

2018 BOP IRB LONG HAUL Stage Race



Course Details (Please be aware that the course is subject to change at any point due to weather or environmental concerns)

Stage One: - Ohope Beach (Whakatane SLSC) to Matata

- All crews will enter the draw for initial line positioning
- Crews will prepare their IRB in their drawn Start line position at the High Tide Mark
- All IRBs will be scrutinised, and all required equipment must be on hand.
- On the start signal crews will launch the IRB and proceed out around the 200m buoy and head to Matata.

Stage 1 – Equipment List (must have):

- Rescue Tube
- IRB Knife
- Paddles x2
- VHF Radio (on Channel 16)
- PFDs x 3 and Helmets x3 – To be worn at all times during the race.
- Appropriate Clothing –Wetsuits, booties, gloves, helmets and fins (recommended, not mandatory)

Figure 1: Start

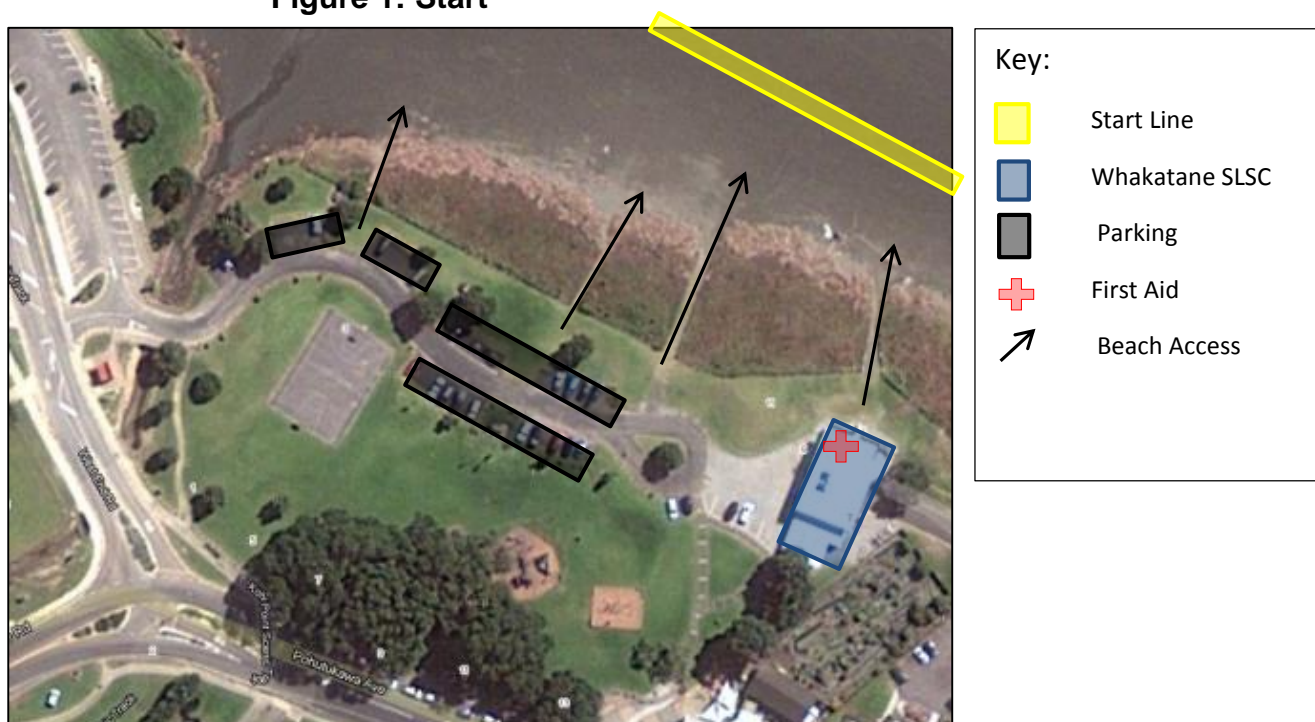
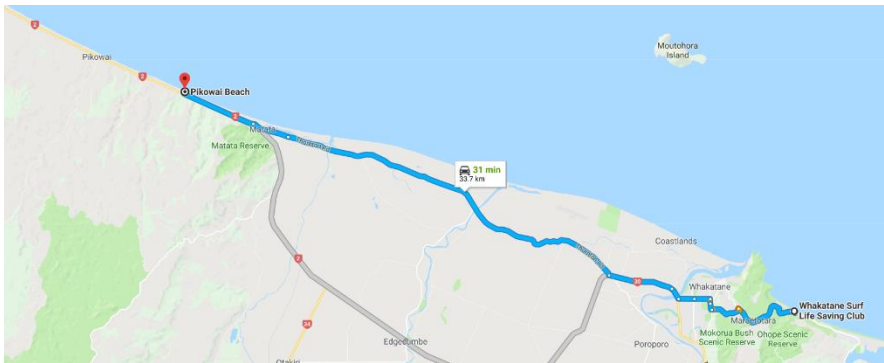


