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Chairman's Chat

Here we are another year and hopefully a very safe one in Motorsport. Lots going on but first may I, on behalf of the committee, wish everyone a Very Happy New Year.

Now down to business, first trip out of the year is our annual visit to the Autosport show on the 11th January, I am getting a very good deal on 4litre FFF electric fire extinguisher system as the old Lifeline one has long expired. On my car, it is very near to being returned to me after a day setting it up at Curborough, hopefully I will have more concrete news next month.

But the good news is that, Neil who has done all the work, is happy to come down to Anglesey for The track day on the Friday before the Lee Holland, hopefully Peter will be available to tell Neil what he expects from the car as regards handling etc. I have also got him a co-driver, to be confirmed but, she is a regular co-driver. Neill is also prepared to stop over on the Saturday to service on the event. It was amusing to hear Roger's comments in the club on the 21st, something akin to "ehup Barrett hitting the big time with a professional service crew and a co-driver to boot" well funny.

On the Lee Holland, a deputation from both clubs went down to examine if

there was a possibility of any new roads being put in to help with us getting new stages and maybe longer ones. On the day it seemed that time was against us. Andrew Crichton had said he was having to resurface areas of the Race Circuit, and ideally use the road planings removed to put on new roads as built.

However the resurfacing was taking place in February, so Steve & Alan would have next to no time to submit routes to the Motorsport UK offices. So we came away slightly disappointed. We spoke about a local contractor who is building an Escort for rallying, I quipped "tell him he will get a free entry" if he puts the roads in. The road planings could go on as they were lifted, imagine then less than 3 days later, Alan received photos of the new roads already dug out and ready to be used, once the top surface is laid, up the cost is the price of an entry. Good deal that !!!

28th of January sees our entry open and hopefully we get a better entry or more entries than last year's event prices have had to increase but we are still one of the cheapest events down there, once again marshals are always in demand, details will be available soon and a flier will no doubt be issued with all the details.

Not a lot more to say this month and I apologise for its brevity.

But in closing I hope you will join me in congratulating John Harland in achieving International Status as a scrutineer, well done, not sure just how many years John has been a scrutineer but it must have taken a lot of very hard work to reach this goal..Very well done.

See you all in next month's chat.
Rod

We are still looking for a newsletter publisher and secretary if anyone could spare us a couple of hours each month ...help and assistance will be available to any potential members.

The last few newsletters have reported on the exploits of **Bruce Lindsey** on the Motorsportnews Circuit Rally Championship. There have been 3 rounds to date, namely at Oulton Park, Cadwell Park and Knockhill. We reported on the Cadwell event last month, since then **Bruce** was at Knockhill and again came out with an excellent result, this time bagging 3rd in class, once again with Paul Sheard in the Mazda MX5. After those two great results **Bruce** and Paul are 1st overall in class B, with Bruce being 10th overall in the co-drivers' championship.

To get all the action on this championship there is excellent coverage of all events on utube. Type in the Motorsportnews Circuit Rally Championship, and you can watch all three of the completed rounds. I must say that the coverage is far superior to that of last year's events. There is some good background work, the stage maps are shown, and at Knockhill the clerk of the course was given some air time. On the Cadwell event we even get a ride with Bruce in the Mazda.



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What's on?

13 January: Airdale & Pennine MC
PCA1, Rock & Heifer, Bradford

19/20 January: Malton MC
Ryemoor Trophy Road Rally. Yorkshire.

27 January: Knutsford & DMC Ltd
Autosolo. Booths Hall, Knutsford.

3 February: Bolton-le-Moors CC
Autosolo 3 Sisters, Wigan

3 February: Bolton-le-Moors CC
Autotest 3 Sisters, Wigan

3 February: Bolton-le-Moors CC
PCA 3 Sisters, Wigan

9 February: Clitheroe & DMC
Jack Neal Stages, Byton, Lincolnshire

10 February: Airdale & Pennine MC
PCA2, Rock & Heifer, Bradford



The Organisers of the Riponian Stages Rally are pleased to announce that the rally will be back in 2019, running on

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Sunday 10th February, and the event will be once again sponsored by ABLE UK and we thank Peter Stephenson for his company's continued support.

The event will consist of four stages run twice, with the start and finish in Thirsk, with a central service mid way between the Western and Eastern stages.

An innovation for 2019 is that the event will make use of the new closed road legislation to join two of the smaller forest stages used in the past to make a single stage where there will be ample spectator facilities

Regulations and online entries will be available from the beginning of December.

