

# 29th Te Wānanga o Aotearoa Waka Ama Sprint Nationals

15<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> January 2018 - Lake Karāpiro, Cambridge

Whiringa- ā-rangi 2017 – Pānui 1

## KEY INFORMATION AND EVENTS

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

Online Entries are open

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017**

### **REGISTER CLUB COORDINATORS**

- Responsible for processing withdrawals, protests, collect race schedules and communicate with officials during event.

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

Panui 2 released

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

### **TEAM ENTRIES CLOSE**

Alterations may occur up to 12 noon of the day prior to racing but will incur the following:

- Any teams added after this date will be waitlisted for lanes and charged a \$50 penalty
- Any teams withdrawn after this date will be charged a \$50 penalty
- Medical or special exemptions on application to [admin@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:admin@wakaama.co.nz)
- Regional W1 Entries from those regions holding their trials on 16<sup>th</sup> December will be accepted after this date

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

**ROSTER CLOSES** – Paddler Registrations close - \$50 late penalty fee per paddler applies for changes after close-off

- There must be enough people on your roster to fill the crews you have entered
- Additions to the paddler roster after this date incurs a \$50 penalty per person

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

### **CLUBS/TEAMS WILL BE INVOICED**

- All ID card applications must be completed.
- Any ID Card applications received after this date will cost \$15 each

***IMPORTANT: Once invoices are generated and sent to clubs there are no refunds on entry fees invoiced. Any teams that withdraw after the 8<sup>th</sup> of January will be invoiced the full entry amount plus the \$50 penalty fee***

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018**  
**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

Panui 3 Released

**PAYMENT FOR ENTRY IS DUE** (Payments can be made by Internet Banking or Cash) - **Payment cannot be made by cheque**

No payment, no racing

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2018**  
**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

**ROSTER CHANGES CLOSED**

Powhiri **Monday Morning 8:30am** and racing will start on the **Monday mid morning** for Midgets

## EVENT DETAILS

- Classes:** W1, W6, W12
- Course:** 500m straight course for W1, W6 and W12 500m  
250m course for turn races - W6 1000m and  
1500m events 250m Course for special W1  
Dash
- Categories:** Men and Women only  
Midget boys division are permitted to have mixed gender crews.
- Canoes:** W6/W12 – Moana Nui Mahi Mahi  
W1 - Any type, rudderless, weighted up to a minimum weight of **16kgs**  
**(Including Ama and Kiato)**
- International:** International teams may be invited at the Race  
Directors discretion. International teams will only be  
allowed to race in the outside lane Exception: The  
new rules ratified by NKOA this year include the  
following:

### 21 Eligibility

- 21.1 Residency: To be eligible to compete at a National Championship, competitors must be a New Zealand citizen, or have been a continuous resident in New Zealand for a minimum of three (3) months prior to the event, or be from a country with Domestic Status; namely the Cook Islands, Niue and Tokelau.

## HALF LANES

This year we will be introducing half lanes for all straight races (500m and 250m). This is in keeping with standard practice at World Sprint Championships and will allow further growth in the numbers of competitors at nationals.

It will also allow more teams to progress beyond heats and into Semi finals and Finals. Giving more paddlers more racing.

We are currently in the process of updating our buoys and lanes at Lake Karāpiro, to implement this change. A course map will be provided in the next Panui.

Please contact [admin@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:admin@wakaama.co.nz) if you have any questions.

## RACE RULES

Please ensure you are familiar with the race rules. Please note that at the time of this panui release, the Race Rules are being reviewed. Any changes to the current race rules will be clearly outlined in Panui 2

## RACE FORMAT (subject to change depending on number of entries)

As per last year we will start racing for Midgets on Monday – The exact time is yet to be confirmed and will be advised in Panui 2.

