

Postponement of the Royal Borough of Kingston Spring Raceday, 29th March 2020.

The race has been postponed due to the current advice and directives of the UK Government in regard to the Coronavirus crisis.

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the postponement of the Royal Borough of Kingston Spring Raceday on Sunday 29th March.

We had every intention of staging the race and had a strategy in place to reduce the numbers of runners assembled at any one time, by introducing different start times for the different race distances. However the briefing issued by the Prime Minister at 16:45 on 16th March made it clear that social distancing, particularly in the London area, was now official policy.

While there was no outright ban on mass gatherings we felt that to continue with the event at this time would be socially irresponsible and would lead to distress amongst race entrants, marshals, support staff and the wider public.

We have therefore rescheduled the event until Sunday 20th September by which time we anticipate the instructions from government will have changed.

We are extremely fortunate to have been able to secure this date at short notice. Normally we are organising dates a year in advance. Given the uncertainty of the length of current restrictions, and the unpopularity of racing long distances in the summer months, we felt it unwise to go for a new date earlier than September.

All entrants have been emailed details regarding the new date and entry options.

The decision to postpone has not been taken lightly. Quicksilver running and our parent company KBC Special events have been organising business to business, sporting and running events since 2003 and have never in that time cancelled or postponed an event, despite having faced many challenges. We have battled through floods and enforced course changes and still been able to deliver highly regarded events. However the Coronavirus is a global crisis and of a completely different scale to normal organisational problems.

We remain committed to mass running events and look forward to seeing you at one of our events in the not so distant future.

Stay safe.

Quicksilver Running