

I Can't Believe My Eyes

Mod's Hair director Carl Watkins' life changed after HD LASIK.

Tell us a little about your eyes.

I have been wearing glasses since the age of six because I was far-sighted. As I got older I tried contact lenses but when I played contact sports such as rugby and surfing they were an annoyance and really of no use at all.



From bespectacled youth to 20-20 vision. Carl hasn't looked back since having HD LASIK.



What was your biggest frustration about wearing glasses?

When choosing sunglasses, the options were very limited. Designer frames or lenses were definitely out of the question so there was no Prada or Armani for me!

What motivated you to try High Definition Lasik?

I lead an active life (Speight's Coast to Coast, salmon fishing, skiing, diving) and all these things I love doing were made difficult with glasses or contacts. I wanted the security of knowing my glasses were not going to shatter in my face.

Talk us through the process.

The screening process was brilliant. I had a list of questions but many of them were answered during my initial free assessment. The team at Fendalton Eye Clinic were superb.

What was it like after the surgery?

It was amazing! From the moment I stepped off the table I had 20-20 vision. Imagine a manual camera, coming into focus, that is exactly what it was like. Waking up the next day and seeing the world without my glasses was wonderful.

Was it worth the money?

Absolutely. It's amazing to go from wearing thick, heavy glasses to having none at all. With 20-20 vision my life has been simplified as well as enhanced. I have completed the Speight's Coast to Coast and only this weekend I was diving for crayfish in Akaroa. It is truly liberating.

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