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Re; 2020 Firefighter Skytower Climb

Tena koutou katoa

By now what we are going to say will come as no surprise to you all. Given the current situation in the world and here in New Zealand it would be irresponsible of us to put any of you or our wider communities at risk.

We have held off delivering the news that we have cancelled the 2020 event to explore if it was possible to continue in some other way, however we see this is not possible.

We will run the event at a future date when it is safe to do so. All of you who are entered in this year's event will have a guaranteed automatic entry into the next event.

Today our Government announced an impressive support package for New Zealanders to help us through this situation. Many of us for the first time in our lives are facing uncertainty a few weeks ago we had never considered, patients with suppressed immunity are some of the most vulnerable people in our society imagine now the fear these families will now be feeling. In talking with LBCNZ, CEO Peter Fergusson, we have asked that all the money so far raised by this years event, might go to supporting the immediate welfare and assistance in maintaining safe access to medical support for these families struggling with leukaemia or a blood cancer. Government funds will likely be focused on Covid 19 health care support for the wider public as the immediate threat. LBCNZ patients and their families will need supporting and protecting more than ever before.

PLEASE, we need to do what we can, to help. Any fundraising you can continue to do, however small, will make a huge difference in these families lives in a practical way.

At this time we all need to look after each other, and our most vulnerable in our communities.

Please look after yourselves, your families, and each other, our communities need you!

If you have any questions please call us and keep us updated with how things are going in you communities and how we can help anyone who needs it.

AND! Remember you still are entered into the event, keep training!!

Piki te ora , keep well.

Heather & Scottie
FireUp Events.