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947 CYCLE
CHALLENGE

Newsletter 2: October 2017

Dear *Team Thandulwazi*

The year is flying by at break-neck speed and, before you know it, it will be time for the 947 Cycle Challenge. With just 44 days to go, we hope that you are gearing up for this great event on Sunday, 19 November 2017, and putting in some training!

Starting Time

Thandulwazi has been allocated to Charity Group AA and we have a great starting time this year – **08:16**.

Late Entries

It is still possible to register for the 947 and ride for *Team Thandulwazi*. Late registrations are permitted up until 12 October. This is regarded by the organisers as a “reseed”. Late registration costs R650 plus the R150 fee for a reseed. Please contact us if you know of anybody who would like to join *Team Thandulwazi*. Reseeds are awarded at the discretion of the Telkom 947 Cycle Challenge seeding committee.

Team Thandulwazi Cycle Shirts

- All *Team Thandulwazi* cyclists are required to wear the Thandulwazi cycling shirt. The branded shirts help team members to find each other at the busy start of the event; help the organisers identify team members and to lend support to our cyclists *en route*.
- For cyclists who rode for *Team Thandulwazi* in 2014, 2015 or 2016, the shirt purchased may be used again this year. However, if you would prefer to do so, you may also order a new shirt (the design remains unchanged). The supplier has given the following guidelines to assist with sizing:
 - 55 kgs – XS
 - 65 kgs – S
 - 75 kgs – M
 - 85 kgs – L
- New team members have all been contacted about their **shirt sizes**. The final order will be placed on **Monday, 09 October 2017**.
- Sadly production costs have escalated and the price of the Thandulwazi cycling shirt is **R650.00** per shirt this year. Please note that this is the actual cost of the shirt and Thandulwazi does not make money on shirts sales.
- For those who are purchasing a shirt, kindly process payments to the following account:
Account Name Thandulwazi Trust
Account Number 221043209
Bank Standard Bank
Branch Randburg (Code 018005)
Ref 947/Name of cyclist

Race Pack Collection

As a service to *Team Thandulwazi* we will once again collect all race packs on your behalf on 15 November –

so no having to wait in queues! Your pack may then be collected at the Pre-Race Cocktail function on Thursday, 16 November 2017 along with your cycling shirt and goody bag of useful items.

Save the date– Meet *Team Thandulwazi* at the Pre-Race Cocktail Party on 16 November

Date: Thursday, 16 November 2017

Time: 17:30 for 18h00

Venue: St Stithians Boys' Sports Pavilion, St Stithians College, 40 Peter Place, Lyme Park

Fundraising

- Good luck with the fundraising. Remember there is no limit to the amount of funds that a cyclist may raise for the Thandulwazi Maths & Science Academy and there will be prizes for those raising the most funds.
- All donations need to be paid by **Tuesday 14 November 2017**.
- Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any supporting documentation to assist you with your fundraising efforts. (www.thandulwazi.com)

Section 18A Tax Certificate

S18A certificates will be issued on request and processed at the end of November 2017. Kindly confirm your postal address for inclusion on the certificate if a S18A is required.

St Stithians/ *Team Thandulwazi* Hydration Station

Look out for the *Team Thandulwazi* stand just up from the corner of **Homestead and Bryanston Drives**. If you need hydration (water will be available), an energy boost, general assistance or just some TLC as you race down this section of the route, do stop in.

Please note the following important reminders from the Race Organisers

Race Numbers & Seeding

At this stage, you should have received your Race Times and Seeding from the organisers. If not, please follow up directly with the 947 Organisers.

Charity Start Times

- The Charity start time for *Team Thandulwazi* has been set for 08:16 and our group is AA.
- Please note that it is not possible to do a combination of rides - as a Pro and then again for a Charity. Only one circuit is permitted per cyclist. The only exception is the Double Loop group which starts at 06:00 as a group.

Reseeding

A few of the rules from the Organisers:

- Charity reseeding is only from 6 - 12 October 2017. In other words, those riders whose starting time is after *Team Thandulwazi's* starting time can be re-seeded. If a rider is seeded earlier than the time for *Team Thandulwazi*, it is their choice if they wish to drop down to ride with the charity or to stay and ride with their peers.
- No reseeds into *Team Thandulwazi* can be done after 12 October 2017
- No reseeds into *Team Thandulwazi* can be done at Number Collection
- Cost to reseed is R150 per reseed – this will need to be deposited into the Thandulwazi Trust Account (see banking details above for Cycle Shirts)
- Only pay the amount if your start time is AFTER *Team Thandulwazi's* start time
- If a cyclist starts ahead of their allocated start time (without reseeding) they will be DISQUALIFIED.

Substitutions

Should there be a change in your plans, it is possible to substitute another previously non-entered rider for your position.

- All substitution up until 10 October 2017 will cost R150 (to be paid by EFT into the account details above and a bulk payment will be done from our side)
- After Tuesday 10 October substitution can only be done at Number Collection and the cost is R150 (again, payable by EFT into the account above prior to collection)
- Please note that a paid entry CANNOT take over a paid entry – this is not regarded as a substitution

Timing Chips

- Timing chips are compulsory again for all riders this year.
- If you don't have one, please purchase one from the organisers online (cost is R120)
- or at Race Collection at the Dome (from 17 November 2017 where the cost will be R150) – please ensure that you have your ID number with you

Route

The same route as 2016 will be followed this year. A reminder of the changes that were made last year:

- cyclists will be routed through the Kyalami Race Track – this is approximately 4.5km;
- cyclists will not veer off at Joe Slovo Drive (no city loop this year) but will continue on the M1 South to the Carr St off-ramp, then go over the Nelson Mandela Bridge and continue as in previous years;
- the 2017 route map is attached to the newsletter or available on the following link:

http://www.cyclechallenge.co.za/site/design/downloads/T947CCRouteMap_18012017.pdf

For all communication and queries, please do not hesitate to e-mail us at TeamThandulwazi@stithian.com.

We thank you for your support and wish you well with your training.

All good wishes



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