

90 More Miles Is Back For 2021! Northland Locals To Run the Equivalent Length of 90 Mile Beach During March

Following on from a hugely successful inaugural year the Classic Builders team are pleased to announce that 90 More Miles is back on for 2021!

A fun run set to benefit Whangarei charity Kind Hands Respite Cottage will see participants run or walk the equivalent length of Ninety Mile Beach over the month of March. Classic Builders 90 More Miles is a Northland-wide challenge organised by Classic Builders and Northland's 91.6 More FM.

Throughout Northland, participants will be running or walking a total of 88 kilometers on their local walking tracks and daily commutes. This might include walking the Whangarei Hatea Loop 21 times, the Paihia Forest Lookout track 59 times, the Waitangi to Haruru Falls loop 15 times or the Kerikeri River track 25 times.

A massive \$25,408 was raised last year for local Northland Charity Kind Hands, all thanks to you! The funds raised went towards paying for much needed specialist equipment, enabling Kind Hands to support local children who have a disability, are medically fragile and/or are technology dependent.

Scott Coutts, Regional Manager of Classic Builders Northland believes the locality of this challenge makes it meaningful for Northland locals. "Similar challenges have been run in other parts of the country, and we thought we could do something just for Northland locals based on Ninety Mile Beach, a well-loved icon." Scott says.

For families with children who have a disability or medical vulnerability, respite care offers the whanau an opportunity to have a break from what is often a 24/7 caring job. Families can feel confident their child is with the kind hands of nurses and specialists.

Kind Hands also offer an early childhood education centre that welcomes children that may not be suited to other centres and offers these children what they need to succeed. For Kind Hands Founder Sharlene Clements, the work Kind Hands offers is a labour of love.

"It has not been easy," says Sharlene. "We don't do this for anything back, we do this just for the children. Funding has been the hardest hurdle we have needed to jump. We are so thankful that 90 More Miles is back for round two."

"We have received so much support from the community here in Northland, and we are so proud to call this place home."

With an aim to raise even more vital funds for Kind Hands this year, the process of collecting donations has changed to make the process quick and easy. All donations will be collected through a single Givealittle page found at <https://givealittle.co.nz/fundraiser/2021-classic-builders-90-more-miles-challenge> Encourage your friends/whanau/colleagues to support you, or join you, through this challenge. How about \$1 per lap? Dress up laps? The creativity is only limited by your imagination!

Sign up to kick start your 2021 Classic Builders 90 More Miles challenge at <http://90moremiles.co.nz/> and help us raise much needed funds for Kind Hands Respite Care Cottage.

Bring on March – we cannot wait to see you out there doing it!

Whilst doing the challenge make sure you use the hashtag #classicbuilders90moremiles or #90moremiles so your progress can be shared.

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<https://www.facebook.com/90moremiles>

Participants are invited to find out more information and register at <http://90moremiles.co.nz/> or donate at <https://givealittle.co.nz/fundraiser/2021-classic-builders-90-more-miles-challenge>

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