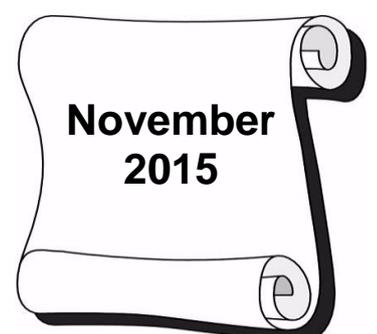
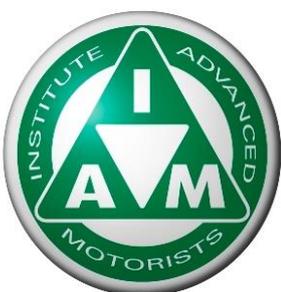


ChainLincs

THE NEWSLETTER OF
THE LINCOLNSHIRE ADVANCED MOTORCYCLISTS
IAM GROUP 7176, REGISTERED CHARITY 1049955, SUPPORTERS OF THE BMF



Martin Wright with a cheque for £262 for LEBBS from Steve Watson's and Mark Bell's John O'Groats to Land's End ride



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Middle Rasen is on the A631 about 1.5 miles west of the Market Rasen

The next issue of ChainLincs will be in December 2015.

Please provide any copy to the editor, Ian Firth, by **30th November** at the latest,
earlier is better. You can send a copy by email to

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EDITORIAL

Hello and welcome to your latest ChainLincs. These newsletters are an important part of the Group's communication, so please do keep information coming to me for inclusion in each month's newsletter. This newsletter is out a little bit earlier than usual and is smaller. This is not because of any lack of hard work within the group, as you will see from the Chairman, but because I have very little time left to get this newsletter completed before the deadline.

One thing I have found over the last year is that the Newsletter is fun to put together, if not a little challenging at times. Since starting as the editor, I moved jobs to become the Regional Operations Manager for the IAM and this has seen me get extremely busy. That, along with my volunteer role with LEBBS means that I am looking at handing over this fun work of being editor and I believe Mick has cajoled someone into helping out. I aim to do a couple more and hope to show the new fella or lass what it entails, but the reality is, it's not too difficult.

Last weekend saw the IAM Annual Conference at Aston University and it was a pleasure to see Mick and Kev representing Lincs Bikers there. While I have to remain impartial in my job, I did wear my LAM Tee-shirt the night before, so bikers arriving for overnight accommodation could see I was one of their own. I feel very proud to wear the LAM shirt. If you would like one, speak to Kev who may be able to sort this out for you still.

A quick heads up for you all. I have been invited to meet a group of bikers called the RAF Lincolnshire Motorcycle Club. They are bikers from bases all over Lincolnshire, looking at post-test training over the coming year, as the RAF have sadly suffered a number of biking fatalities in 2015. If all goes well, we may see a few new associates coming ours and Boston's way. I shall know more after I attend a meeting late in November to present to around 20–30 bikers from all over Lincolnshire, what IAM do and the benefits. Watch this space.

Safe riding,
Ian

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- Diary of events

CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER

Congratulations to Kev Smith who passed his test on the 16th of October, well done Kev – look forward to seeing you at more rides with the group.

Another good turnout for the monthly ride out from Willingham Woods on the 11th of October. We had 12 members this month including 4 observers. Once again we split into a couple of groups to enable us to maintain good progress throughout the ride. Dave Mather led one group and we headed off across the Wolds with our newly qualified NO, Ian Morrison, bringing up the rear and giving us a few things to think about midway and at the end. Thanks Ian, an extremely worthwhile ride out and for keeping us all on our toes which is what I think these monthly rides should be all about. The other group gave Kev Smith the opportunity to follow the expertise of Ken Rose while being observed by Andy Kitchen prior to his test a few days later – clearly this last minute advice paid off for Kev. Thanks guys, a great ride out.



As you are aware the Barrie heath Quiz was held on the 14th of October and we were victorious once again. It was close until the last couple of rounds when we pulled ahead of the Lincoln car group, with the Grimsby group bringing up the rear. Thanks to my teammates Steve Watson, John Harrison and Dave Hall, and to Lynne Watson and John Cheetham for supporting us. It was a great evening and thanks must go to the Scunthorpe car group.

We look forward to hosting the quiz next year.

Anybody interested in becoming an observer don't forget the Observers meetings at the Nags Head (Details in the diary of events on the back page of ChainLincs and events page on the group website www.l-a-m.co.uk). Jerry Neale is doing a great job with help from John Harrison organising training for the observers. Thanks guys.

A quick plea now for members to join the committee and help run the Group. Many thanks to Ken Pike for his many years on the committee but he has now resigned and we do need some more help, some more ideas and somebody that wants to be involved. If that is you please let me know.

Hope to see you all soon, stay safe

Mick

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Group Web Site: www.l-a-m.co.uk

We have one new member to welcome to the group recently, as follows:

Member	Observer
Mark Folman	Roland Johns

One test pass to report this month – congratulations on your success and a big thank you to your Observer.

