



# Nau mai, haere mai ki Te Rotohoe i Ōtauirā

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 invites you to attend the fourth in the Rotohoe Series at Ōtauirā (the greater swamp area now known as Hannahs Bay), Lake Rotorua.

**Race Distances:**

W6 – Approx. 18 km

W1/W2 & Junior W6 – Approx. 10 km

*See map for race course.*

**Race Venue:**

Hannahs Bay Reserve, Lake Rotorua

**Date:**

Saturday 9th June 2012

**Cost:**

\$12 Adult Paddlers

\$7 Junior Paddlers (Up to J19)

**How to find the venue:**

From Te Ngae Road (Rotorua) turn on to Lee Road (left turn from the south and west; right turn from the north and east). Turn right onto Willow Ave.

*See map for race course.*



## PROGRAMME/HŌTAKA

7:30am	Karakia ruruku waka & waka lashing
8:00am	Registrations begin Waka safety checks
8.30am:	RACE BRIEFING Karakia
9:00am	Race start WOMEN W6: open, master and senior master MIXED W6
9:05am	Race start JUNIOR W6: women, mixed NOVICE W6: women, mixed
9:10am	Race start MEN W1/W2: junior, open, master and senior master
10.45 am	Safety checks for Men's race
11.00 am	RACE BRIEFING
11.30 am	Race start MEN W6: open, master and senior master MIXED W6
11.35 am	Race start JUNIOR W6: men, mixed, novice
11.40 am	Race start
11.40 am	WOMEN W1/W2: junior, open, master and senior master
1.30 pm	Pack up Karakia whakawātea

## NOTE/KIA MAHARA

- All junior paddlers 13-19 years must wear a PFD when racing
- 25m tow rope & 6 PFDs required on all W6 waka
- Spray skirts are COMPULSARY on the day
- Start protocol will be explained at race briefing
- The finish requires ONE paddler from a waka to run through the finishing tunnel, stating the teams name and division. He/she will be told the team's time, which will also be recorded by the time keepers
- PLEASE DO NOT RUN WAKA UP ON TO THE BEACH
- Please clear the finishing area as soon as possible at the end of the race

### Checklist:

#### W6 Waka:

- 2 spare paddles
- 6 PFDs
- 2 bailers
- 25m tow rope
- Spray skirt (COMPULSARY!)



**W1/W2 Waka:**

- 1 spare paddle
- 1 PFD per paddler
- 1 – 2 bailers
- 1 flare
- Spray skirts (COMPULSARY for waka with cockpit)

**Waka booking:**

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.

**Points allocation:**

Points are allocated to teams and W1/W2 paddlers based on results at each Rotohoe race and will be totalled at the end of the series. These totals will then determine the winners of each division over the series. Teams/paddlers can only accumulate points in ONE division over the series. However a paddler can paddle in both a W6 division and a W1/W2 division. See *Conditions of Entry* .

**Junior/novice paddlers**

We ask that clubs use their discretion around junior and novice paddlers, particularly where conditions are challenging.

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