

April Newsletter

Welcome to our monthly newsletter. Keep up to date with all the latest news, key events, and other information you might need!

LATEST NEWS

Banter, Brews and Cars - Ever Growing in Popularity

It was another fantastic event at Three Sisters, Wigan on 16th April. Over 32 beneficiaries enjoyed passenger rides in a variety of cars including a Chevy Coupe, a Lotus Cortina, MX-5s and even a McLaren. We were thrilled to be joined by Blesma, Healthier Heroes, Shipmates & Shipwrecks as well.



Find out more about our Banter, Brews & Cars events here

Veterans' Karting Championship



It's been a busy month for those participating in the Veterans Karting Championship with rounds taking place at Crawley, Trafford and Gosport. With everyone having a fantastic time, it was a pleasure to be joined by other organisations including Tom Harrison House, Fighting With Pride and Team Endeavour.

With just the final to go, who will be crowned the 2024 champion and win a seat at this year's Karting Race of Remembrance?

Find out more about The Veterans Karting Championship

Beneficiaries Join Speedworks For The First BTCC Race of The Year

Thanks to leading British Touring Car Championship team Speedworks, 3 lucky beneficiaries were able to enjoy the chance to become a "grid person" at a very wet Donnington for the first round of the BTCC series. Despite the appalling conditions and delays, the racing didn't disappoint with a Speedworks' win! We're looking forward to joining them in a couple of weeks for the Brands Hatch round of the competition - Good luck team!



If you haven't already done so, register for the ballot here



Improving Army Veterans' Mental Health Through Motorsports



Mission Motorsport, The Forces Motorsport Charity is delighted to have received a grant of £27,000 from the Army Benevolent Fund to help former soldiers improve their mental health and wellbeing through engagement in motorsport and train for jobs in the automotive industry as they transition back into civilian life.

Read more here



Grant Award Win For Our Established Sector Engagement Initiatives

On 12th April 2024, Prime Minister Rt Hon Rishi Sunak MP announced to the nation, that our work with sector initiatives would be supported by the government via the award of a grant from the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust, enabling a new charity, Mission Community, to deliver more of what has been achieved in both the automotive and renewable sectors, with other sectors through OP Prosper.

Find out more here

UPCOMING EVENTS

Veterans' Karting Championship FINAL Tuesday 14th May

The longest elevated section of track in the UK, 13 hair-raising bends, speedy straights and karts that reach speeds of up to 40MPH, join us for the final of the Veterans' Karting Championship at TeamSport Birmingham. Open to the Armed Forces community, battle it out to be crowned the 2024 Champion and earn yourself a seat at this year's Karting Race of Remembrance



Click here to register & attend





Christopher Darwin Charity Track Day, Thursday 16th May

Thanks to the generosity of Christopher Darwin, we have another opportunity for beneficiaries to enjoy passenger rides at Castle Combe. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Should you wish to attend, please email the team at team@missionmotorsport.org no later than 08.05.2024. Those successful will be notified by the team.

Banter, Brews & Cars - The Supercar Edition Wednesday 22nd May

Thanks to the generosity of our army of drivers, we have a fantastic range of cars all ready and waiting to take you on luxurious adrenaline-fuelled passenger rides around Three Sisters Circuit - the north's most challenging race track stretching 1.5km. So, buckle up and be prepared to enjoy the ride of a lifetime!



Register to attend Here



The Meyrick Cox Day Friday 7th June

Thanks to the generous support of Thakeham, we're heading back to Goodwood to remember the late Chair of the Board of Trustees Meyrick Cox and others from the Mission Motorsport family who sadly are no longer with us with a fantastic day of recovery sport. Open to those from the Armed Forces community, including veterans, their spouses and the military bereaved, thanks to our army of volunteer drivers, you can experience adrenaline-fuelled passenger rides in a range of cars as you are whisked around the iconic Goodwood Circuit, skidpan sessions in an F-type Jaguar or go off-roading in one of the estate 4x4 tours.

Register to attend here

Head over to www.missionmotorsport.org/events24 to find out what we have planned throughout the year. It's constantly updated so well worth checking regularly to see what else has been added!



VOLUNTEERING

Support us at UK Slot Car Festival 11-12th May

Together with <u>Havenwood Raceway</u>, we will be operating the new and impressive Goodwood Scalextric track raising much needed funds. Held at the British Motor Museum, we're looking for volunteers to operate the track. You'll be given free access to the museum as well as the chance to tour 20+ amazing slot car tracks.



If you would like to help, please drop the team a line by emailing team@missionmotorsport.org

Project PLEIADES



Earlier this month, beneficiaries gathered at the workshop to begin Project Pleiades - the eBay project which aims to debunk the myths around Cat N damaged cars (non-structural) by repairing the damaged bodywork and mechanical parts bringing them back to their former glory.

We're looking for a handful of volunteers to join us to complete the rebuild. If you are able to join us at MM HQ between the 7-8th May and would like to get involved, please get in touch by emailing volunteering@missionmotorsport.org.

Fundraising

Alex To Walk to Race of Remembrance!

Alex Robbins, motoring journalist and supporter of Mission Motorsport, has announced that he is planning to walk from the Mission Motorsport HQ in Wantage, Oxfordshire to Anglesey Circuit Trac Mon in a bid to raise £5,000 and awareness for the charity.



Find out more here





Mission London Marathon Complete

We'd like to say a huge thank you and congratulations to Chris Cleary for completing this year's London Marathon in an impressive 3 hours and 30 minutes. He also raised a staggering £1,087.

Read More Here

"Mad runner" Harry Fraser to compete in the 2024 Canalslam; 3 ultra distance canal races, to raise money for Mission Motorsport.

Harry Fraser, of <u>Harry Fraser Vehicle Upholstery</u>, a specialist upholstery company based at Bicester Heritage is running the gruelling <u>Canalslam</u> race series - 3 ultra marathons in a bid to raise £3,000 for Mission Motorsport. It would be fantastic to see MM beneficiaries, the very people he is raising funds for, showing him some support and joining him at different stages of the race.



If you can support Harry as a buddy runner between Cosgrove Village Hall (MK19 7JH) and the finish point at Gas Street, Birmingham (B1 2DS) please contact Charlotte at cw@missionmotorsport.org.

Read more Here



Walk & Raise Money for Mission Motorsport!

It's officially National Walking Month! Challenge yourself to a 5K walk at any time throughout the month of May. Ask your family, friends or colleagues to sponsor your walking challenge and raise much-needed donations for us.

Set Up a Fundraising Page Here

If you're inspired to take on a challenge for Mission Motorsport, don't hesitate to reach out via email at **fundraising@missionmotorsport.org**. Let's rally the entire Mission Motorsport community to support and cheer you on.



Other News

New Mission Motorsport Umbrellas

Mission Motorsport Large Umbrellas are now back in stock. Keep dry and look stylish at the same time!

Order your umbrella here



New - MM Travel Mug

You asked and we listened! Enjoy your hot beverage in the all-new Mission Motorsport branded travel mug.

Order here



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