Figure 3: Matata Directions (Pikowai Beach)

- Support crews: this is the next car park past Murphy's Holiday Camp as you head along Matata toward Pukehina , the entrance will be marked by a BP Banner on the road side.



Throughout the event please follow these basic Maritime Rules:

- As we are transiting busy beaches, we must stay at least 200m off the coast otherwise you will need to reduce your speed to 5 knots. We have an exemption at every stage where the 200m buoys are placed, and our safety crews have cleared an access lane to and from the beach.
- You must also reduce your speed to 5 knots if your IRB comes within 50 metres of any other vessel (other than other IRB's in the race), raft, floating structure or person in the water; or within 200 metres of any vessel or floating structure that is flying Flag A of the International Code of Signals (diver's flag).

Stage One Challenge: Matata

- Crews will the round the 200m buoy and land at Pikowai Beach Access between the two Yellow flags.
- This challenge may require you to break the IRB down and carry components.
- During the 12 minute recovery period, Crews may refuel if necessary.

Figure 4: Matata Beach



Key:

- IRB Route
- Start of run route
- 200m Buoy
- Marker Flags
- Finish Line
- Car Park

Stage Two: Matata to Pukehina

- Crews will prepare their IRB in their Start line position.
- On the start signal crews will launch the IRB and proceed out around the 200m buoy and head to Pukehina.

Stage Two Challenge: - Pukehina Beach

- Crews will round the 200m buoy and land near Pukehina Surf Rescue (End of Pukehina Parade) between the two Yellow flags.
- Two crew members will follow directions of the marshals and run a set course.
- During the 12 minute recovery period, Crews may refuel if necessary.

