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South Mids Regional Chairman Resigns

It is with regret that I have to report that Dave Reed our Chairman of two years has resigned, he has worked hard for the region over the last two years, and has been very disappointed with the response of the regional membership, he has repeatedly asked for members to join the Committee to cover the roles of Membership Secretary, Recruitment Co-ordinator, and latterly Taster Day Organiser, with no success.

We have now come to a situation if we cannot fill these important positions, we may have to wind up the South Midlands Region, or amalgamate with the Midlands Region.

The BMMC was originally launched in our Region 52 years ago, it would be very disappointing to have to wind up the South Midlands Region now.

With this ongoing situation, The Committee have organised a club night on Tuesday 8th October, at the White Horse, Silverstone, time 8pm; to discuss this situation and the way forward with you the members.

Please, please contact myself or any other of the Committee, to either Volunteer for one of the Committee posts, or give us your support.

Lesley Harris
Hon. Secretary
South Mids Region
British Motorsport Marshal's Club

A Parting Message

You hopefully read my Chairman's Chatter in the last issue of this Newsletter. We have had vacancies on the Committee for the 2 years that I have been Chairman of the Region and these have been advertised on a number of occasions via this newsletter and emails sent to you personally.

In the last newsletter, I set you a deadline to fill these vacancies by the 8th September National Council Meeting. Guess what, as I suspected the response from yourselves was disappointing to the point that no one applied for the positions.

One of the roles of the Regional Committee is to represent each regional member at a Regional and National level to look after your interests as Marshals, unfortunately if no one volunteers to join the committee the ability to represent you diminishes.

The following paragraph appeared in my report to Council at the last meeting.

“Vacancies for Members Secretary, Recruitment Coordinator, and Taster Day Organiser have once again been advertised in the Newsletter and by mailchimp to all regional members. I set a target timescale that all vacancies would be filled by this Council Meeting. It would seem that the lack of interest within the region continues, I have every praise for the current Committee Members who in some cases are covering more than 1 role. Having set a deadline which has not been met this will have consequences on the region which will become apparent in the next few days.”

Unfortunately, as a consequence of you not volunteering to fill these vacancies, I have decided to stand down as Chairman of this region without the support and backing of the Regional Membership I see no way forward.

I would thank you for the support you have given me during the 2 years, but!!!

Dave Reed
Ex-Chairman South Mids Region
British Motorsports Marshal's Club

**British Motorsports Marshals Club
South Midlands Region
Annual General Meeting**

The 52nd Annual General Meeting of the South Midlands Region of the British Motor Racing Marshals Club Ltd (*known as the British Motorsport Marshals Club*) will be held at, **The White Horse, Silverstone on Saturday 26th October 2019 at 7:30pm follow by the End of Season Dinner**

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence.**
- 2. Minutes of the 2018 AGM.**
- 3. Chairman's Report.**
- 4. Secretary's Report.**
- 5. Treasurer's Report.**
- 6. Election of Committee Members.**

Written nominations to join the Committee, duly proposed and seconded shall be in the hands of the Regional Secretary as soon as possible, together with written confirmation from the nominee that he or she is willing to serve.

7. Members Propositions

8.
Members' propositions should be seconded and lodged with the Regional Secretary not later than 12th October 2019.

Signed: Lesley Harris
Issued: 28th September 2019

Annual End of Season Dinner

Including
52nd Annual General Meeting

Will take place on

Saturday 26th October 2019
At the White Horse, Silverstone

7.30pm

Guest Speaker - Nadine Lewis, National Chair, BMMC

Menu

Roast Beef or Roast Turkey with all the Trimmings

Apple and Rhubarb Crumble or Eton Mess

Please notify Lesley Harris of your menu choices

Or if you require vegetarian option

07790639594 or lfh1950@hotmail.co.uk

Grading Gripes

Marshal Registration (MRF) – 2020

You will have received from Motorsport UK, your 2020 registration renewal notice. Please complete your details and return your registration ASAP – do it on-line – do it now, as Motorsport UK, will be busy with driver licence renewals in the run up to the year end, and into the New Year, and your new registration could be delayed. For those with an upgrade submitted, please wait for your new registration card to arrive, then please renew.

Should you have changed any personal details, such as new address which may affect your registration, please complete the information on the hard MRF copy and send it to South Midlands Region Grading Officer: address detailed below.

