



HOE TONGA PADDLER SERIES #3 - MATARIKI HARBOUR CHALLENGE

Hikoikoi Waka ama is proud to host this event to celebrate Matariki and participate in Hoe Tonga Paddla Series #3. Our venue will be Hikoikoi Waka ama, 24 Marine Parade, Petone. Thanks to all our supporters and sponsors who have helped make this event come to life and the amazing volunteers who will assist on race day. Reminder: Our postponement date is Sunday 23 July 2023!



Information will also be posted on Hoe Tonga Pacifica Waka ama Association and Waka Ama NZ websites.

How to enter

Entries must be completed online by your club coordinator www.wakaama.co.nz. Senior paddlers are encouraged to assist novice teams (e.g. by steering) in the short course. There is no extra cost for senior paddlers competing in both long and short course events. It is compulsory for all teams and paddler to register via the online system. **Entries will not be accepted on the day.**

Deadlines

- Entries close on Monday 17 July 2023
- The paddler roster closes on Wednesday 19 July 2023
- All paddlers must be affiliated to a Waka Ama club and Waka Ama NZ
- \$20 Entry Fee per Junior Paddler, and \$30 Entry fee per senior paddler
- Clubs will be invoiced by Hoe Tonga – payment to be made to invoiced account.
- Entry fees are non-refundable but can be transferred to a paddler in your team.

Participants

This race is open to novice, junior (J16/J19) and senior paddlers. All novice and junior teams must have an experienced steerer. Teams racing in the novice category can be a combination of different age groups J16 – 70+. All paddlers must be affiliated to a Waka Ama club and Waka Ama NZ.

Programme

7:00 am	Volunteers set up and briefing
7:30 am	Registration opens, rigging waka and safety checks commence
8:30 am	Karakia & short course race brief
9:00 am	Short course race start
9.15 am	Registrations for long course – safety checks commence
10:00 am	Long course race brief
10:30 am	Long course race start
1:00 pm	Pack up and debrief

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Cancellation

Extreme weather conditions such as high wind and/or rain that jeopardise the safety of paddlers may lead to cancellation of the race. Event organisers will endeavor to inform entrants of this by email, txt or Facebook by 12pm the day before the event or as early as possible on the day of the event. **Our postponement date is Sunday 23 July 2023!**

Race waiver form & safety check form:

Life jackets are mandatory.

Competitors must wear an approved personal floatation device (must be in good condition and correct size)

W6 Spray skirts are mandatory.

W6 safety checks must be met prior to race start, see attached safety check list on required items.

Waka And Trailer Parking

Parking for canoe trailers ONLY and the driver of that trailer, has been arranged in Hikoikoi, 24 Marine Parade, Petone. All participants must park outside the complex (offices) as there is ample street parking and parking in Hikoikoi Reserve with access to the foreshore to rig waka.

- Please bring tyres with trailer and will be required for all waka. Please bring a waka trolley if your club has one available to save time at crew loading.

Registration Process

- Report to Registration to collect your Race Pack (safety checklist and race number)
- Safety Waivers must be submitted (spare available at registration).
- Your waka needs to get cleared by the Safety Check Crew (wearing high vis vests) at your waka.
- Waka that have passed 'Safety Check' will have tag tied on front kiato or marked as directed by Safety Check Crew
- Make sure your crew stays by waka and is ready for 5min call before to race start.
- Waka must be rechecked before every race – NEW NUMBER & NEW TAG.

Kai

- PLEASE stay and enjoy some delicious hot soup and after your race.

Showers And Toilets

- Showers and toilets are available on site. You are most welcome to use these facilities but please do not touch any equipment inside and keep the premises clean and tidy.

Wellington Tenth Trust – 24 Marine Parade, Petone (Next to Hikoikoi Reserve)





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Waiver Form Club:	Team:
Event & Division entered - (please circle either):	8km or 16km

I/We declare that:

1. My accepted entry will not be transferred to another entrant.
2. In the event of any “act of God” conditions causing a cancellation of the event, my total entry fee is not transferable or refundable.
3. I acknowledge that there are risks involved with Waka Ama and fully realise the dangers of participating in an event such as this and fully assume the risks associated with such participation and my wellbeing during the event.
4. I understand and agree that situations may arise during the event, which may be beyond the immediate control of officials or organisers, and I must continually participate in a manner that does not endanger either myself or others.
5. Neither the organisers, the sponsors nor other parties associated with the event shall have any responsibility, financial or otherwise, for any risk incident that might arise, whether or not by negligence, from any direct or indirect loss, injury or death that might be sustained by me or any other party directly or indirectly associated with me, from my intended or actual participation in the event or its related activities.
6. I authorise my name, voice, picture and information on this entry form to be used without payment to me in any broadcast, telecast, promotion, advertising, or any other way pursuant to the Privacy Act 2020.
7. I agree to comply with the rules, regulations and event instructions of (name of event).
8. I consent to receiving medical treatment which may be advisable in the event of illness or injuries suffered during the event.
9. I confirm that I can swim 50 Metres/OR if I cannot swim 50 Metres, I will wear a PFD during the race.

