



### IMPORTANT EVENT UPDATE: October 19, 2021

To our team captains and participants,

It's been a tough end to 2021 and the on-going restrictions in place to manage the Covid-19 pandemic are not going away any time soon it seems. As an organisation, we've tried to be as nimble as possible in putting events back a few weeks here, a few weeks there, in the hope that things will change for the better. Sadly, in the short term, that appears highly unlikely.

With the earlybird cut off date fast approaching for Corporate Challenge Christchurch – and the same for Auckland just around the corner – we wanted to make a decision now rather than wait a few more weeks in what appears to be doomed hope of a radical change in circumstances. Whilst there is some feint hope that our great friends on the main island could be in some sort of Level One restrictions by mid-November, the fact that our crew, truck and all of our production materials are based in Auckland must also be considered.

For this reason, we've made the difficult decision to move our two remaining 2021 Corporate Challenge events to new dates in the summer of 2022. We hope that the additional 3 months of breathing room will allow NZ to find a pathway out of covid restrictions and into some sort of new normal. Plus ... if ever a running event was made for the warmer months ... it is the "Run, Walk, BBQ!" of the Corporate Challenge!

**2021 Corporate Challenge Christchurch will now take place on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**2021 Corporate Challenge Auckland will now take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022**

We really do hope you can join us for one H-O-T office night out, but we also understand the new dates may not suit everyone. There will inevitably be clashes with other events, holidays or happenings. Please understand that we're doing the best we possibly can under difficult circumstances. Remember that it is both free and super-easy to update your team list, so if anyone can't make the event or you have personnel changes, they are easily accommodated.

There may be some of you who are dead set on having your own workplace gathering on the original event date (observing the current gathering and distancing rules of course!) and we want to support you in that. So – if you prefer – drop us a line through the web contact form confirming you'd like to switch to the virtual Corporate Challenge instead. We'll courier off your race t-shirts and you'll be able to manually record finish times for your team to go into our online results. Plus, as an extra bonus, you'll get a 50% credit on entry fees paid that you can use for next year's event.

On the meantime, for all of those waiting until we meet in person again, we ask two things of you ...

1. keep on running,
2. if you have not already, please, please, please - get yourself and your entire team vaccinated. It is clearly our best and fastest way to get back to doing what we love the most.

Take care and we'll see you again next year.

The Team @ Running Events

