



Keas

Cubs

Scouts

Venturers

Rovers

Leaders

20 September 2015

Activity Notice 5

Waikato River Trip Labour Weekend

Date: Saturday 24 – Monday 26 October

Activity: A trip down the Waikato River by canoe and / or cutter (rowing). As with previous years, this trip is also likely to be attended by several other groups as well. This trip is open to Scouts, Venturers and Family

Meeting Place: The New Lynn Scout Den, 0730, ready to leave at 0745

Return Time: 1200 hrs at the Boat Ramp at Tuakau. Approx 1500hrs at the Scout Den.

What to Bring: Sleeping bag, plates, drink bottle, boating clothes etc, typical camping gear.

Cost: The cost will be the cost of your food. When you return your form (Sunday 4 October) you will be sorted into groups and will plan your own menus and do your own shopping. The costs will be shared amongst your group. Budget about \$25 depending on foods chosen.

Trip Plan:

- Day 1: To launch at Taupiri and camp overnight on the river bank at Ohiniwai.
- Day 2: To paddle and float down the river until we get to Mercer where we will camp overnight on the river bank.
- Day 3: To paddle and float down the river until we get to Tuakau where we will get off the river and go home to a nice hot shower and soft bed.

Clothing: You should come prepared as if you are going boating, plenty of warm clothes, wind proof jacket, the assumption that you will fall out of the canoe and get wet (or get eaten by the Taniwha). We are camping on the rivers edge, this can be quite cold in the nights. Remember, several thin layers of clothing is better than one thick jumper. Pack your gear in a similar fashion as you would if going tramping, windproof jacket and water bottle easily assessable, a warm top assessable for when you stop. Put all your gear in plastic bags so it won't get wet. When you think it is waterproof, use one more plastic bag. We will go over this on a Scout Evening prior to the trip.

Alternative Plans: If there is heavy rain in the days prior to Labour Weekend, we may not be able to go down the river as it can flood very quickly. We will monitor this.

Parent help: We will require help from parents to transport scouts and gear to and from the river.

Permission Form: The permission form must be returned by **Sunday 4 October**.

Questions: If you have any questions, please contact Andrew.



See you there...

Andrew Stevens

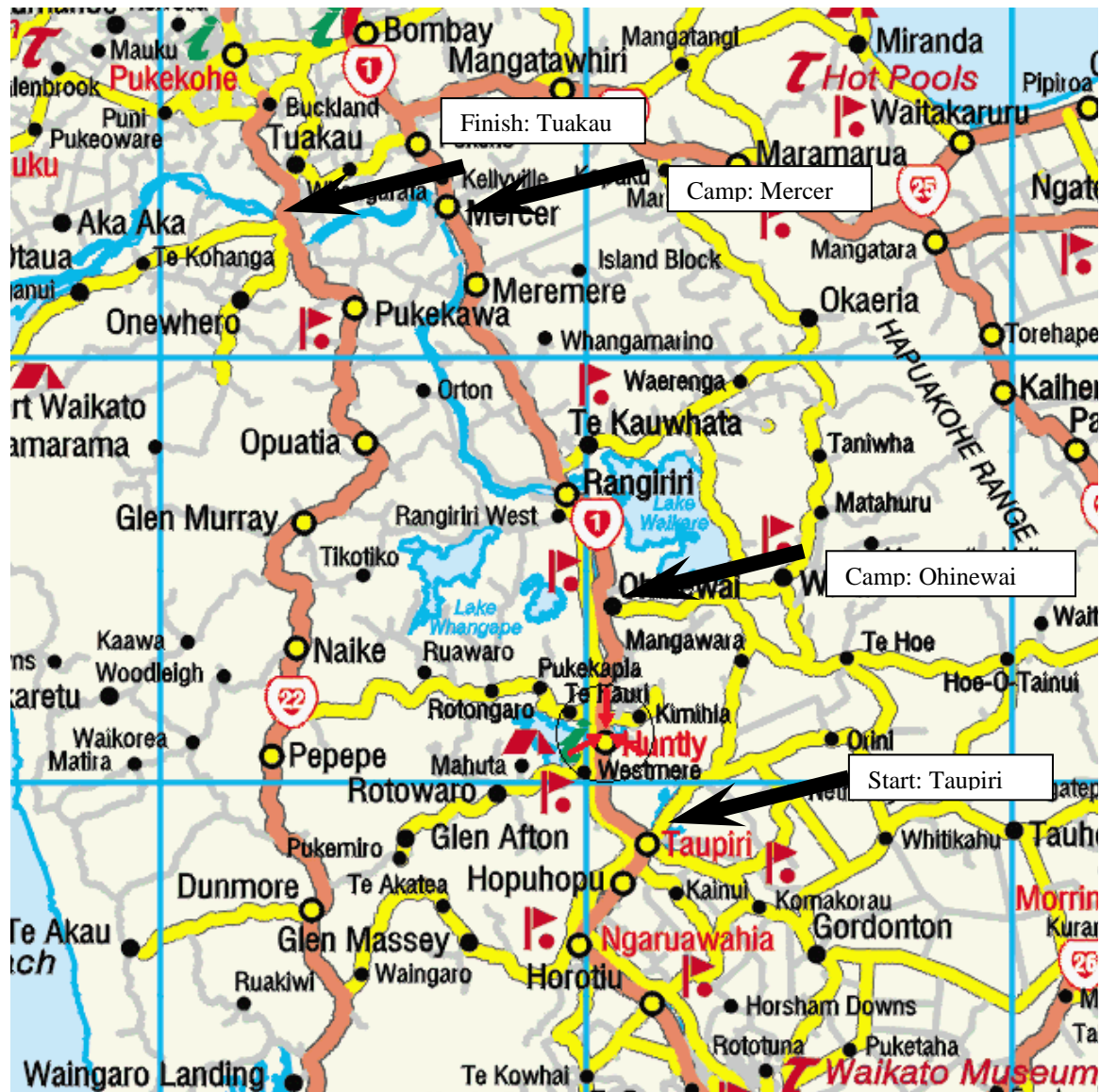
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Where are we going?





Permission Form Waikato River Trip Labour Weekend 2015

I _____ give permission for the following listed to attend the Waikato River over Labour Weekend (24 – 26 Oct 2015).

| Name | Section | Camp Fee |
|-------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| _____ | K/C S / V / L / R / F | \$_____ 0.00 |
| _____ | K/C S / V / L / R / F | \$_____ 0.00 |
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K = Kea, C = Cub, S = Scout, V = Venturer, L = Leader, R = Rover, P = Parent

Special Food or medical requirements the leaders need to be aware of:

| Name | Notes |
|-------|-------|
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

In the event that contact needs to be made during the course of the weekend please contact

_____ on _____.

Other Details

I can transport other scouts: yes / no _____ (number of others)

I can tow a trailer: yes / no

I require transport: yes / no (pay driver \$5 each way)

Blair's Wedding

Y / N I intend to be available to celebrate Blair's Wedding by way of being part of the Guard of Honour

Y / N I wish to do both the River Trip and be part of Blair's Wedding Guard of Honour!

In choosing to do both, if it becomes impractical to attend both then my preference is to:

Attend the Wedding / Do the River Trip (cross out one option)