

# Wishbone Relay

## Kaituna River Rafting



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### Trip Highlights

- World class rafting with experienced & local guides
- Adrenaline rush of navigating through 3 stunning waterfalls - including the highest commercially rafted waterfall in the world! (optional)
- Orthopaedic Services Ltd sponsored BBQ at Ian Galley's in Oropi from 2pm

### What's It All For?

Wishbone have funded NZ based orthopaedic research for over 25 years & this research then improves NZ patient outcomes and transforms lives through increased mobility & quicker patient recovery time. Orthopaedic surgeons and outdoor adventurers Perry Turner and Ian Galley have worked with local coordinators to offer adventures then length of NZ - all aiming to raise both awareness and funds needed for this orthopaedic research.

The sections hosted by Invercargill Hospital start mid-January 2024 and the Wishbone Relay finishes in late March 2024 with a gala dinner & sporting events hosted by Auckland surgeons.

The locally run & sponsored journeys create an opportunity for the orthopaedic community from all over NZ to come together, get active & support Wishbone by walking, biking, paddling, sailing and more!

Colleagues, friends & family ... everyone moving together to support orthopaedic research and helping Kiwis by restoring function and quality of life.

### Logistics

**Date:** Sunday 10 March 2024

**Duration:** Morning Rafting & BBQ mid-afternoon onwards

**Start:** 10.30am at Rotorua Rafting base: 761 State Highway 33, Okere Falls, Rotorua

**Finish:** Allow 2 hours for rafting component (1hr in water). Approx. 50 min drive from river to BBQ in Oropi. BBQ from 2pm

**Grade:** 5 . The minimum age is 13years (10yrs if waterfalls missed)

**Activities:** Rafting & BBQ (Walks/other activities such as ziplining available in this area for non-rafters)

**Accommodation:** Self Manage. Kaituna is approx. 20 mins drive from Rotorua & 40 mins from Tauranga. See links below

**Cost:** \$89pp rafting plus Wishbone donation: Surgeons+industry \$100pp/\$250 family. Non-surgeons+ hospital employees \$25/\$50pp. BYO snacks & drinks. BBQ costs are being sponsored by Orthopaedic Services Ltd - please donate as above.

**How To Book:** Registration portal is Live! Scan the QR or there's a link on the NZOA homepage.

**Notes:** BYO togs & a towel – rest of gear supplied. See website for fitness/health criteria. Want breakfast before or a snack after? Okere Falls Store is right next door –see links below

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### Links

<https://www.rotorua-rafting.co.nz/>

<https://okerefallsstore.co.nz/>

<https://www.bayofplentynz.com/places/tauranga/stay-tauranga/>

<https://www.rotoruanz.com/accommodation>



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### Hosts & Escorts

Perry & Ian have set themselves the challenge of completing as many of the legs as possible with you and they are both pouring vast amounts of time & energy into organising this Wishbone Relay - Why?

*"My main motivation was to bring all those involved in care of our patients together and share what orthopaedic surgery is achieving in NZ with the public.*

*I want to help bring us together in a fun activity and common goal." - Ian*

*"This is an opportunity for myself and my family to give back to a job and career that has given us so much." - Perry*

This area is **Ian's** backyard, so for any questions about the day - please contact him directly:  
**ian.galley@orthocentre.co.nz**

If you have any other questions about The Wishbone Foundation, fundraising ideas or just want to get in touch – please email the Events Manager Nikki Wright: [nikki@nzoa.org.nz](mailto:nikki@nzoa.org.nz) or Vanya Schoeler: [vanya@nzoa.org.nz](mailto:vanya@nzoa.org.nz)

### Fundraising

All travel and trip related costs are to be met by the individual taking part.

The participant donation: Surgeons+industry \$100pp/\$250 family, non-surgeons+ hospital employees \$25-\$50pp (whatever you can give gratefully received) will go directly into the Wishbone research funding pot – but of course it'd be awesome if you can pick up the baton & give more!

Donations can be made at any time via this [Wishbone Foundation Link](#). If you use this link you will receive an automated receipt & donations from individuals over \$5 are eligible for a tax credit.

Perhaps get friends, family & colleagues to sponsor you on your Wishbone Journey?

Many other hospitals along the route will be hosting public events - check on the NZOA website or with your own orthopaedic department & join in.

We'll be posting Relay updates regularly - so even if getting to an event is not possible, you'll be able to follow the fun on the [New Zealand Orthopaedic Association website](#).

### Health & Safety

Take note that Wishbone Trust and the NZOA Inc. are not organising the trips and they or their staff or officers have no role to play in providing the trips or managing any aspects of Health & Safety in relation to the trips.

Wishbone Trust is only acting as the recipient of donations made by those choosing to participate in a trip.

You must follow all Health and Safety requirements of the trip organiser and any other provider of services or other organisations with any H&S responsibilities during the trip.

If the weather or other unforeseeable events make the planned event untenable, organisers reserve the right to change venue or plan at short notice.



Participation equals self-management.  
Please pack carefully for our changeable NZ outdoors and check/test any equipment beforehand.