Waka Ama Club warmly invite you to attend the first race in the 2017 Rotohoe Series at Rotomā.

Race Venue:

Matahi Road, Lake Rotomā

Date:

Saturday 11 March 2017

Cost:

\$90 Adult W6

\$60 Junior W6

\$10 W1/W2 (per paddler)

- Juniors' and Novice W6 race (approximately 8 km)
- W1 & W2 race will be held at each event (approximately 8 km)
- The distance for the Women's/Men's/Mixed W6 (approximately 15 km)

PROGRAMME/HŌTAKA

7:00am	Ruruku waka/Lash waka
7.30 - 8.15 am	REGISTRATIONS and WAKA CHECKS
8.40 am	RACE BRIEFING - Race 1 and 2
9.00 am	RACE 1 - Men's W6
9.10 am	RACE 2 - Women's and Mixed W1 & W2
10.50 am	RACE BRIEFING - Race 3
11.15 am	RACE 3 - Novice and Junior (Men's, Women's and Mixed) W6
12.30 pm	RACE BRIEFING - Race 4 & 5
12.50 pm	RACE 4 - Women's and Mixed W6
1.00 pm	RACE 5 - Men's W1 & W2
2.30 pm	Karakia whakawātea/Pack up

IN ADDENDUM/HE KŌRERO TĀPIRI

Safety Waiver

The Waiver MUST BE SIGNED BY EACH CREW MEMBER.

Junior/novice paddlers

- Junior: 13-19 years of age, paddling in J16 or J19 division (as per Ngā Kaihoe o Aotearoa race rules). Minimum age for entry is 13 years.
- All J16 paddlers must wear a PFD when racing. Any paddlers not able to swim 200m should also wear a PFD when racing.
- In the spirit of fair competition the novice race is intended for new-ish paddlers to compete with other new-ish paddlers. Apart from one or two experienced/competitive paddler/s, who can provide steering and general support, please respect the kaupapa of this race

Entries & Payments:

Entries are on the day of the event.

Checklist:

W6 Waka	W1/2 Waka
2 spare paddles	1 spare paddle
6 PFDs	1 PFD per paddler
2 bailers	1 bailer (or self-draining)
25m tow rope (secured to taumanu)	Spare lashing
Spray skirt (MAY BE REQUIRED)	

Competition points:

Points are allocated to crews and are based on results at each Rotohoe Event and will be totalled at the end of the series. These totals will then determine the winners of each division over the series. Crews can only accumulate points in ONE division over the series.

For Championship placements on the points table:

- Crews are required to have at least **three of the same** crew members in each race.
- Crews need to complete **at least three** Rotohoe races.
- Crews must paddle in the scheduled race. Mixed crews **must** compete in the Women's/Mixed race (Race 1) to be eligible for points.
- There **must** be a minimum of three participants (W1, W2 or W6) in a division. In the event that there are insufficient participants in a division, paddlers/teams can enter a lower age division e.g. Senior master women can choose to race in the master women's division if there are only one or two senior master women's teams.
- Points allocation: 1st=4pts 2nd=3pts 3rd=2pts. All other entries = 1pt

NB: Please ensure you register with the same crew name at each event.

Waka booking:

All enquiries to: ruamatawaka@gmail.com. For those teams who have booked waka, please make sure you bring your own gear as listed above. You are also required to rig and de-rig your waka on the day.

Enquiries:

Race Director: Heeni Hope

Club Secretary: Amy Scott

Email: ruamatawaka@gmail.com

How to find the venue:

- From Rotorua :
 - Turn right from Te Ngae Road on to SH 30 – the Whakatane turn-off.
 - Continue on this road towards Whakatane until you reach Rotomā (approximately 25 – 30 km). Turn left on to Matahi Road.
- From Tauranga :
 - Turn right from SH 33 on to SH 30 – the Whakatane turn-off.
 - Continue on this road as described above.
 - From Whakatane :
 - From SH 30 from Whakatane turn right on to Matahi Road.

Please be aware of oncoming and following traffic when turning.