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## MARSHALS' POST

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# The Chairman's Chat

Wendi Batteson, South West Chairman .....

## SW Regional Committee Chairman's Chat – April 2020

Dear SW Members

As we came into Spring everything changed. The Coronavirus arrived on UK shores and sent us into lockdown. Motorsport has stopped for the foreseeable future, and I'm not sure many training days were able to take place before lockdown happened.

It is very strange and difficult times we're in. Not being able to dust off the orange and get back to doing what we all love at weekends, and having to find other things to do like DIY or making the garden immaculate, whilst only being able to go out for essential shopping, a form of exercise once a day or to work, if that work cannot be done at home.

I've no doubt some of us are starting to go a little stir crazy and there will be others who as essential workers are busier than ever before. I know I am, and my work load has in fact doubled. There are some things, we don't wish to see, but because of our work are having too, and there is no doubt about the world will have changed beyond recognition once we are through this, and in whatever from that takes.

I would like to wish you all well, and to stay safe, and look forward to seeing you at a motorsport event in, hopefully, the very near future. In the meantime, stay safe and well, and if you have any ideas of how we can stay connected during this time, albeit virtually do please let me know. Maybe we could do a few more caption competitions on our social media, which might help keep us connected. Julian Fowler's entry was judged by your committee as to be the best and he has been sent two tickets to Haynes Motor Museum, which I am pretty sure they will honour, once this lockdown is over and we can get out and about again. If though you are struggling, please use the confidential 24hour helpline that is there for us all, in these times and any other for that matter.

The telephone number is 0117 934 0105 and quote Policy No. 100580442CCI.

All the best and stay safe.

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

## **Message from Chris Turrall**

To all my Friends and Fellow Members of the BMMC SW Region

In this time of isolation, concern and worry, may I wish that you all keep safe and that we come through this to once again partake in our hobby of marshalling in the near future.

Keep safe to you all.

*Chris A Turrall*  
Retired Examining Post Chief  
British Motorsport Marshals' Club

## Grading Matters

Due to the current unprecedented situation, a number of you may be concerned about being able to attend suitable training and/or sufficient events this year to maintain the Marshal grades you currently hold. Motorsport UK have stated that they "... would like to reassure the Marshal community that their current Marshal grades will not be affected, should they not be able to meet their grade maintenance requirements in 2020." There will be updates on the criteria for 2020 released, and as soon as this information is available it will be passed on.

Any grading applications should be sent electronically (scanned copies of PRC and Motorsport UK application forms) to your Regional grading Officer for processing until further notice. Please do not send items in the post at this time.

Fairly obviously, Motorsport UK are currently in the same situation as the rest of the country. As such, any upgrades or new members applications that have been sent to them recently will only be processed once things get back to normal and they return to Motorsport UK House. Please bear with them as they work through the backlog. All new members have been added to the BMMC database and should now have access to the volunteering system.

As ever, Stay Safe!!

*Rob Mugurian*  
NW Regional Grading Officer  
National Grading Officer  
British Motorsport Marshals' Club

## **Interesting Article on Mike Newton**

For anyone who does not know, Mike has been our longest and most generous sponsor for around 30 years. Started his motorsport life as a marshal and never forgets to mention this fact, as in this article too. Now Vice President.

I have copied the article to newsletter editors, who might be looking for something to print in this period of enforced abstinence from marshalling duties.

Trust you are all keeping OK? As cancer patient, I am on 12-week lockdown. Increasingly, it looks as if we may have to forego our trip to a unique double-header NASCAR weekend at Pocono at the end of June. Even our trip to the Silverstone GP with some American friends, fulfilling a bucket list item to see a Silverstone F1 GP, could be doubtful. We hope, for Silverstone's sake if nothing else, that it does take place; they fought so hard to keep the GP.

Keep safe - from a distance! A that logo pre-dates the Coronavirus!!

*George Copeland*

## Regalia Items

<b>Item</b>	<b>Cost (£)</b>
Union Jack W/Website	2.00
BMMC Anorak Badge	2.00
BMMC Lapel Badge	2.00
BMMC Tie Pin	2.00

### **BMMC Stickers etc.**

Exterior Stickers	2.00
Long Atmospheric Stickers	2.00

### **Heroes items**

Heroes Woven Badge	2.00
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Heroes Lapel Badge www	2.00
Heroes Stickers	2.00
Heroes Key-Rings	2.00
Proud Marshal Stickers	2.00

### **Clothing & Equipment**

Woollen Ski Hats Black	4.50
Woollen Ski Hats Orange	4.50
Baseball Caps - Black	7.00
Baseball Caps - Orange	7.00

### **Sundry Zero Value Items**

Grading Badges	1.00
Large Stickers 7"x7"	1.00

(Please note prices are as last advised).

I can be normally be found at Thruxton, Gurston Down, but also marshal at Castle Combe or Wiscombe Park.

If you need any of the above items please do not hesitate to contact me as per details advised within members of the committee.

Please also note that if you require new overalls these can be obtained at a discount, directly from Lille. Members will also be able to get a full 100% refund on off the peg probans under the current subsidy. Details of which can be found at: <https://www.marshals.co.uk/blog/bmmc-proban-overalls-new-supplier/>

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