*Please note that depending on entry numbers, intermediates may also start on Monday.*

*This will be advised once entries are received.*

There will be a race briefing for Midget team managers on Sunday afternoon/early evening

- For all other Junior teams there will be a briefing on Monday evening at 5:30pm
- For all J19 and Adult W1 paddlers there will be a race briefing on Wednesday evening at 6:00pm
- Junior 16 and below race on Tuesday (16<sup>th</sup>) & Wednesday (17<sup>th</sup>)
- All divisions W1 race on Thursday (18<sup>th</sup>)
- For all J19 and Adult teams there will be a race briefing on Thursday evening at 6:00pm
- J19 and above race on Friday (19<sup>th</sup>) & Saturday (20<sup>th</sup>)
- The 250m Dash race will again take place on Saturday (20<sup>th</sup>)

## ONLINE ENTRIES

Registrations are to be completed online via the Waka Ama NZ website. [www.wakaama.co.nz](http://www.wakaama.co.nz)

- Club reps will register W6 and W12 entries
- Regional Reps will register W1 entries and Premier Men/Women Regional W12s.
- New reps can obtain a login & password by emailing [admin@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:admin@wakaama.co.nz)
- We are happy to help you through the entry process if it is new to you
- Here is the list of the current club reps <http://www.wakaama.co.nz/clubs/reps>

## CLUB/REGIONAL COORDINATORS

All Regions or Clubs must register their coordinators for this event. To ensure that urgent messages, correction of entries or any other issue is dealt with urgently it is important that National event organisers can communicate to Regions and Clubs. This will also prevent delays and/or disappointments.

Send details to [admin@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:admin@wakaama.co.nz) of Club or Region:

- Coordinators Name
- Email address
- Cell Number
- Subject heading: COORDINATOR

**It is important to check your entries before the close off date to avoid penalty fees for changes after the closing date.**

## MIDGET RACING

After great feedback from the 2017 event, all Midget racing will be held on a 250m course.

The following events will be held for Midgets:

- W6 250m
- W12 250m

As per the 2017 event we will run the same progressions to ensure that more teams progress through to semis and finals and that teams get at least 2 races in the events they enter.

Midget racing will now progress from heats to Championship, Plate and Bowl divisions. With a final being held in each division. All teams entered into the heats will progress to either the Championship, Plate or Bowl division.

*Note: Championship Finals will be acknowledged with medals. Plate and Bowl finals will be acknowledged by ribbons*

## MIDGET AND INTERMEDIATE LIFEJACKETS

It is compulsory for midget and intermediate paddlers to wear Maritime NZ approved PFDs/lifejackets.

Inflatable pfd/lifejackets are not ideal for midgets and intermediates as generally these jackets are made for adult sizes only once inflated. Safety of our midgets and intermediates is of the utmost importance.

**At the 2018 Nationals all Midget and Intermediate competitors cannot wear inflatable lifejackets**

## EVENT ELIGIBILITY

- **Only clubs recognised as financial and constitutional members of Nga Kaihoe o Aotearoa (Waka Ama NZ) are eligible to enter.**
- All paddlers must have a current NKOA ID card.
- Non-medalling International teams are by invitation from Waka Ama NZ only.
- **Each paddler can only race in one division per event. (For the definition of “event” 1000m and 1500m are defined at the same event.)**
- This rule applies to W1 Categories also.

For further clarification please contact [admin@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:admin@wakaama.co.nz)

## UNIFORMS

- Teams must wear Club Uniform
- W1 paddlers may wear Club or Region Uniform
- In W6 events a team must be wearing identical uniform tops using club colours.  
In W12 events, either all 12 paddlers in identical uniforms or two sets of six paddlers each with identical uniforms.

## ENTRY FEES

Paddler Fees are non-refundable. If a paddler is withdrawn their fee may be transferred to a replacement paddler. Any outstanding amount must be paid prior to racing. Fees are only applicable to this National Club Sprint event and may not be carried over.

Paddlers only have to pay the entry fee of the age category they are currently in.

**'Age is taken as reaching the specified age in the year of competition'**

REGATTA YEAR minus YEAR OF BIRTH = RACE AGE

Eg. 2018 minus 1994 = 24

If you are turning 17 in 2018 you are a J19 paddler – Not a J16 paddler.

Please see our Race Division Checker to if you wish to check the age category of a paddler.

