

# Scottish motorists leave Russell standing for Kiera



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Scottish drivers are ten times more likely to stop at the roadside for Hollywood star Kiera Knightley than controversial comedian Russell Brand, while only 1% would help Kerry Katona, according to a recent survey.

Kiera Knightley topped a poll by Internet [tyres](#) retailer **Blackcircles.com**, with 30% of all Scottish motorists saying they would come to her rescue if she had a flat tyre. In contrast, the figures revealed that TV & radio presenter Russell Brand, himself no stranger to TV and movie success, would be helped by just 3% of motorists in the country.

Former Atomic Kitten singer and reality TV star Kerry Katona fared worst of all in the survey of more than 1,000 drivers, with just 1% saying they would give her roadside assistance, leaving her joint bottom of the survey with football 'hardman' Vinnie Jones.

**Mike Welch, managing director of Blackcircles.com**, which operates from 95 garages in Scotland, says the survey highlights some quirky points about motorists' behaviour. He says: *"It's reassuring that there are still some Good Samaritans on our roads, especially if you happen to be a beautiful Hollywood A-lister."*

*"My advice to Kerry and Russell would be, if you're planning a trip to Scotland in the near future, [check your tyres](#) immediately because the public won't be coming to your rescue!"*

**Blackcircles.com** operates by allowing customers to [buy their tyres online](#) or over the phone and have them fitted at one of more than a thousand independent garages across the country, with savings of up to 40 percent compared to high street tyre retailers.

Notes to Editors  
Blackcircles.com was founded by Mike Welch and has more than 300,000 clients and sales of more than £10m.

Mr Welch is the former business and e-commerce manager at Kwik Fit and founded Blackcircles.com in 2001.

Blackcircles.com offers over 40,000 tyre items from [budget tyres](#) to mid-range and premium brands.

Blackcircles.com was recently named as one of 20 winners at the 2009 BT Business Essence of the Entrepreneur awards, where Mr Welch also received the Most Outstanding Entrepreneur of the Year award.

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