



MANX MOTOR RACING CLUB

Event cancellation information

March 2020

Manx Classic 2020 Cancellation

The Manx Motor Racing Club's Manx Classic event is unique and has been built up over several years, so to have to cancel the 2020 event is very disappointing. Particularly bearing in mind that last year was the first time that we not only filled the entry list but had several reserves.

The reason for the cancellation is of course due to the rampant spread of the Coronavirus (Covid-19) and the limitations that it places on everyone with regard to many aspects of life as laid down by the Government. Plus the loss of permits from Motorsport UK.

This is totally understandable and we should all do what we can to help others as well as ourselves.

Motorsport UK have withdrawn/suspended event permits until the 30th April 2020 'at least'. (Motorsport UK's announcement which was released on March 17th, is reprinted below.)

I have had suggestions from competitors with regard to refunding entry fees. These vary from ' keep it towards the 2021 event' to refund it 'less £50 as a donation to help the club', etc. There are complications as to what we can do and how to do it with the on line entries that are done through a third party. Please bear with us and be assured that you are entitled to a refund, and if requested, you will receive it. We will be in touch again soon.

So far as travel and hotel costs are concerned that you personally have incurred you should apply for a refund to the provider, the credit card company you used, or if those fail your travel insurance company. Keep yourselves safe and well.

Graham Malcolm, Clerk of Course

Motorsport UK COVID-19 Update (Tuesday 17 March 2020.)

It is with regret that Motorsport UK is suspending all organising permits and Certificates of Exemption until at least 30th April 2020. This suspension follows the latest guidance issued by HM UK Government in response to the outbreak of COVID-19. This position will be constantly reviewed given prevailing information.

As the National Governing Body, we would ask all Motorsport UK members to act responsibly and follow the Government's guidance during this difficult time.

We thank all of our

members, organisers, officials, volunteers, staff and their families for their support during these unprecedented times.

We will continue to monitor the situation and will resume sporting activity as soon as we are able. We also have a responsibility and duty of care to our staff who will be working from home, so please be patient with any queries you may have.

David Richards, chairman of Motorsport UK, explained, "Clearly we live in challenging times and exceptional measures are required. The decision to suspend Motorsport UK permits on a temporary basis is not one that was taken lightly as the industry employs many thousands of people. However we have an

overriding responsibility to our members and the friends and families of our community. Furthermore, our social responsibilities extend to the broader population and the potential drain on valuable public health resources on which we are all reliant.

"The situation is very fluid and we will continue to monitor developments over the coming weeks and hope that we can resume the annual motorsport calendar at the opportune moment. In the immediate short term our efforts need to be focused on ensuring that the industry that backs up the sport has the financial support that it requires from the Government in order that it can be sustained beyond this extraordinary scenario."



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