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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 May 2018.

Please provide any copy to the editor, by **25 April 2018**

at the latest, although, the earlier the better. You can send any articles by email  
to any member of the committee, but best to [chainlincs@uwclub.net](mailto:chainlincs@uwclub.net)

# EDITORIAL



This month's cover picture is a shameless attempt to attract new members from our open day.

Also, this month, I am delighted to say we have an article written for us by an actual motoring writer – our own David Ayres.

More generally:

You can access the current issue of ChainLincs as a .PDF at <https://tinyurl.com/y9uk3vh9>. If you click on the issue you want to read, it will open in your browser, and you can read it there. If you want to save a copy on to your computer, click on "open" in the top right hand of the window, open it in Adobe Acrobat Reader and save it on your computer as a .PDF file.

E-mail your contributions to [chainlincs@uwclub.net](mailto:chainlincs@uwclub.net), and don't forget that our commitment to the highest journalistic standards means that if I can read it, we'll print it. Photographs, art, and writing are all welcome.

If you are 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. It's a great way to meet other members.

If you have any recommendations for people or want to tell them about interesting roads and places contact a member of the Committee (details in committee information) by telephone or via e-mail or put it onto Facebook and we'll put something together.

Have fun,

*Nick*

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## CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER

Welcome to the April Edition of ChainLincs and many thanks to Nick for putting together another great edition.

The clocks have gone forward at last and over the last couple of days it would seem that spring is appearing. I spent some time over the weekend riding my bike, some of it in the wet and as I hadn't cleaned it since the Group run 2 weeks ago that was my job for this afternoon along with a bit of polishing this evening. Already loving the longer days!

Even though the weather seems to be on the up we have had a fairly cold and white few weeks which seems to have scared off any new members, and associates booking and taking tests. Hopefully this will pick up in the coming weeks especially after our open day on 8<sup>th</sup> April. Hope some of you can make it to talk to the public during the day. I will be there at about 9 to set up the gazebo etc. so help gratefully received.



Good attendance at the last Group ride which luckily fell between the weekends of snow. Five observers/trainee observers and five full members turned up but unfortunately no associates. This is your chance to meet and ride with other members of the group and not just your observer. Thanks to John Harrison for guiding us around North Lincs and avoiding too many lanes with grass growing in the middle of the road!

The next Group ride is on the same day as the Open day (8th April). Leaving Willingham Woods at 0930, hopefully those that turn up can make it to the Open day for the end of your ride.

Although I have joked about stepping down as Chairman at previous AGMs I have decided that this AGM will be my last. I feel it is time to step aside and let somebody else have a go for a few years. I will happily remain on the Committee and continue to 'garage' the gazebo etc. So folks, if you feel you could take on the role now would be a good time to take an interest in the running of the Group in preparation for being elected in November.

If you fancy being an observer come along to an Observer meeting (details in Diary of Events) or give Jerry Neale a call on 07885 494607. Observer Meetings are held at LK2, Studio 2, Deepdale Enterprise Park, Deepdale Lane, Nettleham, LN2 2LL. Many thanks to Andy Kitchen for letting us use his offices for the meetings.

Do you want to prove that your riding or driving is still up to advanced standards then why not take the test (actually a reassessment for full members) again? The new membership tier, Fellow, is now open. The Fellow membership tier is open to all current full IAM members, it will offer you enhanced recognition and insurance benefits in return for your commitment to keep your advanced skills up to date by retesting every three years. If you are interested have a look at the IAM website [www.iamroadsmart.com/fellow](http://www.iamroadsmart.com/fellow). Six members of the Group have already signed up including me.

For the new, and existing, members don't forget to find our Facebook page Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists [here](#) and ask to join so you can post and join in, and we are also on Twitter at IAM Lincolnshire (@lincsbikers\_iam).

Short and sweet from me this month. Hope to see you all soon, stay safe

*Mick*

# MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Group Web Site: [www.l-a-m.co.uk](http://www.l-a-m.co.uk)

We have neither new members or test passes to report this month.

The group membership is currently comprised as follows:

Full Members	106
Associate Members	21
<b>Total Group Membership</b>	<b>127</b>

The time of year when annual subscriptions are due is now upon us. This year we are trialling the option of paying by bank transfer if desired as an alternative to sending a cheque to me. For those wishing to use this option please email me and I will send you the bank details and the cost of your subs for 2018/19. This should be £8.00, although there are a few exceptions.

Subs are due for those with membership numbers up to and including 798.

If using the above method, it is important you give a reference of preferably name and group membership number. Also, please send me a confirmation email to indicate you have actually used this method.

Those members who have not contacted me by 1 April will receive the usual paper renewal form c/w addressed envelope

I can also accept subs at the April monthly meeting, this saving yourself and the group postage costs.

*John Cheetham*



## ACTIVITIES

### Batman spotted in Doncaster

Ian Morrison dateline 4<sup>th</sup> March 2018



Ian says *"Look who parks his car in Doncaster. If you don't know what the Tumbler is and who drives it, ask Google. My wife got it right first guess. I'm not sure what that says about the pair of us."*

### MOT passed in Lincoln



Roland Johns dateline 4th March 2018

"Bumble passed her MOT this morning, we celebrated by going to church" (not that passing an MOT is a particularly unusual event – MPOWDERY and all that, but too good a picture to waste)

### Group ride in dry conditions!

Roland Johns dateline 11th March 2018



Good turnout this morning for this month's group ride in dry conditions. Five observers/trainee observers and five full members turned up but unfortunately no associates. This is your chance to meet and ride with other members of the group and not just your observer. Thanks to John Harrison for guiding us around North Lincs and avoiding too many lanes with grass growing in the middle of the road!

# Cake hunting in East Kirkby

Roland Johns dateline 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018



Three very different machines went on a cake hunt today. Cake was found at RAF East Kirkby Aviation Centre! Breezy but warmer ride with lots of bend swinging and pot hole dodging!

## News from Jaca in the Pyrenees mountains of northeast Spain

David Ayres dateline 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018



On today's ride, we concentrated on Look, Lean and Roll the throttle on the N260.

I wonder if 'cake hunting' has a Spanish translation?

(Google translate suggests "*la caza de la torta*")



## Skeggy shut for business

Will Field dateline 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018



Would you believe it Skeggy is closed on a day like this?

## A farewell ride

Malcolm Heaton dateline 25<sup>th</sup> March 2018



Out with Simon Battram and Dorin Craic, A good ride, Simon was first class in his Observer role.

A farewell ride with Dorin who has now gone Home to Romania for a month, he will then return to South Wales.

Malcolm Heaton tells us *"I have been riding with Dorin for a year as a friend, this was our last ride as we may not ride again together"*.



# FORTHCOMING CLUB EVENTS IN APRIL

## 2<sup>nd</sup> April

**Monthly evening meeting**, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm

## 8<sup>th</sup> April

**Group Observed Run** - Willingham Woods Picnic Area near kiosk  
Meet 9.00am for prompt 9.30am start

**Lincolnshire advanced Motorcyclists open day** The Waddington Aircraft Viewing Enclosure (The WAVE), LN5 9FG, 10.00-16.00 All welcome, and help requested to take peoples details, allocate Observers and just chat to the punters.

## 15<sup>th</sup> April

**Annual Associates Only Ride Out.** This ride is a social event and open to Associates only. The purpose being a no pressure fun ride where the Associates have a chance to meet each other for a chat/ride/coffee/cake etc.

We will be leaving the WAVE cafe, A15 Waddington LN5 9FG, opposite the Vulcan at 10.00, so get there early for bacon butties! There will be a halfway refreshment stop and we aim to be back at the WAVE for around 14.30 for more food / drink!

Any queries please contact Jerry or Roland.



## HOW DO I BECOME A MEMBER?

**Join today and get 10% discount plus an additional £10 and t-shirt on completion of the test. Talk to our representatives for details and how to obtain the discount code.**

If you have picked up this magazine at the Lincolnshire advanced Motorcyclists open day, your journey to becoming a better rider and reaping the rewards of being an IAM member can start here.

IAM membership is open to any rider (or driver) who passes our advanced test or qualifies by exemption. You can be one of the most skilled riders on the road with this on-road advanced motorcycling course delivered by our qualified riders. Using your own motorcycle, you will benefit by:

- Gaining confidence and skills
- Possibly get cheaper insurance
- Meeting like-minded people
- Gaining full IAM membership
- Improve your road anticipation
- Appreciate your motorcycle's full capabilities
- Become a better rider in different environments

Joining means you can be recognised as one of the safest and most skilled riders on our roads.

In the expert hands of a local skilled mentor, you will develop advanced skills that enable you to pass our advanced test and become a full member of the IAM.

Enrollment details are available here: <https://www.iamroadsmart.com/courses/advanced-rider-course>

Whichever of the routes to IAM membership is right for you, you'll discover a world of benefits, including:

- [Exclusive members-only insurance services](#)
- [Attractive new vehicle offers from Fiat, Suzuki and Volvo](#)
- [Superb motorcycle clothing and accessory deals from Bike Stop](#)
- [Invitations to participate in circuit-based skills days](#)
- The opportunity to take your skills to even higher levels with our F1RST, Masters and IMI qualified Observer courses.

