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**Welcome to the Newsletter for
the South Midlands Region**

A quarter of the year gone already circuit, sprint and hill seasons have begun, if you haven't already done so, book your dates via our volunteering system, if you booked them direct with the organiser take a moment or two to add your dates to the system as booked direct. Together they form a record of how many days marshalling our club members complete in a year.

Our regional training day took place on 24th February, although the number of attendees was down on previous years, probably due to not being at a circuit this year following the closure of Rockingham. Those I spoke to on the day really enjoyed the atmosphere, small teaching groups. The practical in the afternoon was fun but still educational and thought provoking.

Elaine Brice stands down this year as Training Co-ordinator. I would like to thank her personally, on behalf of the Committee and the regions membership for providing us with four years of exceptionally well organised training days. The effort put into the planning and running of the afternoon practical sessions on the Rockingham days were as realistic as could be, giving us marshals the opportunity to put into practise the theory aspects in a safe but enjoyable way.

Matt Turner now takes over as the Regional Training Co-ordinator, he will have a hard act to follow but is already thinking about next year's training day.

You may have seen in recent national emails sent out that we now have a new overall supplier and that we have been able to increase the subsidy due to new sponsorship, the increase takes effect from the 1st April.

Until next time, keep safe.

Dave Reed
Chairman South Mids Region
British Motorsport Marshals' Club

Membership Matters

New Members

More new members looking forward, in most cases, to their first year of marshalling. I would like to welcome them to the club and our region, as usual, if you cross their path at a meeting, please extend a hand of welcome.

This year if the opportunity arises let's try to encourage more marshals to join our club.

Cathie Gwilliam, Normanton

Thomas Browne, Witney

Emma Ripley, Swaffham

Phil Goodge, Luton

Renewals

Have you renewed your membership, if you have not renewed yet at the end of the month you will receive an email from the Club Chair, Nadine Lewis with a final reminder for this year. You can pay online here; www.marshals.co.uk/payments/ the membership fee remains at £20 for adults.

Any members not renewing by the end of April, records are due to be archived and you will need to re-join the Club.

Change of Details

Don't forget if you change your home address or email address, you will need to update the Club records you can do this on online or let me know and I'll arrange the update for you.

Can I ask you all to access the database, if you have not already, to check and update your personal details, there is also the opportunity to enter your next of kin details. If you don't tell us or update the details, we don't know.

The link is on the home page of the website www.marshals.co.uk top right you will find the 'Login' to the members area of the website. Once you have logged in click the symbol in the top right corner, looks like a persons head/shoulders this will take you to the database page.

Dave Reed

Chairman South Mids Region
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Training Times

We recently held the Annual South Midland Region Training Day at the Sawpits Centre in Towcester where we had about 40 marshals attend from across the region.

The day was split into theory sessions in the morning with a “race meeting” taking place in the afternoon consisting of marshals with cardboard cars to simulate racing.

The morning theory sessions covered Fire Theory, Flag, Communications, Incident Marshalling, Report Writing along with the Specialist module being run over three sessions for the Specialists.



Flag Theory



Assembly Theory

The modules were observed by a representative from Motorsport UK who was pleased with how the modules were run.

The race meeting in the afternoon consisted of three races with multiple incidents occurring around the four trackside posts that were set up and a few curveballs thrown in for the specialists as well. The races seemed to go down very well with lots of marshals commenting that it was a fun way to turn the theory into practice and the weather was better than last year's snow.



Pre-Race Briefing



Race Start



Crash



Closing Race



Race Finish

This training day was Elaine's last as Training Officer and the mantle has now been formally passed onto me for our future training days. On behalf of us all, I must again thank Elaine for her efforts in initiating our style of training day.

Matt Turner
Deputy Training Officer South Mids Region
British Motorsport Marshals' Club

BMMC Volunteering System

We are now in spring when the motorsport circuit season really kicks off and we all hope for decent weather to follow the live sport we love.

Below is a list of events in the South Midlands region summarised to help you identify the meetings you wish to volunteer for, additional details are available on our volunteering web page.

We are still looking for additional help with recruitment so if you find you can spare a little time at one of our chosen events your time would be much appreciated. Should you be interested please email sm.chair@marshals.co.uk

These events are:

WRX Speedmachine – 25th & 26th May (replaces the previously selected MG Live)
Silverstone Classic – 26th, 27th & 28th July.
Kop Hill – Princes Risborough Hill Climb – 21st & 22nd September.
BTCC Silverstone – 28th & 29th September.

Glynn Ellis
Volunteering Coordinator South Mids Region
British Motorsport Marshals' Club

2019 SM EVENTS IN THE NEXT THREE MONTHS

Date	Organiser	Type	Location/Circuit	Title
Apr 6/7th	BRSCC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Nat.	
Apr 6/7th	RKC	Karting	Little Rissington	
Apr 7th	BRMC	Rally Training	Oxford Brooks Uni	
Apr 13/14th	VSCC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Nat.	Formula Vintage
Apr 14th	Falcon MC	Trials	Ivinghoe	Spring Trial
Apr 18th	SKC	Karting	Shennington	Test Day
Apr 20th/21st	SKC	Karting	Shennington	
Apr 26/27/28th	BARC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone GP	24 Hr C1
May 4/5th	RKC	Karting	Little Rissington	
May 4th	750MC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Nat.	
May 4/5th	CSCC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Int.	
May 4/5th	RKC	Karting	Little Rissington	
May 10/11/12th	MSVR	Circuit Racing	Silverstone GP	Blancpain Endurance
May 10/11/12th	SKC	Karting	Shennington	
May 18/19th	HSCC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone GP	
May 18/19th	SKC	Karting	Shennington	
May 18/19th	RKC	Karting	Little Rissington	
May 25/26th	Fueltopia	Sprint	Silverstone Stow	
May 25/26th	BARC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Stow	Speedmachine WRX
Jun 1st/2nd	BARC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Nat.	
Jun 1st/2nd	RKC	Karting	Little Rissington	
Jun 8/9th	BRSCC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Nat.	British GT
Jun 8/9th	SKC	Karting	Shennington	ACR meeting
Jun 15/16th	SKC	Karting	Shennington	
Jun 29/30th	MSVR	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Nat.	
Jul 6/7th	RKC	Karting	Little Rissington	