<http://wakaama.co.nz/agedivisionchecker>

DIVISION	AGE	COST
Midgets	7 – 10	\$20
Intermediate	11 – 13	\$40
Jnr 16	14 – 16	\$60
Jnr 19	17 – 19	\$70
Under 23 (W1 ONLY)	20 – 23	\$80
Premier	24 and over	\$80
M Women	40 and over	\$80
M Men	40 and over	\$80
SM Women	50 and over	\$80
SM Men	50 and over	\$80
GM Women	60 and over	\$80
GM Men	60 and over	\$80
70+ Women	70+	\$30
70+ Men	70+	\$30

## ID CARDS

**Cost \$5.00 (for new and replacement cards)**

Orders received from and including the 8th January will cost \$15

- All paddlers must have a bar-coded ID card to be able to race (as per the picture to the right).
- For new or replacement cards, Club reps must complete an application online using their login & password. Before you create a new ID, please search the database for the paddler you are registering in case they already have an ID number.
- Photos and verification documents can be scanned and emailed to [admin@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:admin@wakaama.co.nz)
- Information about ID Cards and how to order them can be [found here](#)

**ID CARD TIP:** Now that it is daylight savings and lighter in the evenings, a lot more new paddlers join our clubs and start practicing for nationals. To avoid the last minute rush for club administrators you should start to collect new paddler verification documents and photos now, and do a few each week. It will save you a lot of work the week prior to Christmas when everyone is hectic! And it will help our office out immensely!

## ADAPTIVE W6 RACING

This year once again we are keen to provide opportunity for Clubs and Regions to enter Adaptive Waka Ama teams. Each team must be made up of a minimum of 3 adaptive paddlers. Where possible we will try to make up teams with fully adaptive paddlers.

Teams can represent a Club or a Region. If you have adaptive paddlers in your club or region that may wish to take up this opportunity please inform them.

The Adaptive paddling movement around the world is gathering momentum very quickly and we are keen to provide opportunities for all. Please contact [admin@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:admin@wakaama.co.nz) if you have questions.

## ADAPTIVE W1 RACING

If you have or know of any paddlers who wish to take part in adaptive W1 racing and require more information please contact [admin@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:admin@wakaama.co.nz)

Entries will need to be submitted to the region from your club. All adaptive paddlers must be affiliated to a WANZ affiliated club. The following divisions will be offered:

Adaptive Men (14yrs +)	Adaptive Women (14yrs +)
Adaptive W1 250m	Adaptive W1 250m
Adaptive W1 500m	Adaptive W1 500m

## PHOTOS AND IMAGES

Official photos and Images taken during the event remain the property of Nga Kaihoe O Aotearoa (Waka Ama NZ) Inc. By entering the event individuals, clubs and regions accept that their photo or image may be taken and used for promotional purposes by Waka Ama NZ. All images will be made available for competitors to access free of charge.

## VENDORS

We have sites available for merchandise and promotional vendors, but these are going fast! So if you are interested or you know someone who might be, the link to the Vendor form can be found <http://wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/lookup/1105>. Food vendor sites are by invitation only.

Contact: [admin@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:admin@wakaama.co.nz) for more information

## PARKING – WEEK PASSES

Week Parking passes are available for \$20. Week passes must be displayed on the vehicles dashboard for clear viewing and must include the vehicle registration number. Week passes will be available for purchase from the admin desk at the Don Rowlands Centre and online at the Waka Ama On-Line Shop <http://www.wakaama.co.nz/shop> until Sunday 15th 5pm.

After 5pm on Sunday you will need to purchase directly from the Admin on Monday. (Week passes will not be available for purchase at the gate or after Monday).

## W1 ENTRIES & QUOTA

### Entry Fee:

If you are entering W1 *only* the full fee is payable for your age category. There is no extra fee for entering the W1 events if you are also paddling W6/W12.

### Quota:

To manage the W1 events it is necessary to limit entries. Therefore a set number of heats for each category have been confirmed. Regions are allocated 4 entries for each race division, plus extra quota for having finalists in the previous year's Nationals.

