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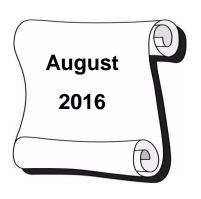
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Sunday morning ride out from Brigg Leisure Centre Photo taken by Nigel Hobson





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Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month starting at 8pm at the Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU

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

The next issue of ChainLincs will be in September 2016.

Please provide any copy to the editor, Lynne Watson, by **25**<sup>th</sup> **August** at the latest, earlier is better. You can send any articles by email to

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## **EDITORIAL**

Hello and welcome to the August edition of ChainLincs. Sorry for the delay in sending out this months' newsletter but I've been on holiday. Lucky me, eh? France is a fabulous country and the people are so welcoming. I highly recommend it, although perhaps not when the kids are on school holidays as it's as bad over there as it is over here. We travelled on some *very* interesting roads, brilliant for biking, doing over 2161miles in total. Have to admit that we were not on the bikes though. Well you can't get as many bottles of wine in the panniers as you can in a car boot. Hic!

If you have any recommendations for people or want to tell them about interesting roads and places contact me on either my mobile (details in committee information) or via email and we'll put something together. As they say 'Every Little Counts'. My email is <a href="mailto:lynne.iam1@gmail.com">lynne.iam1@gmail.com</a>

I hope you enjoyed reading the article on the **Outer Hebrides** in last months ChainLincs. My thanks to lan Cawthorne for this, much appreciated. My apologies for not acknowledging him at the beginning of the article.

The next social is on 1<sup>st</sup> August, and there is another ride out planned leaving from the Nag's Head at 6.30pm and getting back about 8pm for the meeting. Apparently, it will be another mystery ride as there's nothing planned as such but we have a couple of volunteers, thanks to lan Morrison and Andy Tofts. If enough people attend there could be two ride outs and who knows where they'll end up.

If you're planning a ride out and its short notice, put it on our Facebook page, there may be others that are free and would like to join you. The social rides are open to anyone, not just LAM members, so invite your friends along as well. Sunday morning group rides are for members and those considering taking their advanced test.

Whatever you do, Have fun,

Lynne

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## **CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER**

August already, where is the year going? The weather is as unpredictable as ever, varying from torrential downpours to melting tarmac; sometimes in the same day! Whatever the weather is like, please ensure you wear the appropriate gear and encourage everyone else to do so as well. Beach clothes for the beach and protective gear for the bike should be the norm!

I'd like to welcome our recent new members – Alison Millington from Louth, Sandra Pedersen from Witham St Hughs and Phil Niner from Norton Disney. I've already met Phil on the associates' ride out and hopefully we will see Alison and Sandra at a monthly social or ride out soon.

Congratulations this month to Jason Brooks who passed his advanced bike test on 8 July and well done to his Observer, Jerry Neale.

As you can see we have had a few rides this month and a good selection of members turning up including plenty of associates, hopefully we can keep this going for the remainder of the Summer.

If you can make one of them come along, even better put one on yourself. Don't forget the power of Facebook. I can always email anyone not on FB so what are you waiting for?

Augusts Group ride is from Willingham Woods on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> leaving promptly (ish) at 0930 so get there early for coffee and brekkie.

For the new, and existing, members don't forget to find our Facebook page

Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists <u>here</u> and ask to join so you can post and join in, and we are also on Twitter at IAM Lincolnshire (@lincsbikers\_iam).

I have just sponsored Mark – hopefully you can do the same for a very worthy cause. In late October Mark French is riding 1300km across India to raise money for the Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance. This is his Justgiving page <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/Mark-French3">https://www.justgiving.com/Mark-French3</a> so please sponsor him. His target is £5000. At this time he has raised £280.74

Hope to see you all soon, stay safe

Mick



## **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

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

We have three new members to welcome to the group this month as follows:

Member	Observer	
Philip Niner from Norton Disney	Roland Johns	
Sandra Pedersen from Witham St Hughs	Jerry Neale	
Alison Millington from Louth	TBC	

I have one test pass to report – well done to the candidate and Observer.

Member	Pass Date	Observer
Jason Brooks	8 Jul 16	Jerry Neale

The group membership is currently comprised as follows

Full Members	91
Associate Members	19
Total Group Membership	110

THAT'S ALL FOR THIS MONTH, RIDE SAFE:  $JOHN\ CHEETHAM$ 

## **August social**

This month's social includes another ride beforehand at the request of members. There are two volunteers so if enough people turn up there could be two groups traversing the countryside. Setting off from the Nags Head at Middle Rasen at 6.30pm then back for the meeting.

# July's Social

July's Social included a ride out led by Mick Smith. This mystery tour was based around successfully avoiding the black rain clouds. Unfortunately, for those on their bikes the clouds decided to give them a good send off on the way home!



## **Certificate Presentations**



Paul Collins receiving his certificate from Mick Smith



Paul Coulson receiving his certificate from his observer, Jerry Neale

## **Another Ride Out**

Mick Smith/Roland Johns



On 13<sup>th</sup> July Roland led another ride out starting at the Nags Head. The Lincolnshire RATS were also invited and we had 9 riders and one pillion turn up for yet another soaking!

We arrived at the Tyrwhitt Arms looking like drowned rats but soon dried out after a cuppa.

# Ride out from Ancholme Leisure Centre, Brigg

Nigel Hobson/Mick Smith

There was a good turnout for the monthly ride out from Brigg. John Harrison took the

group for one of his legendary trips around the area finding all the best roads; tight bends, water and, of course, mud! As well as a maniac SEAT driver who tried to take him out.





Ian Morrison brought up the rear as 'tail end charlie' although there was a slight hold up due to bits falling off his BMW!

Fortunately all sorted now!