Member	Pass Date	Observer
Kevin Smith	16 October	Ian Morrison

The group membership is currently comprised as follows

Full Members	85
Associate Members	15
Total Group Membership	100

That's all for this month, ride safely:

John Cheetham

OBSERVERS MEETING

October saw the last observers meeting of the year. Due to the earlier dark nights, the usual Wednesday night meeting was moved to a bright sunny Sunday morning so that on bike training could take place. Ian Morrison set the tasks for the morning, which included a group observed run and also paired observed runs to check that observing and riding standards remain high in the LAM observer team. This included a good tool for us all to use of self analysing our own ride asking ourselves about different aspects of our ride and if it could be improved. Unfortunately, on our group ride we were reminded of the dangers of the road when we were diverted from our chosen route due to a RTC being attended by the air ambulance. Thanks to Don Ford's excellent knowledge of Lincolnshire, we were soon back on track to our destination.

The observer team is always available for any member of the group who would like to have a one-to-one in order to maintain their programme of continuous personal improvement. The Sunday morning group observed run is a great opportunity to take full advantage of this free service for any member, just ask and as we have two more group observed runs before the year end there is still plenty of opportunity.

Jerry

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by order of the Group Committee that the 30th Annual General Meeting of **LINCOLNSHIRE GROUP OF ADVANCED MOTORCYCLISTS** will be held at 8.00pm on Monday 2 November 2015 at the Nags Head, Gainsborough Road, Middle Rasen, Market Rasen, LN8 3JU to enable the Trustees of the Group (Registered Charity No. 1049955) to present their Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2015 for approval by the Group Members and to conduct an election.

Honorary Secretary's Name	John Cheetham	Date	01 09 2015
Address	26 Lansdall Avenue Lea Gainsborough DN21 5JL	Group No.	7176

All Members, Associates and Friends are invited to attend but only Fully Paid Up Members of the IAM and of the Group may vote.

A Member entitled to vote at the General Meeting may appoint a proxy to vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a Full Member of the Group.

CURRENT OFFICERS

All Officers retire annually and may offer themselves for re-election. (Group Rule 3.4)

Mick Smith	Chairman	Offering to stand for re-election
Lynne Watson	Vice Chairman	Intention not stated
John Cheetham	Secretary	Offering to stand for re-election
Sam Kirwan	Treasurer	Offering to stand for re-election

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

One third of the Committee (excluding Officers) must retire annually and may offer themselves for re-election. (Group Rule 3.4)

A. RETIRING BY ROTATION AND STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION

Jerry Neale

B. RETIRING BY ROTATION AND NOT STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION

Mike Buckley

C. COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT RETIRING

Kev Turner

Dave Hall

Note

The total number of Committee Members including the Officers must not exceed twenty. Please see the NOMINATION PAPER for further detail.

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DIARY OF EVENTS

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The Sunday morning Group Observed and Social Runs are open to all members and also potential members who may be considering preparing for the IAM test. The prime purpose is to provide the opportunity for all to improve their skills through riding with fellow members. Potential members considering taking the IAM test may have an individual assessment ride. It should be noted that members are free to group up as they feel fit and embark on a purely social run of their choice without any "observing" etc, merely enjoying the opportunity to ride with fellow like-minded bikers. The runs last around 2 hours, usually with a mid-point refreshment stop, starting at the venues listed below.

Brigg Leisure Centre parking area	South side of A18
Willingham Woods picnic site	A631 east of Market Rasen
Hartsholme Country Park	South side of B1378, Skellingthorpe Road

Group Social Runs will incorporate café stops unless an alternative is specified. Please try to arrive at the meeting point in good time and with a full tank of fuel. Please note that Group Social Runs are principally for group members only. Please let the run organizer know if you want to invite a guest. If carrying a pillion passenger you should ensure that this is covered by your motorcycle insurance policy.

It is you, as the rider who is deemed to be in control of your motorcycle at all times during an observed or social run.

NOVEMBER

Sun 1st - Day social run to the Peak District with lunch stop at the Old Horns Inn, High Bradfield. Please contact Ian Morrison (07766 008100) prior to the run for details and so he can collate numbers for the lunch stop.

Mon 2nd - Monthly evening meeting at the Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm commencing with the group **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**.

Sun 8th - Group Observed Run from Hartsholme Country Park. Meet 9.30am for 10.00am prompt start.

PLEASE NOTE - No Observers meeting this month.

DECEMBER

Mon 7th - Monthly evening meeting at the Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm. Buffet and raffle for which prizes required please.

Sun 13th - Group Observed Run from Brigg Leisure Centre. Meet 11.30am for 12.00am prompt start.

Mon 14th - Committee Meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen. Prompt start at 7.45pm

PLEASE NOTE - No Observers meeting this month.

JANUARY

PLEASE NOTE - THERE ARE NO EVENTS DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY