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### **Top 3 Marshals**

motorsport marshalling partnership

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Brian Wilson - 52.5 point Denis Arundell - 45.5 points Godfrey Evans - 42.5 points

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New to the list of MMP rewards in 2013 was a trip to the British Touring Car Championship (BTCC) race at Donington Race circuit. The 2 day trip allowed the lucky marshals to visit the superb circuit and have an easy day around the race tents, stalls and circuit to see qualifying, before a full days racing with 3 BTCC races.

Donington also boasts an outstanding museum, where some marshals enjoyed looking around the collection of ex-F1 cars and motorsport memorabilia.

One of the highlights of the weekend was a tour of the BMW garage with Colin Turkington. The local racer spent some time with the marshals, showed them the car and explained the technical setup of the car, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

On raceday, the Marshals enjoyed they undulating race circuit, with Porsche, Ginetta and Renault races intermingled with the 3 BTCC races. The circuit boasts the famous Craner Curves which are a lot more daunting and spectacular when you are close to them!

And the weekend finished well, with Colin Turkington winning the final race, before returning home on the same flight as the MMP marshals.

So, if you want to enjoy some of the superb rewards from the MMP, don't forget to signup, return your membership card, and get out marshalling!!

Among the winners for 2012 pictured with Colin Turkington are:

Derek Latimer, Brian Wilson, Kevin Lynam, Hamilton Wilson, Ian Liggett, Eugene Cunningham, Trevor Harvey, Jenny Heath, Colin Wilson, Andrew Frater, Stuart Oliver. Not present in the photo is Louise Patton.



### MMP REWARDS TRIP KITKISTOWN

Once again the MMP marshals turned out in strength to enjoy the ever popular rewards day. An impressive array of competition cars lined up as drivers volunteered to say thanks to marshals at this annual event. And that thanks was served "broadside" which induced many happy faces as drivers were eager to give the marshals an enjoyable run. Cars included among others BMW racing cars, Mitsubishi Evos, Subarus and the every popular Escort Mk 2.

Kirkistown is a fast circuit, and an ideal place to enjoy the speed of these highly tuned cars. However, on a damp November morning, grip was at a premium and the start of the reward session saw drivers grapple with the conditions. In fact it was not uncommon to see drivers still spinning the wheels when they were pulling 4th gear out of the pits! This meant many sideways moments around the circuit which became more like a drift event in places as cars glided under opposite lock round the fast sections.

But as tyres warmed up and the surface began to dry, the marshals were treated to faster speeds with higher cornering grip.



So getting involved with motorsport as a competitor can be expensive. With the MMP you have the opportunity to get close to the action as a marshal without costing you more than the fuel to get you to and from events. But as an MMP award winner you can get even closer and enjoy the action from the drivers seat!

The lucky MMP winners were treated to a day at Superdrive rally school where they got suited up ready to rally. The rally instructors gave them good driving advice on how to drive the rallycars on slippy surfaces, before belting the lucky marshals in and letting them have a go. The rain made the surface even more slippery, but everyone thoroughly enjoyed trying to balance the cars on the throttle sideways. Again, the smiles told the story as marshal after marshal got out of the Mark 2 Escorts after having enjoyed the broadside (and sometimes the un-intended spins).

However the rain did shorten the day, because after the rally school the marshals were to have a karting Grand Prix. But with the wet conditions, the kart track was submersed in water! The marshals will have to return another day to fight it out for the second part of their reward.

A big thanks to all at Superdrive, who again welcomed the MMP and treated them to a brilliant day. So for 2014, sign up to the MMP and get collecting point towards your rewards, and who knows, you could be one of the winners for a superb prize at the end of the year!

Unfortunately the enthusiasm of drivers started to take it's toll as more and more competitors started to shred tyres or break down. This was just for fun, but the drivers were not sparing the cars and were pushing hard.

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So another successful day for the MMP Marshals at the end of a long tough season. A day where they could sit back and enjoy the sport from inside these superb competition cars. So thanks to all the drivers, who said thanks to all the Marshals, and we will see you all out events throughout 2014!





### We are in the business of rewards:

Your points get you money off each reward. How much is down to how many rallies you attend!

### **Rewards System 2014**

### 1 points + 1 Training Band 1

Kirkistown Reward Day

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(provided not a winner for British Touring Car Trip)

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Entered into draw for 1 of 12 places to a British Touring Car Championship in 2014 (subject to confirmation of dates) If unsuccessful, then names stay in for Karting Grand Prix draw.







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MMP Whistle & Tape Cutter	£4	Free	Free	Free	Free
1st Aid Kit	£6	Free	Free	Free	Free
Head Torch	£10	£5	Free	Free	Free
Polo Shirt	£10	£5	Free	Free	Free
Rucksack	£12	£8	Free	Free	Free
Umbrella	£15	£10	£5	Free	Free
Fleece	£15	£10	£5	Free	Free
Team Shirt	£15	£10	£5	Free	Free
Marshal Mini Kit	£20	£15	£10	£5	Free
Marshal Kit	£30	£25	£20	£15	£10
Hi Vis Wet Suit	£35	£30	£25	£20	£15
Soft Shell Jacket	£40	£35	£30	£25	£20

Marshal Mini Kit includes Whistle, Tape Cutter, 1st Aid Kit and Head Torch. Marshal Kit includes Rucksack plus Marshal Mini Kit.<sup>3</sup>



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### **LEWIS LIFTS MMP "VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR" 2013**

Congratulations to Lewis Boyd who has been awarded the Motorsport Marshalling Partnership (MMP) "Volunteer of the Year" award for 2013. Lewis has demonstrated a huge commitment to motorsport over many years in many roles. Lewis is well known as Clerk of the Course for the Ulster Rally, but his drive, energy and enthusiasm has meant that he is a regular marshal helping on many other events during the season.

