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Dear Marshal

RE: BMMC North East Region -- 2020 Training Days - 15th March 2020 & 7th November 2020

I am delighted to bring you details of our forthcoming 'Free' regional training days, sanctioned and funded by the BMSTT and supported by Motorsport UK – and hope you are able to join us!

Marshals' training days are an important component of motorsport – ensuring events run smoothly and safely for all concerned; as well as providing quality opportunities for individuals to develop their own skills and knowledge in all disciplines and activities, in addition to obtaining the relevant signatures to support upgrade applications.

With the ever increasing need for multi-skilled and adaptable marshals, more emphasis is being placed on a modular approach to training. By attending subject specific module sessions on a 'pick and mix' basis, you are able to cover a plethora of topics that will not only help you obtain the relevant modules required for different upgrades; but also allows for you to revisit and refresh yourself on areas that you may not have covered for some time. It is also a good way for those happy retaining existing grades or to see the approaches being delivered to our newer/younger members.

The provisional timetable is shown on the attached sheets, in addition to details of the modules available on each day, along with the **required booking form** (to be returned as soon as possible). **Please specify the modules of interest by ranking them in order of preference – with 1 being most wanted module.**

We aim to accommodate all your preferences, but sometimes adjustments may need to be made to ensure safety with numbers attending particular modules. Individual timetables for the day's activities and sessions allocated to you will be given to you at Sign On within your training pack, with all classroom sessions and refreshments being held at the **The Tennyson Suite**, **Brackenborough Hotel**, **Near Louth** (please see enclosed map).

Refreshments of tea, coffee, water and juice will be available during the day, along with a hot meal being provided at the lunch break – all free of charge. If you have any particular dietary requirement please specify this on the form. The 'Totties' will also be having a prize raffle in aid of the Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance (tickets costing £1 a strip of 5) so any donations and participation will be gratefully received.

In addition you are advised to bring your full marshalling kit (i.e. overalls, boots, waterproofs etc) in the event of any external activities and a change of shoes for returning to the inside rooms after any practical/external activity. (If you are new to marshalling and don't yet have your equipment, please let me know in advance, so loans can be arranged – but please note, you do not need to have purchased any kit prior to attending the training day.

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Please note over the year we hold two training days which will include all modules in the Motorsport UK Race grading scheme, as well as the introduction to Speed, so don't worry, you will be able to cover all training requirements/modules over the two days.

Following previous years, the BMMC North East Committee are have decided to run our annual AGM and prize giving / social evening on the same day as the November Training Day again, straight after training activities — in order to reduce the need for members and marshalling colleagues having to travel to two separate events and to also avoid clashes with all the commitments that people seem to have towards the end of the year, preventing them attending.

The formal notice for the AGM will be released later in the year nearer the time, but in the meantime, be advised that the formal AGM meeting will take place at approximately 5.45pm (lasting approximately 30 minutes) – which will then be followed by a buffet/refreshments, guest speaker (TBC) and prize giving of our annual marshal awards. A bar to purchase drinks will be available. We appreciate that many of you will be travelling and may want to get off home after a long day, so for your information we anticipate the formal proceedings of the evening to be concluded by 7 pm. However, for those who wish to stay and socialise for a little longer, the venue and bar will remain open until later. To assist us with planning and catering arrangements, we would be grateful if you could let us know whether you will be joining us for the AGM/Social evening, following the training day – by ticking the relevant box included on the November Training Day booking form.

The NE Committee are always reviewing and considering new ways of engaging and providing opportunities for members and to support our marshalling hobby. Therefore, if you have any ideas or feedback, or wish to get involved yourself, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Please contact me or any member of the NE Committee if you have any questions.

I look forward to receiving your booking form and seeing you soon.

Wishing you an enjoyable and safe 2020 marshalling season.

Best wishes Lynne