

# 29th Te Wānanga o Aotearoa Waka Ama Sprint Nationals

*15th – 20th January 2018 - Lake Karāpiro, Cambridge*

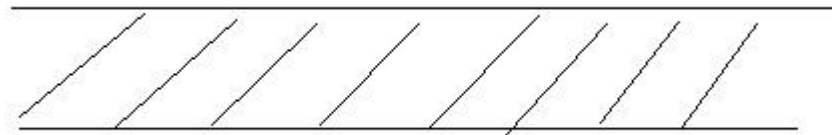
**PĀNUI 4 – Kohitātea – NEARLY THERE!!!!**

## Venue

This is a reminder to ensure that we respect the Lake Karāpiro Might River Domain facilities at all times, including the campgrounds and car park etc. Please ensure you remove your rubbish each evening after racing and keep your area clean.

## Spectator embankment

Regions are to co-ordinate their space and ensure tents are erected in such a way that it maximises space and viewing for everyone. (The short side of the tents must face the lake)  
We will be marking out an area of the spectator bank on Friday 12th (parallel with the lake) that must be kept clear of all tents, structures or marques. This is to allow for safe walking passage. It will look something like this:



Please remember that any tents or pop up structures erected on the sloping embankment will need to be put down for prize giving each day.

If tents (club or otherwise) are erected in the wrong area or in such a way that it does not maximise space we will ask that they are taken down.

## Half Lanes

As you are all aware, we are using half lanes for the 500m and 250m straight races. A map of the race course can be found here: <http://wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/lookup/1105>

## Car passes and shop purchases

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If you have purchased items from our online shop, they can be picked up from admin inside the Don Rowlands Centre from 2pm on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>

## FM Radio 88.2

Don't forget... All announcements and race commentary will be aired on a local area radio frequency. If you bring your own radio with you to the event, you can tune in to 88.2FM to hear all the action and race calls!

## Smoking and Alcohol

A reminder that during the Waka Ama Nationals, the event and surrounding facilities at Lake Karāpiro are alcohol, drug and smokefree. Please respect the tikanga of the event as we continue to promote positive and healthy role models to our rangatahi

Please respect this rule and do not be offended if you are asked to leave the event.



## Uniforms

- Teams must have the same uniform (tops)
- Except for W12 events where a combination of 2 x W6 team uniforms can be worn.
- Paddlers can wear caps or sunglasses without the entire crew needing to wear them.
- Uniforms must be worn when entering the marshalling area and remain on until the completion of the race.
- Paddlers may wear weather appropriate additional clothing underneath
- Regional or Club Uniforms may be worn for W1's
- Uniforms must be worn at the Medal Presentations

## Team Changes

A reminder to all club reps

- As long as paddlers are on the club roster – the team may change right up until going through registration with their ID cards. This doesn't need to be physically changed online as long as they are **on the roster**
- The first 6 (or 12) paddlers that swipe their ID cards for the heats, must be the same paddlers to carry on through to the finals
- Any changes from Friday (12th) evening will need to be completed at the lake Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> at the admin desk from 2:00pm- 7:30pm or during the week.

## Come prepared for the weather

It is going to be a hot week, but it may also rain. Please come prepared for the weather and bring lots of sunblock.

## Keep up to date!

For all updates throughout the week, follow us online or on your mobile

**Live results:** [www.liveresults.co.nz](http://www.liveresults.co.nz)

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/wakaama>

**Snapchat:** <https://www.snapchat.com/add/wakaamanz>

**Instagram:** <https://www.instagram.com/wakaamanz>

**And on our website:** [www.wakaama.co.nz](http://www.wakaama.co.nz)

Māori Television will be filming throughout the week and daily stories and wrap ups. We will put the link on our website so you can find the footage easily.

## Last but not least...

The Waka Ama NZ Team and volunteers will be onsite at the Lake setting up from Friday 12th January. So please do not expect prompt responses to emails. For matters of an urgent nature please call, Lara on 0275484612. Otherwise the Admin desk will be open at the lake from 2:00pm- 7:30pm on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January

We are excited and Look forward to seeing you all at the Lake  
please drive safely.