## **Our LAM Bike Day**

Mick Smith

On 11 September, we are holding a Biker Skills day at the WAVE at Waddington. This will be mainly a recruitment drive to attract new members. We will be offering free taster sessions, a slow riding course and various bike related stands.

If you can help out on the day please let me know but if not, please come along and support us and bring all your friends and family, whether they already ride or not.

Advertising for the event will be available soon and if you know of good places to advertise please ask for some posters. We need your help to make this a success.

# **Barton Bike Night**

Mick Smith



Graham.

For the first time in a few years we had a stand at Barton Bike Night on 6<sup>th</sup> July. This was Ian Firth's initiative so I went along with him. Once again, Barton was heaving and we had plenty of people to chat to, even signing one up on the night (Ian was offering a 10% discount for signing up on the night).

Unfortunately, he lives in Hull so will join HERAM. Their Chairman just happened to stop for a chat at the same time! Glad we could help



# 2Fast2Soon - IAM Member Skid Day

Mick Smith



The 2Fast2Soon day took place on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> and both myself and Roland Johns were at RAF Scampton primed and ready!

## Our day consisted of:

- A race car driving simulator in action below!
- Trailer reversing
- Blind folded driving
- Skid car understeer/oversteer/loss of brakes
- Highway code quiz

Our thanks to Ashley Behan for a very well organised and enjoyable day.



## **Associate Ride Out**

Mick Smith

On 24<sup>th</sup> July Roland and Jerry organised a ride out aimed primarily for the associates' This ride out started and ended at the WAVE at Waddington.

Myself and Kev Turner tagged along as well so with the 4 associates that turned up we had a nice group of 8. Midway stop at the Top of the Wolds Café for a bacon butty while



Roland had the last slice of cake! Another great ride out, cheers guys.



## **Observers and Associate Information**

Jerry Neale



Congratulations to Roland Johns on his successful achievement of the IMI Local Observer qualification.

Ian Morrison has kindly agreed to become the training coordinator for new observers. Anyone who is interested in becoming an observer but is unsure about what is involved can discuss with either Jerry or Ian, or attend one of the observer meetings to see at first hand what's involved.

# **Observers meeting**

July has been another very busy month for the observer team with most of the team out on the road enjoying the good weather working with their associates on test preparation runs. Associates can assist their observer by making sure that they do their home work. Taking time to study your copy of 'How to be a better Rider' and the 'Highway code' will really move you forward. If you are unsure of any parts of the publications then talk it through with your observer.

Good weather greeted all who attended the associate's only ride out for a journey through the Wolds on Sunday 24th. This was a great opportunity for associates to work on their new skills. A good standard of riding was maintained throughout the ride. Thank you to all attended.

This month's observers meeting was well attended with many items discussed and worked through. Thanks go to Mick Smith for sorting out the observer team with some smart new Hi Viz kit.

The LAM Observer team is always available for any member of the LAM group who would like to have a one to one in order to maintain their own program of continuous personal improvement with their riding. The Sunday morning group observed run is a great opportunity to take full advantage of this free service for any member, just ask any member of the team.

# **Group Clothing**

There is a wide range of group clothing available to order, with our Lincolnshire Advanced Motorists logo on it, you can also add the IAM logo and a name if desired. There are a number of colours available, for full details contact Kevin Turner via email. Details shown in the Committee Information.

Name							
ITEM	DESIGN	SIZE	QTY	Name to be embroidered (leave blank if not required)	PER ITEM	TOTAL	
Polo Shirt with	Group Badge				£8.50	£	
Polo Shirt with	Group Badge + IAM Logo				£10.50	£	
Sweatshirt with	Group Badge				£10.00	£	
Sweatshirt with	Group Badge + IAM Logo				£12.00	£	
Fleece with	Group Badge				£14.00	£	
Fleece with	Group Badge + IAM Logo				£16.00	£	
T-shirt with	Group Badge				£7.00	£	
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## DIARY OF EVENTS

Contact point: Dave Hall 01522 274989

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. The runs last around 2 hours, usually with a mid-point refreshment stop, starting at the venues listed below.

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 likeminded bikers.

Ancholme Leisure Centre, Scawby Brook, Brigg, DN20 9JH

South side of A18

Willingham Woods Picnic Site, LN8 3RQ A631 Rasen

east of Market

Hartsholme Country Park Cafe, Lincoln, LN6 0EY 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 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.

## **DIARY DATES**

## **August**

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Monthly evening meeting at the Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm.
- Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Group Observed Run from Willingham Woods. Meet 9.00am for 9.30am prompt start
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen. Prompt start at 7.45pm
- Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Brackley Motorcycle Festival contact Dave Hall for more information
- Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers. Venue the Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631), commencing 7.45pm

#### SEPTEMBER

- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Monthly evening meeting at the Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm.
- Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Group Observed Run from Hartsholme Country Park. Meet 9.00am for 9.30am. prompt start.
- Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclist even, Biker Skills Day at the WAVE, Waddington.
- Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers. Venue the Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631), commencing 7.45pm.

#### October

- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Monthly evening meeting at the Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm.
- Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Group Observed Run from Willingham Woods. Meet 9.00am for 9.30am prompt start
- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen. Prompt start at 7.45pm
- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers. Venue the Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631), commencing 7.45pm

#### **November**

- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Monthly evening meeting at the Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm commencing with the group ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
- Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Group Observed Run from Willingham Woods. Meet 9.30am for 10.00am. prompt start.
- PLEASE NOTE No Observers meeting this month.

#### **December**

- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Monthly evening meeting at the Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm. Quiz, buffet and raffle.
- Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Group Observed Run from Hartsholme Country Park. Meet 11.30am for 12.00am. prompt start.
- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen. Prompt start at 7.45pm
- PLEASE NOTE No Observers meeting this month.