



# British Motorsports Marshals Club

## ANNUAL REPORT 2019

### British Motorsports Marshals Club Limited

#### Minutes of the 62<sup>nd</sup> AGM – 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019 at The Jury's Inn, Milton Keynes.

##### **1, Present**

Council Members

Nadine Lewis, Paul Wiltshire, Colin Barnes, Mark Jarvis, John Watson, Lynne Kendall, Sean Clarke, Dave Smithson, Michael Broadbent, Jayne Poston, Pete Wilson, Eric Ridler, Neil Stretton, John Jones. Chris Whitlock.

##### **2, Members**

Malcolm Flippance, Mike Grantham, Adrian Cashmore, Simon Durrington, Mervin Chapman, John Douglas, Rob Mugurian, June Copeland, Chris Hobson, George Copeland.

##### **3, Apologies**

Wendi Batteson, Dan Ashton, Steve Malec, Dave Reed, Mike Shorley, Steve Hill, Robert Coursey.

##### **4, Previous Minutes**

The minutes of the 61<sup>st</sup> AGM of the BMMC Ltd held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2018 were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed Colin Barnes. Seconded : Nadine Lewis

##### **5, Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

**6, Chairs Report** – See attached.

**7, Secretary's Report** – See attached.

**8, Treasurers Report** – See attached.

**9, The following resolutions were discussed.**

**A, Review of the club's Rules and Articles.**

**a1**, Accept the changes to the club rules. Voted – Unanimously by members present.

**a2**, Accept the changes to the clubs Articles. Voted – Unanimously by members present

**10, Appointment of Accountants**

Colin Barnes proposed that the club retain their current providers.

Vote taken : Passed by a clear majority of members present.

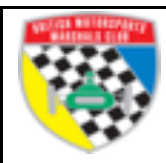
**Club Rule : J.D.2**

Nadine Lewis put herself forward for re-election to post of chair. There being no other candidate

She was re-selected to post.

**12, Any Other Business**

**There was no A.O.B from the floor. Meeting closed at 15.**



## **BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB Ltd AGM 2019 – NATIONAL CHAIR'S REPORT**

My third year as National Chair comes to a rapid close – multiple circuit visits, training and AGMs mean I have managed to meet many of our members as well as maintain my signatures on my PRC! I offer myself for re-election as required under Club Rules.

I have also continued to build relationships with the new structure at Motorsport UK. We are seen as the go to organisation for all aspects of marshalling – I continue to Chair the Marshals Advisory Group and sit on Volunteer Officials and Race Committees. We have representatives on other committees and hope to expand our involvement further as the shape of the committees changes to. A move to Bicester next year will shorten my journey time too!

Recruitment is key to our success – and this isn't just down to the regional recruitment officers but relies on every marshal having an input. A newbie on their taster will come back if they were included in the enthusiastic team on post and able to get hands-on in their early days. We were all newbies once just some of us have to go back further to remember how it was back then!!

Once recruited we need to retain our members – ensuring they are supported on post, assisted through the grading scheme and given opportunities to attend training days. We also need to support our members to ensure that other issues don't get in the way of marshalling. I am therefore really pleased to announce that we are implementing an Employee Assistance Programme for all members. Details will be provided in renewal packs in January but essentially this is a Confidential Helpline Service run by a respected external organisation available 24/7 to discuss any issues you have – health, finance, relationship as well as counselling required as a consequence of marshalling. Some of you may be lucky enough to benefit from a scheme through your employment but not all. Hopefully you will never need it but good to know there is something available to all.

We will also be looking at introducing new benefits to members next year to compliment those offered by Motorsport UK and other organisations such as CSCC.

We have unfortunately had a few IT issues – Sean has lost more hair as a consequence! Now our server is updated we have an infrastructure that we can build on – enabling us to enhance the membership database, volunteering system and website, making them more user friendly for members and non-members.

Next year marks a milestone for the BRMC and we are looking forward to celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary starting with a new logo and branding to be launched at Autosport in a January. BRMC stand no 3545 is near the WRGB area and BMMC will have a new look stand no 2392 in the racing area of Hall 2.

Our Brand team have done a brilliant job since their creation this year – Social Media interactions have increased, our communications have become slicker and more professional, our Brand and logos have become more consistent. Under Dave's guidance the team are bringing new ideas

forward for Regalia, website content and even a new App is being worked on. Introducing Club Ambassadors has been successful too and we look forward to working with them closer and maybe adding a few more in the future.

We have been without a Club President for over a year as we took our time to find a suitable replacement to Barrie Whizzo Williams. I am now delighted to be able to announce that Ben Edwards, current F1 commentator for C4 has agreed to take on the role of Club President. Ben, unfortunately is in Abu Dhabi for the last round of F1, so unable to join us here today but he looks forward to being active within and for the club going forward.

I will conclude with a few thank yous:

Firstly our sponsors – who ensure our overalls and waterproofs are competitive. For the first time this year we have been able to offer 100% subsidy on overalls.

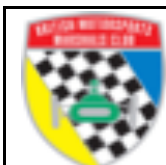
Everyone on regional committees and Council all continue their hard work for the club of which I am most grateful. They make my job so much easier!

A number of individuals are stepping down from Council this year – and in no particular order I would like us to thank – Steve Malec, Grading Officer / Pete Wilson, Recruitment Officer / Mike Shorley, Speed and Hillclimbs / John Watson, NE Chair / Ian Berry, Donington ES Team Chair. Between them a staggering number of decades on Council. All have been given well deserved Life Membership of the club. I thank them all for their amazing dedication and phenomenal support – all making the club run efficiently and providing such superb advice for our members. I wish them all well and hope to still see them out and about .....Their successors have big boots to fill and I wish them every success in their new roles.

Colin as Treasurer has had a number of issues to resolve this year – all with astute professionalism. Paul, in his first year as National Secretary, has had his work cut out keeping us on Council in check and in order. Both have been supportive advisors to me as well.

Finally I thank our members – your continued support, your professionalism, your positive enthusiasm for our sport proves to me that our vision to “Make Marshals Matter” is a cause we all believe in and I look forward to serving you for another three years.

**Nadine Lewis**  
**National Chairman**



## BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB Ltd AGM 2019 - TREASURER'S REPORT

### [1] 2018 Unaudited Accounts:

Under Club rules I am required to present suitably prepared accounts for 2018.

The accounts, prepared by Booth Ainsworth LLP, were approved in June and duly filed at Companies House fulfilling our statutory obligations.

The accounts along with a summary commentary have been posted on the Club's website and I was pleased to receive questions from 6 members.

