Learner drivers — win a car from Arnold Clark!

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Young and learner drivers across the UK are being offered the chance to win a brand new car, thanks to an innovative safety initiative. The Edinburgh Reporter thinks it would be great if someone from Edinburgh won this time round!

Thousands of L-Plate drivers and anxious parents have already been steered in the right direction by the award winning Good Egg Driver safety guides.

Now, one lucky budding road user is set to get behind the wheel of a state-of-the-art 2015 Volkswagen Polo — worth £12,000 courtesy of the Arnold Clark group — once they have landed their licence.

Former lucky winners have urged learner drivers to put their names into the draw — and to check out the Good Egg Drivers website for the useful advice and tips it offers.

Jessica Evans, 21, from Shepton Mallet, Somerset, was picked from thousands of entries in the 2013 Good Egg young driver's competition, winning a Chevrolet Spark, worth £9000. She passed her test in January 2013.

Jessica said: "I was thrilled to win the competition because it was totally unexpected. It was fantastic to get a new car so soon after passing my test.

"I am so grateful to Good Egg Drivers because, if I hadn't won, I wouldn't have a car and wouldn't be able to do half the things I do — it has changed my life.

I often have to travel up and down the country. That wouldn't have been possible if I hadn't entered the competition".

"I wanted to be a good, safe driver, which is how I found myself on the Good Egg website. Reading the 'scary stats' really hit home some safety concerns that I may not have given much thought to otherwise.

"But the most useful tip was to adopt the 'New Driver Pact' with my parents, which made a real difference when driving my Chevrolet.

"I am a really sensible and careful driver. I haven't had any collisions and I think that this is thanks to Good Egg Drivers; I recommend it to all my friends, who now use the website as well. They find it just as helpful and informative as I did and they have all entered the new competition to win the Polo!"

The 'Win A Car' competition is open to young drivers aged 17-25 across the UK as part of the Good Egg Safety initiative, and can be entered by completing a quick online quiz before November 30.

Kayleigh Edwards, 19, from Tayport, Fife was Good Egg's 2014 winner, taking home a brand new Fiat 500, despite still having her L-Plates on. She is due to sit her test within weeks and says it encouraged her to step up the driving lessons.

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She added: "I really hope I pass my test. It's frustrating to have my dream car sitting in the garage and not be able to drive it! I am so thankful to Good Egg Drivers and I know all the advice that I've got from them has put me in good stead for sitting my test.

"I am starting a childcare course at college in September, so the car will be great for getting to and from there, but I'm also most looking forward to going out with my friends and being able to visit places we've never been before. "Good Egg has taught me a lot about safe driving, so I know I will be a careful driver when the time comes to get behind the wheel on my own. It has also helped reassure my parents, who were clearly very nervous when I first started learning to drive.

"I would definitely recommend the competition for this year. Now I know it really is possible to win these competitions and I have been telling all my friends and family all about how great the Good Egg Drivers website is."

Good Egg Safety is headquartered in Edinburgh, Scotland and its Good Egg Drivers campaign, aimed at 17-year-olds, and is running across the UK, with backing from the Arnold Clark motor group.

The Good Egg New Driver Initiative is a comprehensive, helpful reference point that gives useful advice on all aspects of learning to drive, buying a car, getting on the road and staying safe.

The website <u>www.goodeggdrivers.com</u> offers accessible tips for new drivers on important information such as choosing the best instructor, passing the tests, insurance, the responsibilities of getting behind the wheel and how to keep that hard-earned licence.

The online guide for new drivers aims to reduce road casualties by providing advice that will help keep them safe and is fully endorsed by Road Safety GB and other leading road safety organisations. Free copies of the guide were distributed to councils across the UK.

Sir Arnold Clark, Chairman and Chief Executive of Arnold Clark Automobiles Ltd, *said:* "Good Egg Drivers provides young and inexperienced drivers with the knowledge that they need to stay safe on Britain's roads."

"Arnold Clark recommends the service and expert guidance that

Good Egg Drivers provides to all new drivers and their parents, and we are proud to once again be supporting Good Egg Drivers by donating a brand new Volkswagen Polo, which will be won by a young and deserving driver that has successfully completed the New Driver quiz."

Young drivers can enter the competition at http://www.goodeggdrivers.com/.