



COVID-19 UPDATE

20th May 2020

MNZ FOCUS & OPERATIONS

COVID-19 has forced the MNZ Board to make some difficult decisions recently to ensure the future of our sport. As you'll be aware, the operations team has been restructured and a minimum operating model implemented to protect the ongoing financial viability of the organisation.

We have had to shift from a dynamic, high profile event-led model to a focus on grassroots participation. In the short term, we as a Board are 100% focused on supporting MNZ clubs and members as the social and financial impacts of COVID-19 become apparent.

The Board and Commissioners are working together to lead our sport through this unprecedented time. The office continues to administer the sport as usual, ensuring the basic requirements – licencing, permitting, member & club communications etc. – remain operational. The opening of licencing & permitting systems will be reviewed following the Governments gathering announcement on Monday 25th May 2020.

Our number one priority is the same as yours – to get back to riding.

Club days and meetings are the heartland of our sport and participation at this level is the very foundation of MNZ. We are in contact with Sport NZ and other relevant bodies and will provide an update as soon as we know when we can resume racing.

From there, we expect the next move will be to bring back regional competition, once the government limits on gatherings allow. And finally, we'll look to reinstate our national championships for the various disciplines, although they are like to operate under a different model.

Over the coming weeks and months, we'll be looking to understand what you, our members, want from MNZ and how we can best support you and your clubs going

forward. This is an opportunity to modernise and evolve MNZ to better meet the needs of all our key stakeholders.

Best regards,

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On behalf of Governance Board