

Hi everyone, we've some disappointing news for many tonight, after months of very hard work ☹️

We will be sadly postponing the remainder of our 2020 events; The Doncaster 10k, The Great Sprout Scuttle, Santa Dash, Elf Yourself & Rudolph's Revenge.

For now, our priority is to let everyone know asap; please bear with us, as we work through events one at a time. We understand that there will be lots of questions, and we will make sure we answer these in due course.

We have always had the best interests of our runners and charities at the heart of everything that we do, and we are doing our very best to maintain these at what is a very challenging time for us and our charity partners.

Rest assured, for all those entered into 2020 events you will have the option to;

- Take up a virtual challenge, keep running and support the associated charities
- Move to any event in 2021
- Obtain a refund (minus any external admins fee/card charges etc)

If you are already entered into the virtual event option, this will have no impact on you :)

Over the next 14 days, we will be working on the full plan, setting up the systems and building all the communications per event. As soon as we're set, we will let you know We do have some genuinely exciting plans and hope in one format or another, we can help you keep running, keep motivated, and of course grab, the odd cheeky lockdown PB.

Running and physical activity has never been more important than now; we're obsessed with helping people get and stay active . . . including us 😊

The current escalating situation, and the position we are in now, is something we hadn't predicted six months ago. We've had some great open conversations with our local authority partners in Doncaster, who have been extremely supportive throughout; helping us steer and make decisions around our events.

The movement of areas into and out of the new tier system, would have led to runners not being able to cross borders-the logistics of this element and the communication associated with this presents a huge challenge and is just not feasible for us to be able to continue with events safely.

As you know, our approach since UK Athletics announced that running events could return, has been to focus on working very, very hard to bring back events, on the condition that they were;

- a) Safe to deliver, under the national guidelines
- and
- b) Fun-they still had to feel like a real event

We're very happy that we managed to achieve this with the 'proper' event, The Normanby Hall 10k, being used as a national example of best practice in implementing Covid-19 guidelines.

Curly's team have worked every hour, seven days a week for the past six months on alternative plans, venues, routes, upskilling ourselves on all things Covid related, investing in kit, testing scenarios, consultations, and generally just working with a passion to do the right thing! It's been an anxious, stressful and emotional time... coming off the phone with charities not knowing how they're going to get through it has spurred us on to do more and give more. This, we WILL continue, alongside you, our amazing supportive runners 😊

On a positive note, those conversations (with some very exciting 'reserve' venues) we explored and relationships we've built, are looking likely that they will result in some incredible new events coming in 2021!

In the meantime, keep on running and smiling. We will all get through this together :-)

Curly x