

Te Kauika Ō Patuharakeke Waka Ama Club is hosting a long-distance waka ama event from Te Koutu Beach, Marsden Point, Whangarei Harbour on the 29th August 2026. The event aims to provide a quality racing opportunity for paddlers across Te Tai Tokerau and beyond, with 8km and 16km race options. The event promotes participation, fitness, skill development and community engagement through waka ama.

**29
AUGUST
2026**



**7AM
KARAKIA &
SAFETY**

TE KAUIKA Ō PATUHARAKEKE WAKA AMA PRESENTS...

TE KOUTU HARBOUR CHALLENGE



WHERE: TE KOUTU (RALPH TRIMMER DRIVE, MARSDEN POINT)
WHEN: SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST 2026

EVENT SCHEDULE

6.00am	Waka drop off & safety checks
7.00am	Karakia
7.15am	Registrations Open
8.15am	Race & safety briefings
8.30am	Racing starts
12.00pm	Racing finishes
12.30pm	Prizegiving and closing Karakia

RACE SCHEDULE

TIME	RACE
8.15am	Race Briefing – Race 1
8.30am	Race 1 Start – W6 8km (Novice)
9.30am	Race 1 finishes
10.00am	Race 2 Start – W6 16km (Open)
12.00pm	Race 2 finishes

DEBRIEF AND KAI (WARM SOUP & SAUSAGE SIZZLE).
BRING A KOHA FOR KAI

NAU MAI, HAERE MAI

2,113 paddlers have looked at this page



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EVENTS

[← All Events \(/racecalendar/\)](/racecalendar/)

Te Koutu Challenge (Sanctioned)

 Venue:

Te Koutu Beach, Marsden Point, Ruakākā

 Date:

Sat 29th Aug 2026

 Distance:

8km and 16km

 Host:

Te Kauika o Patuharakeke Waka Ama Incorporated

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Online Entries

- Entries Close: Wed, 26th Aug 2026 at 11:59pm
- Roster Close: Wed, 26th Aug 2026 at 11:59pm
- [View Entries by Club](https://www.wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/entries/2470/byassociation) (<https://www.wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/entries/2470/byassociation>)
- [View Entries by Event](https://www.wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/entries/2470/byevent) (<https://www.wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/entries/2470/byevent>)
- [View Entries Statistics](https://www.wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/entries/2470/statistics) (<https://www.wakaama.co.nz/racecalendar/entries/2470/statistics>)

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