



Maitahi Outrigger Canoe Club invites you to:
Tuna e Hoe Ana "Paddling with Eels"

A unique alpine waka ama experience



11 & 12 Feb 2022



RACE OVERVIEW

All races are held in Kerr Bay, Lake Rotoiti, on an M-shaped course which has lots of turns. The course is visible from the shore at all times, so makes for great spectator viewing. (See race plan on following page).



Only the W6 Open to Golden Masters categories are three stage races (distances see below). Starts may be handicapped and crews can change paddlers after each race.

There will be race merchandise (cash and internet banking) and a BBQ sausage sizzle available.

Remember this is an alpine event and the weather can be much colder than at sea level – also we share the lake with sand-flies, wasps and bumble bees – if allergic, please come prepared!

Please note (participants and friends and whānau) that dogs are not permitted in Kerr Bay (not even in cars), as it is a National Park. Drones are not allowed either. Freedom camping is not permitted at the lake (however there is a DOC camping ground at Kerr Bay). The event requires all competitors and those attending the dinner to hold a Vaccine Pass.

RACE DISTANCES

W1, W2 Rangatahi (Int-J16)	2km	2 laps of 1km beach front course
W6 Rangatahi (Int)	2km	1 lap of 2km course
W1 Golden Masters Women	5km	1 lap of 5km course
W1 & W2 Novice & Rangatahi (J19)	5km	1 lap of 5km course
Stand-up paddle boards	5km	1 lap of 5km course
W6 Rangatahi (J16, J19) and Novice	10km	2 laps of 5km course
W1 and W2 Open to Golden Masters	10km	2 laps of 5km course
W6 Open to Golden Masters	500m Sprint / 7.5km/ 5km	

CREW NUMBERS

W6: Up to 8 paddlers.

Note: Categories with single entrants will be combined with lower age groups.

REGISTRATIONS

Closing date: **Friday, 28th January 2022.** Late entries up until Monday, 7th February 2022 will incur a \$15 penalty fee per paddler. After this date, no more entries will be accepted. **Please note that TEH is being run as a Vaccine Pass event.**

Entry fees: Must be paid on registration. Refunds available for cancelled entries up until Friday, 4th February.

Note – no payments accepted on race day!

