



e-Wheels

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Welcome to the digital age

This is the first issue of *e-Wheels*, which replaces the long-running paper-based *Wheels*. The new digital format should make it easier and cheaper for the information to be disseminated to club members. *e-Wheels* will be emailed monthly to the *club contact person* for those clubs registered with the MSA for 2008. He or she can then circulate it directly to club members or forward it to the club webmaster or newsletter editor. Each issue of *e-Wheels* will also be posted on the MSA website in pdf format and for those who still require a paper copy, it is best printed from there. Go to www.msauk.org>MSA Publications>Wheels Magazine.

e-Wheels will contain news from the MSA of general interest to those involved in motor sport and of particular interest to clubs and club level competitors.

We welcome your feedback, on both the content and the technology, and would be interested to hear of innovative ways of circulating the information to your members. Please send your comments to: Allan Dean-Lewis, Head of External Affairs, MSA at the email address above.

Race for pocket money!

In April, the MSA will launch a nationwide campaign to give thousands of young people a taste of kart racing for just £5.

Supported by funding of £125,000 from the MSA, *Let's Go Karting* will provide karts, equipment and instructors at locations throughout the UK to enable young people to experience the thrills of karting without buying their own equipment.

Clubs and venues have been invited to make submissions for inclusion on the MSA scheme. Successful applicants will receive funding to purchase the necessary equipment to run the scheme, including karts, helmets, race suits and gloves. They will also be required to train instructors and implement a promotional campaign.

The MSA has appointed Rod Taylor, a well-respected and experienced member of the kart community as *Let's Go Karting* coordinator. Clubs and venues requiring further information should email: rod@rtaylor0.orangehome.co.uk.

MSA Club & Event Officials Seminars 2008

Thanks go to all those Club and Event Officials who attended the above seminars which were held at 12 venues nationwide during January to March, including – for the first time – one in Inverness.

It was noticeable that there were more than 50 per cent of first-time attendees at the vast majority of venues, including new volunteers to the sport as well as others whose club or event role was further developing.

Feedback from attendees was very positive, and the opportunity for individuals of varying experience from across the disciplines to share knowledge and information was clearly beneficial.

Electronic copy of the seminar handouts will shortly be available on the MSA website at MSA Forms>Clubs>Seminar Handouts. Hard copy will also be available on request from Richard Nunn at the MSA (tel: 01753 765071).

The next series of seminars in early 2009 will be open to MSA Licensed Officials, notably Clerks and Stewards, and a further announcement will be made in due course.