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## Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists

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

**Still Not Happening**

### Next Issue

The next issue of ChainLincs will be in May 2022

Please provide any copy to the Editor, by 26th April 2022

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Cover photo: The LAM team at Lincolnshire BikeSafe day

## CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER



Welcome to April and as I write (31 Mar) this the light snow we had overnight is thawing and disappearing! What the hell, it was 17 degrees last week! Anyway, fingers crossed that is it and we will be on the up again in a few days especially as a few of us will be standing around all day on Sunday at the Road Safety Partnership BikeSafe day at the Nettleham Police HQ trying our best to recruit some new members. Several of our observers will also be there providing observing support for the event.

We had some well attended rides in March starting with the observed ride on 13 March where 20 of us turned up at the WAVE.

Thanks to Alan and Bruce who led two of the groups we split into, one went Notts way and the other went south of the county towards Corby Glen while I led another group somewhere which I decided on the way but basically over the Wolds and back. Some great riding and nice to meet some new members that turned up. Thanks to all that came and to Alan and Bruce for the leads.

There were rides from two locations on 27 Mar, the WAVE and Barney's Cafe. I couldn't make it but from what could see on Facebook



a good turnout at both locations. Thanks to Ken and Will who led rides from the WAVE and Rob who led the guys from Barneys.

The next Group observed ride is from the Leisure Centre in Brigg (DN20 9JH) on 10 April. Meet at 0930hrs for prompt departure at 1000hrs. If anybody is willing to lead a ride then please step forward before then or on the morning.

The next regular social ride is on 24 April meeting at two locations, the WAVE (LN5 9FF) and Barney's Diner (DN38 6LB) both for departure at 1000hrs.

Hope to see you at one of the rides.

From May we also plan to have an evening ride on the first Monday of the month, keep an eye on the Dairy of Events in ChainLincs for details.

Looks like there has been a rush to sign up before IAM RoadSmart put the prices up on 1 Apr and we have six new members to welcome this month. They are Clive Brealey from Middle Rasen, Joshua Deville from Scotton, Martin Thursby from Collingham, Ash Behan from Lincoln, Phil Russon from Burton (Lincoln) and one other who due to his GDPR wishes does not want to appear or be mentioned in ChainLincs or on social media. Welcome to you all and hope to meet you at ride sometime soon. As associates you actively encouraged to ride as much as possible between your training runs with your observer and attending our monthly rides is a great way to help your skills.

One test pass since I wrote last month and he did not want his name published in ChainLincs or on social media but congratulations and well done to you and your Observer, Steve Goodwin. This was Steve's first pass and he recently qualified as a Local Observer, well done Steve. We now have 13 Local Observers and 12 National Observers. Congratulations to Rick Fox who also has just qualified as an LO. There are also two more in the pre-training phase and will start their training soon. We are going to need them as we recruited 12 new members at the LRSP BikeSafe event on 3 Apr. See article elsewhere in this edition.

The Observers are the backbone of the group, without them we wouldn't be able to carry on with our part in making safer riders. If you fancy being an Observer come along to an Observer meeting. Observer meetings are now evening meetings normally on the last Wednesday of the month. If you fancy being an Observer and want more details please give our Chief Observer, Jerry Neale, a ring on 07412 935333. He will be happy to talk to you.

If 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](http://www.iamroadsmart.com/fellow).

Please remember the new bank account details so if paying subs through internet banking this is the account to do it to (30-96-26, 67439968, Lincolnshire Group of Advanced Motorcyclists). From now on this is our preferred method to pay subs as it saves John a journey to a bank to pay cash in although cheques can be paid in through the banking app.

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). FaceBook is a great way to publicise events quickly and easily and also see what has been happening in the Group.

Stay safe

*Mick*

# The Bike Safe Event

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## LINCOLNSHIRE BIKESAFE

### BIKER BREAKFAST AND OBSERVED RIDE

As most of you will have been aware we attended the above event at the Lincolnshire Police HQ in Nettleham on 3 Apr. Organised by The Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership (LRSP) we were invited to provide more information to the bikers on the benefits of advanced riding and obviously try to recruit them.



