

AutoNews



AUTOSUPPLIES VOTED
FACTOR BRANCH OF THE YEAR!



BUTLERS AUTOMOTIVE'S BEN CLARKE NAMED IN AUTOMECHANIKA BIRMINGHAM'S THIRTY UNDER 30

Ben Clarke, Branch Manager at Butlers Automotive, has been recognised as one of the rising stars of the industry, having been named in the Automechanika Birmingham's Thirty Under 30 awards.

The awards, launched this year at Automechanika Birmingham 2025, celebrates the most promising young talent in the automotive industry, and Ben's inclusion in this year's list is a testament to his dedication, exceptional leadership and passion for the trade.

His journey in the motor trade began at an early age, accompanying his father to Autosupplies on weekends and in the school holidays from just eight years old. His early exposure laid a strong foundation for a career built on hands-on experience, hard work and a thirst for knowledge.

Upon finishing school, Ben formally joined Autosupplies and committed to learning every aspect of the business by working across all departments. His dedication and willingness to understand every function of the company quickly set him apart and he worked his way up to Branch

Manager at Butlers Automotive. Ben has been instrumental in driving growth and enhancing customer service across both Autosupplies and Butlers Automotive.

Ben has shown an incredible level of commitment from an early age. His natural leadership, unmatched work ethic and deep understanding of customer needs have helped shape the direction of Butlers Automotive, inspiring those around him.

Widely respected by both staff and customers, his proactive approach, from being available out of hours to working seven days a week to support recruitment and staffing, has built a loyal customer base and reinforced Butlers Automotive's reputation for service excellence.

Ben commented: "I'm incredibly proud to be recognised in Automechanika Birmingham's Thirty Under 30. To be acknowledged for doing something I'm passionate about is a real honour. I've learned a lot from the team around me and our customers, and I'm excited about continuing to push the business forward."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO COMMA OIL



This year marks 60 years of Comma Oil. After six decades in the trade, Comma has been supporting workshops to get the job done right, first time every time.



To celebrate its 60th year, Comma has launched, 60 Voices, a tribute to the people that have shaped the brand's journey over the decades. This project brings together heartfelt testimonials from loyal customers, workshops, and stories from trusted partners who have been integral to Comma's success.

Key voices in the video include IAAF's Chief Executive Mark Field, David Wright of the UKLA, GSF Car Parts staff, its own employees and Autosupplies' own David Clarke!

You can watch the video on Comma Oil's YouTube channel.

CARLTON MOT TAKES TOP SPOT IN COMMA 60TH ANNIVERSARY PRIZE DRAW

Congratulations to Carlton MOT, a Bosch Service Centre and loyal Autosupplies customer, for winning the top prize in the first monthly draw of Comma's 60th Anniversary celebration!

As part of Comma's ongoing birthday campaign, workshops that purchase 60 litres of Comma or X-Flow oil in a month are automatically entered into a prize draw, which is part of the brand's popular "mycomma" reward and loyalty scheme.

Carlton MOT walked away with a fantastic prize: a pair of tickets for a day at the world-renowned PalmerSport track day experience. The experience gives winners the rare opportunity to get behind the wheel of some incredible vehicles, all powered by Comma oil, including a McLaren Artura GT4, Formula 3000 single-seater, Palmer JP-LM sports-prototype, Ginetta G56 GTA, Caterham Seven PalmerSport Edition, Land Rover Defender, Caterham head-to-head pursuit, karts and Hyundai IONIQ 5 N Taster (untimed).



We're delighted to work with committed workshops like Carlton MOT and thrilled to see one of our customers rewarded in such style. There's still time for other workshops to take part, so keep those orders coming and stay tuned for the next draw!

AUTOSUPPLIES DONATION TO GREEN GABLES TO SUPPORT YOUNG WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN SOUTH YORKSHIRE

We have made a charitable donation to Green Gables in Mexborough, a vital service provided by YWCA Yorkshire, supporting young women, children and families in need throughout the South Yorkshire community.