All members also receive our RoadSmart 'members only' magazine which offers a guide to the benefits and enjoyment of being an IAM member. RoadSmart magazine will give you the opportunity to both read about our work as well as finding out how to get more involved with us. It is the perfect guide to enable you to get the most from your IAM membership once you have joined us. In addition to RoadSmart, a digital version of this high-quality publication will be automatically sent to you.

**We'd love you to join us so start your journey today. Come and be part of the IAM RoadSmart family and the Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists**

## OTHER BREAKING NEWS

### GM sued by motorcyclist in first lawsuit to involve autonomous vehicle



Figure 1 the chevrolet bolt EVtest vehicle that is the subject of the lawsuit.

General Motors is facing one of the first lawsuits to involve an autonomous vehicle, after a collision between its Cruise self-driving car and a motorbike in California.

Motorcyclist Oscar Nilsson is suing GM stating that the Chevrolet Bolt, which was operating in autonomous mode with a backup driver behind the wheel, “suddenly veered back into Nilsson’s lane, striking Nilsson and knocking him to the ground”.

The accident happened on 7 December in heavy traffic in the Hayes Valley district of San Francisco, with the GM vehicle reportedly travelling at 12mph and the motorcycle 17mph. The accident report filed with the California disputes Nilsson’s claims.

The report states that the autonomous vehicle was driving in the centre of three one-way lanes. It attempted to move into the left lane when the available space was truncated by braking traffic, causing the GM car to abort its move and return to the centre of the middle lane.

“As the Cruise AV was re-centring itself in the lane, a motorcycle that that had just lane-split between two vehicles in the centre and right lanes moved into the centre lane, glanced the side of the Cruise AV, wobbled and fell over,” says the report. “The motorcyclist was determined to be at fault for attempting to overtake and pass another vehicle on the right under conditions that did not permit that movement in safety.”

Nilsson was able to walk his motorbike to the side of the road before exchanging information with the GM car’s occupants and receiving medical care for shoulder pain.

Nilsson’s lawyer Sergei Lemberg disputed the report. He told Mercury News: “I don’t know what a police officer can tell, after the fact.

“I don’t know that it’s fair to blame this act on the completely innocent person who’s just driving down the road and gets hit.”

GM said that it intentionally tests its self-driving vehicles in challenging conditions. A GM spokesperson told [Jalopnik](#): “Safety is our primary focus when it comes to developing and testing our self-driving technology. In this matter, the San Francisco Police Department collision report determined that the motorcyclist merged into our lane before it was safe to do so.”

The company has been testing its autonomous vehicles in San Francisco since August, allowing employees to hail the cars with a backup driver behind the wheel. Its cars were involved in six no-fault collisions in September.

Who is to blame when technology is in the driving seat?

As more self-driving cars take to the streets, lawsuits such as Nilsson's are inevitable, but it highlights the dilemma of autonomous vehicles: who pays in the case of an accident.

Testing vehicles are clearly operated by the company developing the technology, in this case GM, but once the vehicles are bought and owned by individuals the picture of who is to blame becomes much more murky. Should the driver, who may or may not be in direct control of the vehicle at the time, have responsibility for all operations of the vehicle?

It's likely that the vehicle's collection of data as part of its operation that could be used to prove fault, but whether the companies operating them will want to set a precedent and give up that data remains to be seen.

Professor Bryant Walker Smith, from the University of South Carolina's School of Law, told Mercury News that he expects companies to settle suits quickly if they believe their technology is at fault, but fight fiercely should human operators of other vehicles be at fault.

GM is not the only traditional automotive manufacturer racing to challenge the likes of Alphabet's Waymo and Uber with self-driving technology. A collision involving a car from Ford's autonomous vehicle firm Argo recently sent two people to hospital.

Source: <https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2018/jan/24/general-motors-sued-motorcyclist-first-lawsuit-involve-autonomous-vehicle>

## Upcoming changes to MOT testing.

The Driving and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA) is making changes to the MOT test. The changes are being made to comply with the [EU roadworthiness directive](#), and to make it easier to see which areas of a vehicle need more attention.

The changes will take effect from 20th May 2018 and will affect the testing procedures and standards for MOT tests in England, Scotland and Wales. Changes to the test may still be made before the final manual is issued in May

There are new defect categorisations. Each defect found will be categorised as either dangerous, major or minor. Manual advisories will no longer be given. Dangerous and major defects will cause a car to fail its MOT test and drivers will be advised not to drive the vehicle away in its current condition. Minor defects can be considered as being similar to advisories in the current test. A vehicle will still pass its MOT if it only has minor defects.

Several components that must be checked have been added to the draft manual issued by the DVSA. These include:

*Front fog lamps* (fitted to vehicles first used from 1st March 2018)

*Daytime running lamps* (fitted as original equipment on or after 1st March 2018)

*Noise suppression systems* (including exhaust silencers and under-bonnet deadening material)

*Anti-theft devices*

Source: <https://www.arnoldclark.com/newsroom/2165-the-mot-test-is-changing-here-s-what-you-need-to-know>



# OBSERVERS AND ASSOCIATE INFORMATION

## Observer meeting

The March Observer meeting was another well attended evening with 17 Observers meeting up at the great LK2 offices at Nettleham.

Many subjects and issues were discussed throughout the evening including the new Data protection laws that are coming in May and how it will be relevant to all in the Observer team.

Phil Niner has been assembling data gathered from LAM area Advanced test reports. He presented his findings and they were discussed. Some interesting trends were highlighted that will help with our Associate guidance.

Paul Henseleit presented the fascinating subject of 'Target fixation'. This resulted in good discussion from around the room.

We all thank Phil and Paul for preparing and presenting such interesting subjects.

A reminder to all Associates that we have an Associate Only Ride Out, on the 15th April (see Diary of Events and [our Facebook page](#) for details), this is open to any Associate at whatever stage of your Advanced Rider course.

This is a great opportunity to meet with fellow Associates and discuss how your course is progressing. It is also a good opportunity to work on the subjects that you have covered with your Observer.

## Winter can still be our friend

As the clocks go forward to British summer time, we can still thank winter for giving us the opportunity to gain an advantage seeing through hedges that have shed their leaves during winter. Safe and effective riding depends on using the information gained from early observation to plan your riding actions.

Gaining an advantage by good early observation is a vital part of your Information stage. When you approach a hazard where your view is restricted, position your bike to get the best view that is consistent with safety. Take every opportunity, however brief, to improve your observation of converging roads and the road ahead.

Opportunities are presented by open spaces and breaks in hedges, fences or walls.

Take time to look for these features.,,

Here are a couple of examples. Take a close look at these pictures, What can you see?



By taking advantage of early observations through the gap in the dormant hedge, you can spot coming in the other direction at a similar distance to the bend as us, a silver crew cab towing a horse box.



Early Observation through the gap warns us of the approaching white car before we have even arrived at the crossroads ahead. By looking across a bend or through gaps, advanced riders can better plan how to deal with hazards; you may see vehicles and or further hazards.

Jerry Neale

*Jerry*

## Quiet Efficiency

“When you get a minute could you tell me about the Masters?” It is a question I struggle to answer. I found that the training embedded itself so deeply in the way that I ride I can no longer identify the difference,

### Master (adjective) Definition:

Quiet efficiency is the hallmark of the Master. Although alert, they give the impression of being calm and relaxed, progressing smoothly and unobtrusively without flourish or fanfare. They are in the right position, right speed, with the correct gear engaged approaching each situation. They achieve this desirable state by concentrating, planning ahead and riding to the system.

Sounds serious... I'll try and explain.

If you are reading this, the chances are that you are an advanced motorcyclist. You are already a better-informed road user than many. You will see more and think more about what you are doing than most.

With experience, the act of thinking about riding becomes more natural, and the processing of IPSGA becomes instinctive. As a consequence, we have more capacity to process more information and our riding becomes more polished.

Put another way; you have now become an Advanced - Thinking - Motorcyclist.

There are however constraints on our ability to develop. Speed limits are one. We are all capable of riding at the speed limit and processing the information we see before us. To develop the ability to process more information – and trust me there is always more information to process – the information needs to arrive at a faster rate and be processed faster, to give us more time to process more information.

In the same way as training any muscle, you think it is heavy lifting until you train, and eventually, it becomes lighter. Fast jet pilots don't start on fast jets; they begin on something small and relatively slow and build up from there.

My first ride with my Master's Mentor proved this point to me. It was my Advanced Test. Andy (the Examiner) was encouraging me to overtake a lorry on the Bitchfield bends. The level of information that he was processing was far more than the volume of information I was processing. He could see safe and appropriate opportunities to overtake the lorry that I was missing.

The early stages of the Masters has numerous “tricks” to speed up your rate of information processing. The faster you process, the more information they introduce you to. The onslaught can be exhausting at times.

