## Penang Bridge Congress 2020



## August Update

I have been waiting for the latest Governmental announcement regarding the Covid-19 Pandemic. The previous guidelines expired on 31st August.

The Government have just announced that the RMCO (Recovery Movement Control Order) will now be extended until the end of the year. Consequently, it is no longer possible to run the Congress in 2020.

The Jazz Hotel have reaffirmed their agreement to repay the Congress payments, but due to cashflow and continued restrictions on international travel have yet to commence repayment. As soon as we start to receive funds we will return the Entry Fees of those who have made the request. All the possibilities previously agreed with the Hotel Group are still available.

We are still totally committed to running the Congress and are still considering dates in late January, maybe the 23rd and 24th avoiding Thaipusam. or even into the beginning of February, maybe the 6th and 7th, before Chinese New Year.

We will continue to monitor the position and communicate when we have further news on the revised date.

Entries are fully transferrable, so you can change participants, or pass your entry to a completely different team, as another option.

If any Team Captains that have not yet replied could let us have answers to some questions, using the <u>Form</u> we have created on the website. Please remember that we can only refund money to the person who made the original payment.

Please feel free to <u>Contact me</u>, if I can be further assistance.

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