Green Gables provides safe accommodation, emotional support and development opportunities for vulnerable women aged 16-25, many of whom are experiencing homelessness, domestic abuse, or challenging life circumstances. The support offered helps these young women transition to independent living with dignity and confidence.

Supporting the community is an important part of our values at Autosupplies Group. Green Gables is doing incredible work for young women and children in the local area who face extremely difficult situations. It's a privilege to be able to contribute to a service that is changing lives every day, and we're proud to stand behind their mission.

David Clarke recently met with Janine Egan, Head of Operations at Green Gables, for a tour of the facilities, to learn more about the services and support it provides to young women and children in the local area.

Janine said: "We're extremely grateful for the support from Autosupplies. Donations like this make a real difference in the lives of the young women we support. It allows us to continue offering practical help and hope to those who need it most. It's fantastic to see a local business investing in the future of our community."

YWCA Yorkshire has been working for over a century to empower and uplift young women and families across the region. Through projects like Green Gables, they provide not only housing but holistic support that fosters advice, education and opportunity.

For more information on Green Gables, visit: <https://www.ywcayorkshire.org.uk/>





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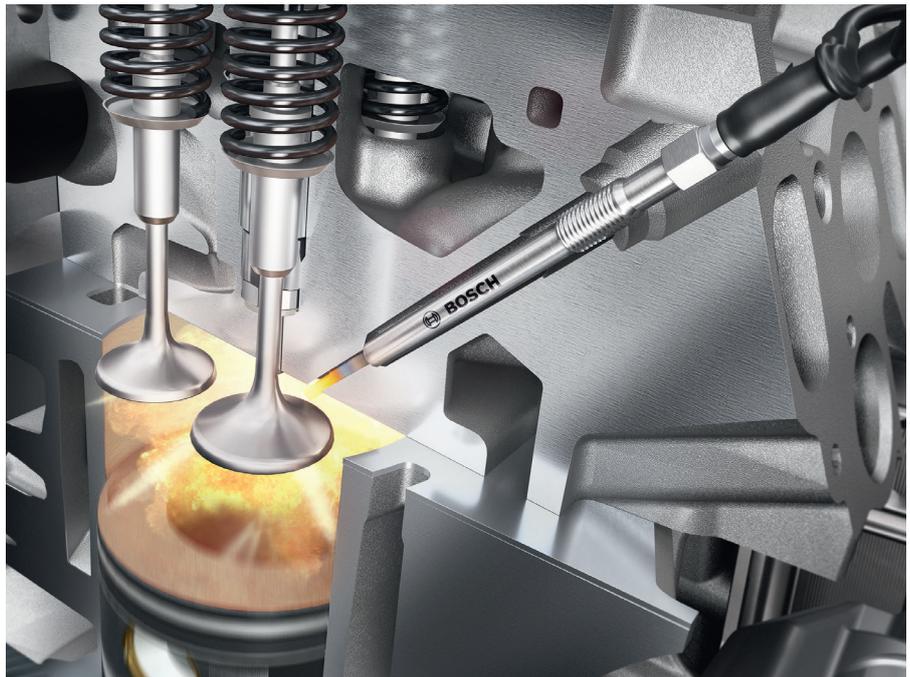
Modern glow plugs are more than just a starting aid

BOSCH TECHNOLOGY AS A DRIVING FORCE

It is such groundbreaking inventions, as common-rail or unit injector systems, which made Bosch a pioneering and driving force for the progress of diesel engineering. As one of the worldwide leaders in terms of diesel system development, the manufacturer also invests its diesel system competence in the advancement of glow plug technology.

SHEATHED-ELEMENT GLOW PLUGS TAKE ON SEVERAL TASKS INSIDE ENGINES

Glow plugs are of increasing importance for modern diesel engines. The reason: Due to the lower compression of innovative diesel engines, the diesel/air mixture does not ignite itself anymore in case of a cold engine. The glow system thus has to work even with the engine running. This is known as "post-glow". In former times, glow plugs were only used for the preheating during the engine start. With direct-injection engines, however, post-glow becomes ever more important. It enables immediate starts and smooth



Bosch glow plug inside the combustion chamber

engine running in the case of stop-and-go or city traffic.

