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The Chairman's Chatter....

Paul Harris – South Midlands Chairman.....



Welcome to the Newsletter for the South Midlands Region

Well, here we are at the end of another motorsport season, it doesn't seem that long since I first got my overalls out for the start of the season, now I have just put them away in the loft, hope they don't shrink to much over the winter.

Our regional AGM went very well in October followed by a superb dinner, at the White Horse Silverstone. Two new committee members were elected during the evening David and Elaine Brice (taster day organiser and training day organiser respectfully) and David Reed was re-elected as regional membership secretary.

If you are not doing anything on the 6th December, why not come down to Brands Hatch for the National AGM which will commence at 13.30. I know that some of you will "moan" that it is being held some way a way from our region, but I seem to recall that when we hosted the National AGM in this region it was still not very well attended, so please, do make the effort to come along, after all it is your club and your money that is being spent.

No doubt you will all know by now that the regional training days are being held again next year, at Rockingham on 23rd and 24th January. Your training officer Elaine has been very busy organising things for you to take advantage of, so please support her and turn up.

Your committee are at the moment in the middle of arranging details of the club's stand at Race Retro at Stoneleigh Warwickshire on 26th 27th and 28th February. If you have never been there then please try and make the effort to go, it is well worth it. If you would like to help on the stand then please let me know on sm.chair@marshals.co.uk or phone 01525 382341.

I know that when asked, everybody can do the job better than the person doing it at the time. I also know that some of you have criticised the job that the National Chairman Chris Hobson has been doing for the past 10 years. Well, here is the chance to put your money where your mouth is. Chris has decided to step down from the position of National Chairman as of December 2016 and Council is now looking for a replacement for him. If you think you really can do the job better, then please contact Colin Barnes at nat.treasurer@marshals.co.uk he will be only too pleased to help you.

All that remains for me to do is to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a safe and peaceful New Year.

Paul Harris
Chairman South Mids Region
British Motorsport Marshals' Club

**VOLUNTEERING FORM BMMC
TRAINING DAYS 23RD OR 24TH
JANUARY 2016
ROCKINGHAM MOTOR SPEEDWAY**

*Ready for something different?
Fed up of powerpoint presentations?
Want some 'real' practical training?
Then this is the event for you!*

(Both days will be the same so you can attend either Saturday or Sunday)

Firstly, the intention is that everybody will attend all modules being presented, (though not all MSA training modules are being included), in small groups, on a round robin basis throughout the morning, this will include fire training. The groups will be interactive, giving everybody the opportunity to learn and pass on their knowledge, whilst still covering all the requirements of the MSA.

After the lunch break everyone will re-convene in the inner paddock for the practical training. This

will take the form of a mini race meeting, the 'BMMC Training Stakes' a two race series!

All attendees will be allocated to posts or duties according to their grades, with each sector on the track having an experienced marshal/trainer allocated to it, to oversee all activities and to ensure everything is carried out in a safe manner and to give guidance and assistance as required.

This will be run as much like a real race meeting as possible, with the exception of no actual judicial procedures following any reports and including real race cars and some rolling wrecks, but they will not be driven at racing speed. All incidents will be planned and stage managed but only the trainers and drivers will have the script. Those of you on post need to be prepared for anything to happen. This will be followed by a de-brief in the paddock at the end.

Please complete all sections:

Saturday 23rd

Sunday 24th

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

Email _____

Current grade _____

Upgrading to _____

Do you aspire to any other role in motorsport? _____ If
so we will endeavour to give you some insight into that role during the day.

Please send your completed forms to the Training Officer Elaine Brice – sm.training@marshals.co.uk

Training day timetable - Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th January 2016

Sessions approximately 35-40 mins so 45 minutes allows for moving around.

