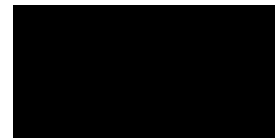




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Honour for Butcher at glittering awards night

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Kirkcaldy GT star Rory Butcher finished off the 2014 in some style - picking up an award with the rest of his team mates.

The Fifer joined up with the Motorbase Performance at the SRO Night of Champions where they picked up a British GT Team Championship award.

The evening was hosted in the **Montcalm** Hotel and awards were presented to the champions of British F3, British GT and the Blancpain Endurance Series.

Butcher said: "It was great catching up with the Motor-

base crew again and we let our hair down with a few celebratory drinks."

Team manager David Bartrum took to the stage to pick up the British GT Team Trophy and Butcher's team mate Michael Caine also collected the runner up trophy in the Drivers Championship.

"We are extremely proud of our achievements and it all sunk in at the Night of Champions - everyone is excited about what 2015 may bring!" he added.

With the season over the race ace has set himself a new challenge - running the London Marathon next April.

"I am running the famous race for the charity Sports Leaders UK after I sent in an application to take part on their behalf," Butcher

said.

"I was selected along with five other lucky people - I am really honoured to be given the opportunity.

"My goal is to raise over £2500 for the charity who make communities more active and healthy by providing recognised vocational sports leadership qualifications.

Sports Leaders UK provides nationally recognised leadership awards and qualifications that help people develop essential life skills such as organisation, motivation, communication and working with others."

If running the 26-mile course wasn't enough of a challenge Butcher has decided to up the stakes by running the course in his three-layer

Nomex fireproof racing suit!

"I took part in the 2012 Edinburgh 10k in my racing suit and it just so happened to be one of the hottest days ever recorded in May, things got a little toasty that's for sure, but this race is a whole new kettle of fish!" he said.

"I have a 17 week marathon training program which gradually builds up my stamina and endurance and it begins just after Christmas, so I'll be making sure to eat as much turkey stuffing as I possibly can!"

To sponsor Rory in next year's London Marathon visit <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/RoryButcher>.



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Rory Butcher and team mates from Motorbase Performance with their British GT Team Championship award at the SRO Night of Champions



Fife motor racing driver Rory Butcher is in training for the 2015 London marathon