

Allocation of club waka for races.

Purpose

This policy is to make the allocation of waka for races fair, transparent and consistent.

Scope

1. Ensure that no club members enjoy an advantage in procuring waka for races.
2. Set out clear procedures and timelines for securing waka
3. Provide ongoing information to club members on the situation regarding waka allocation for each race.
4. Race Coordinator to administer the terms of this policy and ensure the website contains correct and updated information.

Procedures

1. List upcoming races that are of interest to club members on the Calendar on the Maitahi OCC website.
2. Have a separate page for each race that contains specific information relating to waka allocation.
3. For races where the club is using its own waka and race entries are being made via Maitahi OCC, a date will be published where crews or individual club members can register an expression of interest in using a waka, including requests for specific waka. Expressions of interest will be published on the race page as they are received
4. A later date will be published when entry for race entry payments will open. Payments to Maitahi OCC must be made per crew, not individually, unless you are entering a V1/OC1 only category.
5. If more than one crew or individual has requested a specific waka the crew that makes the race entry payment first will secure the waka.
6. As received payments are not time stamped, crews or individuals can provide time stamped evidence of payment, such as a screenshot, if they choose.
7. In the case of entry and payment being received on the same day, preference will be given to crews who provide time stamped evidence.
8. If no time stamped evidence is provided by either/any crews or individuals, the allocation will be decided by a coin toss or card draw.
9. Allocation of waka will be published on the race page as and when they are paid for and allocated.
10. If we have more requests for waka than we have available, the club will hire and pay for additional waka for those individuals or crews.
11. Preference in allocation will be given to crews comprised of club members unless it is clearly demonstrated that outside paddlers are necessary to allow them to race i.e the club does not have enough paddlers in a specific age or sex to form a crew.
12. In such cases, ordinarily the non-club paddlers will be expected to pay a pro-rata proportion of the cost of any hire fees. If the crew is using a club waka and this does not cause us to have to hire an external waka for other crews, the Race Coordinator

can choose to waive these fees in recognition that it is providing an opportunity for our club member(s) to race.