PRC Housekeeping

With less than six weeks to go until the end of the racing season at most circuits. Now is the time to check your PRC, to see if you have enough attendance signatures; training day(s) to enable you to ask for assessment(s) for upgrade. Alternatively, enough attendance and training signatures in order to maintain you existing grade(s).

Time to be Different!

Maybe, you do not wish to be considered for an upgrade at this time. Have you consider exploring other marshalling roles? Ask the Chief Marshal, or whoever allocates the duties, if you can spend a day observing / doing a different role: - Assembly; Pitlane; Start Line; or, if you currently hold a specialist grade, consider a day out on the circuit. Other options, with appropriate experience, include: - Rescue; Time Keeping; Scrutineering; or Race Control.

Grading Successes

Congratulations to the following members of the South Midlands Region:

Upgrades

Paul Adams	Specialist Marshal
Philip Goodge	Incident Officer
Keith O'Hara	Track Marshal
Marion Quarrington	Examining Specialist

New Registrations

Andrew Bruce	Trainee Race and Specialist
Gary Frobisher	Trainee Race

Malcolm

Malcolm Flippance

South Midlands Grading Officer

British Motorsport Marshals' Club

BMMC Volunteering System

We are now approaching the end of the traditional circuit racing season, with shorter daylight days and deteriorating weather, but hope you all enjoyed the summer sun where ever your chosen motorsport venue was.

One event that is looking for additional marshals is Time Attack at Mallory Park 13th October, so if you can help at this small friendly race circuit please contact Fred Bromley or CM Derrick Stanley at BARC, details of which are on the volunteering web page.

Below is a full 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.

Please remember to volunteer through one club/circuit/chief marshal only for each event, which makes the allocation of duties far easier for the CM. Whichever organisation you choose to volunteer with please also log in and tick the box on our volunteering web page 'Volunteered with organising club' so you receive a reminder of the event about a week before.

Recruitment

Your region held two recruitment days at Kop Hill in September and although the weather was far from good on the Sunday, we still managed to sign up a few potential new members. There are several taster days coming up next month at Silverstone so when you see any new trainees around please welcome them to the fold and explain why we continue with the hobby we enjoy.

Early November your recruitment team will again be in action at Motorsport Live in Silverstone Wing, so if you are around do pop in and say hello, you may even meet our National Chairman Nadine who has asked to attend.

We are also recruiting at the Silverstone round of the BTCC so if you have any friends or relatives that may be interested in a marshal's taster day please send the along.

Recruitment is a demanding job so if you have a day or part of a day free at one of our events next year please don't hesitate to drop me an email expressing your interest. As you are aware several of our experienced members are well over the retirement age and looking to hang up their Probands in the next few years. Recruitment events for 2020 should be available for the January Newsletter.

Enjoy your marshalling and stay safe.

Glynn
Glynn Ellis
South Mids Volunteering Co-ordinator and
Temporary Recruitment Organiser
British Motorsport Marshal's Club

2019 SM EVENTS IN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS

Date	Organiser	Type	Location/Circuit	Title
Oct 5th	MSVR	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Nat.	AMOC
Oct 5/6th	BRSCC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Int.	Mazda MX-5
Oct 12/13th	BARC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone GP.	McLaren
Oct 12/13th	SKC	Karting	Shennington	BPEC Prokart
Oct 19/20th	SKC	Karting	Shennington	
Oct 19th	Fueltopia	Sprint	Santa Pod	
Oct 19/20th	HSCC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Nat.	
Oct 26th	750 MC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone GP	Birket Relay
Oct 27th	750 MC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone GP	
Nov 2nd/3rd	HSCC	Circuit Racing	Silverstone Nat.	Walter Hayes
Nov 2nd/3rd	RKC	Karting	Little Rissington	

Training Times

I am pleased to announce we have a new and exciting venue for our 2020 training day.

We will be going to Bedford Autodrome on Sunday the 23rd February 20 if you would like to join us for the training.

We are planning to have a couple of hour practical session for each group which will include fire training and some scenarios with cars “racing” past to try and simulate incident handling amongst other things in a safe and supportive environment

Further details will be released as they are confirmed, we are hoping to provide a hot meal on the day but this isn't confirmed yet.

I am currently on the lookout for volunteers to help run the practical sessions and any MSUK instructors who would like to teach any of the other sessions, please contact me on sm.training@marshals.co.uk if you would like to be involved.

Matt
Matt Turner
South Mids Training Officer
British Motorsport Marshal's 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:

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				
Sew-on Cloth Badge	2.00				
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:

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone Nos:

Mobile:

Email:

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

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