



2010 Waka Ama Sprint Nationals
19th – 23rd January 2010 - Lake Karapiro, Cambridge

22 December 2009 - PANUI 2

Key Information

6 Dec 2009

- Team Entries Close
- Alterations may occur up to 12 noon of the day prior to racing but will incur the following:
 - Any teams added post this date will be weight listed for lanes and receive a \$50 penalty
 - Any teams withdrawn after this date will receive a \$50 penalty
- Medical or special exemptions on application to admin@wakaama.co.nz

4 January 2010

- Paddler Registrations close – \$50 late penalty fee per paddler applies for changes after close-off
 - There must be enough people on your roster to fill the crews you have entered
 - Changes to the paddler roster after this date incurs a \$50 penalty per person

5 January 2010

- Clubs/teams will be invoiced
- ID cards photos, verifications and orders must be completed (\$5 each).
- ID Card applications received after this date will cost \$15 each

8 January 2010

- Panui 3 Released

11 January 2010

- Payment for entry is due (Payments can be made by Internet Banking, Cheque and Cash)
- Late payments will incur a 10% charge against outstanding balance (Excluding ID Card request)

Event Schedule

17 th Sunday	All W6 Waka to be delivered to site	
18 th Monday	Powhiri Tent Set Up Managers Meeting	11am (tbc) No earlier than 12 noon 3pm
19 th Tuesday &	W6 & W12 races	All Midget, Int, J16, J19
20 th Wednesday	W6 & W12 races W1 weigh-in and storage Junior Social	Midget, Int, J16, J19 Between 12 noon and 6pm To be confirmed
21 st Thursday	W1 races Paddler Hui	All Age Groups 6pm
22 nd Friday	W6 & W12 races	O23 and older
23 rd Saturday	W6 & W12 races Senior Social	O23 and older To be confirmed

The race schedule and lane draw will be posted on the website. Regions have already been advised to check W1 entries, it is advised that clubs also check team entries as changes disrupt and delay release of the lane draw.

Waka Use

As W6 waka are kindly loaned by clubs, NKOA will fine anyone who stands up in W6/W12. The fine is \$100 per individual, per infringement. No exceptions. The cost of the fine will be charged to the club concerned. Respect and care for all waka, paddlers, volunteers, and officials is paramount to the sport.

Any team causing damage to any W6/W12 waka at any time during the event will incur the cost of the repairs, which will be charged to the team's club.

All contracted W6 waka are used solely for competition. No contracted waka may be taken or used for training purposes while contracted to the event; this non-permitted use will incur a fine to the offenders' club of \$200 per incident.

W1

Due to reallocated space for waka, there is no restriction to the amount or type of W1 that can be used for this event. Space will again be marked out for each region. Regional coordinators are expected to monitor this space and ensure access-ways are not blocked. Paddlers are responsible for storing W1 in allocated spaces without causing damage to any other waka.

W1 must be weighed and checked-in on Wednesday 20th between 12 noon and 6pm. **Only Hulls will be weighed and must not exceed 16kgs.** (Paddler must provide their own Weights) W1 will need to be lashed after weigh in and left in the secured storage area as will be directed. **Every Waka must have Number holder. A limited supply of number holders will be onsite and can be purchased from the Admin building for \$5 each.**



Event Penalties

Non permitted use of waka	\$200 per incident
Damage to W6 /W12	\$cost of repairs
Team additions after 6 th Dec	\$50 (per team)
Team withdrawals after 6 th Dec	\$50 (per team)
ID Card orders after 5 th Jan	\$15 (Orders by 5th Jan = \$5)
New Paddler registration after 4 th Jan	\$50 (per paddler)
Protests (per incident)	\$100 (refunded if protest upheld)
Appeals (per incident)	\$200 (refunded if protest upheld)

Race Rules

Notification of Race Rule changes has been posted on the NKOA website. Although there are very few rule changes there are significant changes in rule numbering. This is due to transferring Safety, Waka naming, and Righting a Canoe clauses to the 'Waka Ama Safety Guidelines'. Club officials and team managers are advised to become familiar with the sprint race rules.

Club/Regional Coordinators

Not all Regions or Clubs have registered their co-ordinators for this event. To ensure that urgent messages, correction of entries or any other issue is dealt with urgently it is important that National Event Organisers can communicate to Regions and Clubs. This will also prevent delays and/or disappointments. Send details of Club or Region, Coordinators Name, email address and cell number to admin@wakaama.co.nz , subject heading COORDINATOR

Vendors

Sites are still available for vendors. Contact: Benjamin Hemi benjamin.hemi@eventeam.co.nz .

Official Volunteers

There is great satisfaction in making a difference as a volunteer; this is truly abundant in waka ama.

Once again the National Sprints require keen, energetic, resourceful, fun volunteers to help make this event successful. Tasks vary from assisting paddlers in and out of waka, ensuring minimal harm to waka, ushering paddlers in/through/out of registration and other areas, to assisting Head Officials with administrative duties; such as receiving and actioning queries, photocopying and collating draws and other information, posting results, observing and recording races. Experienced tasks include boat driving, radio operation, computer technology, race announcing.

If you are able to offer 2 or more days of your time we would be keen to hear from you. Volunteers who are able to offer their time for the whole event will be offered accommodation and meals in kind for giving to the event, space is limited so registration is preferred before December 31st.

Register your Voluntary availability at admin@wakaama.co.nz Subject heading VOLUNTEER

Also to ensure that all areas are covered, REGIONS are expected to organise and supply officials as below. The officials will be required in the Loading bay area.

Day	REGION	TIME	NUMBER OF OFFICIALS
1 - Tues	TPOTI	7.00am – 12.30pm	16
1 - Tues	TUOTR	12-00pm – 5.30pm	16
2 - Wed	HOE TONGA / TWOA	7.00am – 12.30pm	16
2 - Wed	AROCA	12-00pm – 5.30pm	16
3 - Thur	TTPCA	7.00am – 12.30pm	16
3 - Thur	HOE TONGA / TWOA	12-00pm – 5.30pm	16

4 - Fri	TUOTR	7.00am – 12.30pm	16
4 - Fri	TPOTI	12-00pm – 5.30pm	16
5 - Sat	AROCA	7.00am – 12.30pm	16
5 - Sat	TTPCA	11.00am – 4.30pm	16
Regional Coordinators will be responsible for ensuring all officials meet at the Administration block prior to allocated times.			
Officials will be supplied with food and drink during their allocated timeframes and official identification.			

ID Cards

- Cost \$5.00 each
- **Orders received after the 5th January will cost \$15**

All paddlers must have a bar-coded ID card to be able to race.

Those paddlers, who have the old style “horizontal card” (without the green strip at the top), can have their cards replaced for free, on return of their old card.

For new or replacement cards, Club reps must complete an application online using their login & password. Before you create a new ID, please search the database for the paddler you are registering in case they already have an ID number.

Photos and verification documents can be scanned and emailed to admin@wakaama.co.nz
Alternatively if photos and payment cannot be completed online then these must be sent in with verification documents

From the Organising Committee we wish you all a Merry Christmas, safe paddling, and a competitive New Year.

Stay Tuned for Panui 3 early in the new year!

Nationals Sprint Committee