The organisers said they had about 150 bikers have rides on the day and many came to speak to us with 12 signing up by the end of the day. In addition quite a few went away with leaflets and hopefully a couple more will sign up in due course.

I want to thank all the members that turned up on the day to help chat to the bikers and sell advanced riding – I think we all did a great job!

If I have counted correctly there were also 8 of our observers helping out with the rides. Overall there were about 40 observers including us, Police bikers, South Lincolnshire Advanced M/C, East Yorks ROSPA and some private advanced rider trainers.



All in all a great well organised day and as a result we have bolstered our membership but more importantly hopefully 150 bikers are now just that little bit safer out on the roads.



Next event we will be at is Lincoln BikeFest on 12 Jun. Put the date in your diary, we always need help on the day.

# Observer and Associate

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## Observer and Associate

As Mick mentioned, this year has got off to a flyer with 18 new associates looking to increase their riding knowledge and skills. 12 of the new Associates joined us from the Biker Breakfast taster session, thanks go to all the LAM Observers (turning up at -1c) who worked on the taster rides and LAM members that manned our stand. We will be looking to place all new associate members with an Observer as soon as we can so that you can get cracking with your course. You can get a good start by taking time to read your Advanced Rider course book and make sure that you have a copy of the Highway code.

This month the LAM Observer team would like to congratulate Rick Fox with completing the IMI Local Observer qualification.

## Space Invader

Recently you might have seen and heard the Government adverts about driving and riding too close to the vehicle in front. This campaign, was called the Space Invader. I quite often follow other motorcyclists who are riding far too close whilst following a vehicle for miles looking for an overtaking opportunity, remember to drop back to our safe following position if there is no opportunity to overtake. Let's take a closer look at our stopping distances;

Whether you're a new driver, rider or a seasoned old hand with many years of experience, there are times when you may be guilty of driving or riding too fast for the conditions, or too close to the other vehicles around you.

Following too closely to other cars, known as tailgating, is one of the biggest causes of road accidents in the UK. So, it's important to make sure you reduce your risk of collision by leaving enough distance between you and the vehicle in front, so you can make the most of these clear benefits:

- Having time to react and stop in time if cars ahead suddenly brake
- Allowing you a better view of the road ahead to plan your ride
- Reducing your fuel consumption – your riding will become smoother and you won't be required to apply the brakes every time the car in front of you slows down

## The Highway Code

The Highway Code details stopping distances in Rule 126 where it describes the two components which make up your overall stopping distance:

- **Thinking distance:** this is the distance you travel while you are deciding how to react to a situation. The Highway Code has given a simple formula to calculate this of 1 foot (0.3m) per

mph, which means that at 30mph you would travel 30ft while thinking through how to react. However various studies have indicated that, in a measurement of time, this can be as much as 1.5 seconds. This would mean the thinking distance in most cases would be over double than that stated in The Highway Code, and it's possible that at 70 mph a driver or rider would be covering over 200 feet (over 60m) before they even applied the brakes.

- **Stopping distance:** this is the time it takes for your vehicle to stop when you apply the brakes. Using the formula adopted by The Highway Code, it takes almost four times longer to stop a vehicle from 60 mph than from 30 mph. So, this means a vehicle travelling at 60 mph would need 240 feet (73m) in total to stop.
- **The Highway Code advises** that when driving and riding in wet conditions you should double your following distance. It also suggests that in snow and icy conditions it can take up to 10 times the regular distance to stop. So, remember to leave a much larger following gap in the wet or when it's cold enough to freeze.

### **“Only a fool breaks the two-second rule”**

The well-known two-second rule is a handy technique for judging safe stopping distances: this should be the minimum separation gap between you and the vehicle in front. However, when driving and riding at 70mph it's worth remembering that you will cover 205 feet (62m) every two seconds. This means you may need 315 feet or 96 metres to stop, so a three-second is preferable.