I therefore propose to present only a brief recap of the headline figures, with previous years figures for comparison, as follows: -

	2018	2017	2016
Income/Expenditure	<b>(19,364)</b>	16,829	(24,457)
Goody Bag Cost			30,450
Goody Bag Post		4,575	
Donations	<b>6,085</b>	17,966	9,799
Balance Sheet Capital	<b>96,030</b>	115,394	98,544
Bank Balance	<b>93,239</b>	101,548	78,165

- 2018 saw a small underlying surplus income before an exceptional one-off £20,696 "Irrecoverable VAT" charge (\* see below). This represents what I would describe as our normal operating basis.
- Our continuing aim is to cover all essential operations and administration expenses, including circa £6,000 per annum insurance costs, from annual membership subscriptions. This we are just about managing to achieve in the face of rising cost pressures.
- We can never undervalue the importance of donations we receive as these give us additional financial headroom to fund membership benefits. Appreciation is therefore acknowledged to MG Car Club, Kop Hill Climb, Formula Junior Historic Racing Association and 3 private donations.
- I am also again able to report a surplus of £2,180 from the two Curborough sprint events and record thanks to Steve and Julie Hill and those who supported them.

### [2] VAT Inspection Update:

At our 2017 AGM I reported an ongoing difference of opinion with HMRC over the treatment of VAT on our training income received from British Motor Sports Training Trust.

This continued through 2018 and in our year-end accounts we included in "Irrecoverable VAT" what we and our advisors considered the maximum liability, £15,324 (years 2014-2017) as well as £5,242 as the amount due on our annual return for 2018.

During 2019 we sought an HMRC review, the outcome of which was unfavourable and we subsequently lodged a formal Appeal with HM Courts & Tribunal. As I write this report I believe (hope) this matter is drawing to a conclusion. We have obtained HMRC agreement that we have now overpaid by £6,000 and final points are being debated. It is my aim that everything is concluded by the end of this financial year.

On 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018 we de-registered and should not be troubled again in the future.

### **2019 Financial Performance:**

As we approach the end of 2019 I anticipate a position close to breakeven which will be quite an achievement when as I say costs are rising and the Club has invested further in IT as we discover more historic quirks in our systems.

In 2019 Council decided it was time to apply our Training Reserve towards the purchase of IT and other equipment for our regions, amounting to just under £10,000 and most of this will be on our balance sheet. This was a strategic decision that fulfilled promises made to some of our donors and also the Club can recoup costs by re-charging BMSTT for use of the equipment at our training events.

A key measure of our financial health is the bank account balance, adjusted for debtors and creditors. I anticipate the figure at the end of 2019 will be in line with last year even after the expenditure noted. This is an acceptable position covering all known commitments with a prudent reserve.

We have again been very fortunate to receive donations and I wish to recognise and record our appreciation to the continued support of MG Car Club, Formula Junior Historic Racing Association and Kop Hill Climb and new donors; MG Metro Cup, Monoposto Racing and Classic Touring Car Racing Club.

I can also announce Council has agreed there will be no increase in membership subscriptions for 2020.

### **[3] Sponsorship:**

Early in 2019 we became aware that AWS, who had manufactured our branded proban overalls for many years, were ceasing trading.

At very short notice we had to find a new reputable supplier in a very narrow market that has many pretenders on the fringes. Lille Racewear stepped into the void and all things considered has done a very good job considering everyone was accustomed to the workings of AWS. Some initial supply and sizing issues seem to have been resolved.

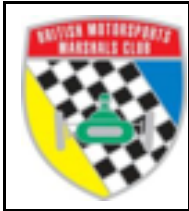
One of the major advantages of moving to Lille has been the possibility of 100% subsidy funding overalls for the first time in our history (to the best of my knowledge!). A subsidy contribution of £84.50 has been made possible by a combination of Lille and our sponsors.

We acknowledge the continuing support of NGK, TIGA Cars, MG Car Club, Polyflor and Cataclean and welcome Ginetta and CSCC.

For 2020 the cost of standard overalls will increase slightly to £86.50 and I am pleased that the Club is able to increase the subsidy accordingly with all sponsors committed for another year at least

We must continue to respect these companies and clearly display their badges on our clothing.

**Colin Barnes**  
**Director & National Treasurer** 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019



## **BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD. A.G.M. Report North West Region December 2019**

Action Updates – none to report.

Final meetings were delivered at Oulton Park 26<sup>th</sup> October and at Anglesey 17<sup>th</sup> November. Both meetings were well attended by marshals and thanks to those who came at the last minute to Anglesey. The annual Race of Remembrance at Anglesey attracted over 150 marshals and is now firmly entrenched as a fitting season closer for the motorsport community. It is heart-warming to see marshals from other regions making the trip over to a wild and windy part of North Wales and certainly the weather on the Saturday tested the resolve of even the hardiest of us. However, Sunday gave us the chance to dry out and watch some great racing.

We were lucky to welcome various GT and BTCC drivers, along with Dario Franchitti at Race of Remembrance, who after making a welcome comeback to motorsport at Goodwood, seems keen to get involved with all levels of motorsport. Welcome back Dario!

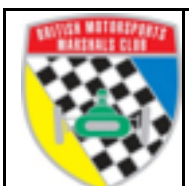
The AGM was held on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019 - attended by 15 members including committee, members and National Committee

The Committee has met eight times over the year and has launched several new initiatives to the region to support our recruitment process, cadets, presenting awards to deserving marshals and most importantly how we communicate. I'm pleased to say now that we have more committee members on the bank now, giving a visual reminder that we do exist and that we are listening. We can't do everything in one fell swoop, some things will take time. However, we are resolved to introducing new schemes in 2020, including a retention programme, mentoring and further work on our younger members.

I will provide a summary of statistics in the AGM report.

Michael Broadbent

Chairman BMMC NW Committee



**BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.  
N.E. REGION NATIONAL AGM REPORT  
1<sup>st</sup>.DECEMBER.2019**

Once again we are coming to the end of another year of Motor Sport, and as Chairman of the North East Region, I remain proud to have continued to represent the North East Region Members at the National Council meetings during this past year. We have continued to work hard to make our Club successful and to ensure that the BMMC continues to be the leading voice when dealing with the organisers of motorsport policies involving marshalling matters. With the N.E. Region being a member of the Association of Northern Car Clubs, we were able to offer help to the various Member Clubs of the Association with Marshal Training.