The Ulster Rally moved to Fermanagh, and Lewis was central to promoting motorsport within the local community through displays at a local shopping centre, town centre shop window competition, a road safety campaign and a schools competition. The Ulster Rally has been voted best round of the British Rally Championship in 3 out of the last 4 years, and this year's event received many positive comments from competitors and motorsport press.

Lewis is also heavily involved in Omagh Motor Club, as part of the committee and organizing team for many club events over the years. He is also involved in running the club's navigation rally classes encouraging new people into the sport, and is currently leading the Northern Ireland Navigation Rally Championship.

Lewis commented, "I am thrilled and honoured to receive this award, but it is award not about me...it is about everyone who goes out there and helps on an event, to make it safe and enjoyable for everyone."

In 2013 Lewis has demonstrated passion and dedication to motorsport as a volunteer. Not only does he have the vision, insight and drive to bring many new ideas to life at the highest levels of the sport, but he is a tremendous role model who is always available and keen to marshal at grass roots level events.

Anybody who is interested in volunteering or marshalling at motorsport events, should visit themmp.com for more details.

### Motorsport Marshalling Partnership Membership

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This is often asked by volunteers who feel that by receiving training ties them down or means they have to take more responsibility and even regular volunteers think they don't need training because they have years of experience. This shouldn't be the case.

If you train once a year you will become more knowledgeable, more experienced and professional at the roles and job's you undertake. Even if you're experienced, you can pass this experience onto others.

Motor Sport has become more professional and with higher expectations from the governing bodies, competitors and even spectators. If you're a seasoned professional or a first timer, the MMP offer a wide range of training throughout the year. Our training is offered by MSA registered trainers and delivers key knowledge to refresh old skill and give you the tools to be more effective and competent as a motorsport volunteer.

Training changes annually and the content usually involves the volunteers, what they require to assist on the ground. This training would involve, fire training, Leadership skills, Incident handling, Junction set up crowd/spectator control etc. The skills gained at the training days not only are useful at motorsport events but in the wider world.

The MMP offer training throughout the motorsport calendar and clubs can even organise training in their local area. These sessions are open to all ages from a novice, cadets to experienced volunteers.

### **2014 Training Events**

1st March	BMMC - Kirkistown
8th March	South West College - Dungannon
July	Enniskillen Motor Club
August	Ulster Rally – Todds Leap
15th Oct	Elk - Toombridge

Contact your nearest club to find out when the next training session or simply log on to the MMP website, www.themmp.com



Want to get

### **FIVE REASONS**

### involved in motor sport?

### Want to be part of the team?

Why not take up a volunteer role and get to the heart of the action?

All motor sport events need volunteers to run them. From pits and paddock to hillside and special stage, volunteers are responsible for essential administrative work and life-saving safety cover.

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### Timekeeping

Timekeepers record competitors' times and positions in order to determine the event results. Tools range from hand-held stopwatches to electronic timing systems that can measure to the nearest thousandth

### Officiating

### Club volunteer

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2. You are part of a team

3. You learn new skills 4. You get free entry to events

Did you knew that there are...



Marshals are there to make sure that events are run safely and effectively. Duties range from displaying flag signals and clearing debris to providing communication cover as well as running a start, finish line or assembly area.

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Scrutineers check that cars comply with the technical regulations to ensure safety and fair play. While experience in engineering or a similar technical field is usually an advantage, it is not essential.

### Rescuing and recovering

Rescue personnel provide immediate medical and extrication facilities at the scene of an incident, while Recovery personnel retrieve stricken cars. Both crews use the latest medical or recovery equipment.

Once you've gained some experience in one or more of the above roles you can consider becoming a Steward, Secretary of the Meeting or Clerk of Course, who are responsible for ensuring that events are run in accordance with sporting regulations.

You could also join your local motor club and help out as a committee member, treasurer, club secretary, social officer, equipment officer, publicity officer and more besides. You can search for your local club using your postcode at www.GoMotorsport.net

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HOW TO GET STARTED

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- Join your local motor club
- Join one of the dedicated marshalling clubs
- Call 0845 0 94 00 94

Email volunteer@ GoMotorsport.net





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The Ulster Rally returns to Enniskillen as a base, with more superb stages in the surrounding Fermanagh and Tyrone areas. The event will have centralised service area and spectator stage. The event starts at 13:30 on Friday 15. August, and finishes on Saturday 16. August at 15:30.

### Be Part Of The Winning Team

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We want you to be part of the "Winning Team". Why not join with over 800 volunteers to help run the best rally?

The Ulster Rally brings together all the action from the Irish Tarmac Rally, the British Rally Championships, British and Irish Historic Rally Championships and the Northern Ireland Rally Championship.

The results speak for themselves, as the Ulster Rally has won the Best Round of the BRC for the second year in a row, and an amazing 4 out of the last 5 years!

### Are you up for the challenge to ensure the Ulster Rally can win best event for 3 years in a row?

If you are available and on Friday 15th or Saturday 16th August, why not give us a call now: Ian Connolly on 07740 084 884 Or <u>ianconnolly71@hotmail.com</u>

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