Late last year Roland Johns and I attended a Track Day at Blyton, and it was raining. Perhaps the most beneficial single activity I've done on a motorcycle. Developing the Look, Lean and Roll the Throttle technique to extend my comfort zone in the wet conditions was exhausting. In the final session of the day, my concentration gave out, and I pulled off the track in search of tea. (Roland the Robot, just kept going with metronomic efficiency).

The same was true of the early Master's sessions. You are expected to be in the right position, right speed, gear and with a plan, but did you process that church spire on the hill three bends away? Now you have Observed, have you Anticipated the change in speed limits and Planned accordingly? And don't forget there is the mountain of other things to OAP while you remember that church spire. And so far, we have only looked at the I of IPSGA – the Masters, isn't different to being an advanced motorcyclist, it simply expands and pushes the boundaries of what we do every day.

Position develops into Safety Stability and Vision, in that order. Safety yes, got that. View - yes I was doing that too, but Stability – never really thought about that.

Couple that with looking further along the road. Don't ride for the next bend, if you have extracted all of the information available and you can stop on your side of the road in the distance available, then position for the bend after next, or even the one after that, if the road configuration allows.

Have you ever considered the line you take on the exit of right-hand bends in sufficient detail to maximise the speed and acceleration? I hadn't. I had got as far as positioning back towards the centre of the road and checking my mirrors, but never really thought about taking a longer arc, to maximise stability for better acceleration thereby reducing the risk from behind.

The roundabout training was enjoyable. Ever tried riding through Milton Keynes – home oh so very many roundabouts - as close to the speed limit as it is safe to be, while processing the information, timing your arrival to minimise any reduction in forward progress, all while not braking and filtering where appropriate? Wash, rinse and repeat not for not just one roundabout but a succession of maybe ten or twelve. It is a strangely engaging challenge.

The same was true of the day spent overtaking on the A17. It had been raining and the with the holiday weekend upon us, the roads were packed with caravans and fully laden cars. Objective – 20 miles along the A17. Maximum progress. Momentum overtakes were preferred. Following overtakes when traffic so required. Your brake light should not be coming on, but don't be a slave to fashion. Brake if it is safe and appropriate to do so.

However, don't forget to read the white lines on the side of the road indicating field entries. Lay-bys even when empty is a potential hazard for the later decision maker causing others to swerve. Has the driver seen you? Catch, Match, Dispatch. Did you spot the Volvo? Shoulder checks. Come near side behind the high sided vehicle for a better view on left-hand curves. You do know which way the road is going to curve, don't you? Timing, oncoming traffic, safety bubble, cross views. More, more. Process, process.

I'm sure you get the idea. The Masters is about taking everything you do, still five chronological parts of IPSGA, and exploring each part in greater depth. Through this you achieve more time in every sense, you really do become more efficient, and this becomes self-evident to you and road users around you.

I was out riding with Mick Smith, and at the compulsory cake and tea stop, Mick admitted to watching me to see what I was doing differently. The answer is, most likely, not very much from the outside, but inside, quite a lot.

I believe I was lucky to have been challenged on my Advanced Test. Had I had time to consider myself an Advanced Motorcyclist I might not have been so open to having my skills challenged so completely, albeit fairly and to my benefit. Roland did an outstanding job as my Observer in preparing me to learn even more.

In a nutshell, the Masters is about *"Quiet efficiency, without flourish or fanfare and achieving this by doing as little as possible as early as possible"*. Sounds simple yet achieving this is much harder than you might think.

I'm still trying to master it.

**David Ayres** is the author of the website *"The unnerving confessions of a born again biker"* (<http://coabab.com/>), a member of the guild of motoring writers, and has successfully completed the IAM RoadSmart Masters programme (<https://www.iamroadsmart.com/campaign-pages/end-customer-campaigns/masters>)





## Possible Touring Holidays: The North Coast 500 (NC500)



It being time to consider the possibility of summer holidays, and in response to a request for feedback from any of our readership who have actually ridden the NC500 to assist fellow members in planning an expedition, here is an introduction to Scotland's most notable touring route. So, if readers do have any experience of the route, do please share it with us.

Bringing together a route of just over 500 miles of stunning coastal scenery, the NC500 route path naturally follows the main roads across the coastal edges of the North Highlands taking in the villages and towns of places like Ullapool, Durness, John O'Groats, Dornoch and Inverness.

The Official North Coast 500 route begins and ends in Inverness at Inverness Castle. The Castle is a perfect starting point to the route as perched on the hill and offers unparalleled views over the capital city of the Highlands.

The NC500 was created in 2014 by the North Highland Initiative to highlight some of Scotland's magnificence to the world. It has been dubbed Scotland's answer to the renowned 'Route 66' and doesn't disappoint. With just over 500 miles of stunning coastal scenery, the route path naturally follows the main roads across the coastal edges of the North Highlands taking in the villages and towns of places like Ullapool, Durness, John O'Groats, Dornoch and Inverness.

To kick you off North Coast 500 takes you from Inverness Castle over to the west coast where there are many small islands, some of stunning beauty while others have darker mysterious secrets. Slightly windy roads but some straight and long sweeping corners along the way making for a route for all types of riders. Then on through many nice towns to the cities of Ullapool and other small villages.

The route passes many different things to see and do, for example; Rogie falls, Smoo cave or The Sealife Glass Bottom Boat. there are many lochs to pass and see but make sure you don't get too close! From the dense cities to out in the open country it has many things that contrast greatly from one another.

## Route Notes & Highlights

These places are marked as icons on the map above

- **Inverness Castle** – Built in 1836 this marvelous piece of architecture is sure to capture anyone's attention.
- **Rogie Falls** – With a short walk through a forest and a series of waterfalls to admire, this is a great place for a quick stop.
- **Applecross Beach** – With hills on 3 sides and the sea out front this beach gives an escape to modern life.
- **Sealife Glass Bottom Boat** – Fish, wildlife and birds are all part of the glass bottom boat and to spot a fish gives real excitement.
- **Firemore Beach** – Unspoilt sandy beach with a maze of paths and home to many exotic plants.
- **Gruinard Island** – In 1942 it was a bio-weapons testing site. Access was forbidden until recently due to the risk of catching Anthrax
- **Ardessie Falls** – A short but steep walk to see the beautiful Ardessie Falls.
- **Ullapool Museum** – Made out of the old church where many of the historical events happened
- **North West Highlands Geopark** – The Geopark contains a landscape of world class quality with significance and importance.
- **Inchnadamph Bone Caves** – These are a series of small openings in the side of a hill and can be very small so be cautious!
- **Drumbeg Viewpoint** – A mass of islands with a helpful map to see which island you are looking at.
- **Smoo Cave** – A single cave opening with ridges along the outside that people commonly scratch their names on.
- **Strathnaver Museum**- As an old church it is filled with many religious objects and also the history about the surrounding area.
- **Dunnet Head Lighthouse** – This is the most northerly point on mainland Scotland and it is 2.35 miles further than John 'O' Groats.
- **Noss Head Lighthouse** – The lighthouse looks over a large cliff with dangerous rocks.
- **Dunrobin Castle** – This castle has many different aspects such as having gardens and a museum, it also has an incredible view all round.
- **Dingwall Museum** – Dingwall Museum found many local artefacts and fascinating tales of human exploits

Funnily enough the official blurb (above) doesn't mention one of Scotland's most incredible roads, namely Bealach na Bà or the Pass of the Cattle for monoglot sassenachs. It is a winding, single track road through the mountains of the Applecross peninsula, in Wester Ross. The historic mountain pass was built in 1822 and is engineered similarly to roads through the great mountain passes in the Alps, with very tight hairpin bends that switch back and forth up the hillside and gradients that approach 20%. It boasts the steepest ascent of any road climb in the UK, rising from sea level at Applecross to 626 metres (2,054 ft), and is the third highest road in Scotland. The road is unsuitable for learner drivers, large vehicles and motorhomes. Hurrah!

Source: <https://www.motorcyclescotland.com/routes/north-coast-500/>

See also: <http://www.northcoast500.com/>

# 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 \(kevtuner59@sky.com\)](mailto:kevtuner59@sky.com) or 07796 954004

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	£
Colour required:					TO PAY	£
<b>PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED WITH ORDER</b>						

**All the gear, all the time...**



# DIARY OF EVENTS

It would not do for members to be left thinking “nowhere to ride today”!

The Sunday Morning Group Observed run and the Social Runs are open to all members and also to 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 also have an individual assessment ride. The runs last around 2 hours, usually with a mid-point refreshment stop, starting at the venues listed below.

Members are of course, free to group up as they feel fit and embark on a purely social run without any “observing” - merely enjoying the opportunity to ride with fellow like-minded bikers, with this aim in mind, there are also some biking and events of general interest included in the diary. Don't forget that a lot of these events are susceptible changes in circumstances like the weather, so do check with the organisers before setting out.

If you have any events that might be of interest to the membership, please don't hesitate to send them in for inclusion to [chainlincs@uwclub.net](mailto:chainlincs@uwclub.net).