Our Regions year started with the annual Race Training Day, and it was decided to continue with the modular system that has been used during the last few years. We have carried on in the same vein, and I'm happy to report that the day was considered a success by the delegates, and was well and truly enjoyed by all. This Training Day was primarily focussed on Fire and Incident training for Trainee's, Track marshals and Specialists who required signatures. Theory sessions were held at the Brackenborough Hotel in Louth with practical sessions taking place at Cadwell Park. The days are funded by Motorsport.UK, and as the days have been very well received, the NE region will again be holding 2 Training Days in 2020. One in February and one in November, applications for funding for both days are expected to be granted by Motorsport.UK within the next few weeks. Our congratulations and thanks go to Lynne Kendall for organising and conducting the very Professional and enjoyable days.

2019 will be remembered as a most successful year as we turned up for a multitude of events, be it for Race, Rally, Speed, Hill Climb, or Karts, as we did a very professional job, enjoyed the company while on duty, went home and got ready for the next weeks event. It was a year when our marshalling fraternity overcame all that was thrown at them with a great deal of enthusiasm and very good team work thus ensuring that all the events in the North East region were adequately covered to take place safely.

The North East Region Rally Section continues to provide Key Marshals at many rallies throughout the UK, and on the Continent as well having maintained and strengthened their presence in Europe, and being seen as excellent Ambassadors of the British Marshals fraternity. They continue to be involved in running stages of the many other Rallies that take place within our Region. On the Race front, it has been another good year, with well supported meetings at all our Circuits. Marshalling numbers have once again improved this year and it has been nice to see quite a few new faces on the bank many who have arrived via the "Taster Day" route which continues to be a very effective recruitment tool in conjunction with the on-going efforts of our own Peter Wilson and Mark Jarvis. The living proof of the 'Taster Day' success is the increasing number of BMMC Members. It is also noticeable that the retention of Members has also improved.

The Region has also been very active and successful in officiating at Speed and Hill Climb events. They are heavily involved at Harewood and continue to gain strong links with Blyton who hold Speed and Rallycross events. During the year Dan Ashton, our Regional Karting Rep has been very busy at Kart events, and we look forward to ensuring that the Karting Marshals become an active part of our happy family.

As this year ends, we can now look forward to 2020, and be assured that the N.E. Region will be confirming the BMMC aims and objectives. To continue to develop the way forward in training, to encourage membership of the BMMC by promoting the benefits of Club membership, to recruit new marshals in all disciplines, and to retain the services of existing marshals. We will be continuing to hold regular Committee meetings throughout the year and invite N.E. Members to attend as observers, but will be able to raise any issues or problems that they may have, followed by general discussions on marshalling matters so that the Committee can be truly representative of your views and what they expect from our Club.

Once again, this years' AGM was held using the same format as last year, as it has seemed to be well received and well attended by being held on a Saturday, hoping to make it easier for Members to attend and make it a bit of a social event as well. Additionally with the Regional AGM taking place immediately after our final event of the year, the November Training day, it has enabled many more



Members to attend this meeting.

The presentation of awards took place during the social evening, and we were very pleased to enlist the help of two BMMC Ambassadors, namely Sarah Franklin and Andy Harrison who had joined us for the day, and presented the NE Region awards to the well-deserved winners. Sarah and Andy also gave very interesting talks about who they were and their involvement in motor sport.

If you cast your minds back to the 2018 AGM, you will remember that I stated 2019 would be my last year as the N.E. Regional Chairman. And the time has now come for me to stand down. It was a very hard and difficult decision for me to make, but I felt that the time was right. I have been a N.E. Region Committee Member for some 30 plus years, with the last nine years as Chairman.

When I joined our Marshals club it was known as the BMRMC, and I became a Midland Region member. However, when I became Cadwell Parks' Chief Marshal I was approached by the then N.E. Region Chairman, Chris Ruddlesdin, to transfer my Membership to the N.E. Region as Cadwell was going to be classed as a N.E. venue as the Midlands had many circuits and the NE only had two at the most northern part of the Region. I was soon co-opted onto the N.E. Committee and the rest is history. I certainly have never regretted the move all those years ago.

Many changes have taken place over the years, and as I've got older, I have realised that one finds it more and more difficult to adjust to changes in life generally and not just in motorsport. Yes, I am getting old, and having being involved in Marshaling for some 40 plus years, I realise that it has been my passion for half of my life up to now. I also want to be able to make the decision myself that it is time for me to step down before I start forgetting things or making mistakes, and not put someone in the very difficult and awkward position of having to tell me, "Don't you think it's time to give up".

It hasn't been an easy decision to make, as it has been an honour to be a Director of the BMMC, representing the N.E. region on the National Council. There have been many good times and some bad times, but with the help and backing of all of the N.E. Committee members over the years it has been a very rewarding part of my life.

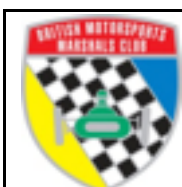
I gave up travelling around the Country and marshaling at various Circuits this year, and concentrated on doing my usual job as Radio Control at Cadwell Park which is very local for me. I am willing to carry on doing this for a bit longer if I'm required.

So, this is it, my last AGM as a Director and Regional Chairman, a very sad time for me, as I have thoroughly enjoyed the friendships and comradeship that have been a big part of my life and I say a very big thank you to all the Members of the BMMC for this.

Finally I wish my successor all the best for the future, and sincerely thank you all for the support and encouragement to do what I have loved doing.

Best wishes for the future, stay safe and enjoy your chosen discipline in 2020,

John Watson  
N. E. Region Chairman  
British Motorsport Marshals Club



**BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.**  
**MIDLAND REGION Report to A.G.M 01.12.2019**

## **Aims & Objectives**

To continue to lead the Midland Region in a positive upward manner to ensure all members are given the service they deserve.

## **Items for Discussion**

The 2019 season got underway with our training days at Donington in January, both marshal training days were well attended and many thanks again to Jim Whitaker and his team for arranging and running the training sessions. Thanks, must also go to MSV for allowing us to use the circuit facilities. We are looking forward to the Training Days next year again at Donington. The start of the season also marked the sad passing of two of our marshals in Ray Ellis and Ian Armstrong. They are both fondly remembered and very much missed.

During the year we carried out recruitment at Autosport, Race Retro, British Touring Cars at Donington, the British Grand Prix, Donington Historical Festival weekend, Convoy in the park and Motorsport Live . Next year we will be looking at increasing the Recruitment campaign nationally. I have accepted the task of National Recruitment Officer for the BMMC taking over from Pete Wilson in December.

Our Taster days have been a great success again during 2019, we held eight sessions, each held over a weekend, all were well received and as a result a fair number of attendees joined the marshalling community. 30 of all members for our region came from Taster Days (re BMMC Members' Database Nov 2019). This does not take into account the attendees who returned to marshal further dates but did not join the BMMC.