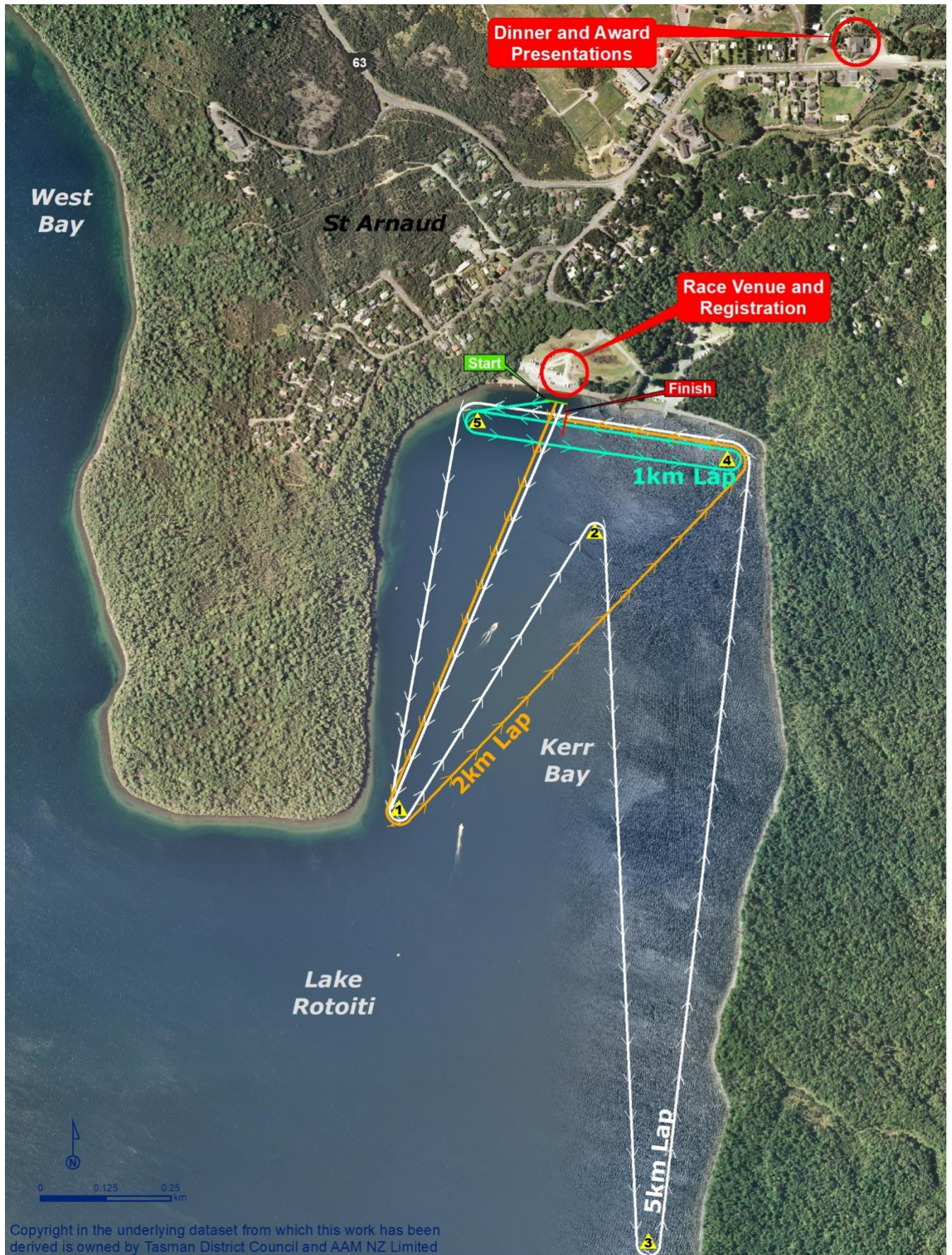
Registration queries: Tony Davies email Maitahi.race@gmail.com or M: 021 1696987

Waka enquiries: Contact Tony Davies if you have waka available for others to use, or require waka. Email Maitahi.race@gmail.com or M: 021 1696987

Note – if you borrow a W6 through race organisers, there is a \$150 fee, payable with entry fees – this will be passed on to the club lending the waka.



RACE PLAN



EVENT ITINERARY

FRIDAY 11TH FEBRUARY

3:00pm onwards Registrations for W1, W2 and SUP races – all competitors must register and pick up race numbers.

Event 1: SUP Women 5km; W1 Novice Women 5km; W1 Women, W2 Women, W2 Mixed 10km

3.30pm Waka and equipment inspected – all participants must be checked by safety inspectors
3.45pm Karakia and race briefing
4.00pm Race start

Event 2: W1 & W2 Int & J16 (all grades) 2km

4.45pm Waka and equipment inspected – all participants must be checked by safety inspectors
5.00pm Race briefing
5.15pm Race start

Event 3: W1 & W2 J19 (all grades) 5km; SUP Men 5km; W1 Novice Men 5km; W1 Men, W2 Men 10km

5.30pm Waka and equipment inspected – all participants must be checked by safety inspectors
5.45pm Race briefing
6.00pm Race start (finish by ~7:00pm)

SATURDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

7.00am onwards Registrations for W6 races – all crews must register and pick up race numbers

Event 4: W6 Women 500m Sprint, 7.5km, 5km

7:30am Waka and equipment inspected – all crews must be checked by safety inspectors
7.45am Karakia and race briefing
8.00am Race start

Event 5 W6 Men 500m Sprint, 7.5km, 5km

9:30am Waka and equipment inspected – all crews must be checked by safety inspectors
9.45am Karakia and race briefing1
10.00am Race start

Event 6: W6 Rangatahi (J16, J19) & W6 Novice 10km, W6 Rangatahi (Int) 2km

11.30am Waka and equipment inspected – all crews must be checked by safety inspectors
1145am Race briefing
12.00pm Race start

