



Auckland Regional Sprint Championships 2017

Saturday 9th – Sunday 10th December

Lake Pupuke, North Shore, Auckland

W6 and W1 Events

The AROCA Auckland Regional Sprint Championships will be held at Sylvan Park, Lake Pupuke on Saturday 9th December (W1s) and Sunday 10th December (W6s). Events will be held over the normal Nationals distances, for all age grades. This is also the qualifying event for W1 paddlers wanting to represent AROCA region at the National Sprints. Medals will be awarded to podium finishers and there will be an overall club prize.

Out of region teams may enter the W6 event at the Race Committee's discretion taking into account lane / time constraints, but are not eligible for medals.

Key Dates are:

Tuesday 28 November: Entries close.

Tuesday 5 December: Late entries and any roster changes

Wednesday 6 December: Lane Draw Available (on the WANZ website)

ENTRY COSTS (per paddler)			
Division	W1	W6	W1 and W6
Midgets	NA	\$10	\$10
Int	\$5	\$10	\$15
J16 and J19	\$15	\$15	\$20
Seniors	\$20	\$30	\$40

REGATTA EVENTS		
W1	250m dash	J19 & Premier
W1	500m	Intermediate – Master 70s
W6	250m / 500m	Straight races for Midgets
W6	500m	Intermediate – Senior Masters / Golden Masters / 70s
W6	500m turn	Intermediate
W6	1000m turns	J16s – Senior Masters

Online Entries

All entries must be completed by club administrator

Entries Open - 1 November

Entries Close - 27 November

Any entries after this date will incur a \$10 per person late fee. No entries will be taken after 11th December. Late entries are not guaranteed and will be accepted if possible

All entries need to be verified members of NKOA. New paddlers must have completed their NKOA ID process.

Age Categories

Is taken as reaching the specified age in 2018 (i.e. next year). This enables you to race in the same division as you will at the coming 2018 nationals. If in doubt see the <http://www.wakaama.co.nz/agedivisionchecker> or contact the Race Committee for clarification.

Payment Instructions

All entry fees are to be paid by 5 December. Clubs will be able to see roster and invoice details on the members area of the website. A follow up invoice will also be sent to clubs. Any late entries that are accepted will be invoiced separately.

Crew entries with an incomplete roster at the entry closing date will be treated as per paddler per event (W1 & W6) and invoiced accordingly (no discount for the multiple event will be applied).

All clubs must pay directly to the AROCA account and ensure the reference is clear to ensure payment is reconciled.

Paddler Fees are non-refundable. If a paddler is withdrawn after the entries close date they forfeit their fee. Crews from a club with outstanding fees will not be allowed to participate.

Volunteers

All participating clubs are expected to provide non paddling volunteers for each day of the event. We will let clubs know of their volunteer number requirements and tasks.

Race Rules

NKOA/WANZ Race rule will apply.

http://www.wakaama.co.nz/content/page/4/attachments/NZ_race_rules_-_November_2012.pdf

W1s

All canoes must comply with section 7.1 of the NKOA rules for waka ama racing (NB: minimum weight fully rigged 16kg). Every W1 must be weighed prior to the event. Spot checks will also be undertaken at any time. Paddlers whose waka are found to be under the weight specification and/or without their required weights will be disqualified. All W1s must have lane number holders, as per Waka Ama New Zealand race rules.

Paddlers must arrange for their own W1. Paddlers should NOT assume that they will be able to use other paddlers' W1s on race day. Loading up and races will not be delayed for paddlers waiting for canoes.

Clubs and Coaches please note that your paddlers must be of a level where they can competently and confidently take the start line and complete the race. Any paddlers who fail to reach the start line within a reasonable time will be withdrawn from the race. Paddlers going outside of their lane will be disqualified. Withdrawn or DQ'ed paddlers will not receive refunds.

W1 Nationals Qualification

As well as a Regional Championship, this is also the qualifying event for the 2017 NKOA Sprint Nationals. The quota number of paddlers who will qualify from the Auckland Region in each division is set out below. The quota will be filled from placings in the W1 final plus, where the quota is greater than the number in the final, the next fastest times of paddlers in the semi-finals.

Division	Men	Women
Intermediates	5	7
J16s	4	5
J19s	7	7
O23s	9	5
Premier	6	7
Masters	5	5
Senior Masters	7	8
Golden Masters	8	6
Master 70s	4	4

Waitlist

Paddlers unable to participate at the regionals wanting to make quota for Nationals will be required to write to the Regional Event Committee requesting their inclusion on the Waiting List. The fee applicable for inclusion on the waiting list is the same as the event entry fee for that race. Participants who make quota are included at the bottom of the quota list. Participants from Regionals who compete but do not qualify can be placed on the waitlist for Nationals with the waitlist fee included in their regionals entry fee. NOTE: Regionals participants who do not qualify MUST advise AROCA if they want to be included on the waitlist.

W12 Qualification

The process for AROCA W12 teams representation at the Nationals will be confirmed separately. The W12 teams must wear supplied AROCA representative shirts to race in the National event.

AROCA T-shirts

All W1 paddlers who qualify will have the option to purchase an AROCA representative shirt at a subsidised rate. Shirts can be worn to race at Nationals but will not be compulsory.

Timeline for qualifiers

All W1 paddlers who have qualified and the W12 representative teams will be updated online 12th December. All paddlers must confirm by the 14th December at the latest so that entries can be made by closing date.

Note if paddlers are confirmed and then withdraw a \$50 administration fee will be charged. These charges will be invoiced to the club.

Vendors

Any commercial vendors wanting to be onsite need to apply to admin. There is a \$100 site fee for the full weekend event.

Catering

Clubs can apply to provide the catering at the event. This is a great fundraiser for teams leading up to Nationals. You will need to supply healthy food options and drinks for purchase, and provide volunteers food at a fee to be agreed with the Race Committee.

Weather Conditions or Other Delays

In case of severe weather conditions on race day, the race director retains the right to stop, postpone and/or cancel races on race day. Please note that we will be unable to refund race fees in this case.

If delays occur, races may be combined or shortened at the sole discretion of the organising committee or the race director

Overall Club Prize

A trophy and prize of \$1,000 will be awarded to the club with most points over the weekend. Points will be awarded from finals, as below:

1st 6 points

2nd 5 points

3rd 4 points

4th 3 points

5th 2 points

6th 1 point

Presentation of Medals / Prizegiving

A formal prize-giving ceremony will take place immediately at the conclusion of each day's racing. The AROCA series prizegiving will also be included if time permits – W1 awards on W1 race day and W6 awards on W6 race day. Note that the AROCA Regional Awards are being awarded at the AROCA AGM.