I have been asked to run a stage on next year's Riponian, but not Roppa since that stage is not being used this year. Next Year I have been asked to command 'Wass Moor' this being the normal Wass stage linked via a road closure to College Moor to make one stage. This is to be run twice, once in each direction, likely with myself running the morning pass with Chris Woodcock on the stop line, roles reversed for the afternoon run to save too many people having to move during the gap.

We will need plenty of marshals on this stage so if you can assist please let me know, I should have further details of timings etc. shortly so will forward these as soon as they land with me.

My apologies if you have already received this information, just want to make sure we don't miss anyone who may wish to help.

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Regards

Andy Turnbull



SD34 Motor Sport Group Interclub League 2018 supported by Gazzard Accounts

Clitheroe & DMC	1528
Bolton le Moors CC	1218
Under 17 MC	1196
Liverpool MC	954
Longton & DMC	848
Warrington & DMC	575
Preston MC	522
Wigan & DMC	494
Airdale & Pennine MC	426
Accrington MSC	401
Garstang & Preston MC	318
Blackpool South Shore MC	287
Pendle DMC	274
Matlock MC	222
Stockport 061 MC	156
Wallasey MC	151
Lancashire AC	128
Manx AS	128
Knowldale CC	101
Hexham DMC	29
CSMA	19
High Moor CC	15
Lightening MSC	10

SD34 NoneRace/None Rally Championship

Jamie Foster	U17MC	85.24
Warren Nichols	BLMCC	85.04
Andy Williams	U17MC	83.96
James Williams	U17MC	82.52
Scott MacMahon	U17MC	80.68
Steve Johnson	U17MC	80.46
Phillip Clegg	AMSC	80.16
Chris MacMahon	U17MC	80.01
Jason Crook	U17MC	79.86
Lauren Crook	U17MC	78.56
David Graves	BLMCC	76.61
Steven Holmes	CDMC	72.51
Steven Smith	AMSC	63.75
Ben Holmes	CDMC	31.12
Louis Baines	PMC	30.30
Sam Coombes	PMC	28.66
Steve Price	CDMC	27.77
Peter Sharples	PMC	27.44
David Robinson	U17MC	21.49
Martin Fox	WiDMC	20.13
Kris Coombes	PMC	19.99

SD34 Road Rally Championship Drivers

Matt Flynn	CDMC	83
Tony Harrison	CDMC	61
Stephen Holmes	CDMC	65
Dan Sedgwick	CDMC	58
Kris Coombes	PMC	54
Steve Flynn	CDMC	50

Chris Hewlett	CDMC	49
Dan Fox	CDMC	42
Mark Johnson	CDMC	41
Ian Swallow	BLMCC	40
Mark Standen	GPMC	39
Dominic McTear	CDMC	38
Paul Pendleton	CDMC	33
Jem Dale	GPMC	29
Mark Dixon	CDMC	29
Charles Andrews	PMC	20
Pete Sharples	PMC	17
James Taylor	CDMC	16
Phil Shaw	CDMC	9
Andy Williams	U17MC	4
Russell Starkie	CDMC	3

Navigators

Rob Jones	CDMC	72
Sam Ambler	CDMC	55
Ben Holmes	CDMC	51
Louis Baines	PMC	50
Grace Pedley	CDMC	45
Matt Hewlett	CDMC	38
Steve Butler	CDMC	38
Jonathan Webb	HDMC	36
Leah Brown	CDMC	35
Matthew Broadbent	CDMC	32
Ian Graham	CDMC	29
Paul Taylor	CDMC	28
James Swallow	PMC	23
James Chaplin	GPMC	18
Harris Holgate	CDMC	17
Steve Frost	GPMC	16
Elliott Shaw	CDMC	11
Sam Coombs	PMC	8
Lauren Cook	U17MC	4

SD34 Stage Rally Championship

Driver

Andrew Morris	CDMC	211
Calvin Woods	WiDMC	211
James Swallow	BLMCC	159
Brandon Smith	CDMC	136
George Merrills	S061MC	79
Stephen Johnson	U17MC	52
Peter Sharples	PMC	27
Steve Kenyon	GPMC	27
Robert Jones	GPMC	27
Martin Fox	WiDMC	27
Michael Tomlinson	PDMC	26
Peter Jackson	GPMC	26
Adrian Melling	WiDMC	26

