

# Chair's Message



Over the last six years of my tenure as Chair of Motorsport UK I am proud to say that together we have transformed ourselves into a modern world class governing body that is built around the needs of our community. With more than 75,000 members, from over 650 clubs, we have the clear ambition to secure the long-term sustainability of motorsport in the UK.

In 2023, with the pandemic firmly behind us, we were able to enjoy a brilliant year of competition with thousands of events across the whole of the UK. Underlying this success is the work of our volunteer community who give so freely of their time, whether that's through marshalling, officiating or as club members. We owe an enormous debt of gratitude to them for their dedication as without their commitment our sport just could not function.

It is critical we now build on the momentum created over the last twelve months as we continue to encourage, administer, promote and manage four-wheel motorsport in this country. The environment in which we do this needs to be safe, fair, fun, inclusive and progressive for all community members, and Motorsport UK is focused on ensuring that this is the case.

However, the landscape within society is ever changing and we must be proactive to secure our place in the future. An increased focus by society on environmental sustainability, as well as equality, diversity and inclusion means the world is shifting. We all have a responsibility for creating a positive future for the next generation and our role at Motorsport UK is to ensure we achieve this while ensuring our members can continue to enjoy the sport they love.

More widely it is encouraging to see that the new sustainable fuels are being embraced in parallel with the adoption of electric vehicles. We believe that the development of these sustainable fuels not only allow motorsport to continue our use of internal combustion engines, but also acts as a test bed and showcase for their use by the general motoring public. With this we can simultaneously establish our own environmental credibility and also help offer important solutions for billions of existing road cars globally.

We need to be a modern forward-thinking sport where we innovate with fresh ideas to welcome new members and allow the existing community to get more from their sport. As we look towards the season ahead, it's encouraging to see so many new initiatives that support these objectives. The F1 Academy, Discover Your Drive programme is breaking down barriers to welcome more young girls into the sport through indoor karting. The new Motorsport UK TV platform is providing a new source of entertainment and knowledge to the community, delivering new content to educate and inform. Our StreetCar initiative is breaking down barriers, with affordable and accessible disciplines that are enabling more people to enjoy motorsport for the first time.

The Motorsport UK team, based at our Bicester headquarters, are totally committed to serving the interests of all our members by providing an inclusive and sustainable sport that can be enjoyed, not just today, but by generations to come.

I would like to thank you all, whether you're a competitor, marshal, official or volunteer, for your continued support and all that you do to sustain motorsport in this country.

**David Richards CBE**  
**Chair**

# How to use this Book

All the basic rules governing participation in motorsport events in Britain are contained in this 'Blue Book'. To enjoy the sport to the full, Organisers, Competitors and Officials should ensure they are familiar with the regulations relevant to their own particular discipline.

The Yearbook is split into four main Parts:

## Structure of the Sport

The first (RED) Part describes the governance and structure of the sport in Britain, describing the role of Motorsport UK and introducing some of the people involved in the sport, from Council Members to Technical Officials.

## The Regulations

The second (BLUE) Part contains the detailed motorsport regulations which are split into two Sections:

- **Common Regulations** effecting all disciplines of the sport from Autotests to Rallying; and
- **Specific Regulations** effecting individual motorsport disciplines, giving Organisational, Competitor and Technical information for each discipline.

Within **The Regulations** all new regulations are indicated by the use of **red text**.

## The Appendices

These contain more detailed information that has been extracted from the main body of the text in order to make the other Sections more accessible and more readable.

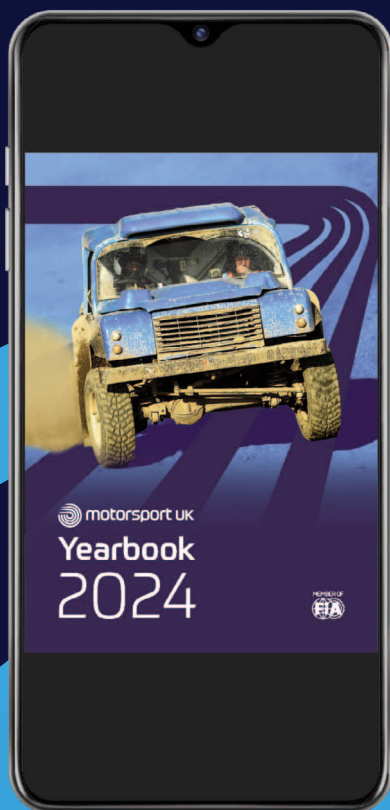
## The Directory

The fourth (GREEN) Part includes the regular Motorsport UK Directory advertising products and services from over 100 companies in 50 different categories.

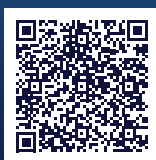
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If you wish to receive a printed copy of this publication, please email [hello@motorsportuk.org](mailto:hello@motorsportuk.org)





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# An introduction to Motorsports

For over 100 years motor clubs have been organising events all over the country, and been the bedrock on which British motorsport has advanced and prospered both nationally and on the World stage.

## A global leader

Britain today remains at the very heart of international motorsport. As an industry the sport turns over around £9 billion annually and is recognised by Government as a major exporter, offering full-time employment to around 41,000 people in the UK..

## A sport for all

Motorsport is unique in that everyone can compete on a level-playing field regardless of gender, background, or disability. Outside of competing there are various volunteering roles available, allowing people to get closer to the sport.

## Keeping the sport safe, fair, and fun

Motorsport UK is the national membership organisation and governing body for four-wheel motorsport in the UK, representing competitors, volunteers, clubs and fans.

As a member focused organisation we embrace a diverse community that includes 675 affiliated motor clubs, 60,000 competition licence holders, 10,000 volunteer marshals, 4,000 officials and a legion of passionate motorsport spectators and fans. We issue over 4,500 event permits every year and organise the sporting side of World Championship events, such as the Formula 1 British Grand Prix. Motorsport UK is a not-for-profit organisation (limited by guarantee) that exists to service and grow the sport.

Based in the heart of 'motorsport valley', we are a founding member of the world governing body, the Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA).

For more information on the role of Motorsport UK and the disciplines we represent, visit [www.motorsportuk.org](http://www.motorsportuk.org) or scan right.