Both of the BMMC sprints at Curborough were well supported again and both ran without any problems.. Dates for next year are: 9<sup>th</sup> May and the 29th August.

Our final event of the year in the Midlands Region is the Marshals' Christmas party on the 7th December. The Party is being held at the Hilton Hotel, East Midlands Airport. As usual our regional trophies will be awarded during the evening. There are still some seats available.

I have to announce that Darren Holmes is standing down as the regions volunteering co-ordinator, Darren has been a great help with the ongoing development of the volunteering system. I would like to thank Darren for all of his efforts.

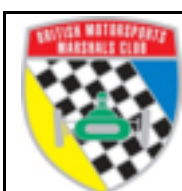
We are also saying goodbye to Geoff Mollart. Geoff has been our Grading and Memberships Officer and on the Regional Committee for 27 years. He will be sorely missed and I wish him well in his future escapades. Thank you Geoff.

I would like to thank all BMMC Committee members for welcoming and supporting me in my first year of Midlands Committee for all of their support and commitment during the year of me holding the Midlands' Chair Position.

Jayne Poston

Chair

Midlands Region 24.11.19



**BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.**  
**South Midlands REPORT to AGM 01.12.2019**

**Actions update**

N/A

## **Aims & Objectives**

My first objective is to improve communications in the region

My second objective is to get the right resources so that the committee can communicate with members

## **Items for discussion**

The loss of Rockingham as a training venue required a rapid rethink of the plans for our training day. It was held in the old Towcester library, which was a bit cramped but allowed some fun and games for illustrating practical issues! Next year we are moving to a new venue, Bedford Autodrome, details in the November/December newsletter.

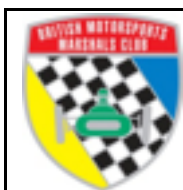
The region has manned a recruitment stand on twelve days this year, three at the British Grand Prix (in association with SMT), three at the Silverstone Classic, two days at BTCC, one day at Kop Hill and two days at Motorsport Live where our regional team was ably assisted by Jayne Poston (National Recruitment Officer elect) and Nadine Lewis National Chair of BMMC. Three hundred names were collected at the Grand Prix but numbers at BTCC and the Classic were much reduced, perhaps those wells have run dry. The loss of Rockingham has also reduced our options for taster days and the resignation of our taster day organiser part way through the year has not helped. However, we still managed to run six days at Silverstone.

Sadly I have to report that on the 9th September, at the end of a committee meeting, David Reed informed the South Mids Committee that he would not be seeking re-election as Chair at the AGM in October. At the S Mids AGM on 26th October I was co-opted onto the Committee and at the next committee meeting on 11th November I was elected as Chair.

David's resignation still leaves S Mids with three committee posts to fill; Membership Secretary, Recruitment Officer, and Taster Day Organiser. I have found that in crisis the committee pulls together. It is ironic that the region has held three taster days at Silverstone since David resigned. I have already arranged a meeting with Silverstone Marshals Team to discuss how we might work together to our mutual benefit. Plans for our training day on 23rd February at Bedford Autodrome are proceeding smoothly, invites have been sent to taster day attendees, and a notice has been sent to our newsletter editor for inclusion in the next edition. We are also planning to publicise the day on Facebook. We potentially have a busy recruitment programme with two BTCC meetings, MG Live, British Grand Prix, World Endurance Championship, Blancpain, and British GTs at Silverstone. Setting up a stand at events is not such a big problem, but getting members to give up time to man the stand might be. We might be forced to limit our activities.

Name: Chris Whitlock

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019



## **BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD. SE REGION REPORT to AGM 01.12.19**

## **Aims & Objectives**

- **To maintain growth in SE Region membership**
- Consolidated position as 2nd largest Region in BMMC

- Exceeded expectations – achieved 501 members ytd to mid-September.
- Membership growth – +28% 2015 to Sept 2019
- 9 Taster Days at Brands Hatch (70 TDMs)
- 10 Taster Days at Snetterton (39 TDMs)

## 2. Improve Communications to/from SE members

- “Marshals’ Post” content remained consistently high quality.
- Attempts to encourage members’ to contribute articles had some success, but reliant on 2-3 members only.
- Facebook page launched successfully. >300 members (BMMC and non-BMMC). Content closely monitored.
- SE website kept up-to-date, within the confines of its current format.
- SE members queries promptly handled by all officers of SE Committee, where appropriate.
- “Marshals’ Post” to be a quarterly publication from Autumn 2019.
- SE Region Brand Ambassadors to be included on “Marshals’ Post” mailing list.

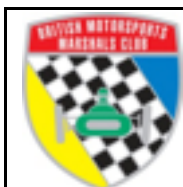
## 3. To improve Communications with Snetterton and non-“Race” Members

- Snetterton Taster Days successfully undertaken (local initiative by Snetterton member – see above)
- Still no Snetterton Representative on SE Committee (new initiative for 2020)
- “Marshals’ Post” is consequently Brands Hatch/”Race”-orientated.
- Rally Representative appointed to SE Committee during 2019.
- Rally page now on SE website.
- Rally articles & news updates to feature in “Marshals’ Post” 2020.
- News from Lydden Hill chief marshal required for 2020.
- Only 1 ASEMCA meeting attended in 2019. Objective for 2020 I to attend min. 3 meetings. Opportunity to widen interests (Sprint, Autotest & Karting) via this group.

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Neil Stretton

Chairman: SE Region

25/11/201



## BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS’ CLUB LTD. NI REGION REPORT to AGM 01.12.19

### N.I. Chairman’s Report

A rather strange year for the Region.

On the one hand we were looking forward to a great year on the racing front thanks to continuing financial support from Dawson Wam plus the addition of new cars in the Mazda MX5 challenge

and the future classic saloons.

On the other hand the Circuit of Ireland Rally seems lost for good ,the Easter Stages a poor substitute of this classic event. Worse was the International Ulster Rally being reduced to a one day event with restricted stage mileage.

In June several members were at the Donegal Rally when one of Irelands top drivers and previous winner of the Rally Manus Kelly lost his life in a freak accident.

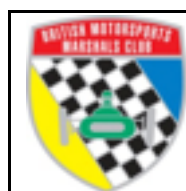
A month later at Kirkistown we had our first fatal car accident in 50 years when local driver Doctor Paul Conn lost control of his Crossle sports car hitting a heavy metal gate and died at the scene. Just a week later top British Sprint Championship runner Colin Calder was very lucky to escape with minor injuries when his 4 litre Gould suffered a rear suspension failure at over 150 MPH the car barrel rolling for over 400 yards with debris striking both the marshals post at Colonial Corner and an official's car.