Event 6: W6 Mixed 500m Sprint, 7.5km, 5km

1.30pm Waka and equipment inspected - all crews must be checked by safety inspectors
1.45pm Race briefing
2.00pm Race start

PRIZE-GIVING AND DINNER

5.30pm Dinner, Lake Rotoiti Community Hall, Main Road St Arnaud village (see map) - BYO beverages – no bar!
Prize giving to follow



RACE RULES

WAKA

All waka must meet NKOA safety requirements. W1, W2 can use rudders.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- **Tow Rope**
- **Lifejackets:** All waka must carry an MNZ approved lifejacket for each paddler.
 - Rangatahi crews must wear their lifejackets.
 - Senior W6 lifejackets at discretion of Race Director.
- **Sprayskirts:** optional.
- **Bailers:** All W6, and W1s and 2s with cockpit, must carry 2 bailers.
- **Spare paddles and lashings:** all waka must carry 1 spare paddle and 2 spare lashings.
- **SUP paddlers:** must wear a flotation device and have a leash connected to their leg.

CREW EXPERIENCE

All paddlers must be suitably skilled to handle adverse conditions, capable of swimming in open water conditions, and capable of righting and bailing an overturned or swamped waka. It is the responsibility of the captain to ensure that this is the case.

SAFETY

The race director has the discretion to withdraw any competitor or crew, who they believe will endanger people's safety.

ASSISTANCE

If a crew requires assistance during the race, paddlers should hold their paddles up to attract the attention of the support boat.

DRESS

Polypro/merino are highly recommended, as this is an **Alpine Event**

CRITERIA FOR RACE CATEGORIES

(Age is taken as reaching the specified age in the year of the competition, 1 Jan – 31 Dec)

- **Novice:** less than one year's paddling experience. Novice W6 crews can have an experienced steerer and one other experienced paddler
- **Mixed:** must have a minimum of three women paddlers
- **Rangatahi (Int):** 6 to 13 years old
- **Rangatahi (J16):** 11 to 16 years old
- **Rangatahi (J19):** 14 to 19 years old
- **Masters:** women and men 40+
- **Senior Masters:** women and men 50+
- **Golden Masters:** women and men 60+

ENVIRONMENT

Please remember that the race venue is in the Nelson Lakes National Park. Respect the lake and bush environment and take note that no dogs are allowed in the park (even in cars) – including on the lake foreshore. No drones are allowed. No lakeside camping apart from designated security by agreement with DOC. Please note this is a zero waste event. Please take all your waste away from the lake. Rubbish bins will not be provided.

Note also that the lake has didymo, so if your waka and equipment are going to be used on freshwater after the race, you will need to clean and dry them. For more information visit www.doc.govt.nz



ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

BACKPACKER ACCOMMODATION

Alpine Lodge info@alpinelodge.co.nz
03 521 1869 / 0800 367 777 www.alpinelodge.co.nz

Red Deer Lodge <https://www.nzdanelson.co.nz/rdl.html>

Eva Virtue-Pichler has offered to coordinate bookings for Red Deer Lodge, please contact her at eva.virtue@xtra.co.nz

GUEST ROOMS AND SELF-CONTAINED APARTMENTS/ COTTAGES

Alpine Lodge info@alpinelodge.co.nz
03 521 1869 / 0800 367 777 www.alpinelodge.co.nz

Tophouse Historic Hotel info@tophouse.kiwi
03 521 1269 / 021 108 9266 www.tophouse.co.nz

CAMPSITES

DoC Campsite Kerr Bay www.doc.govt.nz
Book online – bookings necessary to secure a spot

MOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Holiday Cottages <http://www.starnaudholidaycottages.co.nz/cottageAlphineEscape.php>

Nelson Lakes Motels info@nelsonlakes.co.nz

03 521 1887 <http://www.nelsonlakes.co.nz/accommodation>

We have many accommodation options; from backpacker to beautiful self-contained motels and family cottages. We are very happy to offer Tuna e Hoe Ana paddlers a 10% Discount.

Please book well in advance by phone and mention “Maitahi Outriggers” for discount to apply.

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