



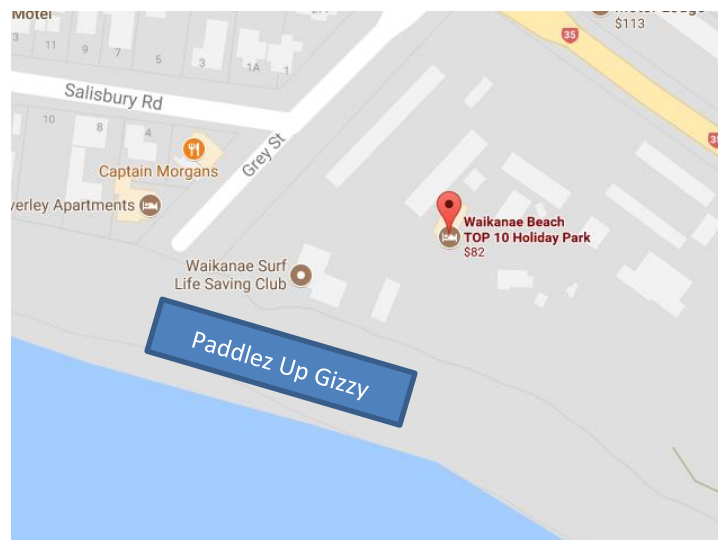
## INTRODUCTION

Here we have it the Paddlez UP Gizzy coming to Gisborne on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September at Waikanae Beach in front of the Surf Club, Grey Street, Gisborne.

Battle of the Paddles race coming to Gisborne at the end of the year at Waikanae Beach. So grab your paddle and head down/up for a weekend of fun racing and catch up with friends.

Event is open to waka ama paddlers (W6/W2/W1) aged 12 - 65 years +. With races varying from 5km to 25km depending on type of paddle. Also includes highlight of the day mixed W6 5km FUN race at the end of the day.

Come to Gisborne challenge the World Champions & National Marathon champions at their home ground.



## RACE PLAN

7am	Registration and safety checks in front of Waikanae Surf Life Saving Club
8am	Karakia and race briefing
8.30am	W6 Junior men / novice - 15km & W6 Men / Mixed 25km
8.35am	W1/W2 Junior women 10km & W1/W2 Women 15km
10.30am	Race brief
11am	Safety Checks
11.30am	W6 Junior women / novice 15km & W6 Women 25km
11.35am	W1/W2 Junior men 10km & W1/W2 men 15km
2pm	W6 MIXED sprint (3 women 3 men) - 5km
3pm	Hometime

\$15 per paddler per race

\$5 additional race per paddler

### **Payments are made at registration on the day of the race**

To register for the race please contact your club representative

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

As safety is paramount with waka ama events, we are aligning ourselves to the same rules around LIFEJACKETS that have been set for 2017 Te Wananga O Aotearoa Waka Ama Long Distant Nationals (LDN)

**ALL PADDLERS ARE TO WEAR LIFEJACKETS WHEN RACING**

For more information around lifejackets please visit the Waka Ama NZ panui 3 for LDN

<http://wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/lookup/1343>

For more information on the race please visit our facebook page:

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Thank you and see you all as we hope to turn on the sun for you here in Gisborne!

## RACE COURSE



**Venue for Registrations, safety check and races are on Waikanae Beach outside the Waikanae Surf Club. Start and finish points are all outside Waikanae Surf Club**

### **W1/W2 Course Junior 10km**

Start at Waikanae Surf club 5km along the shore line, turn on TURNING POINT 1 and finish at Waikanae Surf Club.

### **W1/W2 Open+ & W6 Junior/Novice 15km course**

Start at Waikanae Surf Club 7.5km along the shore line, and turn on TURNING BUOY TWO then back to Waikanae Surf Club.

