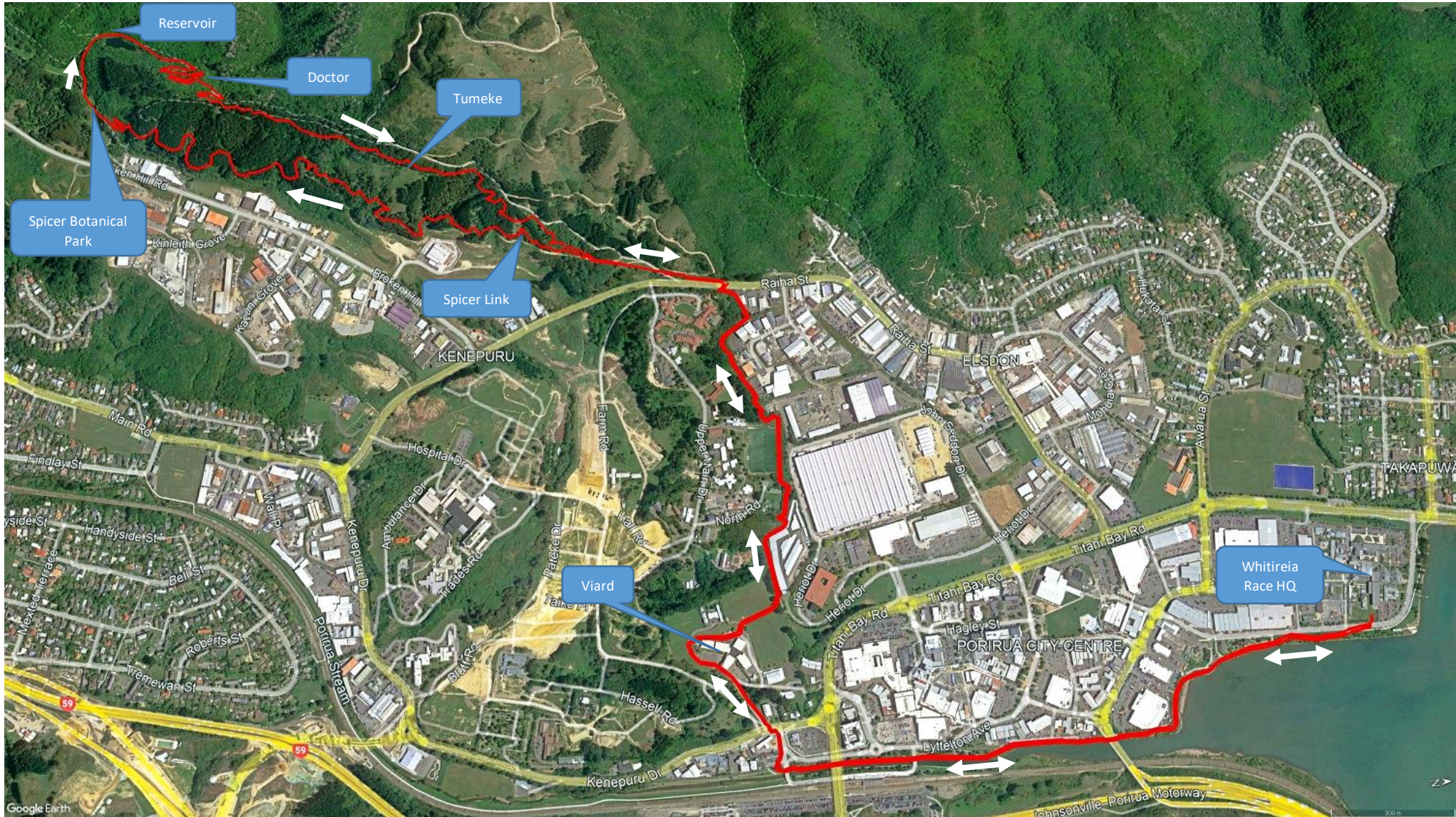


The New 13k Fun Ride

Start/Finish at Whitireia - see full Course Description below.

Summary: The 13k Mtn Bike is made up of three sections:

- First section heads south on the Porirua Stream path & cuts through Viard College to the Raiha Street entrance of Rangituhi-Colonial Knob.
- Second section heads south to Spicer Botanical Park, then heads into the bush past the Reservoir, the Doctor & Tumeke tracks back to Raiha St.
- Third section returns back through Viard College & Porirua Stream paths to Whitireia.



Full Description

All Mountain Bikers start at Whitireia Polytech on south side of Transition area.

The 13k Fun Ride participants line up for their 9:00am start on the south side of transition, in the entrance to Polytech service road, facing east. Do not block the multisport exit from transition. Do not line up on Wi Neera Dve. Fun Ride participants will have a neutralised start where they will ride behind an official for the first kilometre along Porirua Stream.



Note: There will be traffic controls, but riders must take responsibility for their own safety, by obeying all road rules, giving way to all traffic and public, and following marshal instructions. Parents may ride with children under age 10 at no cost.

➤ From the start, follow the footpath/cyclepath south for 1.5k, passing pop-up shops, following Porirua Stream past the railway station area toward Kenepuru Dve.

Warning: The path is not closed to public. Give way to the public at all times. Watch for bollards on the path!

➤ Marshals will direct you from the stream-side path west onto a footpath, past a Shell Petrol Station to Kenepuru Dve, to a pedestrian crossing into Bishop Viard College.

➤ Continue west for 1.5k, around the back of Bishop Viard College, across sports fields onto a single track that pops out onto Raiha St, opposite Rangituhi/Colonial Knob.

Warning: Road crossing will have traffic controls. But you must give way to all traffic and all public at all times.

➤ Riders cross Raiha St onto a grass verge and turn left and follow the Spicer Link track south.

➤ Follow Spicer Link for approx. 3k of single track all the way to Spicer Botanical Park.

➤ At the park, turn hard right, heading south for 150m on a gravel track and crossing a stream, and then turn right back into the bush onto a single track.

➤ Once back in the bush you are heading toward the Reservoir. After 400m of flat riding you cross a bridge and then head up steep hill for 100m, then veers right past the Reservoir onto a single track called “Doctor”, which is an easy uphill for 1.5k to another single track called “Tumeke”.

Warning: Tumeke is a downhill track. It is fast, but not too tricky. Take it slow, especially if it is wet.

➤ Follow Tumeke downhill for 1.5k - taking right hand options at all times - to the bottom of Rangituhi/Colonial Knob.

➤ At the bottom of Tumeke you veer right off the single track onto a 4WD track and head north for 200m back to Raiha St.

Warning: At the bottom of the Tumeke downhill, riders toward the front of the field may cross riders from other PGT events still heading south on Spicer Link. Be very careful and give way at all times.

➤ At Raiha St, riders cross the road again and head back through Bishop Viard College and the Porirua Stream cyclepaths to finish back at Whitireia Polytechnic.

Warning: Returning riders may encounter slower outgoing riders in other events. Be very careful and give way at all times.

13k Fun Ride participants enter the finish chute at the north end of transition, and continue slowly through the chute to the finish line.