Should the quota be unfilled, paddlers on the waitlist in their region will get first option to take up a spot. Should the region have no waitlisted paddlers, then all other waitlisted paddlers in that category across other regions will be ranked by waitlisting and then randomly drawn for available space.

**Please note:** Whilst there is a regional quota for W1, Paddlers are still representing their club within that region. Paddlers may only paddler for 1 club at national championship. W1 racing contributes toward the club points for the Club Points Trophy

### 2018 Regional W1 Quota

RACE DIVISION	TTPCA	AROCA	TPOTI	TUOTR	HTPWAA	TWOA
<i>Int Men</i>	4	5	5	8	6	4
<i>Int Women</i>	4	7	5	5	7	4
<i>Junior 16 Men</i>	7	4	4	7	6	4
<i>Junior 16 Women</i>	4	5	7	8	4	4
<i>Junior 19 Men</i>	5	7	8	4	4	4
<i>Junior 19 Women</i>	4	7	4	9	4	4
<i>Open 23 Men</i>	4	9	6	4	4	5
<i>Open 23 Women</i>	4	5	5	9	5	4
<i>Premier Men</i>	6	6	6	6	4	4
<i>Premier Women</i>	4	7	5	7	5	4
<i>Master Men</i>	5	5	6	5	5	6
<i>Master Women</i>	6	5	8	5	4	4
<i>Snr Master Men</i>	7	7	6	4	4	4
<i>Snr Master Women</i>	4	8	8	4	4	4
<i>Golden Master Men</i>	7	8	5	4	4	4
<i>Golden Master Women</i>	7	6	5	5	5	4
<i>70+ Men</i>	6	4	6	4	6	5
<i>70+ Women</i>	4	4	4	4	4	4



## IVF VA'A WORLD CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

In July 2018 Tahiti will host the 2018 IVF Va'a World Elite and World Club Sprint Champs.

- Club teams must complete intent process if they wish to qualify for the world sprints. Current intents can be found here: <http://wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/lookup/1379>
- The number of entries allowed by each member in the World Club Championship event are as follows:
  - V6 events: 6 entries per category U16 to Master 70
  - V12 events: 3 entries per category U16 to Master 70
- Elite paddlers may participate in both Elite and Club racing
- Any Club team V6 must contain no more than 3 paddlers who participated in the World Elite Championship
- Any Club team V12 must contain no more than 6 paddlers who participated in the World Elite Championship
- Each IVF Country/Region must confirm that the club teams entered are in fact members of bonafide clubs within their country. Club teams are defined at the discretion of the IVF member country.
- At the World Club Championship uniform should be representative of the IVF member region or club.

Here is the link for more information on intents and qualifying process:

- World Club Champs: <http://wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/lookup/1379>
- World Elite Champs: <http://wakaama.co.nz/pages/read/1004611>

## REGIONAL W12 RACE

This prestigious race will take place on the Friday of Nationals (19<sup>th</sup>). Medals will be awarded for:

- 1 x Regional Men's W12 race
- 1 x Regional Women's W12 race

Each region can enter 1 team each. Total 6 teams in each race

The team can be made up of any age paddlers (J16 upwards) from that region. The region can choose how the paddlers are selected for the region to form the fastest W12 crew that the region can muster!

## THE W1 250M DASH

This event will be included on the Saturday of Nationals (20<sup>th</sup>)

- Open category and J19 category (Men and Women)  
Each region can enter 2 paddlers in each category (The region can determine how those paddlers are selected)
- We will split the lanes so we will have 12 paddlers compete in one race.
- Straight final
- Medals will be awarded for this event
  - 1 race for men (2 paddlers per region)

- 1 race for women (2 paddlers per region)
- 1 race for J19 Men (2 paddlers per region)
- 1 race for J19 women (2 paddlers per region)

#### **CONTACT DETAILS**

**Waka Ama Admin:** [admin@wakaama.co.nz](mailto:admin@wakaama.co.nz)

**09 623 7657**

We are happy to answer any questions you may have.