### **W6 Open+/Mixed 25km**

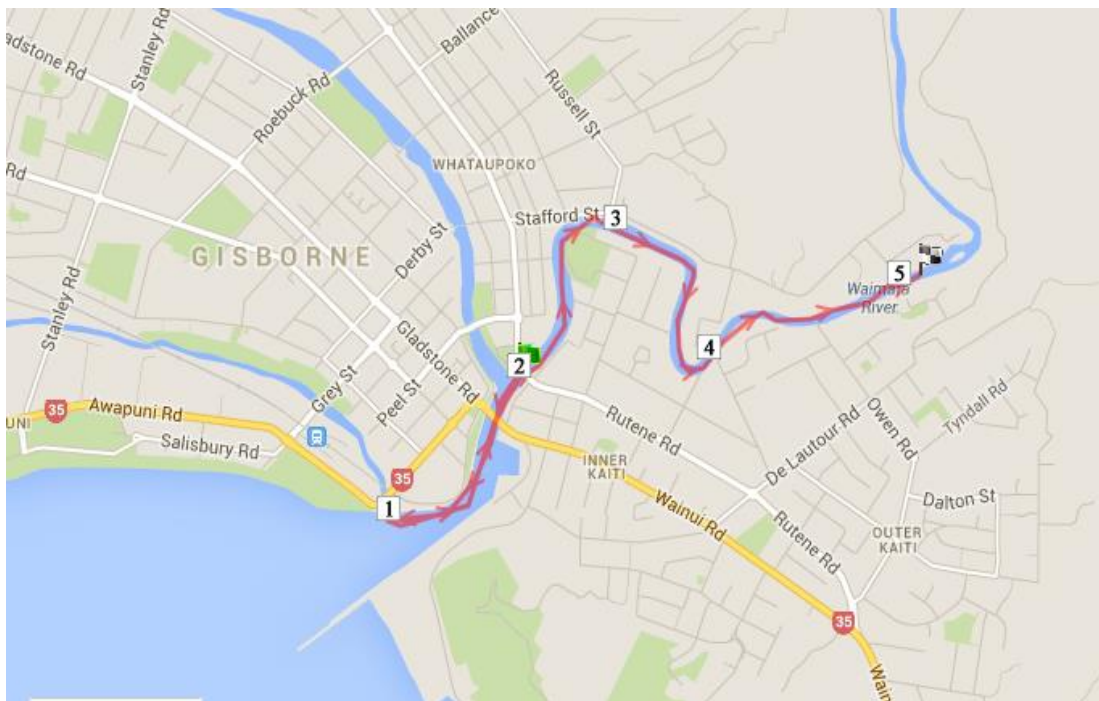
Start at Waikanae Surf Club 7.5km along the shore line and turn on TURNING POINT 2, along the beach to the turning buoy (start/finish) Waikanae Surf Club then along the beach and turn at TURNING POINT 1 then back to Waikanae Surf Club.

### **W6 Mixed FUN Race 5km (not on map)**

Start at Waikanae Surf Club sprint along shore line, the same direction as all other races. At the 2.5k point turn on buoy and sprint back to Waikanae Surf Club.

*The angle to the beach will be adjusted to suit wind and surf conditions where applicable and will take into account shipping beacons and routes.*

## RACE COURSE : Map 2 : Alternate Course for bad conditions



### **W1 / W2 Junior Novice 10km Course**

Start at Point 1 to Point 5 to Point 1 then finish at Point 2 (Horouta Waka Hoe). Each W6 will be sent off 1minute apart. Each W1 / W2 / Surf Ski will be sent off 30sec apart.

### **W1/W2 Open+ & W6 Junior/Novice 15km Course**

Start at Point 1 (river to ocean) to Point 5 back to Point 1 up to Point 5 (2nd time) finish at Point 2 (Horouta Waka Hoe) Each W6 will be sent off 1minute apart.

### **W6 Open+/Mixed 25km race**

Start at Point 2 (river to ocean) to Point 5 to Point 1 back to Point 2 x finishing at Point 2 (Horouta Waka Hoe) Each W6 will be sent off 1minute apart.

### **W6 Mixed SPRINT FUN 5km Course**

Start at Point 1 up to Point 5 and finish at Point 2 (Horouta Waka Hoe) Each W6 will be sent off 1minute apart.

*Tailing waka are to give way at the turns and will incur a stop / go time penalty which must be observed at a set location near the turn.*

*Bouys will be placed in the middle of all bends in the river and all waka must follow maritime safety rules by paddling on the right hand side of the river.*

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