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Experiencing Marine Reserves



Sandy Beach Kayak Day Sunday 19th Feb, 2022

Come join us for a free guided kayak through the mangrove forests of the Manukau winding up towards the Waitākere Ranges. Spot native birds and see the Manukau Harbour from a different perspective. This event is a taster into kayaking - expect to spend ~50mins on the water. Fun for the whole whānau. We will have landbased activities of a raranga - weaving workshop (registrations essential - details below) and a freshwater education stall.

Sea conditions permitting - we will run with light rain.

Te Kura Moana - Experiencing Marine Reserves runs a series of free and subsidised events over the summer months - we rely on your support to make them happen. We appreciate donations, either cash/eftpos on the day, online or by giving a koha of your time volunteering at a future event. Some people donate \$5-10pp.

Children younger than 8 will not be able to participate. Children aged 8-12 need to have a confident adult in the back of their kayak. Children under 13 need an adult companion.

Registrations are essential. **Vaccination certificates for all those ages 12 years 3 months and over will be required**

This event is in partnership with [Auckland Sea Kayaks](#), [Whitebait Connection](#) and [Para Kore Ki Tāmaki](#) and is funded by [The Bobby Stafford-Bush Foundation](#), Waitākere Local Board and [Auckland Unlimited](#).

Sunday 20th of February, 2022

Early access codes for Waitākere locals will be circulated to local pages or email auckland@emr.org.nz to access.

Otherwise all remaining tickets will go live on Thursday the 17th February

- Slot 1: 1145-1315
- Slot 2: 1315-1445
- Slot 3: 1445-1615

Please arrive at least 15mins prior and check in at the tent.

Where: Sandy Beach, Parau, Waitākere

<https://goo.gl/maps/QASz8V89wXePS5AR9>

[Para Kore Ki Tāmaki](#) will be running a raranga - weaving workshop – registrations essential..

What: Kono! Learn how to weave a 4 cornered harakeke basket.

Purpose: A kono is a versatile harakeke basket that can be shaped into many different forms. Some examples of different Kono are water bottle holders, shopping baskets and pot plant holders.

Para Kore Ki Tāmaki believes in increasing zero waste consciousness through practical knowledge sharing and skills.

- Workshop 1: 1315-1445
- Workshop 2: 1445-1615

COVID-19 Information

We can't wait to reconnect with you all and to help kiwis explore our big blue backyard. EMR has always strived to be as inclusive as possible with all our events, however we are in unprecedented times, which means the safety of our crew, volunteers and participants is paramount. Vaccination certificates for all those ages 12 years 3 months and over will be required for all* public events in the COVID Traffic Light framework for the summer of 2021/22 (*unless specified otherwise). Participants/volunteers under 12 years of age will need to be accompanied by a fully vaccinated parent or guardian. All participants/volunteers will need to use face coverings and distance where

practical. Please bring the QR code for My Vaccine Pass on your phone or printed to be scanned & verified on the event. You will need to bring photo ID. Some events may require your vaccination status to be verified prior to registration.

Please arrive at least 15mins prior and check in at the tent. **If you are running late please call 021 02732339**

Numbers limited to 96 – 32 for each rotation. *If you are feeling unwell (sore throat, running nose, loss of taste/smell) please let us know prior as soon as possible. You will not be able to attend the event. If you suffer from allergies – please let us know when you arrive.*



Red= Tent location, check in here. Green= Bathrooms, Yellow= parking.

Participant cancellation:

Cancellations or no shows less than 24 hours from your start time will incur a \$20pp fee which will be invoiced to you. Please note that late cancellations or 'no shows' may affect your future participation at events such as these. Hopeful participants will miss out on participating if inadequate notice is given.

Individual gear list:

- Bring footwear for kayaking (boat shoes, sandals or booties) – you will get muddy feet – so bring something you don't mind getting dirty
- A spare change of clothes in case you get wet. Your bottom may get damp.
- A hat and sunglasses recommended a leash for prescription glasses or expensive sunglasses/ cameras recommended.

- Wear shorts or long pants (no jeans or leather).
- Windbreaker/raincoat – the event will run rain or shine
- Apply sunblock before the event.
- Bring your Vaccine pass and face mask

Event Terms:

Images will be taken during the event to add to our Facebook Page and will be shared with all participants. Please let the organisers know when you arrive if you do not wish for images to be taken of yourself or your whānau.

Activity recommended for 8 years and up – children aged 8-10 need to have a confident paddler in the rear of the kayak. Children under the age of 13 must be accompanied by an adult participant to ensure adequate ratio. Advanced safety procedures will be in place on the day.

Kayak Day lead organiser: Lorna Doogan

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Cell: 02102732339

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Please note the following information. If you have any concerns – please contact us.

- Your registration information will be held for contact tracing.
- The kayaks are doubles – where possible family/friend groups will be placed into the same kayak. The front and back are 1m apart – in cases where singles are buddied up in the same kayak they will need to share information with each other for contact tracing.
- All shared equipment (paddles/life jackets/ handles of kayaks) will be sanitised by Auckland Sea Kayaks between uses.
- There will be hand sanitiser at the main desk for participants and crew to use. There is a full bathroom with soap a 100m walk away from the registration tent.

- Groups of 16 will be distanced during briefings and won't be rafted (held together) within 2m distance of strangers out on the water.

Advice from Worksafe regarding attending events and gatherings

The following people should avoid attending events of any size:

- anyone who is unwell
- anyone who is a confirmed or probable case of COVID-19
- anyone waiting for a test result for COVID-19
- anyone who is self-isolating. [Read more about self-isolation.](#)

How to minimise the risk of getting sick at a gathering or event of any size

The most important thing to do is practice good hygiene. This means:

- Keeping 2 metres away from people you don't know
- Covering coughs and sneezes with disposable tissues or coughing/sneezing into your elbow
- Disposing of used tissues appropriately in a bin
- Washing hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water and drying them thoroughly, or using hand sanitiser:
 - before eating or handling food
 - after using the toilet
 - after coughing, sneezing, blowing your nose or wiping children's noses
 - after touching public surfaces

Risk Disclosure from Auckland Sea Kayaks

Sea kayaking has inherent risks and can be dangerous. Detailed risk management and strict safety procedures are observed; however there still remains an element of risk. Auckland Sea Kayaks cannot absolutely guarantee participants' safety. Auckland Sea Kayaks accepts its legal responsibilities but cannot be held responsible for personal injury or for loss, theft or damage of/to your equipment outside legal responsibilities. Participants will be required to sign a liability form to this effect before starting a tour.

Changing conditions can mean that tours have to be modified. No two tours are the same. It is very rare but weather could delay your scheduled return by up to 24 hours, e.g. weather conditions preventing kayaking.

Clients on guided tours must listen carefully to and follow guides' instructions and adhere to safety requirements. Our reputation depends on your safety – we give it top priority and take it seriously. A comprehensive paddling and safety briefing is given before all tours depart. The guided trips also feature friendly on the water paddling instruction, safety management and natural history interpretation. We aim to teach

you new skills and to help you have a great time out there, It's an awesome place and we do our best to ensure our approach to safety reflects our respect for it.

Any concerns should be discussed when you enquire about or before you book a tour. If you want help on which trip is appropriate for you, please contact us.

Restrictions

Although we try and be as inclusive as possible it is important to remember safety is our number one priority. The guide must be able to lift/ assist a client back into a kayak if in the unlikely event that they capsize.

Clients must be made aware that they are required to be in a kayak and paddle for up to 60 minutes without the possibility of getting out / stretching or take long breaks.

Our tours are in English and clients must be able to speak and understand English.