Our traditional starting venues are:

**Ancholme Leisure Centre, Scawby Brook, Brigg, DN20 9JH      South side of A18**

**Willingham Woods Picnic Site, LN8 3RQ      East of Market Rasen A631**

**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. Do 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.**

The editor gratefully acknowledges sources of information used in these listings:

<http://nandsjervis.wixsite.com/fuel-to-noise>

<https://www.lincolnshirebikenights.co.uk/>

<https://lincsbikers.co.uk/>

<http://www.thebikerguide.co.uk/>

<https://www.bikerandbike.co.uk>



## APRIL

Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> - Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Auto 66 Club Bike Championships</i> Cadwell Park Circuit, Louth, Lincolnshire, LN11 9S <a href="http://www.cadwellpark.co.uk/">http://www.cadwellpark.co.uk/</a>
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> – Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup>	<i>The Daft Way Up</i> - a week-long Lands End to John O' Groats ride on 'inappropriate' motorcycles to raise funds for MAG and Macmillan Cancer Support. To meet the riders, see <a href="https://www.facebook.com/daftwayup/">https://www.facebook.com/daftwayup/</a>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Easter Monday bank holiday</b>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>SBC 10th Annual Egg Run</i> 10.00am at the Hungry Horse (Old Farmhouse, Scunthorpe) Doncaster Road, DN15 8TE for a run to Scunthorpe Hospital Children's ward. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/360053714473227/">https://www.facebook.com/events/360053714473227/</a>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Monthly evening meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm</b>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> - sports – The Fox Inn, Ulceby, cruisers – The Salutation Inn, Nettleton - <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Kickback</i> , Stoneleigh Warwickshire, an independent exhibition and showcase for contemporary customs and modified classics - street customs - modified classics – gear - stunt show - shed jumble. <a href="https://www.thecustomshow.com/kickback-stoneleigh-park">https://www.thecustomshow.com/kickback-stoneleigh-park</a>
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Group Observed Run - Willingham Woods Picnic Area near kiosk</b> <b>Meet 9.00am for prompt 9.30am start</b>
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>'Normous Newark Autojumble</i> The Showground, Drove Lane, Winthorpe, Newark, Nottinghamshire, NG24 2NY £7 admission from 10.00am
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Lincolnshire advanced Motorcyclists open day</b> The Waddington Aircraft Viewing Enclosure (The WAVE), LN5 9FG, 10.00-16.00 All welcome, and help requested to take peoples details, allocate Observers and just chat to the punters.
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>North Lincolnshire Classic Motorcycle Club Trial</i> 10.30am Walcot Hillside – North of Scunthorpe between Walcot and Burton upon Stather - <a href="https://northlincsclassicismotorcycleclub.wordpress.com/trials-locations/">https://northlincsclassicismotorcycleclub.wordpress.com/trials-locations/</a>
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>The Yorkshire Waterways Museum Bi-Annual Motorbike Show</i> , Dutch River Side, DN14 5TB Goole <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/1987348501519689/">https://www.facebook.com/events/1987348501519689/</a>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Monday Night Bike Night at Woody's Bar &amp; Lakeview Restaurant</i> Woodland Waters, Willoughby Road, Ancaster, Grantham, NG32 3RT. This event is every Monday night until the 24 <sup>th</sup> September. The evening starts at 6.30pm. <a href="http://woodysbar.co.uk/bike-night/">http://woodysbar.co.uk/bike-night/</a>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Committee Meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen. Prompt start at 7.45pm</b>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	<i>David Crampton: On &amp; Off-road m/c adventures on several continents</i> 20:00–21:30 Lincolnshire RoSPA. Louth Methodist Church Hall, 2 Nichol Hill, Louth LN11 9NQ <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/107447393370982/">https://www.facebook.com/events/107447393370982/</a>
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> - sports – The Axe and Cleaver, North Somercotes, cruisers The Shires, Gainsthorpe - <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>

- Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> *Acklams Beta Ladies & Girls British Championship Trial*, The Lincoln Motor Cycle and Car Club Ltd, Lincolnshire Trials Park, Hatcliffe near Grimsby DN37 0SW. Signposted from the B1203. <http://www.lincolnmotorsport.co.uk>
- Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> 6-2, *Start Your Engines ! #08*, Complexe Sportif, rue du Pilbois, 62240 Desvres, Pas-de-Calais “*Le rendez-vous de la becanne à l'ancienne, Pieguese, Bruyante et caractérielle*”, with evening meal, concert, breakfast and a ride out.  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/369261216885915/>
- Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> **Annual Associates Only Ride Out.** This ride is a social event and open to Associates only. The purpose being a no pressure fun ride where the Associates have a chance to meet each other for a chat/ride/coffee/cake etc. We will be leaving the WAVE Sentry Box cafe, A15 Waddington LN5 9FG, opposite the Vulcan at 10.00, so get there early for bacon butties! There will be a halfway refreshment stop and we aim to be back at the WAVE for around 14.30 for more food / drink! Any queries please contact Jerry or Roland (details in the Committee Information section).
- Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> *Hinman Cup Trial*, The Lincoln Motor Cycle and Car Club Ltd Lincolnshire Trials Park, Hatcliffe near Grimsby DN37 0SW. Signposted from the B1203.  
<http://www.lincolnmotorsport.co.uk>
- Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> *Motorcycle Theft Awareness Ride*, Priory Park - Park & Ride, Hull, HU4 7DY 9.00am gates open, 10.00am start. <https://www.facebook.com/events/151052148916411/>
- Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> *Straight Line Sprint* by Straightliners Ltd East Kirkby Airfield, Hagnaby Rd, PE23 4BP  
<https://straightlinersonline.co.uk/>
- Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> *Prescott Bike Fest*, Prescott Hill Climb, Gotherington, Cheltenham, GL52 9RD. On Sunday, meet at Newark Friendly Farmer by the petrol station, junction of A46 / A17 to leave at 8.00am. Details: Dave Hall 01522 274989 <https://www.prescottbikefestival.co.uk/>
- Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> *British Historic Bike Racing*. Mallory Park, Kirkby Mallory, Leicestershire, LE9 7QE. Everything from Vintage machines to 1980's Superbikes. For more information see [www.britishhistoricracingclub.co.uk](http://www.britishhistoricracingclub.co.uk) or <https://www.malloryparkcircuit.com/>
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> *Top Speed Tuesday* Elvington Airfield 10 Halifax Way, York YO41 4XW This event is for anyone who wishes to have a go at Top Speed. <https://straightlinersonline.co.uk/>
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> *Sportsbikeshop Monthly Bike Night*, Hereward Close, Kirton, nr Boston, PE20 1QS 17.00 - launch night, with a live band, on-site catering and a free raffle for all who arrive by bike. Will run on the third Tuesday of every month.  
<https://www.facebook.com/SPORTSBIKESHOP.co.uk/>
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> *Lincolnshire Bike Nights* - sports – The Nags Head, Middle Rasen, cruisers – Stag's Head, Knaith Park - [www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk](http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk)
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup>- Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> *National Youthbike Charity's Fat Skeleton Blues and Bikes Weekend* Cabourne Parva, nr Caistor, Lincs LN7 6DR <http://www.fatskeletonbluesandbikes.com/>
- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> *The 38th Carole Nash International Classic MotorCycle Show*, Staffordshire County Showground, Weston Rd, Stafford, Staffordshire ST18 0BD,  
<http://www.classicbikeshows.com/event/carole-nash-international-classic-motorcycle-show/>
- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> *MAG demonstration – Motorcycles Matter* London – demonstration against the imposition of a £12.50/day pollution charge on motorcycles in city centres.  
[www.facebook.com/MotorcycleactionGroup](http://www.facebook.com/MotorcycleactionGroup)

- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> *No Limits Club Bike Championships* - endurance racing at Cadwell Park Circuit, Louth, Lincolnshire, LN11 9S <http://www.cadwellpark.co.uk/> and <http://www.nolimitsracing.co.uk/>
- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> *The 38th Carole Nash International Classic Motor Cycle Show* Staffordshire County Showground, Weston Rd, Stafford, Staffordshire ST18 0BD, <http://www.classicbikeshows.com/event/carole-nash-international-classic-motorcycle-show/>
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> **Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers**  
Venue, LK2 Offices, Deepdale Enterprise Park, Nettleham LN2 2LL at 7.45pm  
For information contact Jerry Neale (details in the Committee Information section)
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> *Lincolnshire Bike Nights* - sports – Black Bull Inn, East Halton, cruisers – The Nags Head, Wooton - [www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk](http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk)
- Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> *Lincoln Autojumble* 6.30am – 12.30pm Hemswell - no admission charge, only a parking charge of £2 per car (no mention of bikes)
- Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> *BMCRC Club Bike Championships* Cadwell Park Circuit, Louth, Lincolnshire, LN11 9S <http://www.cadwellpark.co.uk/>