August saw the BRSCC Formula Ford teams visiting with two days of exciting racing and in September with National Chair Nadine in attendance we held very successful Martin Donnelly Trophy Races including the Fittipaldi Trophy for Irish Formula Vee.

During the year we attended most rounds of the Northern Ireland Rally Championship providing stage marshals, timekeepers, radio cover and rescue personnel. I had three major trips this year as a spectator. Wales Rally G.B. (great to meet Nadine and John Jones at Oulton Park), then the final round of the BTCC at Brands Hatch where Colin Turkington won his fourth Championship. Dan Harper was Porsche Carrera Cup Champion and Jack Young the Renault Clio Cup winner. All three from Northern Ireland!

Finally two of us travelled to Salou for the penultimate round of the W.R.C. in Spain. The Rally was brilliant and much better than a very wet Wales. The weather was good and so was Ott Tanak. The Estonian blew everyone away to win his first World Chamionship. Unfortunately 2017 winner in Spain Kris Meeke had a bad event this time but hopefully will retain his Toyota drive for 2020.

Robert Coursey N.I. Chairman.



**BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.  
BRMC REPORT to AGM 01.12.2019**

**Actions update**

**Aims & Objectives**

I set out to involve more of the membership and include them in the decision making of BRMC. The introduction of remote committee meetings has helped with this and works well. We are now also able to

send out news via Mailchimp. If you are not receiving these, please contact our Secretary who will be glad to assist.

## **Items for discussion**

### **BRMC Marshal of the Year Award.**

Several nominations were received for the new BRMC Rally Marshal of the Year award which were discussed at the committee meeting prior to our AGM and a winner chosen. The award will be presented at the Autosport Show in January. Therefore, I am not able to say anymore on the nominee.

### **Autosport Show.**

The 2020 Autosport Show will be at the NEC between 9th and 12th January. Confirmation has been received that we have a stand at the show.

I am currently working with the BMMC brand team on the design of the stand.

Thursday will see the launch of our new look with the unveiling of our new logo and colour scheme. The stand will then be turned over to recruitment over the weekend.

We are looking for a couple of people to assist with this recruitment. If you are interested and feel you could bring something to this, please contact the Secretary.

### **Branding Process.**

After lengthy discussions with the brand team we are about ready with the new look. Pricing of various items is underway, and everything will be in place for our January launch.

Name:

Date:

## **Training**

2019 saw our training schedule as busy as ever with BRMC providing training days around the country and extending into late October.

I have put in applications to BMSTT for 2020 dates and am awaiting confirmation. The provisional dates are:

- Telford 23/02/20
- Oxford 08/03/20
- Derby 05/04/20
- Llandrindod Wells 31/05/20
- South West 26/07/20
- Maidstone 25/10/20
- WRGB Dates in September

These dates are not confirmed and may change.

## **Membership**

We now have update access to the BMMC Membership Database. Unfortunately, there are still several outstanding technical issues to be resolved, but we are making some progress.

As at 31st October 2019 BRMC has just over 600 members, with 84 new members having joined in the previous 12 months. One of the issues with the database means that we are currently unable to segregate the BRMC Membership, e.g. to see non-renewals. Hopefully this will be rectified before too long.

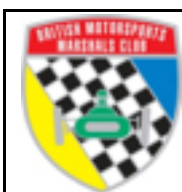
## **Recruitment**

The main drive for 2019 centre's around running a Rally Taster day at Blyton on November 23rd alongside Clitheroe and District's Single Venue Stage Rally.

Awareness for this taster day has been via social media feeds and 2x recruitment activities – one at Donington Park and one at Cadwell Park, both where single venue stage rallies have been taking place.

I strongly believe that hope should be maintained and that the push for recruitment goes forward into 2020 with appropriate funding.

After several years as BRMC Competition Secretary, Paul Sansom has decided to stand down from the role. I would like to thank Paul for his contribution over many years.



**BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.  
TRAINING REPORT to AGM 01.12.2019**

**Actions update**

Item 3.19 - Mid Chair – Recognition for Ben Irons:

- Mailchimp to request stories – not yet started
- Liaison with D Reed for presentation/renewal purposes – no communication with D Reed as of yet.  
Action also duplicated with J Poston named – so needs to be clarified, who is doing what

Item 3.23 - Training Officer – Website Update:

- Still awaiting information and 2020 Event plans from RTOs so information can be collated and updated for website
- Once information received of who all new RTOs are and their regions planned events – I will update the training information section, in liaison with Branding and IT officer



## Aims & Objectives

3. *Unite all regional trainers to work as a team in a consistent approach, giving a true club coordinated identity;*  
Exploration of creating an online secure space to share resources and blogs/discussion forums to help each other within our own BMMC website has not progressed as issues seem to be continuing with website. However, BRMC have previously offered to do this for me, so this will be explored for the New Year.
- *Ensure all training events are fully funded and subsidised, but also with moderated costings to ensure events are held efficiently and provide value for money;*  
Unfortunately, due to the lack of information sharing from our RTOs, I do not have a complete list or event summary for 2019 to share at this stage. However, some IT equipment has been sourced from funding donations and provided to nearly all regions (NI was a late request but will be looked at) with a view to this club equipment being hired to the events, so that costs can be recovered to secure future replacements, but also to minimise expensive external hire charges.
4. *Increase the number of training events organised by BMMC across all regions and including all disciplines;*  
Limitations of venue availability and volunteer organiser time impact on this aim, but we will seek to continue this aim through 2020. It has been encouraged that training events could consist of just one module on an evening, there is no requirement that it had to just be one traditional day a year. Everyone was encouraged to share ideas and send to NTO to formulate a plan/process – although nothing received to date.
- *Make BMMC events the first choice of marshals with the reputation of being providers of fun, informative and interactive training.*  
This aim is ongoing – but it is hoped that with more sharing of feedback and evaluations from RTOs to provide a national view, this will improve. This will continue into 2020.

## General Updates

The Motorsport UK Training Working Group has been rebranded as the Training Advisory Group (TAG), with members being re-elected and allocated to the group for 2020 – I'm pleased to be remaining on this group.

The TAG has been involved in supporting Motorsport UK to review the new online learning platform, which is now live with a couple of introductory modules – introduction to Marshalling and the Rally Online Accreditation course. All members of Motorsport UK should have access to the online system, which can be found on their website – and information will be cascaded by Motorsport UK through their communication channels.