If Competitor is under 18 the Waiver must be signed by a Parent or guardian.

FULL NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	MEDICAL CONDITIONS	SIGNED	PARENT/GUARDIAN

W6 Safety Check Form

Note: Safety check will be completed on the day by a safety officer.

Team name
Club name
Race #

Waka description (used in the event number goes missing - helps with identifying you at the finish line)

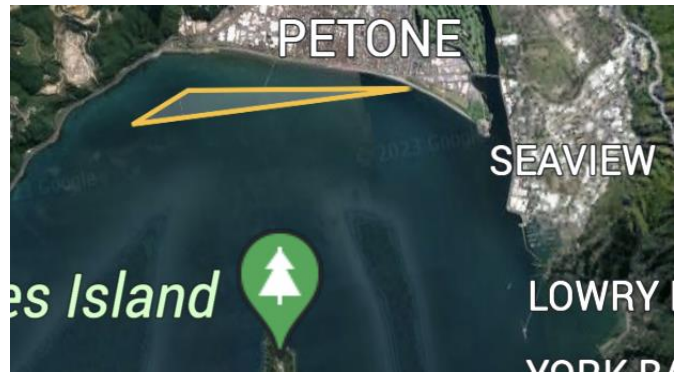
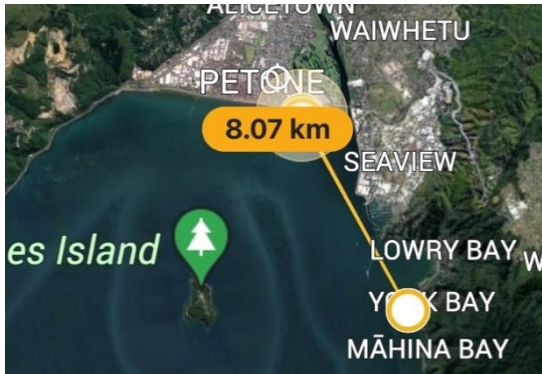
Waka name		Gunnel colour	
Skirt colour		Hull colour	
Other		Ama colour	

	2 x bailers
	1 x lifejacket per paddler
	2 x spare paddles
	Spray skirts
	1 x VHF radio or
	1 x Flare or
	1 x Personal locator beacon or
	1 x Cell phone - waterproofed or in waterproof case
	1 x Tow rope (20m) – rope must be secured to canoe
	Safety Check tag on kiato

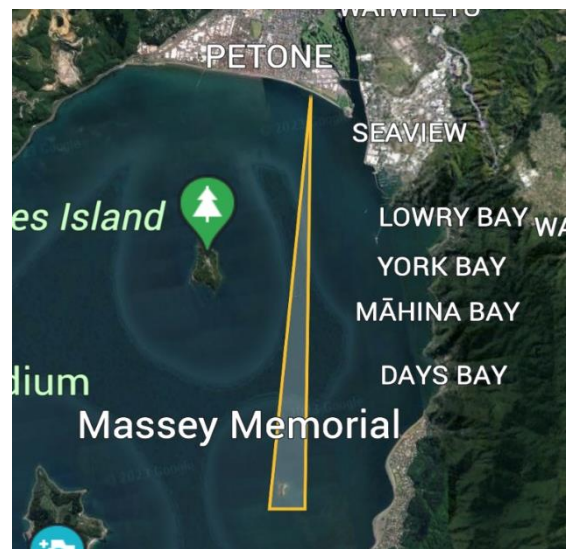
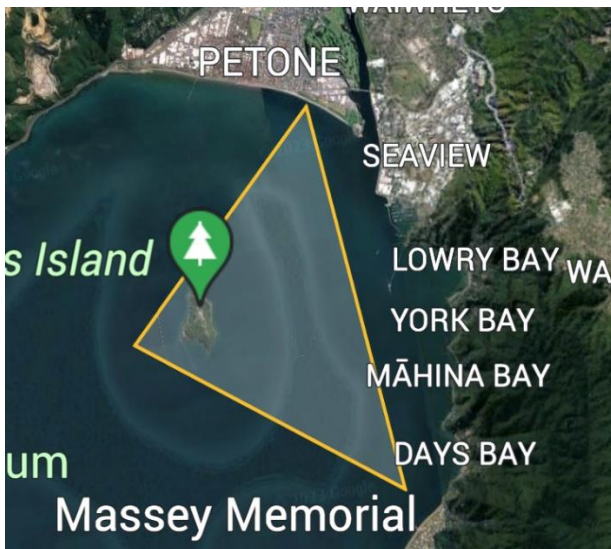
Safety Check Officer Name _____

Safety Check Officer Signed _____

Short Courses (approx. 7- 8km)



Long Courses (Options 15-16km)



Final Course information will be available on the day and weather appropriate for paddlers and organisers.

Thank you for supporting Hikoikoi Waka ama and Hoe Tonga Paddla Series #3