



## **FRR Tour France – 5 down 3 Stages to go....**

**October 27**

Hi Everyone

Truly it's been a massive response across the cycling network, the numbers are so encouraging and the competitiveness is just great to see. Yes there have been a few 'KMZ' issues but for now we will park that and focus on the Tour – but I will be looking to see how this can more practically work given volume of riders, language and just general engagement of the Tour.

All that said the support from everyone is so encouraging and I thank everyone who has taken the time to feedback, comment, post or just say thank you.... We listen to it all, we improve with every point and we do it to provide the best and of course the 'hardest' Tour Series on Zwift – anyone can prepare for a single one hour race each week but a Grand Tour requires a whole different mind and body game and France is the first of 4 FRR Grand Tours this season with Tour Britannia kicking off Nov 26.

### **Race Event Pass**

- Event links can be shared by riders to anyone having trouble logging in
- Any troubles, race first then email race control and we can ensure your effort counts

### **KMZ**

- Disappointed that this didn't work this Tour but having tried twice it was best to suspend and rethink
- We will look at options and controls before Britannia

### **Registration**

- Registration remains open
- ALL riders who have registered for France are automatically enrolled for the whole Tour Season.... Of course you can 'unregister' after France in your Profile

### **FRHC**

- We have identified an update to the FRHC superfunction it will be applied to Britannia classifications this will smooth the identified set
- FRHC for Britannia will use the power riders have brought to France, so no need to update your NP but please update for Mixed CAT and weight as these do change and do influence FRHC

### **FRHC on Zwift Name**

- Fantastic response to this and great to see

### **One race isn't enough...animals!**

- Where we find a rider who has the energy for a second go at a stage then we always take their first effort....

### **Team Combining**

- Thank you to all riders and managers who combined forces, each Team needed a min of 10 riders and really as we have seen 20-30 each Team to be competitive across the FRHC classes – learning point for future Tours as they will all be the same
- Post France rider's main team will be returned, do what you need to do to sell the Tour to your clubs and get your own team in place
- If you would like the FRR Manager role then contact race control and we can update very quickly

### **Server response**

- At peak times of access the humble webserver which I pay for has struggled .... So we are a victim of our own success... it will come back you may need to be patient as at those times even I struggle to get in!
- We'll look at beefing up the infrastructure though of course it will cost a few more £'s to move service

### **Social Media Feedback**

- We encourage all feedback, good and not so good – just be objective
- If you like what you experience from the racing, the experience with race control etc... then Facebook message, tweet, insta whatever you use to voice... we appreciate it all as there is still a huge set of riders who are just unaware!
- We run a Facebook group called [FRR Event Group](#) it is private so if you would like to see what we promote before it happens and potentially have influence then please join
- Funding is all private currently however if you would like to contribute to our costs then we have a [FRR Go Fund Me](#) page which you can visit

### **FRR Discord**

- For those that wish to contact via message then we also have a [FRR Discord Server](#)

### **Next Tour Britannia start Nov 26**

- We accept this has to cross over with the next season of ZRL so we adjusted the Stages to work with the Global event schedule so we can all enjoy both – but does mean we revert back to a double Stage day...
- We will offer more race times and ideally a early morning and early evening race slot for each region and we will try and cater for New Zealand, Europe and the Americas a little better
- Please feel free to use the [Tour Britannia Poster](#) to internally promote the event

**But what is after Britannia.....**

- Tour Watopia starts Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> this is great way to kick the year off
- Tour International will be in March as riders know that one will be 2 weeks long and will traverse the Zwift globe

**And one last thought..... Sponsors & Help**

We will be looking to try and get someone onboard and I'm keen to explore 'prizes' and up the competition level... but being mindful of the issues that may also bring... watch this space – getting to today has been nearly 2 years in the making... question is how far can it go and I am always happy to discuss opportunities, share knowledge and take help where I can so please get in touch if you might know or have something that may help!

So all that remains is for me to thank you again for your time, effort, kind words, insight, feedback good and bad, emails, messages, blood, sweat and tears!

Enjoy your Zwifing and if you like France you'll love Britannia it will be a right Royal affair!

**Regards**

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