To ascertain what a two or three-second gap looks like, pick a fixed point on the road and count after the vehicle in front goes past it. This will help ensure you are keeping a safe distance between you.

Remember that any form of distraction might detract from your ability to react and will lengthen the overall time it takes you to stop. So, it's important to maintain your concentration at all times when driving or riding.

Factors that impact the stopping distance;

Weather, condition of the road surface, type of vehicle and the condition of your brakes and tyres can all affect the time it takes your vehicle to stop safely, so all should be considered for every journey you make, enabling you to make adjustments where necessary.

“Keeping your distance will make for a less stressful journey, not only for you, but also for your passenger and for the traffic in front. It's sensible to reduce the gap in slow-moving traffic to assist in traffic flow, but when moving at speed the gap should really be equivalent to the overall stopping distance or a minimum of 2 to 3 seconds, or whichever is greater in the dry.

*Stay Safe - Jerry*

## Members Tit Bits

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Hey – Members – don't be shy – share your tips with the group. Anything from hotel recommendations to coffee stops. Perhaps you could tell fellow members where NOT to go! Michelle loves to tell people about the hotel where her MT07 was stolen!, or her opinion of HardKnott pass!

Tips on kit – good deals for servicing or tyres – great roads – challenging routes. Come on – you know you want to.



Nothing here this month – no submissions – nada – zilch

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## Membership Update

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Six new members to welcome since the last update:

<b>Member</b>	<b>Observer</b>
985 Jim Kettleborough from Branston	Full Member
986 Clive Brealey from Middle Rasen	Bruce Whetton
987 Omitted by request	Steve Goodwin
988 Josh Deville from Scotton	Mark Gill
989 Martin Thursby from Collingham	Phil Niner
990 Ashley Behan from Lincoln	Roland Johns

There is one test pass to report, the second of 2022. Congratulations on your success and a big thank you to your Observer.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Pass Date</b>	<b>Observer</b>
Name withheld by request	27 February	Steve Goodwin

The present composition of the group is as follows:

Full Members	137
Fellows	11
Associate Members	25
<b>Total Group Membership</b>	<b>173</b>

It is that time of year when membership subscriptions become due.

If you don't receive a letter or email your membership is not yet due.

Those who normally pay by cheque will receive their renewal reminder through the post whilst those paying by Standing Order or Bank Transfer will receive their reminder via email.

Could those paying electronically please make their payment on or after the

**6 April 2022** using the following Bank Account details:

Lincolnshire Group of Advanced Motorcyclists

Sort code 30-96-26

Account No. 67439968

**Note that the old group account has been closed and all funds transferred to the account above.**

That's all for this month, ride safely:

*John Cheetham*

Members – PLEASE READ and COMPLY.

## General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

It is almost 4 years since the GDPR regulations came into force and as a group we have to comply with these. When a member joins we ask them to read, sign and understand the contract we have with them. They are also asked to opt – out of any clauses listed in the contract if they wish. These “opt-out”s are particularly important for the group as we have to adhere to members wishes strictly. A copy of the contract is reproduced below:

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Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists



IAM Group No: 7176

Registered Charity No 1049955

### Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists Contract Statement to Members.

Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists would like to thank you for becoming a member/renewing your membership with us.

As part of your membership contract with us, we will contact you with information on training, committee, and social events, together with newsletters/magazines relating to the Group and Road Safety.

Pictures, videos and written updates of Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists events such as training, committee and social events at which you may be in attendance or referred to, will also be regularly published on social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter etc, Group newsletters/magazines and Group related websites.

Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists also share your information with IAM RoadSmart in order to administer membership activities.

To administer your membership we hold the following data relating to you (destroyed when you leave the group)

NAME, ADDRESS, YEAR OF BIRTH (deleted once the IAM riding assessment has been passed) and CONTACT DETAILS.

Without the above you could not realistically be a group member as we would have no means of contacting you.

