



# Nau mai, haere mai ki Te Rotohoe i Rotomā

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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 Rotohoe Series at Lake Rotomā.

## PROGRAMME/HŌTAKA

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| 7:30am:   | Karakia ruruku waka<br>Lash waka                                     |
| 8:00am:   | Registrations begin<br>Waka safety checks                            |
| 8.30am:   | RACE BRIEFING<br>Karakia   |
| 9:00am:   | Race start<br>WOMEN: open, master and senior master W6<br>MIXED W6   |
| 9:05am:   | Race start<br>JUNIOR: women/mixed/novice W6                          |
| 9:10am:   | Race Start Time<br>MEN: junior, open, master and senior master W1/W2 |
| 10.45 am: | Safety checks for Men's race   |
| 11.00 am: | RACE BRIEFING  |
| 11.30 am: | Race start: MEN: open, master and senior master W6<br>MIXED W6       |
| 11.35 am: | Race start: JUNIOR: men/mixed/novice W6                              |
| 11.40 am: | Race start Time: WOMEN: junior, open, master and senior master W1/W2 |
| 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 remain optional 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

## **IN ADDENDUM/HE KŌRERO TĀPIRI**

### **Race Distances:**

W6 – Approx. 10 km

W1/W2 & Junior W6 – Approx. 10km

### **Race Venue:**

Matahi Spit Reserve, Lake Rotomā

### **Date:**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2013

### **Cost:**

\$12 Adult Paddlers

\$7 Junior Paddlers (Up to J19)

### **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 Rotoma (approximately 25 – 30 km). Turn left on to Manawahe 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 Manawahe Road.
- Please be aware of oncoming and following traffic when turning.

**Checklist:**

W6 Waka:

- ☐ 2 spare paddles
- ☐ 6 PFDs
- ☐ 2 bailers
- ☐ 25m tow rope
- ☐ Spray skirt (optional)

W1/W2 Waka:

- ☐ 1 spare paddle
- ☐ 1 PFD per paddler
- ☐ 1 – 2 bailers
- ☐ Spray skirts (optional)

**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.

**Junior/novice paddlers**

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

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