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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 February 2019.

Please provide any copy to the editor, by **25 January 2019**

EDITORIAL



This month the festive pictures are courtesy of Paul Sample – check out <http://www.paulsample-ogri.co.uk/Ogri.html> for Ogri merchandise.

Although newsletter e-mail delivery is working well – 100% successful delivery of the e-mail notification, one or two people have been having trouble in following the embedded links to open the letter. There is no obvious reason for this, but I am still looking in to possible reasons for it.

It has been suggested that we move to a web-based publication – opinions please.

If there is anything that you particularly like or dislike about the newsletter, I would be glad to hear from you.

So, e-mail your thoughts and contributions to chainlinks@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 equally 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.

Enjoy your riding,

Nick

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CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER

Welcome to the last Edition of ChainLincs of 2018 and huge thanks again to Nick for putting it together. Thanks also to all those that attended the AGM and kindly voted back as Chairman. I will continue to do my best over the coming year for the Group, but the Committee and Observers do need your support. Simon Battram was elected onto the committee and as an event coordinator which is really aimed at providing more ride outs. It is not the intention that Simon will organise rides although he is obviously welcome to but to encourage the members to step forward and plan rides. On top of that we then need members to attend the planned rides. So, if you have an idea for a ride out and are willing to organise it let Simon know and we can plan it in for a suitable date. Let's try and get some more rides going, they don't have to be all day events but can be so put your thinking caps on and get in touch with Simon.

As usual the IAM had a stand at the NEC bike show but this year they were offering the advanced rider course for the bargain price of £99. This has resulted in 271 new members from the show. As of the time of writing we have had 11 of those! The result of this is 51 new members this year which is going to keep the Observers busy. Perhaps if the price was lower all the time the IAM would attract more new members?!

If you fancy being an Observer come along to an Observer meeting. Observer meetings during the Winter months are held at Emprocom Ltd, Bridge House, Scothern Lane, Langworth, LN3 5BH. If you need more details, please give Jerry Neale a ring on 07412 935333

Welcome to the 11 new members which are spread across the county and into Yorkshire and even one from Cumbria who plans to come to Lincolnshire to do her training! Hopefully meet some of you at social meetings or ride outs over the coming months.

Just one test pass during November- congratulations and well done to Tim Hill and his Observer Dave Ayres.

Good turn out on 11 Nov morning for the monthly Group observed ride. We had 9 members including two observers, 3 associates and a guest who is planning to sign up in the New Year. An observer and associate went off on a check ride, Dave Hall took 4 members on a ride towards Horncastle and I took a couple of associates, a guest and Will bringing up the rear for a completely random ride up and over the Wolds and we all met back up at Willingham Woods later. Great morning, sometimes raining, roads wet and muddy in places with the usual autumnal leave avoidance not to mention, pheasants, partridges and chickens!

The last Group observed ride of the year is on 9th December from the Leisure Centre in Brigg but leaving later at midday so don't pitch up at 0930! Hope to see you there.

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 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. Seven members of the Group have now signed up. 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).

Hope to see you all soon and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mick

Annual General Meeting

LINCOLNSHIRE GROUP OF ADVANCED MOTORCYCLISTS

(registered charity 1049955)

Unapproved Minutes of the 32nd Annual General Meeting

5 November 2018

The Nags Head, Middle Rasen

Errata

1.0 John Cheetham added to the list of "Apologies For Absence".

7.0 Election of officers - John Cheetham:
Should be Kev Hewson and Ken Rose

8.0 Election of Committee - Jerry Neale
Should be Ken Rose



MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

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

We have had thirteen enrolments since the November newsletter update, a warm welcome to you all.

Member	Observer
861 Andy Brookes	Simon Battram
862 Tony Glover from Louth	Kev Hewson
863 Mick Phillips from Sleaford	Dave Ayres
864 Kambiez Zandiyeh from Covenham St Mary	Ken Rose
865 Billy Spencer-Kidd from Bourne	Dave Ayres
866 Shirleyann Robinson from Lincoln	TBA
867 Jim Kettleborough from Branston	Will Field
868 Danielle Foster from Grimsby	TBA
869 Carley Hardwick from Brampton	TBA
870 David Matthews from Auckley	TBA
871 Trevor Nuttall from Waltham	TBA
872 John Kendall from Barrow-Upon-Humber	Malcolm Heaton
873 Gerard Williams from Waddington	TBA
874 Simon Tillet from New Waltham	TBA

There are two test passes to report since the previous newsletter listing, making twenty-three so far during 2018.

