



## 2015 SEASON – TECHNICAL SUPPORT AT RACE MEETINGS

The Club have been looking at the issue of technical support at race meetings for next season.

It is important to distinguish between “team support” and “technical support”.

The term “team support” means providing a full service, including some or all of: prep the car, transport to the circuit, run and repair the car and transport back. This is sometimes known as “arrive & drive”.

The term “technical support” means that the driver will be responsible for fully and properly preparing their car in advance of the race weekend, and the support provider will be on hand to help repair any mechanical or damage issues that occur up to the start of Race 2.

A key issue associated with technical support has been, in some instances, a lack of preparation work carried out by members, leading to a heavier than anticipated workload for the support provider. Technical support is normally provided on the basis that it relates to unforeseen circumstances, and is not a substitute for the member carrying out normal pre-race prep, servicing and running repairs. Clearly specific arrangements can be made to carry out this work; however that would be at an additional cost to the agreed cost of technical support provision.

Members who are running their own cars should spend suitable time before and during the new season preparing their car or get one of the experienced race teams to do this. Many providers now carry out a pre-season check as a prerequisite to the provision of technical support.

Please note that any agreement relating to the provision of technical support is a commercial arrangement between the Club member and the provider. It does not involve the Club. If you require technical support for 2015 the Club recommends you confirm, sooner rather than later, the availability, scope of the service, pricing etc. with a provider.

Whilst on the subject of preparation for next season, this should include the standard of presentation, in particular any bodywork / paintwork damage should be repaired. It is clear from looking at the cars at Spa that many have had a hard season and need a good tidy up. We owe it to our sponsors to have our cars well-presented and it is also a requirement of our regulations.

For 2015 the Club are looking at ways to enhance the availability of spare parts and major components to all members, possibly through a centrally held parts supply.

Below are a number of recognised support providers known to the Club. Please do not take this list as any particular recommendation, neither is this an exclusive list of approved suppliers. It is just a starting point of contacts for those who wish to discuss and potentially organise technical support for 2015.



## **GRS**

Peter Godfrey has been running both technical and team support in the Graduates Championship for a number of years. In 2015 he is looking to expand his team support to 8 cars and also provide technical support. He is based in Borehamwood, Hertfordshire.

Contact: Peter Godfrey on 07512 713997 or [peter.godfrey1@ntlworld.com](mailto:peter.godfrey1@ntlworld.com)

## **Madcat Racing**

Martyn and Duncan Lewis run a small number of cars for regular clients in the Graduates Championship. Both team and technical support is available for 2015. They are based in Smallfield, Surrey.

Contact: Martyn Lewis on 07850 187098 or [madlewis@btinternet.com](mailto:madlewis@btinternet.com)

## **Matt Blyth Motorsport - [www.mattblythmotorsport.co.uk](http://www.mattblythmotorsport.co.uk)**

Matt has many years experience of Caterham racing, both as a driver and preparer. In 2014 he has provided team and technical support in the Caterham Championship. Matt is looking to provide both team and technical support in the Graduates Championship in 2015, along with driver coaching. They are based in Wokingham, Berkshire.

Contact: Matt Blyth on 07808 318494 or [enquires@mattblythmotorsport.co.uk](mailto:enquires@mattblythmotorsport.co.uk)

## **McMillan Motorsport - [www.mcmm.co.uk](http://www.mcmm.co.uk)**

McMM has provided technical support to Club members for over 14 years and since 2010 the company has expanded to provide team support in both Graduates (all classes) and the Caterham Championships, along with driver coaching. Both Andy McMillan and Andy Adshead have raced in the Graduates Club and during 2014 provided team support to 28 drivers and technical support for 27. For 2015 McMillan Motorsport will be providing both team and technical support to its regular customers in the Graduates Championship. They are based in Hinckley, Leicestershire.

Contact: Andy McMillan or Andy Adshead on 01455 239900 or [info@mcmm.co.uk](mailto:info@mcmm.co.uk)

## **Rockey Racing - [www.classiccarworkshop.co.uk](http://www.classiccarworkshop.co.uk)**

Ben Rockey is an ex Caterham Graduate racer and runs The Classic Car Workshop along with Rockey Racing. Rockey Racing has provided team support and technical support for a number of years in the Graduates (all classes). In 2014, 8 cars were run with team support and some 20 with technical support. Ben is providing both team and technical support in the Graduates Championship in 2015. They are based near Storrington, West Sussex.

Contact: Ben Rockey on 01903 744234 or [info@classiccarworkshop.co.uk](mailto:info@classiccarworkshop.co.uk)

If you know of other providers who would be interested in being added to this list, please pass on their details. Please bear in mind this information is collated as at October 2014 and is likely to change before the season starts.