7.30 Sign on & coffee

8.00 Welcome

8.15 Session 1

9.00 Session 2

9.45 Session 3

10.30 Coffee break

10.45 Session 4

11.30 Session 5

12.15 Session 6

1.00 Lunch Please provide your own food, hot drinks will be available

1.30 Move to centre for practicals

1.45 Allocation of duties

2.00 On post

2.15 Start time for races

4.00 Finish

4.15 De-brief

4.30 Finish

SHENINGTON:

The following was in an article from the 1960's sent to Shenington Kart Club a few months ago!!! (Banbury Kart Club was the name of our club at that time)

**EXTRACT FROM 'THE KARTER'- a newsletter for Karters –
A Banbury Go-Kart Racing Club Publication
dated February 1961**

AUTOMATIC LIGHT SIGNALS

“A positive system of coloured signal lights is being devised by Peter Kynoch. This will, he suggests, enable us eventually to control the whole of the circuit from a central position, and will then free us of the necessity for Flag Marshals. Having seen part of the system in operation, I am quite sure it will be successful and subject to RAC approval will be ready for our first Open Meeting on Easter Monday.”

1961 and still waiting!.....

Dates for start of 2016:

Shenington: 16 / 17 Jan 2016
 20 / 21 Feb 2016

Please contact me on the details below re marshalling at Shenington. If you do volunteer via the BMMC Marshalling website please also contact me as soon as possible as sometimes I cannot accommodate all requests (though I am always grateful for volunteers, it is just that we have a strict limit on numbers)

Whilton Mill: Refer to Club website for details of meetings and contact details for marshalling

Rissington: Refer to Club website for details of meetings and contact details for marshalling



All that remains is to wish everyone of you all the best for Christmas and the New Year. Thank you to all the marshals (especially to my loyal team at Shenington) who have turned out in all weathers and long days to provide a first class service to karting. Often a thankless task but deep down I think all the karters do appreciate us!!

Pete Cox

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Yes - it's that time of the year again.

Included with this newsletter (or in this separate mailing) you will find a copy of the MSA Marshal's Record Form and guidelines for applications for the 2016 British Grand Prix. You will also find copies on our website. The date is July 8, 9, 10 2016

The MSA are looking for experienced marshals who will attend all three days at the event and have officiated for at least twelve days in 2015 in the duty for which they are volunteering. If for exceptional reasons (marriage, ill health, change of job etc.) you were unable to do 12 days then please submit an application with a short note of explanation. You may apply for more than one duty (e.g. track and flag but must have done 12 days in each of the duties in 2015 (i.e. a minimum 24 days).

Please note that multi-day events count as individual days, e.g. a weekend event can count as two days. These requirements are the same for marshals volunteering through any club, not just the BMMC.

Applications must be on the MSA form, please do not submit any additional sheets or generate your own on personal computers etc.

This application form should be used by everyone who wishes to volunteer.

Applications from novice/trainee officials unfortunately cannot be accepted.

Please ensure that if you wish to volunteer for the 2016 British Grand Prix that you send your completed Record Form **TO ME** by no later than Wednesday 18th November 2015.

All completed forms will be reviewed by the regional chairman. When we submit nomination forms to the MSA, the MSA will assume that the club is happy with the competence and experience of the marshals concerned and is endorsing their nomination. I will complete the Club Approval box on the nomination form once the regional chairmen have signified approval.

The completed application form is also sufficient for insurance purposes and so a separate Green Slip is not required.

Please do not send applications directly to the MSA or to your regional comps sec – send them to me (do NOT use recorded or signature required mail – I am often away and cannot get to the post office easily.

Chris Hobson (GP2016)

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Regards



Chris Hobson, National Chairman BMMC

THE marshals' club

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**2016 FORMULA 1 BRITISH GRAND PRIX
SILVERSTONE - 8/9/10 JULY
MARSHALS' NOMINATION FORM**



Please read the following carefully before completing BOTH SIDES of this form.

Any nominations received which do not comply with the following criteria will not be considered for selection.