Congratulations on your success and a big thank you to your Observers.

Member	Pass Date	Observer
John Pittock	5 October	Phil Niner
Ann Cozens	16 October	Alison Millington
Tim Hill	10 November	Dave Ayres

The group membership is currently comprised as follows:

Full Members	113
Associate Members	39
Total Group Membership	152

I have omitted from the total those members whose IAM membership is not current.

Also, seven of the thirty-nine Associate members are currently non-active and have been placed "ON HOLD" until ready to resume.

That's all for this month, ride safely:

John Cheetham

ACTIVITIES

Ever changing road conditions

Malcolm Heaton dateline 4th November 2018



Out with Andrew today, good solid ride did well in ever changing road conditions due to weather, Test ride with John H then hopefully take test.

On the appearance of a digit in eth digital photograph, Malcolm notes "My arms are not long enough and I am not taller enough [for selfies], not like Simon, so I get unsuspecting members of the public"

Great ride out

Will Field dateline 4th November 2018



Thanks for a great ride out today Ian.

No sign of refreshment

Andy Gladding dateline 9th November 2018



Been on an observed .. observed ride with Malcom Heaton and John Wigmore great day "typical no refreshments " 🙄 🙄

Good signs of improvement

Simon Battram dateline 10th November 2018



OK, here are some pictures from today's observed ride with Andy Brookes. Andy got his book and it showed today. Things are falling into place. Good road positioning. We got off our bikes to walk bends to explain road positioning and looked up a long road to see where Andy was looking. Into a cafe for a brew and debrief.

Well done Andy. Good signs of improvement.

Keep it up! 😊 👍

Signs of bacon

Andy Brookes dateline 10th November 2018



Thank you, Simon Battram, for today's observations ride and thank you for the Bacon 😊 😊

Great morning for observed group ride

Mick Smith dateline 11th November 2018



Good turn out this morning for the monthly Group observed ride. We had 9 members including two observers, 3 associates and a guest who is planning to sign up in the New Year. Ross took Clare for a check ride. David took David, Philip, Mark and Addie on a ride towards Horncastle and I took Andy, Karen and Kev (guest) with Will for a completely random ride up and over the Wolds and we all met back up at Willingham Woods later. Great morning, sometimes raining, roads wet and muddy in places with the usual autumnal leave avoidance not to mention, pheasants, partridges and chickens!

just look at the cake

Simon Battram dateline 15th November 2018



Andrew, taking a break, just look at the cake, just to prove I am flexible as soon as the associate feels faint then we stop lol.

A mate from the old days

Malcolm Heaton dateline 15th November 2018



A mate from the old days, he wants to join the group with the cake eaters, but we have to change the name Institute of Advanced Chubby's...

Festive associate

Malcolm Heaton dateline 15th November 2018



Safe Biker Froggy is swotting up for information from his advanced rider course, for a ride out this weekend. IPSGA is well up on his list!! Froggy has a new associate as well.

Observer training

Malcolm Heaton dateline 19th November 2018



Out with John Wigmore Observer training, did a bit of everything, Weather was overcast, to heavy rain to strong winds to sunshine, John performed admirably, well done John. You see you don't need cake.

At the bike show

Roland Johns dateline 22nd November 2018



Seen at the bike show - Three old classics in one shot notes John Mosson

Packing 'em in at Willy Woods

Paul Dudhill dateline 24th November 2018



Not very busy at the woods this morning. Blood biker induction day for me. 😊 goal number 2 .

Another excellent ride

Malcolm Heaton dateline 24th November 2018



Another excellent ride on known test route Andrew is well ready for a first, Just hope nerves don't kick in, but he takes everything in his stride - well done Andrew!

Actual Black Friday bargain shock

Mike Day dateline 24th November 2018



After boring to death anyone who would listen in the last week about how rubbish Black Friday is, I've just secured an amazing half price deal on a Goretex jacket from Sportsbikeshop. It's bright pink and extra small but you've got to love a bargain!

(NB stock image used for illustration: Ed.)

