



The Queen's Award
for Voluntary Service

Kop Hill Climb

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Kop Hill Climb Festival receives Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

Kop Hill Climb Festival (KHCF) volunteers have today been given the accolade of the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service (QAVS) 2020, the highest honour bestowed upon local volunteer groups to recognise outstanding work done in their own communities. It is the equivalent of the MBE for such organisations. KHCF is one of 230 charities, social enterprises and voluntary groups to receive the prestigious Award this year.

QAVS was created in 2002 to celebrate the Queen's Golden Jubilee. Recipients are announced each year on June 2, the anniversary of the Queen's Coronation. Award winners are wonderfully diverse and include volunteer groups of all sizes from across the UK. The number of nominations has increased every year since the Award was introduced, demonstrating that the voluntary sector is thriving and full of innovative ideas to make life better for those around them.

KHCF is run by over 300 dedicated volunteers over a weekend in September. Located in the Chiltern Hills outside Princes Risborough, the event is a revival of an historic annual hill climb for motorcars and motorcycles which dates from 1910. Volunteers plan all year round to offer the 12,000 visitors an inspiring weekend with a wonderful array of vehicles and good value for money entertainment options for the whole family. Since the first revival in 2009, the event has raised over £750,000 for local charities and good causes. At its heart, KHCF has always aimed at preserving the spirit originally created by those dedicated amateurs over a century ago. For many, it is considered to be the most genuine and quintessential classic motoring event in the country, often referred to as "a garden party with cars".

More than 300 KHCF volunteers will receive the Award from the Lord-Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire later this summer. Furthermore, two volunteers will attend a garden party at Buckingham Palace in May 2021, along with the other recipients of this year's Award.

John Biggs, the KHCF Organiser, commented: "Kop Hill Climb is run totally by over 300 incredible volunteers, characterised by their commitment, passion and skill, who together create a unique event only made possible by their sustained and selfless voluntary service".

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