



Info on your day paragliding

Thank you for booking a paragliding course or flight with us. We will make sure you will have a great day.

Here is some information to ensure that you come prepared and can make the most out of your day.

Bookings

Please call us on 09-446 0020 or 021-727 013 or email to info@wingsandwaves.co.nz to make a booking. We are available most days from September to May. During the winter we mainly operate on the weekend – unless the weather looks really good.

We appreciate bookings a week in advance as that helps us plan and allocate instructors, but you can always try for short notice bookings. Typically, we are quite flexible with weekday bookings. During the summer, weekends can book out and a couple of weekends ahead at times.

The best time of the day to call us is 9-9.30am; even if we all go out teaching, we are usually available that time of the day. Often, one of us is available on the phone most of the day.

To make a booking, we will need your name, a contact phone number, your approximate body weight and your voucher number if you have a gift voucher.

Cancellations need to be done 48 hrs in advance, please. Note that vouchers may expire if you fail to do so. Please understand that we organise trips and staff according to the bookings – call us asap with any changes, but at least 48 hours before.

On the day of your booking, please ring us at 9am on the landline or Reuben 0274727013 directly or let us know via whatsapp (below is a link to our training group). This is essential as we need to pack equipment according to who is coming out. Once we have left our premises, we cannot go back should we need gear for you.

PG1 whatsapp group

If you are doing a PG1 course, please [join our whatsapp group](#) asap where we post training updates.

Sites and places to meet

Please check the day before at what time we are planning to leave and if we have space in a vehicle. Most typically, we are gone at 9.45am. Make sure to be here by 9.30am the latest so that we can organise car pooling or fill out forms.

Many days, we split up into beginner and advanced groups, something only Wings & Waves offers. That way, the learners use the conditions to suit their level of training and progress best.

To meet up with us, you can either come to our premises in Bayswater and car pool from there if you have arranged that or meet us at the site.

Maps of the most common sites are on our webpage at www.wingsandwaves.co.nz/paragliding-sites

Meeting at Wings & Waves in Bayswater

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To get to Wings & Waves by Ferry:

From the Downtown Ferry Terminal at the bottom of Queen Street, take the ferry to Bayswater. It takes 10 minutes across the harbour. [AT has a timetable for the ferry](#). Note: Take care to end up on the ferry to Bayswater!

When you get off the ferry on the Bayswater side, walk up the road to the roundabout, stay left, walking into Beresford Street. Find no 26. More info is on our web site on wingsandwaves.co.nz/contact

Car pooling

Thinking about our carbon footprint, carpooling seems a good idea. With today's fuel costs, please give every the driver a minimum of \$10, including Reuben. Drivers will probably be too polite to ask for it. You will save a lot more than that and that way, you will get a ride next time.



We often drive along the beach, so if you have a 4WD, please bring it.

What to bring

Be prepared for a day outside. Long shorts, Tshirt, hat, sturdy footwear such as hiking shoes or boots or alternatively trainers with a good tread are essential. Sun protection is a big deal during the day, so please consider what you need. We supply helmets, but if you want to get into flying, it may pay to get your own [paragliding helmet](#) soon.

You may be waiting for perfect conditions for a while or train hard all day, so please bring lots of water, at least 2L and food. You also need a warm top.

NZHGPA membership

Civil Aviation law requires you to be at least a student member of the NZHGPA prior to commencing your course or flight. If you are coming out for 1 day or for a trial tandem flight, please fill out a form on arrival; the cost of this is included in our prices.

If you are doing a PG1 course or more, please join up on member.nzhgpa.org.nz/join-us, noting Wings & Waves as instructors and emailing the confirmation to us.

How the day goes

We typically meet at the flying site at 11am. On many days, we finish flying at about 4.30pm or 5pm, mainly because this tends to be as much flying and concentrating learners can handle in one day. Sometimes we stay longer. We have been known to celebrate the day with a drink at the pub after.

If you need to leave earlier, you may want to take your own car to the site, best a 4WD right to the take off site. Muriwai does not need 4WD. In case of weather cancellation

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If the weather ends up different to what we expected, we may cancel the course or flight at any stage. We do that for safety reasons or because we can't achieve what we went out to do. After many years of running such courses, we predict the weather very well. Still, it doesn't always work out which is simply part of the

sport.

Should we need to cancel, in advance or during the day, we will re-book your flight for you at a convenient time.

Risk Disclosure

Like any outdoor sport, paragliding carries an inherent risk. We consider and manage the risks very carefully. Please refer to our [participants form](#) and make sure you are happy with all parts of it.

Please print out that form and either email it to us or bring it along filled out if you can. Failing that, we will have copies with us on the day.

Payments

Payments need to be done in advance, please. Easiest are bank transfers to our ASB account 12-3065-0154223-00 "Wings & Waves Ltd".

Alternatively, you can pay cash on the day.

Check List

- » made a booking
- » joined the NZHGPA online if required
- » called 9 am to confirm time and place
- » if you are doing a PG1 course, join our whatsapp group for updates
- » bring your voucher or cash if you haven't paid in advance
- » sturdy footwear
- » comfy clothing + warm top
- » sun hat + sun screen lotion
- » big packed lunch
- » lots of drinking water
- » enthusiasm
- » more info is on our [first day website](#)
- » any questions, please call us!