Dry ride shock

Malcolm Heaton dateline 24th November 2018



A dry ride out with Andy Brookes today. Finished with a coffee, no cake at the Pink pig. Make sure you go in the correct cafe else they will charge you for a debrief! 😊👍

Good tweeks picked up

Simon Battram dateline 25th November 2018



A few pictures from our ride yesterday. Andy took the lead and we did a demo ride with debrief. Town riding and finish for final debrief and coffee. Cake will have to wait till next ride.

I understand cake will be at the observer meeting on Wednesday. I was saving myself.

Good tweeks picked up. Keep it up Andy Brookes👍



First Santa sighting

Simon Battram dateline 25th November 2018



Santa arrived at ours this morning and flew to St Andrews Hospice Christmas fair.

He is riding now to BMW to see about a new GS1250 test ride.

Cakes are ready for the observer meeting!!

First MCN sighting

Simon Battram dateline 25th November 2018



Motorcycle news was in the cafe they interviewed us about the cake culture among bikers. To be printed in 5 Dec issue, got some plugs in about the group

Nearly there!

Malcom Heaton dateline 30th November 2018



Last ride before test.

A first-class ride

Malcom Heaton dateline 30th November 2018



When you have done a first-class ride, then and only then do you get cake

DIARY OF EVENTS

The Sunday morning Group Observed 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 to hone /improve skills through riding with fellow members.

Potential members considering taking the IAM test may have an individual assessment ride.

Runs last usually around two hours, often with a mid-point refreshment stop.

Depending on numbers / balance etc., it is customary for different groupings to embark on a run style of their choice as they feel fit.

The main purpose is to have the opportunity to ride with fellow like-minded bikers.

The starting points are as shown below:

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. 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.

DECEMBER

- Monday 3rd Monthly evening meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 20.00
- Sunday 9th Group Observed Run - Ancholme Leisure Centre car park, Scawby Brook, Brigg
Meet 11.30 for prompt departure at 12.00
- Monday 10th Committee Meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen
Prompt start at 19.45

PLEASE NOTE there is no Observers meeting this month

JANUARY

PLEASE NOTE there are no formal events during the month of January.
However, that's not to say that nothing happens!
If you have any suggestions, please let us know.

FEBRUARY

- Monday 4th Monthly evening meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 20.00
- Sunday 10th Group Observed Run - Willingham Woods Picnic Area near kiosk
Meet 11.30 for prompt departure at 12.00
- Monday 18th Committee Meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen
Prompt start at 19.45
- Wednesday 27th Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers
For information contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)

MARCH

- Monday 4th Monthly evening meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 20.00
- Sunday 10th Group Observed Run - Hartsholme Country Park café area
Meet 09.30 for prompt departure at 10.00
- Wednesday 27th Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers
For information contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)

APRIL

- Monday 1st Monthly evening meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 20.00
- Sunday 7th Group Observed Run - Ancholme Leisure Centre car park, Scawby Brook, Brigg
Meet 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00
- Monday 8th Committee Meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen
Prompt start at 19.45
- Wednesday 24th Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers
For information contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)

MAY

- Monday 6th Monthly evening meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm
Those who wish to participate in the pre-meeting ride please arrive at the Nags Head for 6.00pm

- Sunday 12th Group Observed Run - Willingham Woods Picnic Area near kiosk
Meet 09.30 for prompt departure at 10.00 start
- Wednesday 29th Regional Evening Run for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers
Four separate runs to reflect Observer groupings.
For information on starting locations contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)
- JUNE**
- Monday 3rd Monthly evening meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm
Those who wish to participate in the pre-meeting ride please arrive at the Nags Head for 6.00pm
- Sunday 9th Group Observed Run - Hartsholme Country Park café area
Meet 09.00 for prompt departure at 09.30
- Monday 10th Committee Meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen
Prompt start at 7.45pm
- Wednesday 26th Regional Evening Run for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers
Four separate runs to reflect Observer groupings.
For information on starting locations contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)
- JULY**
- Monday 1st Monthly evening meeting, Nags Head, Middle Rasen, LN8 3JU (A631) at 8.00pm
Those who wish to participate in the pre-meeting ride please arrive at the Nags Head for 6.00pm
- Sunday 7th
- Wednesday 31st Regional Evening Run for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers
Four separate runs to reflect Observer groupings.
For information on starting locations contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)