In addition, the TAG has also been reviewing all existing training module presentations with a view to updating them, along with Motorsport UK new branding and refreshed imagery. These will hopefully be available to you all soon, in readiness for the 2020 training events. Module criteria and content synopsis information is currently being collated and will be available to accompany the presentations, to help provide more guidance for trainers and consistency for training events.

## Items for discussion

Item No	Discussion Point	Action Required
21.1	<u>2019 Training Events</u> There are still some events that have taken place this year where the financial worksheets (BMMC-5 Training Day Budget Worksheet) and	All RTOs or Chairs to send 2019 training



	evaluation forms / summaries, along with data on attendees etc, has not been sent to me – therefore a summary report for the whole year cannot be completed.	day information to LK (NTO)
21.2	<p><u>2020 Training Events</u></p> <p>Motorsport UK has now confirmed successful applications for BMSTT funding – with the amounts averaging to be 85% of the totals requested.</p> <p>Unfortunately our agreed club process has not been followed by all regions and only two sent their planned 2020 dates and BMSTT applications to me for collation (thank you NW and NE).</p> <p>In order for review, analysis, strategic planning and website updates (to keep our members informed) to take place, I am required to collate all regional information. Therefore, can I please ask that you stress to your RTOs to share information, documents and plans with me – and to send your 2020 training event applications, dates and plans/booking forms/letters (who the event is aimed at, what modules are to be covered, etc) to me as soon as possible.</p>	All RTOs or Chairs to send 2020 training day information to LK (NTO)
21.3	<p><u>Training Equipment Charges</u></p> <p>As previously advised, it has been decided to have in place, recommended Hire Charges for training day use of club and personal equipment. A full breakdown will be distributed to all RTOs within the updated training procedures to be forwarded soon, but for early information the following hire charges should be applied from 2020 onwards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IT hire (as a package this would be laptop/projector/screen/speakers) - £100 per day</li> <li>• Flip chart stand hire &amp; consumables - £15 per day</li> <li>• Resus Annie/Medical Kit - £15 per day</li> <li>• Marshals flag set - £10 per day</li> <li>• Helmets/Hans Devices - £10 per day</li> </ul> <p>If any region has any other equipment that is provided to an event, or has any feedback on these charges – please let me know.</p>	All RTOs or Chairs to send feedback/ideas of equipment hire charges to LK (NTO)
21.4	<p><u>Training Team Information – Regional Collation</u></p> <p>Sadly despite several requests for RTOs to send me the data collection sheets asking for information on current training teams and the experience/areas of interest of those individuals who support regional training events, I never received any. I am therefore resending this again, via this report to chairs, asking for this again in preparation for 2020 in order to collate a database of our training teams so that I can support regions by providing/recommending trainers near to them to assist with events, as well as being able to respond to external requests.</p>	All RTOs or Chairs to send Training Team information sheet to LK (NTO)
21.5	<p><u>Feedback/Input on Motorsport UK Training Modules</u></p> <p>As previously advised, the TAG are reviewing all training modules – in terms of presentations and session criteria – therefore if anyone has any suggestions or recommendations of any updates or must haves in any training modules, please let me know so I can feed it back to the TAG.</p>	All RTOs or Chairs to send training module suggestions to LK (NTO)

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Name: Lynne Kendall

Date of Report: 26 November 2019



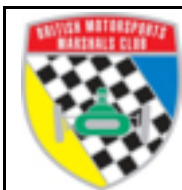
We have had another good year for BMMC grading, although numbers are slightly, but not significantly, down from previous years.

We continue to have an excellent working relationship with Motorsport UK, and it is apparent that we are listened to, and our views are respected, by them.

In August I informed National Council of my decision to stand down at this year's AGM. Since then Rob Mugurian, currently the North West Regional Grading Officer, has agreed to take over the NGO duties as from today. With Rob, the Grading Officer role could not be in better hands, and I wish him all success for the future.

Name: Steve Malec

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> November 2019



**BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.  
IT OFFICER'S REPORT to AGM 01.12.2019**

*BMMC Website*

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Implement a better website architecture to allow for an improved overall design, better mobile friendly website pages and a better-quality member and visitor experience.</li></ul>	<i>Ongoing</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>To simplify the login, registration, application and forgotten password system to make this obvious to all.</li></ul>	Being tested
4. Add an online member application system.	Not started
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Continue to enhance the website with better content, layout and intuitive navigation for both member and non-members.</li></ul>	<i>Ongoing</i> <sup>[1]</sup> <sub>[SEP]</sub>

*BMMC Volunteering System*

5. To continue to refine and tune the existing volunteering system.	Ongoing
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*BMMC Technical Systems*

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Plan for the future growth of BMMC technically.</li></ul>	Ongoing
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*BMMC Server Upgrade*

## Server Migration and Upgrade

On 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019, we finally updated our dedicated server for the marshal's website, email systems, volunteering and membership database.

There was some unexpected downtime with this migration as we had some issue with a poorly configured website domain name. These have now all been reconciled to a single provider and a much smoother setup is now in place.

## Email Accounts

The email accounts for all the BMMC Directors and Committee members have now all been reviewed and consolidated to ensure consistency throughout the group.

These are now stored more securely on our server and if a new person takes over a role, we just need to change a password and the whole account is handed over to them.

In addition, many regional roles now have their own dedicated @marshals.co.uk email address as we continue to expand this facility. Helping to maintain our Marshals brand and a common face to the world.

## Volunteering System

We've added in event cloning into the volunteering system to help make it much easier for regional volunteer coordinators to implement the events for the upcoming season. As most years have the same events (only the dates really change) this saves valuable time and effort and removes an element of human error and administration.

## Membership Database

A few refinements to the membership database have been implemented, but this remains mainly unchanged.

## BMMC Website – [www.marshals.co.uk](http://www.marshals.co.uk)

The BMMC website continues to be improved and adapted. New pages, new content, refined areas. A more intuitive navigation menu, many pages tidied, photographs added and the whole site generally polished.

## Miscellaneous

### Brand and Communications

I would personally like to say a huge thank you to Dave Smithson, Brand and Communications Officer for taking on this new role in 2019. This has removed a great deal of my workload for which I am grateful. It has also introduced consistency with the member emails, branding, logos and other external communications from the BMMC.

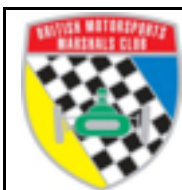
Some more consistent email templates have been generated to ensure that we are "on brand" and maintaining a consistent image to our members, suppliers and sponsors.

### IT Training Equipment

In Summer 2019, we helped to purchase a range of IT based training equipment for the regions who needed this, including, laptops, projectors, screens, cables, presentation charts etc...

