



Nau mai, haere mai ki Te Rotohoe i Ngongotaha

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 once again to participate in the Rotohoe Series by attending the last of five races at Ngongotaha, Lake Rotorua.

Race Distances:

W6 – Approx. 22 km

W1/W2 & Junior W6 – Approx. 12 km

See map for race course.

Race Venue:

Ngongotaha Lakefront Reserve, Ngongotaha, Lake Rotorua

Date:

Saturday 14th July 2012

Cost:

\$12 Adult Paddlers

\$7 Junior Paddlers (Up to J19)

How to find the venue:

From West: Turn left at roundabout off State Highway 5 on to Ngongotaha Rd. Turn right at Tauī St in Ngongotaha township. Turn left on to Wikaraka St, and right on to Reeme St. The reserve is on the lakefront.

From East via Rotorua City: Head towards Hamilton on Fairy Springs Rd, which becomes Ngongotaha Rd. Head straight through the roundabout into Ngongotaha. Turn right at Tauī St in Ngongotaha township. Turn left on to Wikaraka St, and right on to Reeme St. The reserve is on the lakefront.

From East and North via Hamurana Rd: Turn left at Wikaraka St after the Waiteti bridge upon entering Ngongotaha. Turn left on to Reeme St. The reserve is on the lakefront.

See map for race course.



PROGRAMME/HŌTAKA

- 7:30am: Karakia ruruku waka
Lash waka
- 8:00am: Registrations begin
Waka safety checks
- 8:30am: RACE BRIEFING
Karakia
- 9:00am: RACE START WOMEN: open, master and senior master W6
MIXED W6
- 9:05am: RACE START JUNIOR and NOVICE: women and mixed W6
- 9:10am: RACE START MEN: junior, open, master and senior master W1/W2
- 11:00am: Safety checks for Men's race
- 12.00pm: RACE BRIEFING
- 12:30pm: RACE START MEN: open, master and senior master W6
MIXED W6
- 12:35pm: RACE START JUNIOR and NOVICE: men and mixed W6
- 12:40pm: RACE START WOMEN: junior, open, master and senior master W1/W2
- 2:30pm: PRIZEGIVING
Karakia whakawātea
Pack up

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 tallied 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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