

Press Release

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The MKFM Tour de Vale Postponed until 19th September 2021

In light of the current lockdown and with so much uncertainty remaining it is with a heavy heart that we have decided to postpone this year's MKFM Tour de Vale Charity Bike Ride to **Sunday 19th September 2021**.



After much consideration and ongoing discussion with our partners we believe that this decision is the correct one, in order to protect the health and wellbeing of the participants, supporters and volunteers, as well as the WheelPower and Stadium teams.

“We are very much looking forward to the 2021 Tour de Vale alongside our new title sponsor MKFM and hope that this decision will reassure you of our commitment to this year's event. The Tour de Vale is our biggest fundraising event of the year and we are very hopeful that in September we will be able to put on a fantastic celebration of cycling as we welcome you back to Stoke Mandeville Stadium. In the coming months we will be working hard to make sure that all plans are put in place so that our riders are able to enjoy this day in a safe and happy environment.” Jo Hall, Ride Director.

We hope that you can join us on Sunday **19th September** for an all ability bike ride around the beautiful Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire countryside.

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For all the latest information on this year's event please continue to check our social media channels and website www.tourdevale.com Please note: Entries for this new date will open shortly.

Thank you for your understanding. Your support during this time would be most welcome as we continue to help disabled people throughout the United Kingdom to lead healthy and active lives.

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Notes to Editor:

About WheelPower

WheelPower have been providing opportunities for people with physical impairments to take part in sport for over 70 years. Based in Stoke Mandeville, the home of the Paralympic movement, WheelPower is at the heart of wheelchair sport.

From first-timers to Paralympic medallists, we support and promote participation at all levels. We have seen how playing sport can enrich lives, offering tremendous physical and psychological benefits, whatever your age or ability.

During the current crisis WheelPower has continued to offer new opportunities for disabled people to get active and stay active through a range of events and resources that include our popular 'Exercise at Home' fitness films. WheelPower also provides equipment that enables disabled people to get active and support for a range of wheelchair sports associations.

Website: www.wheelpower.org.uk

Social media: WheelPower can be found on all channels so please do tag us into your posts using the following: [@wheelchairsport](#) (Facebook) [@wheelpower](#) (Twitter) [@wheelpower_official](#) (Instagram)

About The Tour de Vale

Organised by WheelPower, the Tour de Vale Charity Bike Ride has raised funds which have transformed the lives of thousands of disabled children and recently paralysed adults for 17 years.

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