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Welcome to this issue of the Marshals' Bulletin – sent to all Marshals registered with Motorsport UK.

2024 Renewals

You can now renew your registration for 2024 by logging in to the Motorsport UK website. If you know of any Marshals who are unable to renew online, please help them by printing off a 2024 form which you can find on the Resource Centre, or email marshals@motorsportuk.org and we can post one to them.

If you are waiting for an upgrade or are due to be assessed for an upgrade in the next few weeks, please do not renew for 2024 yet as this may result in us having to reissue your registration card.

If you are new to the community – welcome! Your registration card will be with you shortly, however, please note that there may be a slight delay as you have joined us during our renewal period, with around 10,000 people all renewing their registrations at the same time. It is certainly a busy time for the 6 members of the Membership Team!

Acquired Rights Scheme

211 people have upgraded via this scheme in 2023. All applications under the Acquired Rights Scheme must be submitted to Motorsport UK by **31st December 2023**.

Further details on the application process can be found in the Resource Centre of the Motorsport UK website, or by clicking [HERE](#).

Please note that the Acquired Rights Scheme should not be used to try and avoid doing assessments to upgrade.

Club and Volunteer of the Year Awards 2023

Nominations are now open for Motorsport UK's annual Club and Volunteer of the Year Awards.

Comprising of four different awards (Club, Sustainable Club, Organising Team, and Volunteer), these awards aim to highlight those who have made an exceptional contribution to your club, and event or more over the past year.

It is also a chance to recognise the efforts made by clubs, organisers and volunteers who go that extra mile to keep the motorsport community thriving.

Find out more information, including the nomination forms, via the link below.

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/the-sport/awards/>

Stage Commanders

The Motorsport UK Learning and Development Team are pleased to announce a new modular Stage Commander Programme taking place from October 2023.

This programme will consist of an in-person workshop, an online training module, and an opportunity for you to demonstrate your knowledge and skills as part of a Stage Commander team at a Multi-Venue Stage Rally.

To apply for a place on the programme, you will need to complete the form [HERE](#). You will be required to upload a letter of endorsement from a Clerk of the Course and/or Organising Club, so please make sure you have this to hand before starting your application. It is preferable that you hold a Grade 3 Rally registration already, though we are happy to accept applications on an Acquired Rights basis.

If you cannot make any of the workshop dates on the form, don't worry, you will be given the opportunity to attend future workshops when they are announced. In the meantime, we will be in touch regarding next steps.

This information has also been communicated directly to unregistered Stage Commanders identified in 2023 Safety Delegate reports, and all Rally Clerks of the Course.

Volunteering opportunities

Whether you have been marshalling for years and are looking for more events, or you're just starting out and aren't sure how to get involved – we've got you covered! Here are a few tips on how you can find events and get involved in the action:

1. You can use the [Find an Event](#) section on the Motorsport UK website to search for events near you. The search allows you to filter events by discipline and club.
2. Find events via an online volunteering platform such as [Rally Stage Team](#) or [Another Day in Orange](#).
3. [Find your local Club](#) using the Motorsport UK website – many Clubs will also have their own volunteering platforms, such as the [British Motorsport Marshals Club](#) and [BARC](#)
4. Contact your local motorsport venue – you can find contact details for fixed venues in the [Motorsport UK Yearbook](#), starting on page 29.
5. Ask your Regional Association for help – details can be found on the [Motorsport UK website](#)

And if you still need some guidance, you can always contact us, and we'll be happy to point you in the right direction!

The Wydean Stages (On behalf of The Forest of Dean Motor Club)

The Wydean Stages has been a tradition in the Forest of Dean for nearly five decades. Mark your calendars for the upcoming event on Saturday, November 18th, 2023. This year's event will run across three captivating venues/stages, each stage will be run at least twice, culminating just over 40 miles of thrilling forest stages.

The Forest of Dean Motor Club is in search of volunteers who can come together to form an exceptional Radio and Stage Marshal Team. While Motorsport UK Marshal Registration isn't essential, it's highly recommended.

