

Te Uranga o te Rā W1 Regional Trials Dec 9th 2017



*Nau piki mai, nau kake mai ki ngā wai karekare o te Waipureku
Karanga mai ngā whakaihu waka, tātou e rangitāmirotia ai e tēnei kaupapa whakahirahira
Haere mai!
Hoea mai!
Whakatau mai!*

Te Uranga o Te Rā Regional Waka Ama Association in collaboration with Waka Ama Kahungunu invite all regional members to this year's regional W1 Trials. This year the Te Uranga o Te Rā Regional W1 Trials will be hosted by Waka Ama Kahungunu at Clive River, Clive on December 9 2017. These trials are for regional members only.

Entries are now open. Registrations for Te Uranga o Te Rā close on Friday 1 Dec.

Venue

The race venue is Clive River reserve and has limited parking. The organising committee advise an early arrival to ensure a park especially for those who are towing several waka. This is the same venue as the 2014 W1 trials.

Registration Fees

\$5 J16 and Intermediates
\$10 J19 and Up

Life Jackets

It is the regional by-law that all paddlers must wear a life jacket. Any paddler who does not wear a life jacket may be disqualified from the event. The responsibility of this is the paddlers and/or club representative and this by-law will be reflected in the waiver.

Waka Weigh In

All waka must be a minimum weight of 16kgs. It is the responsibility of the paddler to provide their own weights for their waka. Please note that waka may **be** sprayed before entering the river as part of the safety checks.

Weigh In and Waka Wash Station will be open: Friday 8 Dec 5pm – 7.30pm and Sat 6.30am – 11am

Number Holders

No number holders will be provided by the organising committee.

Waka Usage

We are aware of the many challenges of multiuse waka within our clubs however races WILL NOT be delayed. The race draw will be released to within a sufficient time frame to allow all clubs to organise their waka schedule.

Race Calls

There will be a sound system operating from administration. The race calls will be as follows:

First Call: Get your gear together and start making your way to loading bay

Second Call: Be at loading bay

Third Call: Loading out on to water

All paddlers are required to be at loading bay by their final call. Races will go ahead regardless.

Race Format

Each paddler will be given two races with the faster of the two being submitted for the qualifying quota. The 500m race format is as follows:

Intermediate Women

Intermediate Men

J16 Women

J16 Men

J19 Women

J19 Men

Open 23 women

Open 23 Men

Golden Master Women

Golden Master Men

Senior Master Women

Senior Master Men

Master Women

Master Men

Open Women

Open Men

W1 250m Dash will be run at the end of all of the 500m races with the fastest two times in each division being submitted as our Regional Representatives for 2017. The race format will be:

J19W

J19M

Open Women

Open Men

If a paddler opts out of either race then the following penalties will be invoiced to their club:

\$20 J19 and Up

\$10 J16 and Intermediate

All penalty fees must be paid the Te Uranga o Te Rā regional body before paddlers will be registered and uploaded to NKOA for the Club National Sprints 2018. Medical reasons and injuries, with the appropriate documentation and/or confirmation from the onsite medical volunteer, will at the discretion of the Race Director. These penalties apply to those members who do not show at all. NB* this stipulation is not to be confused with those members who will be WAITLISTED. This is purely for members who registered their intent to paddle and do not show.

Gold Medallist

All TUOTR Gold Medallists 2017 W1 500m will receive a spot in the quota of their 2018 division. However, to get their preferred lane for National Sprints the paddler will be required to trial. If the paddler does not intend to trial, but intends to compete, they will receive a spot but be seeded at 5 and the fastest trialist on the day will be seeded at 1.

Please note that the paddler wins the spot in the quota of their 2018 division. Following are some situations affecting our region:

- If a paddler won gold in 2017 as a J16 but are moving up to J19, they win a spot in the J19 quota. That quota is therefore reduced from 4 to 3.
- If a paddler won J19W in 2017 and intends to move to U23W which was also won by TUOTR then that quota is reduced by 2.

Due to the outstanding paddler ability of Te Uranga o Te Rā this clause entire will affect 6 divisions.

Any TUOTR Gold Medallists not intending to trial at the 2018 National Sprints are to inform the organising committee by the cut-off date. This clause **does not apply** to the 250m Dash.

Waitlisted Paddlers

Paddlers who are not able to be present at trials, regardless of the reason, will be waitlisted. The club will be notified by the region should a spot become available for the paddler. The club are to notify the region within two working days if the paddler will take the spot. If the paddler does not want the spot, or there is nil response the spot will be offered to the next waitlisted paddler. This clause only applies to those divisions whose entry numbers are higher than the quota.

Entries that meet the Quota

For those divisions entries alone meet the quota there are two options:

- Race
 - a. All paddlers turn up on the day and race to determine seeding, or, those paddlers wishing to compete turn up to race.
 - b. Any paddler who does not want to compete will be seeded at the bottom of the quota
 - c. If one paddler wishes to race on the day the self-rank option will apply only to those who are not racing on the day. With those paddlers who have an existing sprint port-folio being seeded first and so on and so forth. If there are no port-folio's amongst the paddler group the ranking will fall on the administrator.
- Self-Rank
 - a. Paddlers will communicate amongst themselves to determine their seeding.
 - b. Once agreed their club representatives will contact the Waka Ama Kahungunu administrator as to the outcome

- c. That division will then be **scratched from the race draw**. No paddlers in that division will be permitted to paddle. The self-rank will remain status quo.

Protest Process

All protests are to be communicated through the Club Representative. No discussions that determine outcome will be entered into with a paddler or their whanau member. The Protest Committee will manage all protests and their decision is final. The process is as follows:

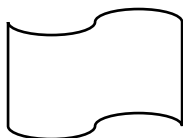
1. Protests will be lodged by the Club Representative within 15 minutes of the posted results of the race relevant to the protest.
2. Club representative will complete the Protest Form which they can obtain at administration.
3. Results of protest will be advised by the committee within 30 minutes.
4. The committee's decision is final.

Race Faults

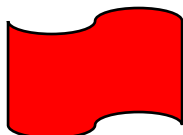
- a. Crossing start line before the green flag
- b. Going out of lane
- c. Impeding another waka
- d. Not completing the race

Penalty = 10 sec. Max penalty incurred 10 sec.

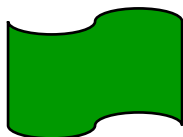
Flags



White Flag MOVE UP TO THE FALS START LINE AND HOLD



Red Flag MOVE UP TO THE START LINE AND STOP



Green Flag RACE STARTS



Black Flag Raised when a waka crosses the start line after the red flag goes up. Is lowered when waka moves back behind start line. Will stay up if waka does not move back. If black flag is up when the green flag goes up one team, or more, will definitely receive a penalty.

In the case of a dispute whereby a resolution seems improbable or unlikely the organising committee will refer to the overarching NKOA race rules and those rules will take precedence.

2018 Waka Ama Sprint Nationals W1 Quota

Int Men	8
Int Women	5
Junior 16 Men	7
Junior 16 Women	8
Junior 19 Men	4
Junior 19 Women	9
Open 23 Men	4
Open 23 Women	9
Premier Men	6
Premier Women	7
Master Men	5
Master Women	5
Snr Master Men	4
Snr Master Women	4
Golden Master Men	4
Golden Master Women	5
70+ Men	4
70+ Women	4