Figure 5: Pukehina Directions

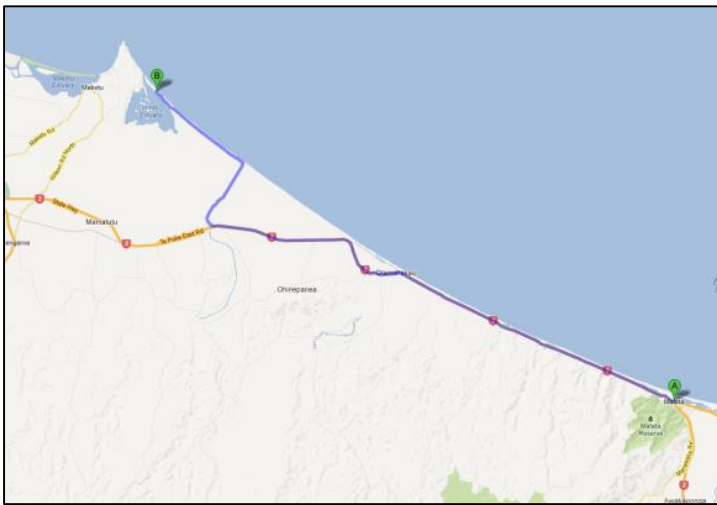


Figure 6: Stage Two Pukehina Beach



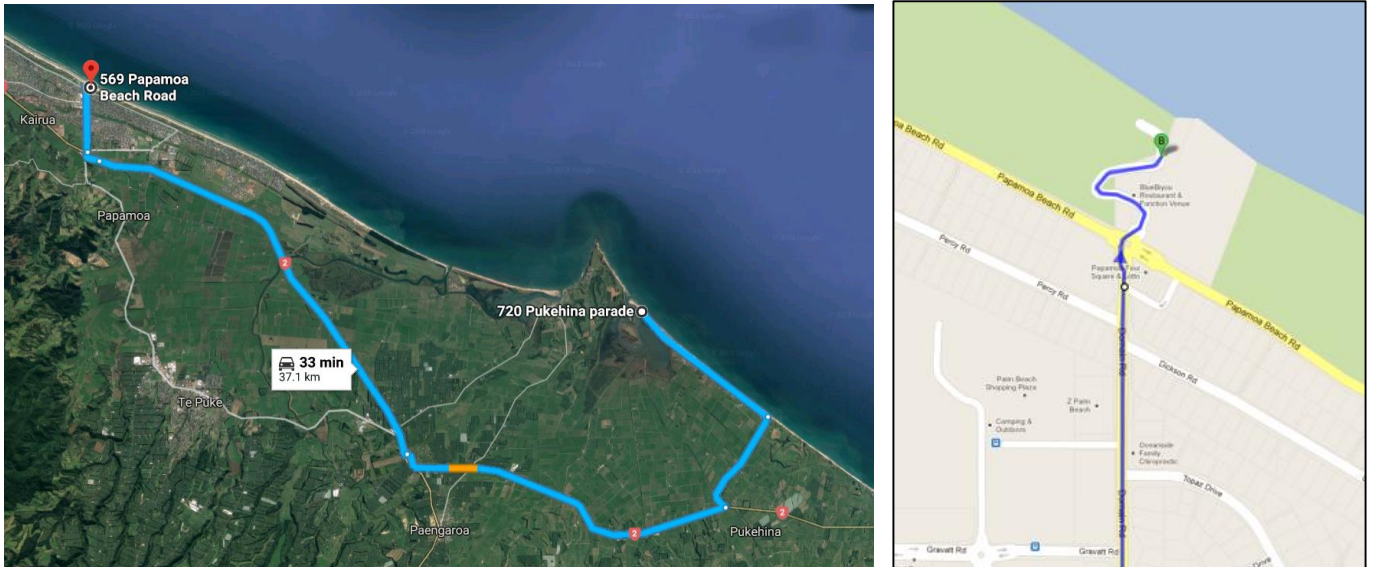
Key:

- ← Start of run route
- ← IRB Route
- 200m Buoy
- Marker Flags
- Turning Flags
- Finish Line
- Parking
- ✚ First Aid
- Pukehina SR

Stage Three: - Pukehina To Papamoa Beach

- Crews will prepare their IRB in their Start line position.
- On the start signal crews will launch the IRB and proceed out around the 200m buoy and head to Papamoa.