MIDLANDS RIDERS CHRISTMAS TOY RUN

2018

SATURDAY 22ND DECEMBER

**RIDE & DELIVERING PRESENTS
TO THE CHILDREN'S WARD
AT THE PRINCESS
ROYAL HOSPITAL TELFORD**

**MEETING AT SHIFNAL SERVICES
@ 10 AM
LEAVING 11AM SHARP**

**50CC FRIENDLY
125 FRIENDLY
NEW RIDER FRIENDLY
MARSHALLED ROUTE
TRIKE, QUAD & CAR FRIENDLY**



**** PLEASE CAN EVERYONE SEE THE INFO AND BRING A GIFT ****

A note from WIMA GB - EAST MIDLANDS if you fancy a seasonal ride-out – see <https://www.facebook.com/events/138584323479795> for full details



Boston Motorcycle Riders
11th Annual Toy Run
To Pilgrim Hospital Childrens Ward
Plus For The Seventh Year
Charity Ride For The Womens Refuge
Sunday 16th December

Join Us At
Boston Marketplace
11.45am-12.20pm

All Donations
Welcome at the
Market Place
on the day, or
before at the
Hammer & Pincers



All Motorcyclists & Scooter Riders Welcome
Leaving From The Hammer & Pincers 11am
Breakfast from 9.30am!



Sunday May 12th 2019

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<https://www.facebook.com/events/781325025325026/>

John Harrison's Find the Motorcycle

- 1: What is the connection between Shakespeare's most musical spirit, plus the colour of the star Betelgeuse, and its constellation Orion?
- 2: Its capital on the Isle of Man, when the mythical monster takes to the skies.
- 3: Sweet potato has a surprise in the Sahara.

Answers in the February edition!

Ramble on - Cornering

Another article by Ken Braithwaite that has been printed in the Newsletter over the past years, here reprinted again, it is just as relevant today as it was when it was first printed; this one is from December '87.

This month we look at the subject of cornering. It is the part of motorcycle riding which can give the greatest pleasure or the greatest fear and danger, depending on whether you get it right or wrong. It is essential therefore to get it right. Everything must be planned and set up before we get to the corner. So that, having got to the corner, all we have to do is ride round it.

Principles.

1. Correct positioning of the machine on the approach side.
2. Right choice of speed.
3. Correct gear for the speed.
4. The machine to maintain a constant speed when negotiating the curve.

Safety Factors.

By the application of these principles, the following safety factors will be apparent as the machine is about to leave the bend or corner.

1. It will be on the correct side of the road.
2. It will be able to remain there.
3. It will be capable of being stopped in the distance the rider can see to be clear.

We are all aware of the system of motorcycle control on the approach to a bend.

Feature 1, of course, is to the near side on the approach to a right-hand bend and towards the centre line on the approach to a left-hand bend. This positioning extends the view around the bend. It extends the radius of the bend and makes a shallower curve.

Feature 2, speed, which should be such that the above safety factors are catered for, most important of which and often most neglected, is safety factor 3, and when we are talking about seeing in this context. It is essential that we include seeing the road surface in this, not just other road users, so that we can allow for changes in the road surface, the loose chippings, the wet leaves, the mud, the surveying studs, manhole covers, the things that fall off the back of lorries (at this time of year, sugar beet). The list is endless.

Feature 3, Gear. The correct gear must be selected for the speed. The gear selected should be such that the engine is capable of pulling the machine round the curve. Too high a gear can affect the stability of the machine.

The difference between cars and motorcycles in relation to this subject is that a car will travel around curves, balancing itself and its ability to go around is largely based on the design of the car. Other factors, such as road surface, camber, severity of the bend, tyres, etc, are the same for both, the rider of a motorcycle becomes part of the steering and suspension balance, when negotiating a curve, and it is this aspect which makes us enjoy our motorcycling, to feel part of the machine.

Ken Braithwaite

Cornering is one of the first disciplines of advanced riding that I like to tackle with my associates, I think that if they can observe the information around them and position themselves correctly on a country road, this seems to pay its dividends later in the Advanced Course. I use the same piece of road each

time, because it contains numerous kinks and bends, no two are alike and it is short enough to retrace after a debrief. The main faults are, their position for bends, most do not all the road available to them, not getting into position early enough and riding through the kinks as if it was a bend, plus the fact that they are usually not in the correct gear.