Training and registration resources can be found in the Learning Hub, accessed by logging in to the Motorsport UK website. <https://www.motorsportuk.org/volunteers/marshals/online-marshals-training/>

The initial registration process for this event is through 'Another Day in Orange'—simply follow this link to get started: <https://anotherdayinorange.co.uk/wyedean-2023/>

Your participation and support are eagerly anticipated, and we can't wait to welcome you to the event. The Wyedean Stages is an experience to remember.

Lee Hampton-Whitehead
Chief Marshal Wyedean Stages 2022 & 2023
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Fire training (On behalf of BRMC and AWMMC)

Are you a marshal or official who needs to undertake practical fire training?

The British Rally Marshals Club and the Association of West Midlands Motor Clubs have secured the use of Shelsley Walsh Hill Climb's site for one day's provision of both theoretical and practical fire training on Sunday October the 22nd and welcome applications at this time.

The training is offered to the following (in order of priority):

1. Registered Marshals who require Fire Practical training in order to upgrade from their current grade. Evidence of completion of the Fire Theory session since Jan 2022 to Oct 2023 must be presented on the day of the training i.e., a copy of the Fire Theory course completion/ attendance certificate
2. Registered Marshals who require Fire Theory and Fire Practical to obtain signatures in their marshals Personal Record Cards.
3. Those wishing to undertake Fire Theory and/or Fire Practical as a refresher (including those who hold an Officials licence)

This training is not discipline specific, so applications will be accepted from all disciplines. Due to site limitations the maximum number of attendees on the day is set at 40 total.

To register for a place on this training please visit the following link:
<https://storage.brmc.org.uk/index.php/apps/forms/TScDfiTgRkSy93tP>

Any enquiries regarding this training should be sent to training@brmc.org.uk

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

- If you are collecting signatures but have run out of space in your PRC, there are continuation sheets available on the Resource Centre, or you can email marshals@motorsportuk.org. Once you upgrade, you will receive a copy of the new PRC.
- A Marshal's attendance in a PRC or on an attendance sheet can be signed by someone of the same grade or higher of the Marshal who requires the signature.
- Upgrade Assessments can only be signed by Marshal Assessors holding the grade for the discipline which they are assessing.
- Training Modules can only be signed by licensed Motorsport UK Trainers.

- The days to obtain the minimum requirements must always be separate to those used when doing assessments.
- A *Knowledge Check* is the Assessor asking questions to ensure that the Marshal has taken in enough information regarding, for instance, flags and flagging for a Race: Grade 2 (Incident) upgrade.
- If you have a question regarding your proposed upgrade, or any other marshalling query, please email marshals@motorsportuk.org so that we can assist.
- For the time-being, all newly registered Marshals will continue to receive a welcome email with the Registered Marshal PRC attached to print.
- The new Marshal PRC will continue to be provided to marshals once their upgrade has been approved by Motorsport UK.
- If you do need to update your records on the Motorsport UK website, and have forgotten your login and password details, please email marshals@motorsportuk.org and we can reset it for you (please remember to include your Motorsport UK number when you email in).
- If you require an upgrade assessment, then please give the Chief Marshal of the Event as much notice as possible. It is up to you, the Marshal, to arrange your assessment with the Chief Marshal and it is not something that Motorsport UK is able to assist with.
- The form for upgrading is now available on the Resource Centre of the Motorsport UK website and called “*2024 Application for a Motorsport UK Marshal Registration*”.
- If posting paperwork for an upgrade, please always remember to take a copy before posting, and put ‘For the Attention of Sue Fletcher’ on the envelope.

Here to help

The Officials’ Pathway Team at Motorsport UK has nearly 100 years of active volunteering experience in motorsport – so if you have any questions, queries or concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact us and we will be happy to help.

You can contact us in the following ways:

training@motorsportuk.org – for any training related queries

marshals@motorsportuk.org – for any queries relating to marshalling

01753 765000 – if you would like to speak to someone over the telephone.

If you would rather post your paperwork for upgrading (once the club that you Marshal with has completed the Club Endorsement), please send to:

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