- Indicate with a tick the duty which you are applying for.
- You must have marshalled a minimum of 12 days in your nominated duty to be considered for selection. Please note that marshalling for 12 days is not a guarantee of selection. You may use a continuation sheet if there is insufficient space on the form to include all your meetings.
- You may apply for more than one duty but you must be graded correctly and have marshalled at least 12 days in each duty.
- Only circuit race days are eligible to be counted.
- Applications will not be accepted from marshals who have trainee status at the time of application.
- You must hold the correct grade of licence at the time of applying. Upgrades pending or submitted do not count.
- If you are a member of more than one club please apply through one club only, multiple applications will not be accepted.
- Only official forms, completed and signed by the official will be considered for selection.
- You must be available to sign-on and possibly attend additional training sessions/briefings on Thursday 7th July.
- Please do not staple anything to this form.
- **This form MUST be returned to your club for approval - please do not send it directly to IMS without club approval.**
- A list of nominations received will be published on www.msaevents.co.uk/bgp/marshals.php before Christmas. If your nomination is missing from this list please contact your club immediately.

First Name:		Surname:	
Address:			
		Postcode:	
Tel (H):			
Tel (B):			
Tel (M):			
Email:			

I confirm I am available for the following dates (tick or cross as appropriate). Preference will be given to marshals available for all three days and who can also attend for Thursday training/briefings/signing-on.

- Thursday 7th July 2016
- Friday 8th July 2016
- Saturday 9th July 2016
- Sunday 10th July 2016

I confirm I hold the current grade of licence as specified overleaf.

Signature:		Date:	
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Must be signed by marshal concerned

Club Approval:		Date:	
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BMMC South Mids Regalia Sales Order Form

For British Rally Marshals Club regalia – please contact
Derek Murphy- Mobile:07768202236- Email:regalia@bmc.org.uk

For all other Club regalia – please see our latest on-line Catalogue-www.marshals.co.uk

Or send an A5 size SAE to – Eric Ridler, 41 Norwood Drive, Timperley, WA157LD

Item	Price		Grade	Qty	Total Cost
Grading Badge(Please provide proof of grade)	1.50				
Grading Badge(Please provide proof of grade)	1.50				
Union Badge	1.50				
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Lapel Badge	2.00				
Interior Sticker	2.00				
Exterior Sticker	2.00				
Long Interior Sticker	2.00				
Heroes Cloth Badge	2.00				
Heroes Lapel Badge	2.00				
Heroes Sticker	2.00				
Heroes Keyring	2.00				
50 Years of Motorsport Marshalling	5.00				
					Total

Name:
Address:
Postcode:
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Email:

Membership No:

Mobile:

Cheques should be made payable to – BMMC Limited

Please send this order form with payment to:- Adrian Cashmore, 9 Church Street, Weedon, Northants, NN7 4PL – Email: sm.regalia@marshals.co.uk

50 YEARS OF MOTORSPORT MARSHALLING



By **George Copeland**

National Treasurer of the British Motorsport Marshals Club

50 YEARS OF MOTORSPORT MARSHALLING



George Copeland



This book is an attempt to record the history of motorsport marshalling in the UK and the British Motorsport Marshals' Club (BMMC) in particular. The history is not well documented and it took two years of fairly intensive "digging" to extract enough information to form a reasonably accurate record.

Since 1957, the Marshals' Club has been at the heart of every major marshalling initiative. Its Training and Grading Scheme has been widely copied around the world, with Marshals' Club training and grading notes translated into many different languages, sixteen in all, including three different Chinese dialects.

Most importantly, the Club is a collection of quite disparate characters. They come from all walks of life and give their time freely to the sport, in return for the enjoyment they get from doing so, their enthusiasm for the sport and the camaraderie that exists in marshalling ranks. They are a talented bunch and despite the voluntary nature of their duties they are generally considered to be among the best in the world for the professionalism they bring to motorsport safety.

All profits from the sale of this book will go to Marshals' Club funds.

SPECIAL DISCOUNT PRICE FOR BRITISH MOTORSPORT MARSHALS' CLUB

The book contains 288 pages including a 16 page colour plate section. It is hard-backed, full colour and measures 234 x 156 mm.

**The Book is now Free
of Charge Plus £2.80
for Postage**

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Please quote your BMMC membership number to receive the discount.

- 1) By phone: 0161 904 9724
- 2) Complete the order form overleaf and send to: Eric Ridler

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