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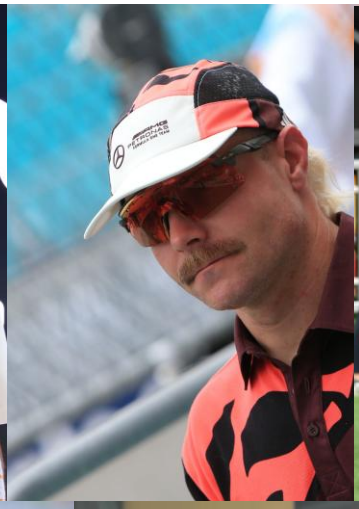
SPORTITY

Not an easy name to pronounce, but easy to use by F1 marshals in Australia, Singapore and now the United States. It is an event-specific smart phone application used exclusively by the marshals and officials at several F1 Grands Prix, and is expanding to FE, WEC and SCCA Solo. In the US, it made its debut last year at the Miami F1 event. The COTA F1 race was the second USGP to use it. The Las Vegas F1 promotor used its own app for its event. The popularity, or usefulness expanded to the FE race last weekend at Homestead and will be used by WEC. SCCA's Solo program is using it and SCCA Road Racing is entertaining the idea. The app is only available to the registered officials and marshals at a given event, not to outsiders.

Sportity has multiple 'channels,' the bullet points or subjects, which are capable of being constantly (and easily) updated. Here at Miami, various Teams, such as F&C, Intervention, Pit/Paddock/Grid, Scrutineer, Race Control can have their own 'channel' and can be set as open or limited access.

Lynne Huntting of the Newsletter staff, along with Ron Searle, came back from the 2023 Australian Grand Prix full of enthusiasm for the app which had been in use there. It was later adopted by Singapore. Tim Mayer, President of USRM was the one who adopted Sportity for the 2024 Miami event.. He likes its simplicity of systems and it works well. Here at Miami, where there is WiFi everywhere, it works well for the marshals and officials. Race Chair Sydney Davis Yagel does most of the input. And it's Sydney we have to thank for the prompt posting of our Officials Newsletter.











JOHN BENNIE



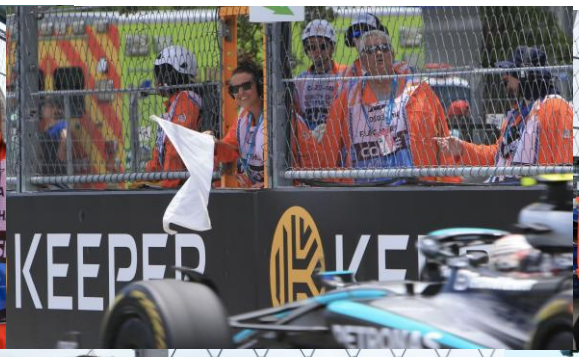
Your name, preferable nickname and where you're from
John Bennie (no nickname) Scotland

2025 job title and/or crew and brief description of your duties/sphere of influence
I'm in the Pit Paddock & Grid Recovery team, as part of the Pit, Paddock & Grid Team. There are 5 of us doing this role at this event as a sub team for the 45 strong pitlane team.
Our duties involve meeting the roll back trucks as they arrive either at pit lane entry or at the support paddock. We dismount the stranded car and either deliver it to the team garage or hand it over to the team. We also assist with getting the cars out of paddock to grid. We influence the smooth running and ensuring these things happen swiftly and safely.

How many years of F1/Miami and briefly how were you first led to/recruited to work F1/Miami
I have worked all 4 years of the Miami f1 GP.
As an FIA official volunteer and having done 35 grand prix both in the U. S. and in Europe, it was a good opportunity to try a new venue for f1. The experience of doing various events at Circuits of the Americas gave me encouragement to do the three USA ones.
I did pit lane and grid the first two years of Miami and the recovery team the second two years.
It's been a wonderful journey going to so many enjoyable events in beautiful cities.
Silverstone is my "home circuit" for f1, however, I see COTA as my "second home circuit" for major events.

One thing/fun fact most people don't know about you.
Not so sure I have a fun fact, but I did receive The Jim Clark Award in 2021 as recognition for services to Motorsport marshalling Only 20 people have been awarded this accolade in the past 40 years. I feel extremely honored to have been chosen. Motorsport has given me 50 very enjoyable and interesting years. It is my extended family.













ERIC 'OZZY' OSBORNE

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For the 2025 Miami Grand Prix, I am Deputy Chief of Start, and work alongside Terry Walsh and our Chief of Start, Jamey Osborne. In a nutshell, we interface with the FIA and their starter and help to ensure each session gets started, runs smoothly, and ends promptly to maintain the strict schedule of a typical F1 weekend.



How many years of F1/Miami and briefly how were you first led to/recruited to work F1/Miami

I have participated in the Miami Grand Prix every year since the inaugural race in 2022, with the exception of last year when Lando Norris earned his maiden win. I'm still heartbroken that I missed it! I have worked as a marshal for F1 since 2016, and as a Starter since 2018. I was fortunate enough to be asked to join the team for Miami in 2022 and have loved every minute of it!

The most memorable experience I've had at the Miami GP has got to be the inaugural event! The energy and atmosphere was amazing, and few things have come close to it since. Every year seems to pick up where the previous had left off and I was so excited to hear that the race will be continued through 2041! I'm looking forward to being a part of as many of them as I possibly can.

One thing/fun fact most people don't know about you.

Anybody who knows me, knows there are two things I can never get enough of… fast cars and airplanes. I'm an aircraft mechanic and marshal at several different race tracks across the country, so I've found a way to never "work" a day for the rest of my life!






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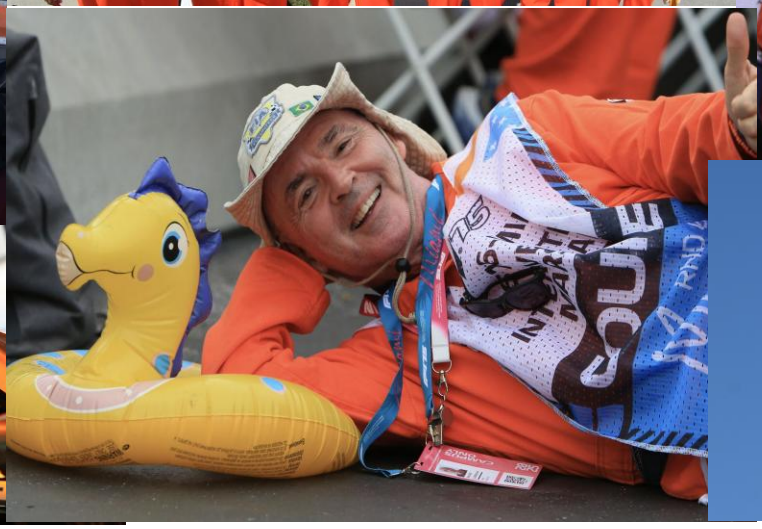


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