

**Date:** Saturday 25 September 2021 **Postponement date:** None

**Venue:** Putiki Slipway, Kemp Street, Whanganui **Enquiries:** contact <a href="mailto:trmthwakaama@gmail.com">trmthwakaama@gmail.com</a>

# Kaupapa

This is the fourth race in the Hoe Tonga Paddler series. Full details at <a href="https://hoetonga.co.nz/2021/03/23/hoe-tonga-paddler-series-2021/">https://hoetonga.co.nz/2021/03/23/hoe-tonga-paddler-series-2021/</a>

# **Participants**

This race is open to novice, junior (j16/19) 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 - J70+.

All paddlers must be affiliated to a waka ama club and Waka Ama NZ.

#### **Programme**

7.00am Volunteers arrive, set up and safety boat briefing 8.00am Registration, rigging waka and safety checks 9.00am 8Km Novice and Juniors Race brief 9.30am 8km Novice and Juniors Race Start 10.30am 18km Race brief 11.00am 18km Race start 1.00pm Prize giving, including spot prizes

#### **Entries**

\$30 per senior paddler (U23 to M70) \$20 per junior paddler (J16 to J19)

Senior paddlers are encouraged to assist novice teams (e.g., by steering) in the short course. There is no extra cost for senior paddlers also competing in both the short and long course event.

Entries are to be done online by your club coordinator via <a href="www.wakaama.co.nz">www.wakaama.co.nz</a>. Entry fees will be invoiced to clubs by Hoe Tonga following the race. Note that race fees are non-refundable following the entry deadline.

Entries close on 8<sup>th</sup> September 21, and the paddler roster will close on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021. All race participants must register and attend the race brief on race day.

Hot soup and buns provided for all race participants at completion of events

# Venue and parking

Putiki slipway, Kemp Street, Whanganui



#### Race waiver form

All race participants are required to read and sign the form and hand it in at registration. Paddlers 18 yrs or under must have a parent or guardian sign the form for them.

### **COVID 19:**

Stay home and avoid attending a gathering of any size if you are:

- unwell
- a confirmed or probable case of COVID-19
- waiting for a COVID-19 test result
- self-isolating read more about self-isolation.

NZ COVID Tracer QR code posters and manual contact tracing forms will be available. We will also provide sanitising lotion.

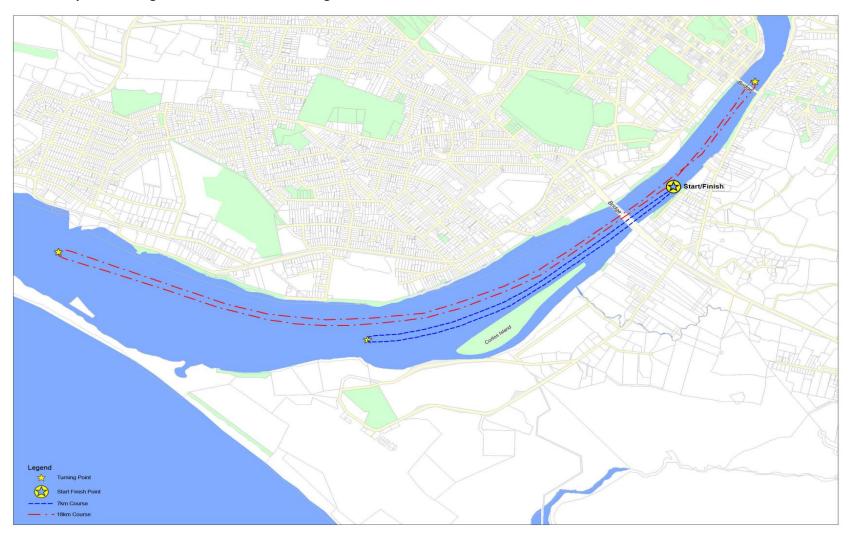
#### **Extreme Weather**

Extreme weather and/or river conditions (i.e. flood water) that jeopardize the safety of paddlers may lead to cancellation of the race. Event organizers will endeavor to inform entrants of this by email, txt and/or face book by 12pm the day before the event or as early as possible on the day of the event.

### Race courses

Any change to the course due to weather conditions will be notified at the race briefing.

Option A: Long and Short Course – The long course is between 15-18 km the short between 7-9 kms



Long and short Course Option B: Option A: Long and Short Course – The long course is between 15-18 km the short between 7-9 kms