Name: Sean Clarke

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019



**BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.**  
**National Membership Secretary AGM REPORT**  
**1<sup>st</sup> December 2019**

**NEW MEMBERS**

Currently we have 337 new members join the club so far in 2019, breakdown as follows:-

<b>2019</b>	<b>BA</b>	<b>EM</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>NW</b>	<b>NI</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>SM</b>	<b>SW</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Jan</b>	0	7	2	2	3	6	2	6	<b>28</b>
<b>Feb</b>	0	3	8	5	1	7	0	3	<b>27</b>
<b>Mar</b>	15	3	2	4	3	9	3	3	<b>42</b>
<b>Apr</b>	0	17	4	8	0	6	7	8	<b>50</b>
<b>May</b>	0	3	5	7	0	3	2	5	<b>25</b>
<b>Jun</b>	0	6	3	5	1	4	3	7	<b>29</b>
<b>Jul</b>	1	4	8	8	0	8	1	10	<b>40</b>
<b>Aug</b>	0	2	3	8	1	7	2	3	<b>26</b>
<b>Sept</b>	0	2	0	5	0	4	0	0	<b>11</b>
<b>Oct</b>	0	2	5	2	0	11	5	3	<b>28</b>
<b>Nov</b>	0	3	4	10	0	2	7	5	<b>31</b>
<b>Dec</b>									
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>337</b>

**CURRENT MEMBERSHIP**

The membership total at 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019 stands at 2418.

Region	31/12/15	31/12/16	31/12/17	31/12/18	Current
EM	455	441	446	422	441
NE	219	216	231	233	255
NW	642	647	642	637	646
NI	53	55	59	53	55
SE	387	414	453	484	503
SM	241	237	246	240	252
SW	213	240	263	249	266
<b>Total</b>	<b>2210</b>	<b>2250</b>	<b>2340</b>	<b>2318</b>	<b>2418</b>

There are some issues with the Membership Database and Online Payment System at the moment which are being investigated and some progress is being made to resolve them.

**Dave Reed**  
**National Membership Secretary**  
**28<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

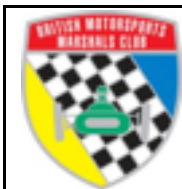


- 1. Annual Regalia Sales:** Generally there has been a good level of sales this year, thanks to the efforts of the RROs.

REGIONAL REGALIA SALES TO 31 <sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2019								
National	Mids	N.E.	N.W.	S.E.	S.M.	S.W.	BRMC	TOTAL
£189.00	£158.00	£373.50	£440.50	£205.00	£38.00	£38.00	£14.00	£1456.00

- 2. Teamwear:** Sales are still strong but disappointing to note there is still a poor uptake from our "Monthly Prize Draw", only four so far this year again
- 3. Subsidy Claims:** As at the 31<sup>st</sup> October there has been **£19,462.94** of subsidy claims paid out to our members. **£18,722.94** for Overalls and **£740.00** for Hi-Vis Clothing.
- 4. Lille Overalls:** After a bumpy start Lille Racewear have got into the swing of things and marshals are now receiving their orders in a reasonable time period. There are still one or two things to be ironed out but I think they have jumped into the gap left by the departure of AWS reasonably well.
- 5. BRMC Regalia:** shortly after the Autosport Show in January 2020 we will be launching a new range of Regalia and Teamwear.

**Eric Ridler National Regalia Officer**



## **BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB BRAND & COMMUNICATIONS TEAM REPORT TO AGM**

### **Review of the Year**

The Brand and Communications team was completed with the appointment of Dave Smithson as Brand and Communications Officer at the February Council meeting following a planning away day with Directors the previous day.

The team then set about executing the plan created to address the core objectives identified at the meeting.

### **Member communications**

The Brand and Communications team have maintained regular communication with members throughout the year utilising social media, the web site and Mailchimp as the primary channels to reach them.

### **Sponsor support and comms**

The team has provided support to maintain regular communication of events and announcements of new sponsor agreements and benefits for members resulting from sponsorship.

### **BMMC Club Ambassadors**

The Brand and Communication team has taken the lead on the new initiative agreed by Council of recruiting and promoting BMMC Club Ambassadors. This has included maintaining regular dialogue and communication with all Club Ambassadors and leading on announcements of new ones appointed.

### **New BRMC Identity**

The Brand and Communications team were tasked with assisting the BRMC to create and design a new identity for them ahead of their 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2020.

The team has worked closely with their committee to develop the new logo and all supporting materials and this will be launched at Autosport on the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

### **New recruitment materials**

New recruitment materials including posters, leaflets and stand designs to be rolled out in 2020 across all regional recruitment teams have been designed.

### **Member benefits and factory visits**

The team has identified and rolled out new member benefits (Nimbus gloves and Dread teamwear) and organised four factory visits to the Mercedes AMG Petronas F1 factory in Brackley and two visits to Pro-drive in Banbury. The team has also organised ballots for free tickets to other events including the Motorsport Days LIVE event at Silverstone.

### **Autosport 2020**

The latter part of the year has seen the team focused on planning and preparing for the Autosport 2020 show where the new recruitment materials will be utilised for the first time.

### **Phone app**

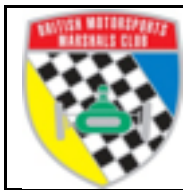
A phone app is in development and testing and is planned to be launched in 2020.

### **Looking ahead**

It has been a busy but productive year but the team has many ideas and plans to further develop and improve the awareness and benefits of being a BMMC member and celebrating the work done week in week out by our 2,400+ members.

Dave Smithson Brand and Communications Officer

Sub-Team: Joe Watts, Rob Lee, Jay Katcha and Duncan Fitz-Gibbons



## **BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD. Sprint and Hill Climb Officer Report to Council 01.12.2019**

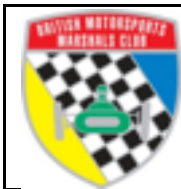
I have attended 3 meetings of the Sprint and Hill Climb Sub-Committee this year. The main topic of discussion has been a review of Section S of the Motorsport UK Yearbook. This review was started at the beginning of 2018, but the committee was unable to conclude this review at September's meeting due to disagreements within MUK and adverse comments from the wider Motor Community on items posted for discussion. Only parts of the document were passed not the New MUK Rules Committee for their comments.

One of the items for discussion has been the Skills and Training need for Course Controllers at Sprint and Hill Climb Events. This will be of interest to our Members as this post is often filled by our more experienced Speed Marshals. No conclusions have been drawn yet but there are two parallel suggestions both of which envisage a new licenced roll with Grandfather rights for existing Course Controllers and E module Training.