POST-GLOW INCREASES EFFICIENCY

Bosch glow plugs reach high temperatures, after a very short warm-up phase and continue with a long lasting post-glow. This quickens engine starts and helps to reduce emissions. Long post-glow periods of up to 15 minutes also enable additional functions such as intermediate and regeneration glow. This creates a smooth, comfortable performance through all engine load ranges and simultaneously increases the service life of the glow plugs.

PERIODIC REGENERATION OF THE DIESEL PARTICLE FILTER

In order to prevent them from clogging, resulting in excessive exhaust-gas back pressures at the engine, the filtered particles have to be burned from time to time. The intermediate glow of Bosch glow plugs contributes to this so called periodic regeneration.



Robust ceramic glow plug Bosch DuraSpeed



Bosch glow plugs

IAAF SECURES CRUCIAL WIN FOR AFTERMARKET ON VEHICLE DATA ACCESS



The Independent Automotive Aftermarket Federation (IAAF) has successfully challenged several vehicle manufacturers (VMs) over non-compliance with Block Exemption legislation, securing vital access to in-vehicle data for independent operators.

IAAF's intervention has ensured that more VMs are now complying with legal requirements to provide independent workshops with the necessary repair and maintenance information and diagnostic access.

This is major step forward in safeguarding competition and protecting consumer choice across the UK aftermarket.

While the UK Motor Vehicle Block Exemption Order (MV-BEO) was revised in 2023 to reflect technological changes and support independent repairers, not all VMs were meeting these updated obligations, creating unnecessary and unlawful barriers for workshops outside the franchised network.

Mark Field, Chief Executive of the IAAF, said: "We will continue to challenge any lack of compliance to ensure our members, and the wider aftermarket, are able to provide

choice for the motorist with their competing products and services. The principle of fair access is not optional; it's essential for competition, innovation and affordability."

This action follows IAAF's recent Right to Repair (R2R) survey, which revealed overwhelming public support for consumer choice in vehicle servicing and repair.

The poll of over 1000 UK drivers found that 92 percent believe they should have the right to choose where their vehicle is maintained, while 82 percent support government action to enforce legislation that protects this choice.

Field added: "As household budgets remain under pressure, affordable vehicle maintenance is key. The message from UK drivers is clear: they want access to trusted, independent garages, and they want the government to protect that right. This success shows the IAAF's determination to turn those demands into real-world outcomes."

For more information on the IAAF's Right to Repair Campaign and to support these ongoing efforts, visit www.iaaf.co.uk



AN INTRO TO CARWOOD



Born in 1966, Carwood is a leading global remanufacturer, parts distributor and technical service provider for the automotive, off-highway, motorsport and defence industries. Today, its portfolio spans OEM-approved fuel injectors and pumps, diesel particulate filters, turbochargers and rotating electrics for current and next-generation vehicles in the aftermarket, plus engines, HVAC, hydraulics, electrical and electronic components and electrical rewind.

