

By day 28 yr old Fiona Kindness is a solicitor at McGrigors in Aberdeen. Fiona obviously has a passion for speed. Having just acquired her first car back in 2004 – a Subaru Impreza – she immediately took it to Knockhill to see how it would perform. “I wasn’t expecting to win. It was more just to give it a try and to see if it was something I’d enjoy. I ended the day with a wrecked car from pushing so hard – I’m a lot more competitive than I had first thought!” Fiona explained.

Her interest in Motorsport has now developed and at the weekends she takes her Nissan Skyline R32 GTR to major racing circuits all over the UK to compete in motorsport events called Time Attack. “I just love the excitement, the buzz, the competition, pushing myself to the limit! I’ve been doing it for a few years now, but before every race I still get nerves and excitement. Before the final last year, the competition was so close that I couldn’t sleep for the week running up to it!” she enthused.

Drivers compete against the clock to set the quickest lap time around the circuit. There are two levels – Club Championship and Pro Class: Fiona has already won the Club Championship and is now set to compete in the Pro Class. The entry fees alone are £2500 for the season and Fiona is hoping that local companies and motorsports fans might help with sponsorship.

Time Attack originated in Japan where the owners of street tuned cars and professionally prepared cars could compete against each other. This allowed amateur drivers to go up against the professionals, so much so it has now become a major event in its own field.

Anyone interested in assisting Fiona in her quest to move up the Competition ladder, please visit: www.racingexposure.com/blog/2010/05/kindness-shines-at-knockhill/

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