## MAY

- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> *Lincolnshire Bike Nights* - sports –Tyrwhitt Arms, Short Ferry, cruisers – Adam & Eve, Wragby - [www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk](http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk)
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> *IAM Motorcycle Skills Day, Thruxton Circuit, Andover, Hampshire, SP11 8PW* <https://www.iamroadsmart.com/campaign-pages/end-customer-campaigns/skillsday>
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> **Star Wars Day**
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> *The Taffy Dakar*, The Ancient Briton, Pen Y Cae Lodge, Brecon Road, Swansea SA9 1YY. A motorcycle orienteering exercise, traversing legal roads which the Welsh community have ridden for years. <http://www.taffydakar.org.uk/>
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> *BMAD (Bikers make a difference) Bike Festival 2018* – bikes, music and beer charity fundraiser festival, Eastern Esplanade, Paignton, Devon, TQ4 6BW [www.bmad.co.uk](http://www.bmad.co.uk)
- Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> *International Female Ride Day* - Celebrating the social, economic, cultural and motorsport achievements of women riders; increasing visibility and awareness helping to drive positive change for women, no matter the activity <http://motoress.com/international-female-ride-day/>
- Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> *5th annual Prickwillow Classic Motorbike and cycle show* Prickwillow Engine Museum, Main Street, Prickwillow, Ely, Cambs. CB7 4UN. Annual event held at this fenland museum show-casing bikes down the years. Trophy for best in show. 10:30 to 16:30. [www.prickwillowmuseum.com](http://www.prickwillowmuseum.com)
- Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> & Monday 7<sup>th</sup> *Notts Classic Car & Motorcycle Show* Thoresby Park, Thoresby Courtyard, Nr Ollerton NG22 9EP 10am-4pm <http://www.classicshows.org/notts-classic-car-motorcycle-show-sunday-6th-monday-7th-may-2018/>
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> *Into The Valley* - Home Farm Barns Sledmere. Driffield YO25 3XG - rally organised by Yorkshire MAG <http://www.mapevents.co.uk/>

Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Wolds Run 2018</i> - in aid Of Lincs/Notts Air Ambulance. "An exhilarating ride-out over the glorious Lincolnshire Wolds". Starting from the Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage Centre at East Kirkby, Spilsby PE23 4DE. Signing on starts at 08.30 am. Ride Out starts at approx. 10.30 am. Entry forms available from <a href="http://www.carrotcycles.co.uk">www.carrotcycles.co.uk</a> and Skellingthorpe motorcycle club ( <a href="http://www.skellingthorpe-motorcycleclub.org.uk/">http://www.skellingthorpe-motorcycleclub.org.uk/</a> ).
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup>	<i>North Lincolnshire Classic Motorcycle Club Trial</i> 10.30am, Manton Quarry – Just off the A15 between Kirton Lindsey and Scunthorpe. Postcode DN21 4JT
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Scarborough Festival of Speed</i> Oliver's Mount, YO11 2UG – 2 miles south of Scarborough town centre, Signed from A170 and A165 <a href="http://auto66.com/festival-of-speed-2018/">http://auto66.com/festival-of-speed-2018/</a>
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Early May bank holiday</b>
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Monthly evening meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm</b>
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> - sports –The Cross Keys, Fulstow, cruisers –Haven Inn, Barrow Haven - <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Ride to the Triumph Factory Visitor Experience, Hinkley – this is the new museum. Free Entry. Meet at Newark Friendly Farmer by the petrol station, junction of A46 / A17 to leave at 10.00am. Details: Dave Hall 01522 274989</i></b>
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Group Observed Run - Hartsholme Country Park café area</b> <b>Meet 9.00am for 9.30am prompt start</b>
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Inspire Ride 2018</i> – ride-in event at the International Bomber Command Centre, Canwick Hill, Lincoln, LN4 2RF. £10 entry raises money for the IBCC, the RAF Benevolent Fund and Motorcycle Outreach <a href="https://inspirelincoln.org.uk/">https://inspirelincoln.org.uk/</a>
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Saltfleet Classic vehicle show</i> Saltfleet Sports Field, Louth Road, Saltfleet, Lincs, LN11 7SB. Individual and Club stands for classic bikes, cars, commercial and agricultural vehicles pre-2000. Autojumble pitches available at £5 on the day. Entry £1 a head. Exhibitor's vehicles driver/rider and one passenger free. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/915275881961343/">https://www.facebook.com/events/915275881961343/</a>
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>NG Road Racing Club Bike Championships</i> Cadwell Park Circuit, Louth, Lincolnshire, LN11 9S <a href="http://www.cadwellpark.co.uk/">http://www.cadwellpark.co.uk/</a>
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> - Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>4hr Classic Endurance Weekend</i> at Donington Park, DE74 2RP, 4hr Le Mans start Endurance race, International Classic Grand Prix racing, Lansdowne classic racing from the 50s and 60s, drag bike demos, a classic and concours show and the opportunity to take part in Classic Bike Track sessions. <a href="http://www.endurancelegends.co.uk">www.endurancelegends.co.uk</a> and <a href="http://www.donington-park.co.uk">www.donington-park.co.uk</a>
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> - Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Pendine Sands</i> Pendine Landspeed Racing Club Speed Week, Pendine, Carmarthen SA33 4NY Top Speed Event. The distances competed on will vary depending on the course dictated to by the tides and the sand. <a href="https://straightlinersonline.co.uk">https://straightlinersonline.co.uk</a>
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Sportsbikeshop Monthly Bike Night</i> , Hereward Close, Kirton, nr Boston, PE20 1QS <a href="https://www.facebook.com/SPORTSBIKESHOP.co.uk/">https://www.facebook.com/SPORTSBIKESHOP.co.uk/</a>
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> - sports –Stag's Head, Knaith Park, cruisers – Yardbird's Rock Club, Grimsby - <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>



Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Emergency Blood Bikes Charity Golf Day</i> Kenwick Park Golf Club, Louth, LN11 8NY, £140 for a team of four, includes coffee on arrival, a two-course meal after play, and many prizes. Contact <a href="mailto:proshop@kenwickparkgolfclub.co.uk">proshop@kenwickparkgolfclub.co.uk</a> or 01507 607161 for Tee Time.
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Top Speed event</i> Elvington Airfield 10 Halifax Way, York YO41 4XW. 1 mile from a standing start. Official speed record breaking - £10 admission <a href="https://straightlinersonline.co.uk">https://straightlinersonline.co.uk</a>
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Loughborough Bike and Trike Show</i> - LE11 1NH, Leics, the Market Place will be filled with machines of all types - old and new, custom and factory <a href="http://www.goleicestershire.com/Loughborough/loughborough-bike-and-trike-show.aspx">http://www.goleicestershire.com/Loughborough/loughborough-bike-and-trike-show.aspx</a>
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Fenland Classic Car Show</i> . Great Whyte, Clock Tower, Ramsey: PE26 1HP. Part of the Fenland Busfest this show welcomes all classics, cars, bikes, commercial or agricultural. For more information contact Tom on 07563920526.
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	<i>MCN Festival of Motorcycling</i> -East of England Arena, Peterborough PE2 6XE - <a href="http://www.mcnfestival.com/">http://www.mcnfestival.com/</a>
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Vintage &amp; Caractère # 2</i> , Bike show 10.00-19.00, Free entry “ <i>Vous y trouverez un espace consacré aux deux roues anciens et à la customization</i> ” Le Square des Poilus, Cabourg, Normandy, France.
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> - sports bikes – The George Inn Brewery, Langworth, cruisers – The Rose and Crown, Upton - <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincoln Autojumble</i> 6.30am – 12.30pm Hemswell - no admission charge, only a parking charge of £2 per car (no mention of bikes)
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	<i>Isle of Man TT</i> - Over 45,000 Motorcycle Racing enthusiasts from around the world are set to converge on the Isle of Man for the world's ultimate road race. <a href="https://www.iomtt.com/">https://www.iomtt.com/</a>
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> – Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Thundersport Club Bike Championships</i> Cadwell Park Circuit, Louth, Lincolnshire, LN11 9S <a href="http://www.cadwellpark.co.uk/">http://www.cadwellpark.co.uk/</a>
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> - Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Trikefest</i> - Littleport Leisure Centre, Littleport, Ely, Cambridgeshire, CB6 1PU – strict 350 limit- prebook thro’ <a href="http://www.trikesrus.co.uk">www.trikesrus.co.uk</a>
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Spring bank holiday</b>
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers</b> Venue, LK2 Offices, Deepdale Enterprise Park, Nettleham LN2 2LL at 7.45pm. For information contact Jerry Neale (details in the Committee Information section)
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> - sports – Adam & Eve, Wragby - cruisers – Blacksmith’s Arms, Rothwell - <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>

