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# The Chairman's Chat

Wendi Batteson, South West Chairman .....

## SW Regional Committee Chairman's Chat – February 2019

Dear SW Members

We on the committee are looking for help with the various roles we have vacant at present. So please, please consider whether you can give us some of your time. We're looking for Social Media/PRO officer, Webadmin officer, Recruitment officer, and a Secretary as Adrian will be standing down at our AGM later this year. We generally have 4 meetings a year and meet at Solstice Services in the Toby Carvery. Our next meeting is Thursday 11 April 2019 and we usually meet at about 7.00 for 7.30pm and have a meal together. So if you do wish to come along and help us in any of our vacant roles then please let me or anyone else on the committee know. Any of you are also welcome at any time to any of our meetings.

Our dates for this year's committee meetings to be held at the Toby Carvery Solstice Park Services off the A303 are:-

Thursday 11 April 2019 at 7.00pm for 7.30pm  
Thursday 18 July 2019 at 7.00pm for 7.30pm  
Thursday 24 October at 7.00pm for 7.30pm;

and finally, the AGM on Sunday 17 November 2019 at 12 noon – venue to be advised.

We hope to be able to run a training day for speed in September 2019 at Boscombe Aviation Museum subject to obtaining grant funding to do so from BSMTT. I'll let you know as soon as we have that, but won't know for definite until about June time.

All the best and stay safe.

*Wendi Batteson*  
South West Chairman  
British Motorsport Marshals' Club

## A Woeful Marshal's Tale

Organisers sometimes get strange reasons for marshals no longer being available for meetings but, this one is a brilliant excuse, unless you are the participant.

BMMC South West Regional Membership Secretary Graham Ellis was due to attend Brands Hatch on 10<sup>th</sup> November to hopefully get his incident upgrade. He was on holiday in Spain and was driving back from Spain, through France to Caen and then sailing home on a cross channel ferry.

All was well as he and his wife entered France and headed North, that is until they reached the area around Cahors. Graham's wife, Celia, was driving when hunters chased a wild boar out of the woods into the path of their car. At 80kph (50mph) there was no way to avoid the fast moving animal and a collision occurred. Luckily both Graham and Celia were uninjured but the wild boar was killed and the front of their car was damaged along with the radiator, immobilising the car.



The boar was a young adult, about six foot in length and weighing a significant amount. It was a wonder that it did not do more significant damage to the car and its occupants.



The hunters agreed that it was their fault and that their insurance would pay for the damage but, the garage could only repair the radiator as the parts were different in France to the UK. Graham and Celia travelled to Caen in a hire car and travelled back to their Hampshire home. The car was not ready for collection until Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November and so with no transport available Graham could not attend Brands on 10<sup>th</sup> November.

However having seen the rain in Hampshire and across the wider South of England perhaps Graham had a lucky escape. Graham will however be back marshalling during the new season and has agreed to do hill climbs in the Isle of Man in April along with colleagues from South West region.

*Graham Ellis*

South West Membership Secretary

British Motorsport Marshals' Committee

## **New Supplier - Lille Racewear**

For those of you not aware that AWS will no longer be in a position to supply new overalls for marshals, please see the following update:

This is a further update following our communication dated 23<sup>rd</sup> January when we announced Lille Racewear as the new manufacturer and supplier of BMMC proban overalls.

Firstly, we need to confirm that AWS has now ceased taking new orders. Orders placed up to and including 31st January will be manufactured and dispatched during February. There may be a delay on some orders pending receipt of some sponsor badges.

Lille Racewear and AWS have been in contact to ensure a smooth transition. Currently we are just waiting for Lille to finalise their website and, like AWS, they are waiting on delivery of some sponsors badges.

We anticipate Lille will be ready to take orders in a couple of weeks and as soon as everyone is confident that all the final hurdles have been overcome we will issue a final communication giving the green light.

Should there be any other updates I will advise accordingly.

Many thanks

*Ian Harrison*  
South West Regalia Officer  
British Motorsport Marshals' Club

## Regalia Items

Please see the Regalia Price List for 2019 below:

Item Description	Price (£)
<b><u>BMMC Badges &amp; Stickers</u></b>	
Union Jack woven badge/website	2.00
BMMC Woven Badge	2.00
BMMC Lapel Badge 25mm (Brooch)	2.00
BMMC Tie Pin 12.5mm	2.00
BMMC Exterior Stickers	2.00
Long Atmospheric Stickers	2.00
<b><u>Heroes Items</u></b>	
Heroes Woven Badge	2.00
Heroes Woven Badge	2.00
Heroes Lapel Badge 25mm	2.00
Heroes Stickers	2.00
Proud Marshal Stickers	2.00
<b><u>Clothing &amp; Equipment</u></b>	
Welders Gloves - Red	4.50
Hi-Vis Waterproof Gloves - Orange	4.50
Woollen Ski Hats - Black	4.50
Woollen Ski Hats - Orange	4.50
Baseball Caps - Black/Grey	7.00
Baseball Caps - Orange/Blk	7.00
Outback Hats - Stone	14.00
Tuff-Cut Safety Scissors	2.00
BLANK	0.00
<b><u>Sundry Zero Value Items</u></b>	
Grading Badges - All Grades	1.00
Large Stickers 7"x 7"	1.00

These items can be purchased either from the BMMC Website Directly or alternatively from the BMMC Regalia Officer below:

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Orders can be taken accordingly accompanied by cheque or cash payment.

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