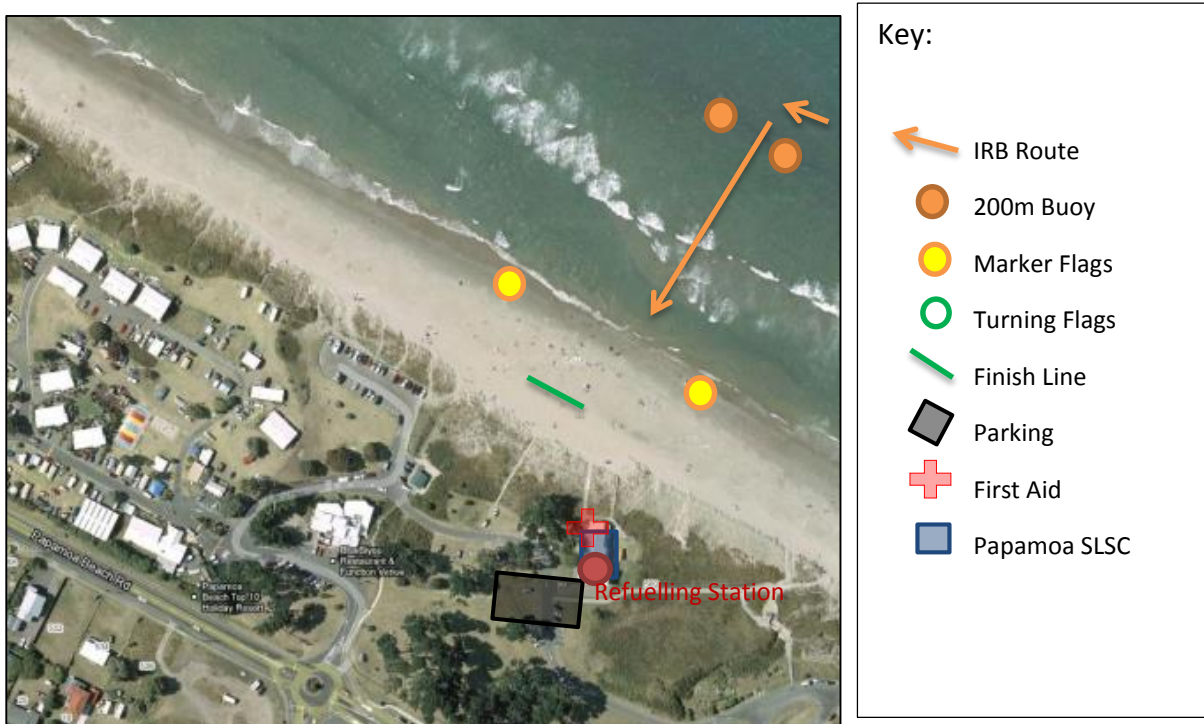
Figure 7: Papamoa Beach Directions



Stage Three Challenge: Papamoa SLSC

- Crews will pass through 2 buoys and then land just to the north of Papamoa SLSC between 2 Yellow flags.
- Be ready for action! Teams will need to complete a rescue scenario.
- During the 12 minute recovery period, Crews may refuel if necessary.

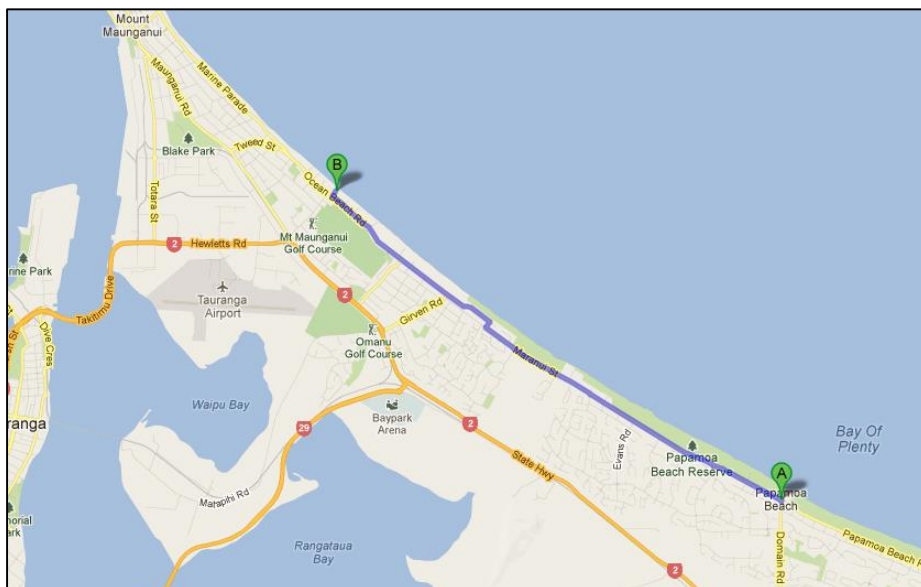
Figure 8: Stage Four



Stage Four: Papamoa Beach to Omanu Beach

- Crews will prepare their IRB in their Start line position.
- On the start signal crews will launch the IRB and proceed out around the 200m buoy and head to Omanu.

Figure 9: Omanu Directions



Stage Four Challenge: Omanu SLSC

- Crews will pass through 2 buoys and then land in front of Omanu Beach SLSC between two Yellow flags.
- Crewmembers will follow directions of the marshals and complete a series of challenges.
- During the 10 minute recovery period, Crews may refuel if necessary.

Figure 10: Stage Four



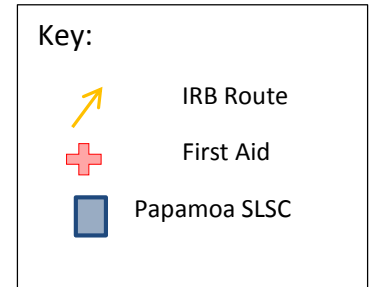
Key:

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- ← IRB Route
- 200m Buoys
- Marker Flags
- Finishing line
- ▭ Parking
- ⊕ First Aid
- ◆ Omanu SLSC

Stage Five: Omanu to Papamoa

- Crews will prepare their IRB in their Start line position.
- On the start signal crews will launch the IRB and proceed out around the 200m buoy and head **back to Papamoa**.
- The Crew will land the IRB on the beach between the two SLSNZ designated flags
- All crew members will proceed to carry/drag your IRB up the beach to finish between a set of finish flags in front of the Papamoa clubhouse.

Figure 12: Stage Five



Supporter's vehicles and trailers

- Please park all vehicles in the Papamoa SLSC car park.
- All IRB trailers will be ferried onto the beach for retrieval of IRB's using Papamoa quads.

If you have any issues during the race, please don't hesitate to call the event Manager or one of the key Race Officials

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