Grading Gripes

PRCs – Care and Maintenance

Motorsport UK are, and will continue, their exercise of randomly checking Personal Record Card completion. If you are asked to submit your PRC and other support information, make copies – do **not** send the originals!

Working through the PRCs, handed in for signature at the recent Regional Training Day, it is clear there is confusion on how these should be maintained. A small number of PRCs lacked vital information and included loose pages lacking any detail as to ownership.

Personal Details Page

This should be complete in every detail; up-to-date and include a photograph - the PRC is only **valid** if a photograph is affixed to this page. If you have changed your address or changed your name, you should inform BMMC by accessing and updating your membership details in the members area of the website. Don't forget to notify Motorsport UK by completing a Marshal Registration Form (MRF) and send it direct to them.

Routine Procedures

Before handing in your PRC at the beginning of the day for attendance or upgrade signature, complete the day's **date**, **venue** and the **duty** for which you require recognition - a separate entry is required for each day – only submit relevant and current documents.

Ensure any continuation sheets, are endorsed with your name and Motorsport UK registration number. Securely attach such forms to the PRC.

Regularly, take a copy of the PRC and continuation sheets, so that you have a retained record of your marshalling history, should the originals go 'AWOL'. Having achieved 14 out of 15; or 19 out of 20, attendance signatures you don't want to start the process over again, in order gain that coveted upgrade!

All signatures which are to count in maintaining your grade or leading to an upgrade, must be made by a Motorsport UK registered Post or Specialist Chief, or someone acting in that role on the day.

Attendance Signatures - Non-Upgrade

If you are not upgrading, then there is a requirement only to obtain just four attendance signatures – all of these must be of **for recognised Motorsport UK events and at your current grade**. These should be recorded in the “ Non-upgrade attendance signatures” section, found towards the rear of the PRC. Signatures for any additional days should be made on a continuation sheet!

Attendance Signatures – Upgrade

If you are upgrading, you need a required number of signatures (15 or 20) The required number will be found in the top left of the appropriate page of the PRC. This also indicates the **minimum** number of signatures required for a specified duty or discipline. Signatures for a day of mixed duties, such as incident and flag; pitlane and start line; will **not** count when considering the number of signatures for an upgrade.

Experienced Specialists, planning to upgrade to Examining Specialist, should only record in the duty column of the PRC, Chief or Deputy Chief, when performing one of these roles.

Signatures of attendance when performing other duties, which will not count to the upgrade should be made elsewhere in the PRC or on a continuation sheet.

Assessment for Upgrade

Having acquired the minimum number of attendance signatures, you will be required to have, according to the role, one or two assessments, again as detailed in the PRC. Only Examining Grade Marshals can sign-off on an assessment of your performance which will be made in line with current guidance.

To arrange an upgrade assessment, inform in advance, the Chief Marshal of the circuit or event, so that they can try to accommodate your request within the post or duty allocations.

Submitting Your Upgrade Application

When satisfied you have met all the criteria; have completed the required number of training days and successful assessments; complete a Marshals Registration Form (MRF), Make a copy of the PRC and any continuations sheets, before posting off the originals to the Regional Grading Officer (RGO). Please include a note saying what it is you are seeking; your BMMC membership number; email address and telephone number.

The RGO will check that you have met the Motorsport UK requirements. Take a copy of all documents, before passing them to the National Grading officer (NGO), who will check the RGO has confirmed correctly that the marshal has met the requirements. The NGO will register your upgrade request with Motorsport UK, who will circulate a list to all clubs of those wishing to upgrade. If there are no objections raised, then you should receive your new Motorsport UK registration card within a 4-7 week window.

Grading Success

Congratulations to the following member of the South Midlands Region:-

Mark Forsyth, Track Marshal

Malcolm Flippance
South Mids Grading Officer
British Motorsport Marshals' Club

Newsletter Deadlines

All members of the Region are invited to contribute articles to the Newsletter.

Newsletters are published in the following months:

January
March
May
July
September
November

If you have any articles that you would like to see published can you please email the Newsletter Editor by the 20th of each publishing month at: sm.news@marshals.co.uk

Regional Committee Meetings

Would you like to attend our Regional Committee Meeting to see how the Committee works for you?

Meetings are held 6 times a year on a Monday at The George, Tiffield, NN12 8AD, 19.45 for 20.00.

Remaining dates for 2019 are:

13 May
8 Jul
9 Sep
11 Nov

BMMC South Mids Regalia Sales Order Form

For British Rally Marshals Club regalia please contact:
Derek Murphy - Mobile: 07768 202236 - Email: regalia@brmc.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: Adrian Cashmore, 9 Church Street, Weedon, Northants, NN7 4PL

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				
HeroesLapel Badge	2.00				
HeroesSticker	2.00				
Heroes Keyring	2.00				
50 Years of Motorsport Marshalling	Free				
					Total

Name:

Membership Nos:

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Telephone Nos:

Mobile:

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