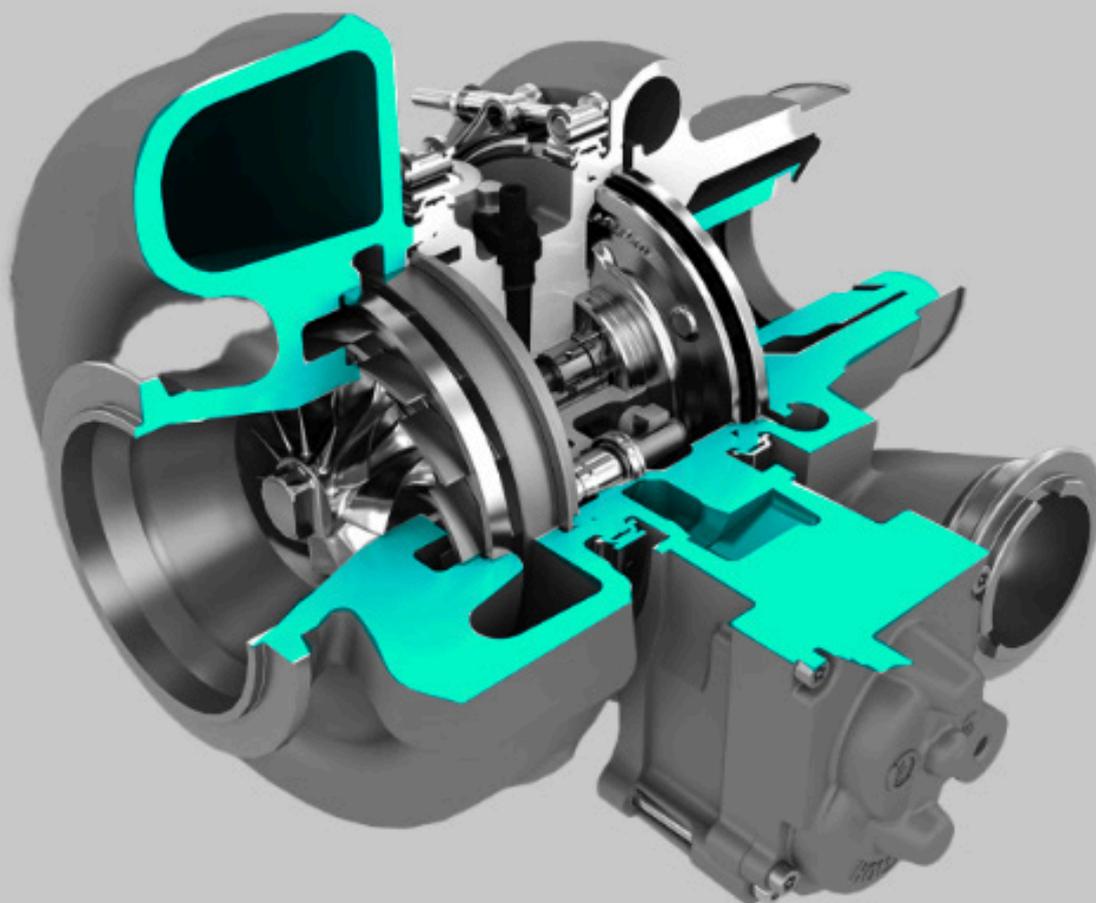
Remanufacturing: OE-quality at affordable prices

Whether it's for a vehicle manufacturer, the Ministry of Defence or an independent garage, every Carwood reman part goes through the same stringent inspection, cleaning, rebuild, calibration and test procedures, with all major wearing parts replaced with like-for-like OE. In doing so, the brand can offer a same-as, or even better-than-new product, with warranties to match, BUT at a fraction of the cost to you. And the planet.

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As a distributor for some of the industry's leading brands - BorgWarner, Bosch, Continental, Delphi, Denso, Garrett, HC Cargo, Mitsubishi amongst them - Carwood also supplies OE new, exchange and spare parts. Alongside its own reman, this provides a choice of proven-quality, competitively priced solutions for an even wider range of vehicles, without compromising on the quality of the product, or service.





Powering the Aftermarket

RECOTURBO: POWERING THE AFTERMARKET

RecoTurbo stands at the forefront of the turbocharging in the UK, with over a century of engineering excellence, RecoTurbo has profoundly shaped the aftermarket by setting the standard for customer satisfaction, efficiency and reliability.

Its technical support staff can provide telephone advice or any aspect of fitting, fault finding and diagnosis of any related suspect turbocharger problems.

The company is able to remanufacture, repair and service a wide range of brands, including BorgWarner, IHI, Mitsubishi, Schwitzer, Holset and Garrett. Built with parts that are equal to, or exceed, original manufacturers' specifications, its turbos come with a comprehensive guarantee and support from its technical team.

You can find Recoturbo at Autosupplies Group branches, speak to your local rep today to find out more.



