



SMS News

SMS Strategic Plan

The SMS 2016 – 2020 Strategic Plan has been completed off the back of a substantial amount of work from both the SMS group and from the specially appointed Strategy Group, tasked with developing the plan.

At the time of writing the plan had been submitted to the SACU and MSA for final approval in their board meetings on the 8th and 9th of September respectively. The approved plan will then be submitted to Sportscotland towards the end of September, where it will be reviewed by their investment panel ahead of a presentation in late October, which will be carried out by Tom Purves (SMS Chairman), Rory Bryant and Paul Carlyle (SACU).

This process aims to elevate motor sport onto the 2016-2020 Sportscotland investment cycle, to secure long term public investment and support that will help deliver the plans targets to develop the sport.

Approved copies of the plan will be available to view very shortly.

The strategy group responsible for developing the plan and continuing to develop the upcoming strategy presentation are:

Jess Fack (Go Motorsport), Paul Carlyle (SACU), Pete Weall (SACC), Rory Bryant (SMS), Sandy Denham (SMRC), Sandy Mack (SACU) and Sandy Hodge (Sportscotland).

MSA Level 2 Coaching Qualification

The MSA recently introduced their Level 2 coaching qualification. The course, which is based on principles of human performance, aims to raise the standards of coaching in the UK and gradually change the mind set to one where it is normal for competitors to receive coaching.

We want to lead the way in Scotland and embrace this new qualification. We are therefore aiming to run a coaching event to enable competitors / ex competitors to gain the qualification, without having to travel to London to do so. This will be subject to demand and so we would encourage any individuals interested in gaining the qualification to contact Rory Bryant (rory.bryant@scottishmotorsports.co.uk) to register interest.

GoMotorsport Live

The GoMotorsport Live event ran successfully on the 16th August at very sunny Knockhill Racing Circuit. The event aimed to give people the opportunity to find out how easy it is to get involved in the sport. Various disciplines from rallying and auto testing to karting were represented from 10 different clubs.

The event included Scottish championship racing action courtesy of the Scottish Motor Racing Club, Live auto test demo's and passenger rides from 750 MC, a karting demo from East of Scotland Kart Club, a rescue recovery demo from the Scottish Hill Rally Club and various club stands.

All in all, the day was deemed a success with an estimated total attendance of around 650 people. Over 50 of those people got a first-hand introduction to club motor sport through the AutoSolo passenger rides.

We would like to say a big thank you to all the clubs and organisers that participated and to the SMRC and Knockhill for accommodating the event.

New website

We have launched our new website (www.scottishmotorsports.co.uk) which includes a club search function and also the new addition of a social wall: this pulls content from various motor sport related social media channels and consolidates it onto one page.

Please check it out and let us know if any of the club info needs updated!

Rory Bryant

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