

President's Update: Re-Oweek

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Sem2 is here! Welcome back. We are going to welcome in a number of new paddlers at O-Week before getting back out onto the river.

Recent Events

Queens Birthday Always stoked on a long weekend, AUCC made the most of it. A group headed to the Motu and got rained out, but went on a rafting mission down the upper Waioeka. You'll have to find the right people for the solid carnage stories.

Kaituna Rangi With consistent flows, groups have been out to the BOP classics. First during exams, :(, and then to meet some Vuccers up for a weekend.

King Country With rain comes boating. Hitting on the Thursday the Kaimais flashed, a group got across to Waitomo for a weekend of less common rivers, that conveniently hold their water. 2.3m on the Mokau provided a rematch for AC vs the swirly boi's. A great day out, the levels pushed us along between the named rapids. Sunday became a mission with two and a half hours of portage or flat. After confluencing with the Tawarau there were a series of interesting drops that didn't quite live up to the guide book. Stunning country, definitely doing it again, in ten years.

Boof Session After a recent spate of "Pin it to Win it" we ran a session lapping the bottom drop of Wero G3. Focusing in on the technique, twelve club members were looking much cleaner at the end of the training. Get out there and crush it on a real river.

There are many more stories that won't fit here; ranging from broken banks on the Mangakarengorengo to scraping down the Botany creek.

To look forward to

Pool Trainings Back to Uni, we have pool trainings again. Make sure to come along, focuses include paddling skills, boat control, rescue techniques, or just making it to the pub. It is key that you make a Pool Training before getting on whitewater.

Beginners A trip focusing solely on solidifying skills in a whitewater kayak. Beginners Trip is a great way to progress towards your goals. Planned for the second weekend (3-4 Aug) make sure to keep an eye out.

Seconders Yes that's you if you came to trips Sem1. Expect to hear more details with plans for both in-house and external training as we get into the semester.

Tongo Coursing down from the central plateau. Remote and remarkable, we are always along for a recreational release. Plans are being made for the final release of the year, heads up in September.

Notable Firsts

Nic - Crushing it on G3

Katrina - 9 months of exchange and already back on G3

Notable Swims

We had ACam's last swim with AUCC before he heads down to UCCC's stomping ground for work. You will be missed for much more than your swims. It was a classic AC swim, absolutely punching. See you on the water soon mate.

In AUCC we promote water safety, please learn from Dani's mistake and don't jump into shallow water or anything you don't know the depth of. You don't have to have a plate in your ankle too :'(

See you out there,
Josh