Co-Driver

Chloe Thomas	CDMC	210
Connor Aspey	WiDMC	209
Lauren Hewitt	WiDMC	185
Terry Martin	CDMC	80
Bruce Lindsay	PDMC	53
Stephen Butler	CDMC	52
Louis Baines	PMC	27
Matthew Broadbent	CDMC	27
Kris Coombes	PMC	27
Sam Coombes	PMC	27

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Phil Merrills	S061MC	26
Karen Whittam	GPMC	26

SD34 Marshals Championship

Under 18

Matthew Nicholls	BLMCC	119
Alexander Baron	AMSC	68
James Robinson	U17MC	20
Elliott Shaw	CDMC	20

SD34 Sprint & Hillclimb Championship

Nigel Fox	CDMC	84.47
R Thorpe	LivMC	82.58
S Wilson	LDMC	80.85
David Goodlad	BLMCC	80.69
J Wadsworth	LAC	80.38
R Holt	LivMC	80.14
C Duncalf	LivMC	80.12
W Campion	LivMC	76.48
Nigel Trundle	GPMC	70.29
J Earley	LDMC	56.77
S Norton	LDMC	56.60
J Pinder	APMC	50.40
Steve Price	CDMC	47.86
D Weldon	LDMC	47.35
Mick Tomlinson	PDMC	27.49
Jim Wright	PDMC	20.47
Richard Hargreaves	PDMC	20.10
Simon Nicholson	PDMC	19.31
D Robinson	U17MC	9.75

SD34 Marshals Championship

Maurice Ellison	CDMC	317
Amanda Baron	AMSC	187
Tracey Smith	AMSC	147
Sean Robertson	LivMC	117
Robert O'Brien	WaDMC	87
William O'Brien	WaDMC	87
Barry Wilkinson	PDMC	84
Bill Gray	LivMC	81
John Harden	LivMC	67
David Hunt	LiMC	67
Steve Smith	AMSC	67
Geoff Maine	LivMC	60
Alan Shaw	PDMC	60
Les Eltringham	PDMC	50
Les Fragle	GPMC	47
Rod Brereton	PDMC	40
Ian Mills	PDMC	40
Peter Wright	PDMC	40
David Barratt	AMSC	40
Colin Baines	PMSC	40
Danny Cookson	PMSC	40
Kris Coombes	PMSC	40
Sam Coombes	PMSC	40
Jamie Elwell	PMSC	40
Terry May	PMSC	40
Paul Flynn	CDMC	30
Stephen Holmes	CDMC	30
Steve Lewis	CDMC	30
Louis Baines	PMSC	30
Lee Birkenhead	PMSC	30
Kim Coombes	PMSC	30
Robert Grimshaw	PMSC	30

George Portlethwaite	PMSC	30
Joe Ring	PMSC	30
Peter Sharples	PMSC	30
Craig Shooter	PMSC	30
Alexander Baron	AMSC	27
Chris Hewlett	CDMC	20
Phil Shaw	CDMC	20
Jez Tuner	CDMC	20
Ian Farnworth	GPMC	20
Steve Kenyon	GPMC	20
Peter Schofield	PDMC	20
Peter Wilkinson	PDMC	20
Ben Coombes	PMSC	20
Grant Smith	PMSC	20
Amanda Anderson	U17MC	20
Tim Millington	WaDMC	20

SD34 Individual Championship

Nigel Fox	CDMC	160
Andy Williams	U17MC	147
Steve Johnson	U17MC	129
Stephen Holmes	CDMC	124
Rob Bryn Jones	CDMC	108
Lauren Hewitt	WiDMC	90
Louis Baines	PMC	85
Calvin Woods	WiDMC	80
Ben Holmes	CDMC	75
Lauren Crook	U17MC	75
Kris Coombes	PMC	63
Steve Smith	AMSC	58
Tony Harrison	CDMC	53
Steve Butler	CDMC	48
Martin Fox	WiDMC	48
Chris Hewlett	CDMC	41
Charles Andrews	PMC	38
Dan Sedgwick	CDMC	36
Sam Ambler	CDMC	32
Sam Coombes	PMC	32
Mark Johnson	CDMC	27
Matt Broadbent	CDMC	27
Michael Tomlinson	PDMC	23
Steve Kenyon	GPMC	13
Steve Price	CDMC	11
Elliott Shaw	CDMC	7



MOTORSPORT UK ROLLS OUT NEW MEMBER BENEFITS PROGRAMME

Motorsport UK has officially launched its new membership programme, offering a range of benefits and discounts designed to provide peace of mind, offset the cost of competition and get members closer to the action.