## JUNE

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> and Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>MotoFest Coventry</i> 15 Queens, Coventry, CV1 3 DE - the “Edinburgh Festival” of motoring – if it has two wheels, ride it in and be part of this event- <a href="https://www.coventrymotofest.com/">https://www.coventrymotofest.com/</a>
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Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>'Normous Newark Autojumble</i> The Showground, Drove Lane, Winthorpe, Newark, Nottinghamshire, NG24 2NY £7 admission from 10.00am
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>North Lincolnshire Classic Motorcycle Club Trial</i> 10.30am North Willingham Near the junction of A631 and B1225 Springbank Farm, LN8 3RW
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Monthly evening meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm</b>
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> - sports bike – Foxhill's Institute, Scunthorpe - cruisers – The Red Lion, Redbourne - <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Group Observed Run - Ancholme Leisure Centre car park, Scawby Brook, Brigg Meet 9.00am for prompt 9.30am start</b>
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincoln BikeFest</i> - Brayford Waterfront, Lincoln between 10am and 5pm, Bikes can be parked for no charge along University Approach, Brayford South; in the NCP car park off Brayford Wharf East and at the western end of Brayford Wharf North
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Committee Meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen. Prompt start at 7.45pm</b>
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> 17:00–22:00 Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage Centre East Kirkby Airfield, East Kirkby, PE23 4DE
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Eckington car show.</i> Renishaw Hall Eckington Derbyshire, S21 3WB A large, midweek, charity car and bike show. Entry £10 per vehicle, Food and trade stands on site. 3pm - 8pm. For details contact Stewart 01246222777
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> - Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Bath Festival of Motoring</i> , Walcot Rugby Ground, Bath, BA1 9BJ - Saturday 10.00am to 5.00pm : Sunday 10.00am to 4.00pm - an eclectic display of classic and vintage cars and motorcycles £10, <a href="https://www.bathfestivalofmotoring.com/">https://www.bathfestivalofmotoring.com/</a>
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Bourne Classic Car and Bike Carnival.</i> The Well Head, South street car park, West street, Bourne PE10. A large family friendly classic carnival featuring cars and motorbikes made before 1996, <a href="http://www.bourneclassiccarshow.co.uk">http://www.bourneclassiccarshow.co.uk</a>
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Straight Line Sprint</i> by Straightliners Ltd, East Kirkby Airfield, Hagnaby Rd, PE23 4BP <a href="https://straightlinersonline.co.uk/">https://straightlinersonline.co.uk/</a>
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Sportsbikeshop Monthly Bike Night</i> , Hereward Close, Kirton, nr Boston, PE20 1QS <a href="https://www.facebook.com/SPORTSBIKESHOP.co.uk/">https://www.facebook.com/SPORTSBIKESHOP.co.uk/</a>
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> - sports – Haven Inn, Barrow Haven - cruisers – The Anglers, Saxilby - <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> and Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	<i>The Lincolnshire Show</i> - the Lincolnshire Showground, Grange-de-Lings, Lincoln, LN2 2NA. The A15 from the A46 Lincoln By-pass to the A631 at Caenby Corner is closed to all but Show traffic
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> and Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Dirt Diggers #1</i> at the Eddie Wright Raceway, Normanby Rd, Scunthorpe, North Lincolnshire, DN15 8QZ - a full night of professional speedway on the Friday evening, and over 25 laps of funky track action on the Saturday. Plus, an after-party. See <a href="https://www.facebook.com/dirtdiggersracing/">https://www.facebook.com/dirtdiggersracing/</a>
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>The Farmyard Party</i> Duncombe Park, Helmsley, York YO62 5EB, rally organised by Yorkshire MAG <a href="http://www.mapevents.co.uk/">http://www.mapevents.co.uk/</a>

- Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> *VMCC Banbury Run* at The British Motor Museum , Gaydon, Warks CV35 0BJ  
Open to Veteran & Vintage machines manufactured before 31st December 1930 Entries  
close 28th February 2018 <http://www.banbury-run.co.uk/>
- Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> *The 48th Beamish Safety and Reliability Run* - for cars, motorcycles and commercial  
vehicles registered before 1956. Beamish Museum, County Durham, DH9 0RG  
<https://www.beamish.org.uk/events/reliability-run/>
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> *Top Speed Tuesday* Elvington Airfield 10 Halifax Way, York YO41 4XW This event is for  
anyone who wishes to have a go at Top Speed. <https://straightlinersonline.co.uk/>
- Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
– Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> *BMCRC Club Bike Championships* Cadwell Park Circuit, Louth, Lincolnshire, LN11 9S  
<http://www.cadwellpark.co.uk/>
- Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
– Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> *Cock O' The North Road Races* including a European and American bike rally, Oliver's  
Mount, Postcode – YO11 2UG – 2 miles south of Scarborough town centre, Signed from  
A170 and A165
- Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> *10th Sunset 2 Sunrise Tour* - an overnight ride run by Bikers 4 Macmillan and leaving at  
sunset from Southstack Holyhead then traveling 256 miles to arrive in Skegness by  
Sunrise <http://www.bikers4macmillan.org.uk/overnightride.aspx>
- Wednesday  
27<sup>th</sup> *Lincolnshire Bike Nights* - sports – Ferry House Inn, Burton Upon Stather - cruisers –  
Three Horseshoes, Scotton - [www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk](http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk)
- Wednesday  
27<sup>th</sup> **Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers**  
**Venue, LK2 Offices, Deepdale Enterprise Park, Nettleham LN2 2LL at 7.45pm.**  
**For information contact Jerry Neale (details in the Committee Information section)**
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup>  
June- Sunday  
1<sup>st</sup> July *TankFest* the world's biggest and best live display of historic armour, living history, and  
much more at the Home of the Tank - The Tank Museum, Bovington, Dorset BH20 6JG.  
<http://tankmuseum.org/whats-on/events/bovevt63380>
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup>  
June- Sunday  
1<sup>st</sup> July *Drednortz's Lady in the Lake Rally*, Skipworth Arms, Moortown, Caistor, LN7 6HZ  
Prebook: £15, All rally usuals. Cheques/PO made payable to: Mr A Cooper  
41 Webb St, Lincoln, LN5 8DL 07818 874887 email: [susanluton@outlook.com](mailto:susanluton@outlook.com)
- Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> *Reg Phillips trophy meeting* (seems to be car based, but it is a famous venue) Shelsley  
Walsh Hill Climb, Worcestershire WR6 6RP. 9.00am start
- Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> *Lincoln Autojumble* 6.30am – 12.30pm Hemswell - no admission charge, only a parking  
charge of £2 per car (Motorbike themed)
- Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>  
– Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> *Hylton Cup/Peter Carter Trial*, The Lincoln Motor Cycle and Car Club Ltd, Cockthorn  
Farm, Scotton, Gainsborough, DN21 3HS - <http://www.lincolnmotorsport.co.uk>

## JULY

- Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> *Baston Car and Bike show.* Baston Event Area A15, North of Baston, Lincs. PE6 9PA  
large car and bike show featuring vintage, classic and modern cars and motor cycles.  
Public entry from 10am. [www.bastoncarshow.com](http://www.bastoncarshow.com)
- Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> *Crich Classic Motor Cycle day.* Crich Tramway Village, Crich, Matlock, Derbyshire DE4  
5DP. Owners of classic motorcycles built prior to January 1994 are invited to display their  
bikes during the day. <https://www.tramway.co.uk/>