NEW IN FROM POWERTEC

The hot topic in the industry right now is glue pulling, to combat this, Powertec has launched a brand-new light commercial pulling tower with the all new Adhesion Pro GP System on its own lightweight cart.

This mobile station contains 187 pieces, everything required to smart repair a vehicle. With a variety of different pullers, a mid-size slide hammer for use with both cold and hot glue, battery operated glue gun, pdr board and so much more.

And the brand is offering the latest tool for a fantastic £1,199.95 for the cart alone, or add the Light Commercial Pulling Tower, for a combo-saving price of £1,999.95

This is a comprehensive starter kit for anyone serious about getting into pulling dents with glue.

The company is offering workshops and garages across the nation the chance to see this kit in action in one of its new demonstration vans, proving how easy it is to use and how successful it is in reducing dents.

This hands-on approach has already been well received in the industry in letting end users get to grips with the products to build confidence and belief that anyone can visually improve the appearance to most dents. Book a demonstration through your local Autosupplies rep today.

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SPREADING EASTER CHEER: AUTOSUPPLIES EASTER EGG DONATION TO CHESTERFIELD FC



Earlier in the year, Autosupplies Group supported the Chesterfield community with a generous donation of Easter eggs, delivered in partnership with Chesterfield FC.

Most of the eggs were distributed to the Lighthouse Charity in Chesterfield, which supports vulnerable people in the area, while others were shared with a number of local charities to ensure as many families and individuals as possible could enjoy a seasonal treat.

Autosupplies are strong advocates for supporting the local community, committed to giving back wherever possible.

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in the project, including our friends at Chesterfield FC for helping to make this initiative such a success!

PMF MAGAZINE VISITS AUTOSUPPLIES GROUP CHESTERFIELD AND ROTHERHAM SITES



We were delighted to welcome Tom Henman, the editor of PMF magazine, to visit our Chesterfield headquarters and recently renovated Leisureways of Rotherham site. This visit provided Tom with a tour of our facilities and an overview of the Autosupplies Group operations.

Our managing director, David Clarke gave Tom an insight into his 45 years in the automotive aftermarket, detailing how Autosupplies has developed into the UK's largest independently owned motor factor.

PMF magazine has a strong presence within the trade media, offering a monthly publication with a key focus on motor factor businesses. Tom expressed his outstanding impression of our state-of-the-art warehousing facilities, our inventory management systems and, more importantly, our work ethic and commitment to customer service.

You can read the article in full at the PMF magazine website.

AUTOSUPPLIES CHESTERFIELD WINS 'FACTOR BRANCH OF THE YEAR' AT CAT AWARDS



Back in February we were delighted to be crowned 'Factor Branch of the Year' at the CAT Awards 2025.

Bringing together suppliers, brands and professionals in the sector, the CAT Awards, held annually and hosted by industry magazine CAT, recognises the very best in the aftermarket and the winners were announced at an awards ceremony on Thursday 27th February at The Lowry Hotel in Manchester.

Autosupplies Chesterfield emerged victorious in the 'Factor Branch of the Year' award category thanks to our dedication to delivering high-quality parts, exceptional customer service and fast delivery.

dedication to delivering high-quality parts, exceptional customer service and fast delivery. We're delighted to receive this accolade at this year's CAT Awards.

What an incredible achievement for our team! We pride ourselves on going above and beyond for our customers - whether that's through our extensive stock range, fast and reliable deliveries, or our investment in new ordering systems to make life easier for workshops.

This award is a testament to the hard work of our entire team, and we'd like to thank everyone who has supported us along the way.



SAY HELLO TO THE GYS RANGE!



Founded in 1964, GYS is a family-owned company with over 900 employees around the world. With a strong focus on continuous investment in research and development and expertise, the company is a major player in the design and manufacture of welding machines, battery chargers and car body repair equipment.

The company's leading product range is now available at Autosupplies, including the Super Pro Portable EV Charger, Multiweld 200M, Powerduction 37LG induction heater and Nomad Power lithium booster packs.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED BUSINESS

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