

## Motorsport UK Safeguarding Trainers

**Alan Page**

**East and North East Midlands**



I first became involved in motorsport in 1982 when I marshalled on the Lombard RAC Rally. Now I undertake the role of Rescue at numerous events throughout the year. I have been a training instructor for Motorsport UK since 2004, delivering a wide range of topics in all disciplines.

I previously held the position of British Canoeing's Compliance and Safeguarding Officer, where my responsibilities included writing and publishing their safeguarding policies and procedures, the training and education of registered clubs in safeguarding awareness, and delivering safeguarding training for the NSPCC, CPSU and UK Sport. I continue to deliver this training while working as a freelance Training Consultant.



**Leanne Ritchie**

**Scotland**



My background is predominantly in Rallying, as a senior official on many events in Scotland as the Communications Officer. I am a licenced single and multi-venue radio controller, as well as a Motorsport UK Trainer. I have experience in all levels of rallying, from clubman through to World Championship. I'm usually found in Rally Control on most events.

In my day job as a midwife, I am involved heavily in Safeguarding and have a very good understanding of the requirements around safeguarding for clubs and organisations. I am the Regional Safeguarding Officer for the Scottish Association of Motor Sport Clubs.



## Jon Bolton

### Scotland, North East England and Cumbria



I went on my first rally at the age of 5 when my uncle was marshalling the Cropton Forest stage on the Lombard RAC Rally. This was in the days of Roger Clark and the all conquering Escorts. The sounds and smells of rally cars have never lost their appeal.

I am a licensed rescue team member, Safeguarding Officer, and Motorsport UK Trainer, and the Regional Training Coordinator for Scotland. I am also on Motorsport UK's Rescue and Recovery Advisory Group and a Trustee of Scottish Motorsport Marshals Club and Disability Motorsport Scotland.

I have previously worked as a Workforce Development Adviser for the Scottish Social Services Council, a lecturer at the University of Dundee, and Learning and Development Director of a charity working with profound and multiple learning disabilities. I have also worked on the development of The Safeguarding Code in Martial Arts with Sport England and the Child Protection in Sport Unit.



**Duncan McGregor**

**Northern Ireland**



I have been involved in motorsport for over 16 years across race, rally, speed and the occasional kart event from interclub to world championship level. I am currently active as a Clerk of the Course, radio controller, safety car and rescue crew member as well as acting as a safeguarding officer for several clubs and being one of the Association of Northern Ireland Car Clubs safeguarding officers. I have been a Motorsport UK trainer since 2014 and I am also the chair of the Motorsport UK Training Advisory Group and a member of the Motorsport UK Volunteer Officials Committee.

I completed a bachelor's of law at university, where I had a publication regarding young people and the law, before working in the finance sector for 10 years. During this time, I was involved in quantifying losses in numerous cases involving safeguarding matters both recent and non-recent. I also have experience in the voluntary youth sector where I have volunteered for multiple organisations and was involved in developing and delivering safeguarding training.



## Neil Cross

### West Midlands and Wales



I have been involved in Motorsport, rallying in particular, since 1986 when I first marshalled on the Lombard RAC Rally in Weston Park. From those early days I have officiated on every Lombard/NetworkQ/Wales Rally GB since in roles including Rescue & Recovery, Radio Marshal, Stage Commander and Clerk of the Course of the National Rally. I Clerk the highly popular Nicky Grist Stages, Chair the BTRA Rallies Committee, and run a Recovery Unit with my brother in addition to my work as a Motorsport UK Trainer.

Professionally I am a Senior Learning & Development Manager for the Home Office. I specialise in Investigative Skills training, equipping Officers to investigate serious and complex criminal offences to the same standards as the Police. The Safeguarding of victims, witnesses and suspects is a core element of this training which I have developed in conjunction with other Agencies.



## Brian Hemmings

### East and South East



My starting point in motorsport was in general club events and competing in rallying as a navigator.

Over the years this has evolved to now being involved in organising various events, acting as Motorsport UK steward, trainer and being very involved in the club world in roles as both a club and regional association official.

Through my involvement across multiple disciplines, I have created an understanding of the differing circumstances and challenges being faced by different parts of the sport.

Also, through my professional career involving working with people, leading teams and being responsible for the wellbeing of co-workers I have an in-depth awareness of the importance of understanding how people interact and the importance of ensuring we have a safe and welcoming environment within motorsport.



## Andrew Bisping

### South and South East



My involvement in motorsport has been varied as it includes competing, marshalling, co-chairing ACSMC, plus event and championship media roles. I was one of the Regional Development Officers, when Motorsport UK ran the Go Motorsport programme and became a Motorsport UK trainer during that time too.

Through my experiences I'm aware of the support that motor clubs may need to adequately and appropriately safeguarding the community. This is both in terms of good practice to minimise the risk of issues arising, but also in ensuring Safeguarding Officers feel prepared and supported if they do - the time to learn how to use a fire extinguisher isn't when a car is ablaze in front of you.

I am really looking forward to working with Safeguarding Officers to improve their preparedness and safeguarding resilience of our sport.



## Duncan Masters

### South



I first became involved in motorsport in 1987 when I took up Rally Cross whilst stationed in Germany. Moving across to karting in 2007 I ran the Armed Forces Kart Championship for 15 years, now I undertake the role of a National Kart Clerk of the Course throughout the year. I am also a trainee Car Clerk and Steward.

Becoming a Motorsport UK trainer in 2010, I deliver a wide range of topics predominately in the karting world in both the UK and overseas. Whilst running the Armed Forces Kart Championship I held many posts including that of Safeguarding Officer. Over the years I have worked with the Motorsport UK Safeguarding team in order to ensure compliance within this sport.



## Martin Blackburn

### North West and Isle of Man



As well as being an MSUK Steward since 1987, I hold Clerk of the Course (CoC) licences for karting, speed and rally and I am a radio controller. I have been Timekeepers' Liaison Officer, Chief Marshal and Event Safety Officer on National and International Stage Rallies and have marshalled at most disciplines of our sport, as well as having held an International Road Race CoC licence from the ACU whilst Deputy CoC for the iconic TT and Manx Grand Prix Motorcycle Races.

I took early retirement as a Chartered Public Finance Accountant within the Isle of Man Government so that I could spend more time on my hobbies of St John Ambulance and Freemasonry but I keep my accountancy skills up to date by providing audit and independent examination services to local charities and I have taken on some part time positions which include being an Emergency Care Assistant for the IOM NHS Ambulance Service, an Urgent Care Assistant for the Manx Emergency Doctor Service and as an Examination Invigilator for local schools.

Motorsport brings so many opportunities to people from all walks of life, but Safeguarding is a vital component to keeping our sport safe. I hope that my practical experience of the realities of running motorsport events through engaging with a largely unpaid but highly skilled workforce will enable me to convince others of the need to embrace and embed Safeguarding at all levels in the sport we are all so passionate about.



**Julie Fielding**

**South West**



My involvement in motorsport is varied, I have been a timekeeper, a competitor in classic car rallies and events and I am currently a trainee Clerk of the Course and CSO for the Historic Sports Car Club.

I have experience in safeguarding from my previous employment which I have brought to the CSO role. Over the past 18 months I have been involved in various safeguarding issues as a CSO and understand the complexity of some of the issues that can arise during events and look forward to our discussions during training about how we can share our experience and help each other.