Monday 2nd	<b>Monthly evening meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm</b>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> – sports bikes – The White Swan, Torksey - cruisers – The George Inn Brewery, Langworth- <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Boston Bike Night</i> – Boston Motorcycle Riders 16:00–22:00 - <a href="http://www.bostonbikenight.co.uk/">http://www.bostonbikenight.co.uk/</a>
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Adventure Bike Rider Festival 2018</i> Seals Farm, Chacombe near Banbury, OX17 2JR (just off junction 11 on the M40).Pre-book only. <a href="https://www.adventurebikerider.com/event/adventure-bike-rider-festival-2018/">https://www.adventurebikerider.com/event/adventure-bike-rider-festival-2018/</a>
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup>	<i>The Great Yarmouth Motorcycle Takeover</i> Yarmouth Seafront, Great Yarmouth, NR30 2EN. Raises funds for East Anglian Air Ambulance and starts at 10am. <a href="http://www.onthethrottle.co.uk/events/great-yarmouth-motorcycle-takeover-2018/">http://www.onthethrottle.co.uk/events/great-yarmouth-motorcycle-takeover-2018/</a>
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Group Observed Run - Willingham Woods Picnic Area near kiosk Meet 9.00am for prompt 9.30am start</b>
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Clumber Park Classic car and Motor Cycle show.</i> Clumber Park, Worksop, Notts, S80 3AZ. Now in its second year and expecting around 500 vehicles. Pre-booking advised for advanced tickets see <a href="http://www.classicshows.org">www.classicshows.org</a> .
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>The VMCC Festival of 1000 Bikes</i> , Mallory Park Circuit, Church Road, Kirkby Mallory, Leicestershire, LE9 7QE. Saturday - track sessions for road silenced machines, Sunday - track Sessions for racing machines. <a href="http://www.festivalof1000bikes.co.uk/">http://www.festivalof1000bikes.co.uk/</a>
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Carry on at the Camp.</i> Ramsey, Huntingdon PE26 2EB. Large Classic and American Car and Bike weekend. 2nd year of this motoring festival, featuring American and European Vintage and classic cars and bikes <a href="http://www.activeshows.co.uk">www.activeshows.co.uk</a>
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>ACU-BMF National Road Rally</i> – a navigational scatter rally - a road-based event for qualified riders. Test your riding ability against other enthusiastic riders on all types of machines along some of England's finest roads <a href="http://www.nationalroadrally.co.uk">www.nationalroadrally.co.uk</a>
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>North Lincolnshire Classic Motorcycle Club Trial Camping weekend</i> 3.00pm Walcot Hillside – North of Scunthorpe between Walcot and Burton upon Stather - <a href="https://northlincsclassicismotorcycleclub.wordpress.com/trials-locations/">https://northlincsclassicismotorcycleclub.wordpress.com/trials-locations/</a>
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Festival of Wheels</i> , Cadwell Park Cadwell Park Circuit, Louth, Lincolnshire, LN11 9S racing for solo & sidecar motorcycles, superkarts and cars <a href="http://www.cadwellpark.co.uk/">http://www.cadwellpark.co.uk/</a>
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> - sports bikes – The Salutation Inn, Nettleton - cruisers – The Nags Head, Middle Rasen - <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	<i>IAM Motorcycle Skills Day</i> – Ladies only with Maria Costello, Thruxton Circuit, Andover, Hampshire, SP11 8PW <a href="https://www.iamroadsmart.com/campaign-pages/end-customer-campaigns/skillsday">https://www.iamroadsmart.com/campaign-pages/end-customer-campaigns/skillsday</a>
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>	<i>22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Barton Bike Night</i> , 4-9pm, Barton Upon Humber Town centre, North Lincolnshire, DN18 5HQ.
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Parson Drove Custom and Classic Vehicle Show and Shine.</i> Parson Drove, Wisbech PE13 4LE. A good show for all classic cars and bikes, plus trikes, custom vehicles and commercial. 14 show and shine prizes, beer festival, music and family fun. <a href="http://customcarbikeandtrikeshow.co.uk">http://customcarbikeandtrikeshow.co.uk</a>



Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Classic Car and Bike Meet</i> - Earls Barton, Northamptonshire, NN6 0EP. 4:30-9pm. Large classic car and bike meet with food drink and trade stands. You'll find many classic, vintage and supercars, modern classics and old timers. £3 entry. <a href="http://www.classiccarmeet.co.uk">www.classiccarmeet.co.uk</a>
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Goodwood festival of Speed</i> Goodwood House, Chichester, West Sussex, PO18 0PX <a href="https://www.goodwood.com/flagship-events/festival-of-speed/">https://www.goodwood.com/flagship-events/festival-of-speed/</a>
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Sportsbikeshop Monthly Bike Night</i> , Hereward Close, Kirton, nr Boston, PE20 1QS <a href="https://www.facebook.com/SPORTSBIKESHOP.co.uk/">https://www.facebook.com/SPORTSBIKESHOP.co.uk/</a>
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> - sports – Ferry House Inn, Burton Upon Stather - cruisers – Three Horseshoes, Scotton - <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Skegness Charity Bike Night</i> – Skegness Tower Lifeboat Station, Tower Esplanade, PE25 3HH - 16.00 'til late in aid of the RNLI - <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/455777934517548/about/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/455777934517548/about/</a>
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike week</i> - Coastal events CIC officially supported by the British Motorcycle Federation & the Motorcycle Action Group - based in Mablethorpe, Trusthorpe & Sutton on Sea and kicking off with the Mablethorpe Bike Night (18th July) and finishing the following Wednesday with Sutton on Sea Bike Night (25th July) <a href="http://lincolnshirebikeweek.co.uk/">http://lincolnshirebikeweek.co.uk/</a>
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Taverners Club Founders Day</i> , Arena events, bike displays, autojumble and beer tent Stanford Hall, Lutterworth LE17 6DH – Theme 'Over Head Cam Motorcycles' <a href="http://www.thetaverners.com/founders.html">http://www.thetaverners.com/founders.html</a>
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Ashover Classic car and Bike show</i> . Milken Lane, Ashover, Chesterfield (S45 0BA). Large well attended Car and Bike show run by the local Rotary clubs. 10am until 4pm. <a href="http://www.ashoverclassics.co.uk">www.ashoverclassics.co.uk</a>
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> July	<i>Scarborough Speed Week</i> - includes demos, ride-outs, cycle races, star rider talks, pub quizzes, bike parades at Whitby, Filey and Scarborough town centre and sea front. The week finishes with the Barry Sheene Road Race Festival - <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/683849825147083/">https://www.facebook.com/events/683849825147083/</a>
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers</b> Venue, LK2 Offices, Deepdale Enterprise Park, Nettleham LN2 2LL at 7.45pm. For information contact Jerry Neale (details in the Committee Information section)
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lincolnshire Bike Nights</i> - sports – The Rose and Crown, Upton - cruisers – Ferry House Inn, Burton on Stather - <a href="http://www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk">www.LincolnshireBikeNights.co.uk</a>
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<i>IAM Motorcycle Skills Day</i> , Thruxton Circuit, Andover, Hampshire, SP11 8PW <a href="https://www.iamroadsmart.com/campaign-pages/end-customer-campaigns/skillsday">https://www.iamroadsmart.com/campaign-pages/end-customer-campaigns/skillsday</a>
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Bainbridge Hill Climb</i> – Sorrel Sykes Farm, West Burton Leyburn DL8 4UW <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Bainbridge-District-Motor-Club-435697799809788/">https://www.facebook.com/Bainbridge-District-Motor-Club-435697799809788/</a>
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> , Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Halfway Heroes MCC Leathered in Lincoln Rally</i> – Steampunk post-apocalypse bike rally at the Sleaford Rugby Club, Ruskington Road, NG34 8SP (A17-A153) <a href="http://www.halfway-heroes.co.uk/LandL.html">http://www.halfway-heroes.co.uk/LandL.html</a>
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Barry Sheene Road Race Festival</i> Oliver's Mount, Postcode – YO11 2UG – 2 miles south of Scarborough town centre, Signed from A170 and A165 <a href="https://oliversmountracing.com/">https://oliversmountracing.com/</a>

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> *Nostalgia Show* at Beaumanor Hall, Woodhouse, Nr Loughborough, Leicestershire, LE12 8TX. Cars bikes, and commercial pre-1997. Entry fee £5 a vehicle, site opens at 8am.  
<https://www.classicmotorshows.co.uk>

## AUGUST

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> *The Yorkshire Pudding Rally* – Escrick Park Estate, York YO19 6LB, rally organised by Yorkshire MAG <http://www.mapevents.co.uk/>

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> *Llangollen Motorcycle Festival* Royal International Pavilion, Abbey Road, Llangollen LL20 8SW <http://www.llanbikefest.co.uk/>

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> **Monthly evening meeting**, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> **Group Observed Run - Hartsholme Country Park café area Meet 9.00am for prompt 9.30am start**

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> *Graham Walker Memorial Run* 10:00am-6:00pm, veteran, vintage and post-vintage motor cycles of all makes built before 31 December 1940 will be displayed , Beaulieu, New Forest, Hampshire, SO42 7ZN <https://www.beaulieu.co.uk/events/graham-walker-memorial-run/>

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> *Brackley Festival of Bikes* see and hear some of the rarest, fastest, greatest and most beautiful motorcycles and a whole range of other entertainments, 10am to 5pm Tickets are only available on the day at £7.50 proceeds to various charities NN13 7EX  
<http://www.brackleyfestivalofmotorcycling.co.uk>

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> *Ilkeston Heritage Classic vehicle show* Market Place. Ilkeston, DE7 5QA. Town centre show for pre-1992 Cars and Bikes, show hours 10 am until 4 pm. Food drink and entertainment available. <http://www.ilkeston.biz/index.php/heritage-vehicle-show>

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> *Saltfleet Gala* Saltfleet Sports Field, Louth Road, Saltfleet, Lincs, LN11 7SB. Large village gala with sizable classic bike, car, commercial and agricultural sections for vehicles pre-2000 <http://www.saltfleetgalaandcountryfair.co.uk>

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> **Committee Meeting**, Nags Head, Middle Rasen. Prompt start at 7.45pm

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> *IAM Motorcycle Skills Day*, Thruxton Circuit, Andover, Hampshire, SP11 8PW  
<https://www.iamroadsmart.com/campaign-pages/end-customer-campaigns/skillsday>

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> *The Bristol Bike Show*, St Nicholas Market, Corn Street, Bristol Old City, BS1 1HT Free Entry. The Bristol Bike Show is a free motorcycle show 07906 877325  
[www.facebook.com/thebristolbikeshow/](http://www.facebook.com/thebristolbikeshow/)

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> *Northants Custom & Classic Bike Show*, The Bell Inn, High Street, Little Addington, Northamptonshire, NN14 4BD, OTG: £3 Trophies / Raffle / Real ales / Barbecue / Fine pub food / Superb country roads [www.northantsbikeshow.com](http://www.northantsbikeshow.com)

