

Report to the SACC Regular Meeting, Tuesday 21 June 2016

The 2016 training programme has been going at a fast pace so far with 18 events covering a range of topics including:

- Radio marshalling
- Rally / Speed – Spectators & Safety
- Rally / Speed – Incidents
- Rally / Speed – Running an event
- Motorsport Recovery
- Senior Officials
- Stage Commanders
- Club Stewards
- Motorsport Rescue
- Rescue for Medical Students (a collaborative initiative with Dundee University to promote motorsport for the doctors of the future)
- Race Marshalling

Training has been promoted through direct emails to all registered marshals (in all disciplines/grades) on the MSA's database, and a further mailing is planned for early in July to promote the training events in August and September. Additionally the SACC and SMMC websites carry details as does the SACC Newsletter. There is also a dedicated Facebook page which also generates a lot of interest.

To date we have provided 351 delegate-days of training with a resource commitment of 57 Instructor-days of time. 80 delegates attended SMRC's Race marshals' day, whilst 22 recovery operators benefited from AMRO's training. In Rally/Speed/Cross Country this equates to 169 individuals attending training (some on more than one occasion). This has been possible through a current spend of just over £7k which has been awarded in grant aid to the Association by the British Motor Sports Training Trust (a further c.£2500 total funding has also been awarded direct to SMRC and AMRO for the Race and Recovery training respectively).

Feedback from the training events has been good, with ongoing monitoring of the feedback provided by delegates. This is shared with the BMSTT and demonstrates a high level of satisfaction from delegates with 58% rating courses "Excellent", 39% rating them "Good" and only 3% rating them "Fair" or "Poor". We regularly review the qualitative feedback and Lead Trainers share this with the individual instructors.



Plans for the remainder of 2016 are advanced with forthcoming events:

1 July (evening)	Machrihanish	Rally
2 August (evening)	Aberdeen – Altens	Rally (run by SDMC)
9 August (evening)	Stornoway	Rally
3 September	Kames	Rally (inc Timing)
24 September	Knockhill	Rally (inc Timing)
13 October (evening)	Mull	Rally
14 October (morning)	Mull	Medical
18 November	St John's Town of Dalry	Cross Country (inc Timing)
3-4 December	Knockhill	Rescue/Recovery/Medical

We are also working on a request to deliver training on Skye.

The important task facing us next is the planning of the 2017 Training season and we are particularly keen to ensure that we can deliver the training required by the clubs to support their efforts to recruit and retain marshals. Whilst the numbers above present a solid foundation attendance at rally training sessions has been significantly lower than the capacity we planned for given discussions at previous SACC Meetings. This has been disappointing given the generally agreed need to upskill rally marshals to meet the challenges of the Motorsport Event Safety Review and it has been regrettable that we haven't seen a universal level of support from clubs with promotion of these events. With this in mind I would be particularly grateful if clubs could provide feedback to the Training Co-ordinator either at the SACC Meeting in June, or by correspondence during June and July:

- What are your club's training needs/requirements for 2017?
- From your marshals' experience, what has gone well/could we improve from 2016?
- Who is your training champion? (as mentioned in March, we need a point of contact in each club!)

These requirements will build on the lessons from the 2016 programme and allow us to develop our plans in time for the budget round in September. With the size of the marshal pool and the geographic scale of events, coupled with the complexity of the event calendar, it would not be sensible to run specific training opportunities targeted at individual clubs/events. Instead we will seek to maximise the benefit from our limited numbers of instructors by endeavouring to link up clubs in geographic areas to ensure all marshals can both gain basic training, and develop through the grading schemes, across the different parts of Scotland. Current plans include one or more dedicated training events for Speed marshals, and further efforts to promote consistency and quality in the training programme. We are also planning a Kart Race Marshals training day for March 2017 alongside the regular features of Race marshals and safety crew training.

Please consult others in your club and send your written feedback to training@scottishcarclubs.com

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