



MOTOR SPORT
CHARITY

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Charitable objectives

The name of the Trust is the 'BRDC Motor Sport Charity'. The object of the charity is the relief of need by reason of youth, age, ill health, disability or financial hardship, for the public benefit, amongst persons involved in the participation, promotion, or administration of motorsport, whether or not for remuneration, and their families and dependants. "Participation" shall mean persons involved in the participation, promotion or administration of motorsport, including but not limited to, competitors, marshals, officers, employees at motorsport venues and those involved in the design, construction, testing, repair and supply of parts for vehicles intended for competition use.

The Fund extends its support to eligible people living overseas.

History

The BRDC Motor Sport Charity, formerly the BRDC Benevolent Fund, was established in November 2000 and is registered with the Charity Commission. (Registration No: 1084173) Initially formed to support BRDC Members only, start-up funding was provided by a small number of generous benefactors including the British Racing Drivers' Club and its members. The Charities Act (2006) required that registered charities comply with the 'public benefit test' which meant that charitable status could no longer be granted to clubs or closed organisations. At that time, the Fund extended its reach to include people who had worked in the Motor Sport industry, thereby meeting the public benefit test that the wider community should benefit.

In early 2018 the fund re-launched as the BRDC Motor Sport Charity.

Structure & Governance

The BRDC Motor Sport Charity has a board of three Trustees who meet regularly during the year to consider applications and other matters. The Trustees are all members of the British Racing Drivers' Club:

David Richards, CBE – President & Chairman

Chris Bliss – Treasurer

Ian Harrower

The Fund employs a part-time facilitator, Jenny Brown who is the initial point of contact for applications and enquiries. Jenny has over 20 years' experience working in the benevolent fund sector and has been associated with the automotive industry for much of her career.

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