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> *Notts Custom Show* – NCC Notts custom bike and car show, £5 on the gate, Free bouncy castle, Newark Rugby Club, Kelham Rd, Newark NG24 1WN

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> *Sportsbikeshop Monthly Bike Night*, Hereward Close, Kirton, nr Boston, PE20 1QS  
<https://www.facebook.com/SPORTSBIKESHOP.co.uk/>

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> *OGRI MCC Summer Rally* Kemble Airfield, near Cirencester, Gloucestershire, GL7 6BA  
<https://www.ogrimcc.org/ogri-mcc-summer-rally/>

Sunday 26th	<i>International Lincolnshire Poacher Grasstrack</i> , The UK's only 1000m grasstrack, Thorpe St. Peter nr Skegness PE24 4NR - practice starts at 10.30am, racing from 1.00pm to 5.30pm- <a href="http://www.superspeedtrack.com/poacher.html">http://www.superspeedtrack.com/poacher.html</a>
Sunday 26th	<i>Lizard King Custom Party 6</i> , Origny-le-Sec, North Central France, “ <i>La lizard king custom party 6 est sur les rails, le theme de cette annee une journee autour de la mecanique avec au programme un run le matin avec arret apero , toujours la planche a burn , la musique , des goodies , des becanes plus folles , et nouveaute une moto a gagner a la tombola venez nombreux</i> ” it says here - <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/540290966422151/">https://www.facebook.com/events/540290966422151/</a>
Sunday 26th	<i>Hornsea Biker Event</i> Hall Garth Park, HU18 1PA Hornsea 09.00-19.00 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/132674837455455/">https://www.facebook.com/events/132674837455455/</a>
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> to Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Asylum Steampunk Festival</i> - Bailgate and Steep Hill, Lincoln, LN1 3AA - <a href="https://www.asylumsteampunk.co.uk/">https://www.asylumsteampunk.co.uk/</a>
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Fenman Classic Bike Show Wimbotsham</i> , Downham Market, Norfolk PE34 3QH £4 entry on the gate, <a href="http://www.fenmanclassic.co.uk/">http://www.fenmanclassic.co.uk/</a>
Monday 27th	<i>Warlocks Mc Scunthorpe 5th Custom Bike &amp; Car Show</i> Foxhills Sports Field DN15 8LH <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/2385943801431662/">https://www.facebook.com/events/2385943801431662/</a>
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>August Bank Holiday</b>
Wednesday 29th	<b>Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers</b> Venue, LK2 Offices, Deepdale Enterprise Park, Nettleham LN2 2LL at 7.45pm. For information contact Jerry Neale (details in the Committee Information section)
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> – Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	<i>Kustom Kulture Blastoff 2018</i> - Lincolnshire Show Ground, A15, Lincoln LN2 2NA - live music, kustom art, burlesque, rockabilly, steampunk and Tiki vendors and tons of traditional & kustom painted vehicles from across the country. <a href="https://www.kustomkultureblastoff.com">https://www.kustomkultureblastoff.com</a>
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> – Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	<i>Stormin'the Castle Bike Rally and Custom Show</i> Witton Castle. Co. Durham, DL14 0DE <a href="https://storminthecastle.co.uk/">https://storminthecastle.co.uk/</a>









## April's Mystery Object Competition

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	<p>Customised motorcycle seat re-covering / re-trimming service, altering trike and motorcycle seats</p> <p><a href="http://edblade.simpl.com">http://edblade.simpl.com</a></p>
	<p>Cylinder rebores, valve guide replacement, bespoke repairs, bearings</p> <p><a href="http://www.nrsec.co.uk/">http://www.nrsec.co.uk/</a></p>
	<p>MOT testing, repair and servicing for all makes and models of bikes, trikes, scooters, mopeds and quads</p> <p><a href="http://www.skmotorcycleslincoln.co.uk/">http://www.skmotorcycleslincoln.co.uk/</a></p>
	<p>Online and showroom retailer of motorcycle helmets, clothing, parts &amp; accessories.</p> <p><a href="https://www.sportsbikeshop.co.uk/">https://www.sportsbikeshop.co.uk/</a></p>
	<p>Triumph and Yamaha Main Dealer in Lincolnshire.</p> <p><a href="http://www.webbsoflincoln.co.uk/">http://www.webbsoflincoln.co.uk/</a></p>
	<p>Control and drive cables made from a pattern, drawing, or to fit your bike, ultrasonic carb cleaning, thread repair inserts fitted for spark plug and other threads.</p> <p><a href="http://www.carrotcycles.co.uk">http://www.carrotcycles.co.uk</a></p>
	<p>Musgrave &amp; Co Tools 5 Clasketgate, Lincoln, LN2 1JJ</p> <p>Phone: 01522 527088</p>



# THE QUEST FOR CAKE

One of the joys of observed runs is a stop for feedback, cocoa and buns. If you know a good local café, send details for inclusion to [chainlinks@uwclub.net](mailto:chainlinks@uwclub.net)

		<p><b>Wickenby Cafe</b> is based in the Control Tower at Wickenby Aerodrome. There is also a museum upstairs which tells the story of RAF Wickenby during WW2. Bike Night - Wednesdays until end of September. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/495019267369270/about/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/495019267369270/about/</a></p>
		<p><b>Three Kings Inn</b>, Saltersway, Threkingham, Sleaford NG34 0AU. It says here: <i>"a quintessential old English pub in traditional style with a balanced mix of local patrons, diners and tourists, creating an ambiance and atmosphere where everyone feels welcome and comfortable."</i> The MG car club meets here <a href="http://www.thethreekingsinn.com/">http://www.thethreekingsinn.com/</a></p>
		<p><b>Lincoln Bowl</b> - Washingborough Road, Lincolnshire, Lincoln LN4 1EF. Lincoln's premier bowling centre also has a café attached. Ample parking.</p>
		<p><b>Mount Pleasant Windmill Tearooms &amp; True Loaf Bakery Ltd</b>, 6 North Cliff Rd, Gainsborough DN21 4NH noted for stoneground organic flours, which are sold in their delightful tea room. <a href="http://www.visitnorthlincolnshire.com/item/mount-pleasant-windmill/">http://www.visitnorthlincolnshire.com/item/mount-pleasant-windmill/</a></p>
		<p><b>Sentry Post Snack Bar</b> Sleaford Road A15, Lincoln LN5 9FG, England +44 7540 752432 – opposite the Waddington Avro Vulcan and adjacent to the Waddington Aircraft Viewing Enclosure (WAVE) for a friendly welcome and notable bacon butties.</p>
		<p><b>Daisy Made Ice Cream</b> Lincoln Rd, Skellingthorpe, Lincoln LN6 5SA - Small farm with a coffee shop serving homemade ice cream, animals to pet, crazy golf and play area. <a href="http://www.daisymadefarm.co.uk/">http://www.daisymadefarm.co.uk/</a></p>
		<p><b>Pennells Garden Centre</b>, Newark Road, South Hykeham, Lincoln LN6 9NT – this is family owned business established in 1780 and has a large restaurant and tons of parking. Popular as a debrief point for those undergoing compulsory driver training (so I'm told) <a href="http://www.pennells.co.uk/lincoln/">http://www.pennells.co.uk/lincoln/</a></p>

## Powered two wheeler characteristics

Motorcycles excel in providing convenient, low cost personal mobility, which offers riders lower journey times, while generating fewer emissions and using less fuel. Thanks to their smaller and lighter profile, motorcycles occupy less space and cause reduced wear and tear on road infrastructure compared to other forms of transport.

### Economy of use

Motorcycles deliver efficient transport for individuals over time, especially in an urban environment. Motorcycles also often offer a low purchase cost. That, combined with a good fuel economy and low maintenance costs, delivers riders an economical means of greater mobility. This is one reason why motorcycles are the natural choice in many countries, with some national motorcycle fleets numbering double figure millions. Brazil, for example, had a circulating parc of 22.5 million motorcycles in 2014.

### Energy savings

Motorcycles are engineered for excellent fuel economy and help conserve energy. Motorcycles, being of lower mass than automobiles, require less energy to manufacture and recycle.



### Unique personal experience

Motorcycle use for leisure and sport has attracted many around the world for the personal benefits they can bring. Stress reduction, social interaction with others, the personal and economic perspective of motorcycle tourism and the pleasure of riding as an end in itself. All are cited as some of the benefits motorcycle recreation can provide. Motorcycling provides quality of life through: access to jobs and services, affordable mobility and the enjoyment of sports, leisure and tourism.

### Convenient Mobility

Motorcycles enable greater freedom of movement in crowded urban environments and their relatively small size offers advantages for reducing congestion and decreasing the need for large amounts of parking infrastructure compared to cars. Motorcycle use also reduces wear and tear on the roads infrastructure. Where other means of public transportation do not exist or are inadequate or inconvenient, motorcycles can provide an important source of personal mobility. Reduced commuting time also gives riders more time to spend with family and meeting friends.