The initiative is part of Motorsport UK's commitment to putting its membership at the heart of everything that it does. From 2019, all competition licence holders, licensed officials and registered marshals are auto-enrolled in

the programme, giving them offers and discounts including: *f* Complimentary personal accident cover with JLT *f* Discounts on competition and road car tyres, at Protyre, the fastest growing chain of fast fit and mechanical garages in the UK *f* 10% off competition insurance and 15% off road car insurance with Adrian Flux *f* 10% off in-store at Halfords *f* 10% discount off Grand Prix Racewear's branded personalised overalls *f* 10% off outdoor apparel and equipment at the UK's leading independent outdoor & mountain sports retailer, Ellis Brigham *f* Discounts on ferry travel to the continent with DFDS. Through the membership programme, Motorsport UK aims to support all levels of the sport and actively encourage grassroots participation across the breadth of the motorsport community. Additional partners and promotional offers will be announced over the coming months. Motorsport UK members can access all these great benefits by renewing for 2019 and logging into the member portal, where they will find a new Member Benefits section explaining how to take advantage of the various offers. For any queries, please contact the Motorsport UK Membership Services Team on membership@motorsportuk.org



Respond now to Transport Scotland consultation on closed roads

Transport Scotland has launched a public consultation on proposals to enable closed-road events, which help organisers take the sport to new audiences and deliver an economic boost to local hosting communities.

As the sport's governing body, Motorsport UK has spent many years campaigning for new laws to allow these events in all four nations of the United Kingdom. New powers enabling closed-road

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motorsport came into effect in England in April 2017, and in Wales in February 2018. Closed-road motorsport was already possible across Northern Ireland, where road closure orders have made famous events possible for decades. In its consultation, Transport Scotland is seeking views on a possible event application process involving the relevant governing bodies and local authorities. The consultation can be found [HERE](#) and the deadline for responses is midnight on 28 January 2019.

Motorsport UK and Scottish Motor Sports (SMS), the umbrella organisation representing the interests of both two- and four-wheel motorsport in Scotland, recently attended a meeting of the advisory group that assisted in developing the consultation.

"This is fantastic news and takes us a step closer to seeing closed-road motorsport right across the UK," said David Richards, Motorsport UK Chairman. "Motorsport UK is committed to promoting the sport in all its forms and new closed-road regulations would create a wealth of opportunities to do just that. We urge the motorsport community to respond positively to the consultation and help us realise the possibility of a new generation of closed-road events in Scotland."

Do you want to help deliver a bold new vision for UK motorsport? Two exciting new roles have been created at the national governing body, Motorsport UK.

Please apply to hr@motorsportuk.org enclosing a copy of your CV and contact details. A copy of the full job specification is available at www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre/appointments.

Motorsport UK is an equal opportunities organisation which welcomes applications from all sections of the community.

Commercial Manager

Reporting to the Commercial Director, the Commercial Manager's primary remit is to offer support in securing third-party partnership revenues across a range of marketing assets and rights. Motorsport UK has a range of rights across a range of wholly-owned properties; Wales Rally GB, the UK round of the World Rally Championship

British Rally Championship, the premier domestic UK rally series

British Kart Championship, the pinnacle of grassroots motorsport in the UK

Corporate Partnerships, leveraging a range of marketing assets across Motorsport UK's 45k members, a further 720 motor clubs with 100,000+ local members and the wider UK motorsport community

The ideal candidate will be highly adept with a wide range of project tools from the Microsoft suite, Adobe products, SharePoint, OneDrive Google Drive, Dropbox etc. They will have some experience both of working within an agency and client side with a commercial rights holder. A qualification in marketing, sales or other relevant degree is desirable, although greater credibility will be applied to a demonstrable minimum five year track record of success in a similar role.

Graphic Designer

The Graphic Designer will be the internal guardian in all design executions relating to the brand world.

The work demands creative flair, up-to-date knowledge of industry software, and a professional approach to time planning, costs, deadlines and prioritisation.

An understanding and appreciation of motorsport on many different levels would be a distinct advantage, with occasional weekend work at UK motorsport events.

The ideal candidate will be a self-starter, capable of working autonomously and fully conversant with a range of project tools from the Microsoft suite, Adobe products, Illustrator, Google Drive, Dropbox etc. They will have excellent communication skills in order to interpret and negotiate briefs with clients and a degree or HND in the following subjects:

- 3D design
- Communication design
- Film/television
- Fine art
- Graphic design
- Illustration
- Photography
- Visual art

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