New rules for Committee Membership were announced earlier in the year, with initial membership being for 3 years with extension by 2 further periods of 3 years making a total of 9 years. To avoid loss of experience all members of our Sub Committee were invited to re-apply in writing for an extension. As I have 17 years of service and was considering my position anyway I resigned along with 2 other members. The Chair of the committee was told he will be replaced for 2020.

Mike Shorley  
Speed Executive





**BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.  
Karting Officer Report to Council 01.12.2019**

**Actions update: N/A**

**Aims & Objectives:**

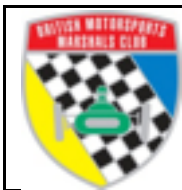
- To get more of the Karting Community involved within the BMMC.
- Most if not every kart event added to the Volunteering page(s).
- To increase the advertisement of Karting through each region.

**Items for discussion:**

- Getting Karting advertised around the Regions via newsletters/website etc.
- With only 2 clubs (to my knowledge) holding Motorsport UK Training days for karting, is it worth either a/ adding a few karting modules to our regional training days or b/ maybe assisting the clubs that do organise the training days

Name: Dan Ashton

Date: 26/11/19



**BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.  
National Recruitment Officer Report to Council 01.12.2019**

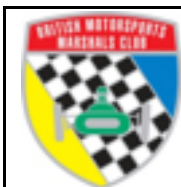
This will be my last report to Council as I am stepping down from the role of National recruitment at our AGM and handing over to a very able successor Jayne Poston. I know you will but please give her the help and support that I have enjoyed over the last 10+ years.

Firstly a big thank you for all of the help and support over the years that I have been National Recruiting Officer. I still think that we are the "Club to go to" for marshal recruiting. We completed our 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive year recruiting with the BTCC Series which was supplemented with recruiting at British GP, Silverstone Classic & MG; Race Retro, ASI; Kop Hill; WRGB, Donington and others.

Our biggest source of new members, taster days, are still as successful as ever and a massive thank you to all concerned.

Rally recruiting is still a concern, numbers were again down for the WRGB, and thoughts need to be given as to how and where we recruit, what happens next and follow up.

Pete Wilson



**BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.**  
**National Volunteering Coordinator report to A.G.M.**  
**01.12.2019**

**Actions update**

Requests for events dates sent to all registered Clubs, External and Internal Chief Marshals CSCC have responded with their 2020 events already

**Aims & Objectives**

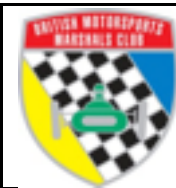
- Ensure the system is stable and able to handle the data through-put in January 2020
- Ensure the system is easy to use for Regional Volco's & Marshals
- Remove duplicate entries in the External/Internal Chief Marshal listings
- Update contact details for registered users
- All 2020 dates online by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020
- To increase awareness of online volunteering system through Regional VolCo's

**Items for discussion**

What challenges are we aware of that can be actioned

Name: Mark Jarvis

Date: 23/11/19



**BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.  
DONINGTON ES REPORT TO AGM  
DEC 1<sup>st</sup> 2019**

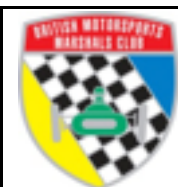
Donington ES team Committee held 6 Committee meetings during 2019, one of which was attended by the BMMC National Chair and Treasurer.

There were a total of 39 car race days at Donington during 2019 compared with 35 during 2018. When using the National Circuit, Donington ES Team managed to cover all Posts but occasionally the Organising Club were unable to, and so ES marshals covered Flag duties and did their best regarding Post Chief duties. I am somewhat concerned when ES Team marshals, who volunteer to do Incident, end up covering Flag and PC duties which is out of their comfort zone. I hope this does not deter them from volunteering for meetings that they know may not attract reasonable numbers of marshals and hence make the problem of shortage of marshals worse. There were only about 4 days, usually on a Saturday, when both the ES Team and the Organising Club could not cover all Posts when using the GP circuit. On these occasions some Posts were not staffed but line of sight was maintained between Posts.

There does not seem to be any guidance from Motorsport UK relating to Snatch Training. Donington ES Team Committee held a Snatch Training Day last January and intend to hold another Snatch Training Day in January 2020. There are more cars that are being modified so that they can be lifted instead of pulled through the gravel, ie BTCC and Porsche. The current method of lifting a car which is stuck in the gravel is to attach two lifting eyes to the roof. This is time consuming and way too slow, when compared to dragging a car through the gravel. The Snatch marshal is out there way longer than is necessary.

Just to remind you all that I will be giving up the Chair of Donington ES Team and my other function as Rep for Donington at the end of December 2019. Both jobs have been enjoyable but I am somewhat disappointed that I have not achieved more as the Rep for Donington.

Ian Berry Chair Donington ES Team  
1 December 2019



## BRITISH MOTORSPORTS MARSHALS' CLUB LTD.

### ABRMC Report to 2019 AGM

#### SUMMARY

To ascertain whether any new issues have emerged for circuit reps in 2019 I sent them an email in August and asked the following questions:

#### Track Licences

- Have there been any changes to your circuit as a result of track licence changes?
- Have any changes hindered or improved marshalling responses?
- Have additional safety issues been raised by the changes?

#### Flags

- A survey of circuit flags last year identified that at some locations/posts there were not complete sets of flags, flags were in poor condition, and some did not comply with international standards; has the situation improved?
- The flag survey arose because marshals complained that the flag poles are too thick (broom handles) and the flags too large; making them too unwieldy for long periods of double waved yellows, especially when the post is single-manned which is often the case. Has the situation improved?

#### Personnel

- Do you have manning issues at your circuit?
- Do you have marshals undertaking roles they are not qualified for e.g. Flags acting as Post Chiefs; Trainees acting as I/Os?
- How frequently does this occur?
- Do you run meetings with posts unmanned?
- Have you made last minute appeals for more marshals and were they successful?

#### Complaints/Comments

- Have you received any complaints about lack of toilet facilities? The condition of such facilities?
- Have you received complaints about over full rubbish bins?
- Have you received any complaints about camping facilities or noisy campers?
- Have you received any communication from any marshals?

I have not received replies from all the circuit reps but the replies received would suggest that any problems that arise are quickly dealt with. There are one or two toilet issues that are proving difficult to resolve. There are still concerns about flags but most flag marshals either accept what has been provided or resort to using their own flags; whether that is acceptable remains to be seen (paper still to be discussed at Race Committee).

Nearly every circuit rep reports under-manning issues and these are sometimes resolved by changing circuit configuration or by not manning some posts.

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