



Swarberg 100 Event Organisers.
29th June 2021

Good Day,

With the President's announcement on the 15th, we feverishly began making plans to ensure we could batch start participants in groups of around 80 so that with officials, the gathering was no more than 100 persons per batch start. We were comfortable that our preparations would be successful, albeit a bit of a let down not having spectators, but at least we could race.

With the President's announcement on the 27th of June, and the rising infection rate across the country we spent Monday the 28th and Tuesday the 29th reviewing the statistics on the expected length of the "infection wave" we are experiencing. We spoke to our volunteers, other event organisers, service providers and Prince Albert community representatives.

We reviewed the gazetted lockdown rules of no gatherings for the next two weeks, the closure of inter-provincial leisure travel for Gauteng and the rest of the restrictions. We have also considered the possible extension of this lockdown level due to the delayed infection curves that will most probably occur in other cities following the Gauteng infection curve.

We have to consider the safety of you the rider, the small town of Prince Albert and its community, our volunteers and service / infrastructure providers. It is for this reason that we sadly announce the postponement of the Swarberg 100 Gran Fondo and accompanying races for this year.

Given the fact that we do not have a sponsor, and we have for the 3rd time forfeited infrastructure and service deposits and had considerable marketing, advertising and staff wage expenditure, we are not in a position to attempt a new date in the 2021 calendar year with all the risks associated with the COVID pandemic.

We will announce further arrangements etc. in the coming months for next year's edition.

For those of you who have purchased cycling shirts please e-mail us on swarberg100@mtbafrika.co.za, if you would like them couriered to you before the next event date.

We thank you for your patience and support during this period.

Kind Regards

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