The following is with no opposing traffic or other hazards on the road. No two bends are identical to each other, so each bend needs to be assessed on its own merits, good forward observation and cross views are essential, which is looking as far into the distance as possible then back to the road surface in front of them, this gives you your riding plan, if the position is taken as early as possible, for the prevailing circumstances, this takes out the exaggerated line taken from the default position and is much smoother. For a left-hand bend select position near to the centre line of the road, with a right-hand bend move close to nearside as the road surface will allow.

Once in position, the main thing they have to concentrate on is the severity of the bend and the place they can start to see through the bend, maintain this position until the limit point of vision starts to move away from them, relative to their own speed. When they can see this happen, gently increase the acceleration; taking a curved line to the apex of the bend, on the right-hand bend use the centre line, not the opposite verge. If no acceleration is applied the machine will lose momentum and fall into the bend, if the limit point starts to come back to them, ease off the throttle until it again starts to move away from them, then apply more throttle again. When at the apex the machine will be pointing in the direction they will be travelling, so they can firmly accelerate away to take up their next position. This will increase their view and reduces the severity of the bend, plus it increases the stability of the machine.

If traffic or a hazard is present take a less pronounced position that takes you on a safe course and lose some speed, this will assist with assessing the severity of the bend. Your braking must be completed and the correct gear to accelerate away from the bend must be chosen before entering the bend.

On the kinks and slight bends that can be seen through, that is the road surface can be seen from verge to verge. There is no need to move for position as they can see the entire road in front of them, so a straighter line can be taken through the bend, not crossing the centre line if to the right and set a course for the next new position, whether it be another bend or hazard.

John Harrison.

OBSERVERS AND ASSOCIATE INFORMATION

The last Observers meeting of 2018 was another well attended evening with many members of the team travelling from all areas of the county.

It was a busy evening with many varied Observing subjects discussed throughout the evening. Thanks go to John Harrison for putting together an exceedingly hard quiz for the end of year meeting, and a prize for the winning team.

This month the Observer team would like to welcome James Taylor to the group. James will be working towards the IMI Local Observer qualification.

The team would also like to congratulate Phill Niner on completing the IAM Radio Skills competency.



Many of the team are still out on the road working with their associates. Valued skills and knowledge can still be gained when winter riding. Remember when scanning, that winter time gives us an added advantage created when some hedges and trees drop their foliage; USE that advantage to gain an early view of any potential hazards.

If you don't get an opportunity to get out with your Observer, use your time to increase your knowledge of your Advanced Rider handbook plus Highway code to make sure that you know your theory towards your Advanced test, and when you meet up with your Observer you will not only impress them with your knowledge, you will also very quickly be back on track.

Micro climates



Ice and wetness can linger in areas of shadow

At this time of the year, when we are keen to fire up the machine and get some miles in, it's often worth thinking about the possibility of Micro climates.

Take time to look out for Micro climates which can cause frost and wet patches to linger in some areas after they have disappeared elsewhere. Landscape features such as valley bottoms, shaded hillsides and shaded slopes, or large areas of shadow cast by trees or buildings can cause ice to linger and result in sudden loss of control.

Bridge surfaces are often colder than the surrounding roads because they are exposed on all sides and can be icy when nearby roads are not. Thorough scanning of the road surface, surrounding area and adapting to what is observed is essential for safe riding. Be aware that Micro climates can occur at any time of the year.

So, if you are planning any rides during the winter, consider a look at the Lincs county council gritting routes to plan your ride. If heading out of the county, consider looking for similar information from other county councils.

Gritting routes

The county council grits 1,869 miles of priority roads in Lincolnshire when road temperatures drop to around 1°C.

This includes:

- All A and B roads
- At least one road from each of the county's main villages to a major traffic route
- At least one road within 500m of all train and bus stations, hospitals and schools, where possible
- Additional roads depending on various risk factors, such as historic accident data

[View of the gritting routes map](#)

For the latest news on the council's gritting operations, [follow @LincsCC_roads on Twitter](#).

The Highways Agency is responsible for gritting all trunk roads in Lincolnshire, including on the A1, the A52 Grantham to Nottingham and the A46 west of Lincoln.

No other roads will be treated, except during severe snow or prolonged icy spells. We do not routinely grit or salt footpaths. However, during severe weather, we work closely with local organisations to clear some steep and well-used pavements.

There is no law preventing people from [clearing snow and ice from public spaces](#), when done carefully.

When we grit

From October to April, we work with the Met Office to monitor weather conditions around the clock and our 43 gritting crews are on call 24/7.

The decision to grit is based on forecasts for winter weather, road surface temperature, dampness of road surface, air temperature and humidity.

When we grit, we try to do so either before ice has set or once snow has settled so that it has the best chance of working. Be aware that high-purity white salt is not always visible on the road.

Why roads might still be icy

Even when we've gritted a road, it doesn't mean it won't be icy. This is because:

- It takes time for the salt to take effect
- High winds or sudden rain can take salt off the road
- If the road surface temperature drops to below -7°C, gritting becomes much less effective
- If the road surface temperature drops to below -15°C, gritting doesn't work at all
- Information courtesy of Lincs County council

Jerry

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 \(kevturner59@sky.com\)](mailto:kevturner59@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	£
PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED WITH ORDER						











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	Cylinder rebores, valve guide replacement, bespoke repairs, bearings http://www.nrsec.co.uk/
	MOT testing, repair and servicing for all makes and models of bikes, trikes, scooters, mopeds and quads http://www.skmotorcycleslincoln.co.uk/
	Online and showroom retailer of motorcycle helmets, clothing, parts & accessories. https://www.sportsbikeshop.co.uk/
	Triumph and Yamaha Main Dealer in Lincolnshire. http://www.webbsoflincoln.co.uk/
	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. http://www.carrotcycles.co.uk
	Musgrave & Co Tools 5 Clasketgate, Lincoln, LN2 1JJ Phone: 01522 527088
	Colin Willoughby Motorcycles Grange Lane North Scunthorpe North Lincolnshire DN16 1DE Phone: 01724 853300 https://colinwilloughbymotorcycles.co.uk/

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

	Wickenby Cafe 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. https://www.facebook.com/groups/495019267369270/about/
	Three Kings Inn , 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 http://www.thethreekingsinn.com/
	Lincoln Bowl - Washingborough Road, Lincolnshire, Lincoln LN4 1EF. Lincoln's premier bowling centre also has a café attached. Ample parking.
	Mount Pleasant Windmill Tearooms & True Loaf Bakery Ltd , 6 North Cliff Rd, Gainsborough DN21 4NH noted for stoneground organic flours, which are sold in their delightful tea room. http://www.visitnorthlincolnshire.com/item/mount-pleasant-windmill/
	Sentry Post Snack Bar 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.
	Daisy Made Ice Cream Lincoln Rd, Skellingthorpe, Lincoln LN6 5SA - Small farm with a coffee shop serving homemade ice cream, animals to pet, crazy golf and play area. http://www.daisymadefarm.co.uk/
	Pennells Garden Centre , 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) http://www.pennells.co.uk/lincoln/
	Clayton's Corner Main Street, Howsham, Market Rasen, LN7 6JZ - a favourite, lunch can be sandwiches which come with salad, crisps and homemade coleslaw. There is also hot food on the menu and a selection of homemade cakes and pastries. The staff are welcoming https://www.facebook.com/Claytons-Corner-Cafe-350859448434765/

	<p>Café Mews - Whether it's a hearty home cooked breakfast or a tasty warming soup you're craving our fully home cooked menu, utilising the best the local area has to offer, is guaranteed to fill the hole in your belly and warm your heart.</p> <p>Coffee Mews Ltd, A18,Melton Ross, North Lincolnshire, DN38 6AB, 01652 245001 email:contact@cafemews.com</p>
	<p>The Seaways Cafe welcomes all bikers, lorry drivers, walkers, cyclists, holiday makers and anyone else who wants a trip to a brilliant café. Telephone: 01377 288203 Opening times: 8 am – 4 pm daily Location: Fridaythorpe, East Yorkshire, YO25 9RX</p>
	<p>The Honey Pot Café Maltkiln Road, Waters Edge, Barton-upon-Humber DN18 5JR, UK</p> <p>Sit on the jetty to eat - over looking the lake full of wildlife. Great food and prices and very nice staff.</p>