In addition Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists may hold your training record administered by your observer. When this information is no longer required it will be destroyed.

By signing this form you are consenting to the above.

*Options to withdraw from any of the following:*

You have the right to withdraw from receiving or participating in any of the following at any time by contacting: Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists. I do not wish to:-

- ☐ receive information on training, committee, and social events, together newsletters/magazines relating to the Group and Road Safety.
- ☐ have my photograph taken at any event and published in the Group newsletter.
- ☐ have my photograph taken at any event and placed on Lincoln IAM Facebook page.
- ☐ have my photograph taken at any event and placed on Twitter or Instagram.
- ☐ be referred to on any Group social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter etc, Group newsletters/magazines and Group related websites.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (in capitals): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please notify the Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists  
by email to or letter to: [lincs-am-sec@pobroadband.co.uk](mailto:lincs-am-sec@pobroadband.co.uk)

Group & Membership Secretary:

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Confirmation of any option to withdraw will be confirmed either by email, letter or phone call from the Secretary or Group Data Manager within 14 days.

By pressing the *reply button* an email to John Cheetham will be generated and will be proof of your consent to the above.

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As you can see the contact is quite detailed.

Many of you who attend group rides take photographs of the group, individuals etc., as well as placing selfies on Facebook etc to enhance the group social ethos. However there are some members who do not wish their photograph to be taken or be referenced to in any group newsletter, text or email.

It is essential that members ask permission of members present to have their photograph taken or be referenced in any group communication. This also applies to Observers who wish to congratulate their associates on passing their advanced test on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram or in the Newsletter.

There is no exception to this. If a member does not wish a photograph to be taken or be referenced then this request must be strictly observed. We, as a group do not wish to fall foul of these regulations.

I must emphasize that this is every members responsibility to adhere to members requests.

May I wish everyone a great riding season in 2022.

Phil Niner  
Group DATA Manager.  
March 2022.

## Diary of Events when Covid-19 Permits

Social distancing. Avoid shaking hands. Follow NHS hygiene advice. Hands. Face. Space. Motorcycles.

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**

**Waddington Airfield Viewing Area (WAVE) LN5 9FF      East side of A15**

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.**

### APRIL

Sunday 10th      Group Observed Run - Ancholme Leisure Centre car park, Scawby Brook, Brigg  
Meet 09.30 for prompt departure at 10.00

Monday 11th      Committee Meeting via Zoom - details to follow nearer the date

Sunday 24th      Group Social Runs – Meeting 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00  
Waddington Airfield Viewing Area (WAVE) LN5 9FF  
Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB

Wednesday 27th      Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers  
For information contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)

### MAY

Monday 2nd      Social ride leaving Caenby Corner truck stop at 18.15  
Informal get together so make your own arrangements on the night, regarding route, run leader etc.

Sunday 8th	Group Observed Run - Willingham Woods Picnic Area near kiosk Meet 09.30 for prompt departure at 10.00
Wednesday 25th	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 (See contacts page)
Sunday 29th	Group Social Runs – Meeting 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00 Waddington Airfield Viewing Area (WAVE) LN5 9FF Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB
<b>JUNE</b>	
Monday 6th	Social ride leaving Caenby Corner truck stop at 18.15 Informal get together so make your own arrangements on the night, regarding route, run leader etc.
Sunday 12th	Group Observed Run – Waddington Airfield Viewing Area (WAVE) Meet 09.00 for prompt departure at 09.30
Monday 13th	Committee Meeting via Zoom - details to follow nearer the date
Sunday 26th	Group Social Runs – Meeting 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00 Waddington Airfield Viewing Area (WAVE) LN5 9FF Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB
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 (See contacts page)
<b>JULY</b>	
Monday 4th	Social ride leaving Caenby Corner truck stop at 18.15 Informal get together so make your own arrangements on the night, regarding route, run leader etc.
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Group Observed Run - Ancholme Leisure Centre car park, Scawby Brook, Brigg Meet 09.00 for prompt departure at 09.30
Wednesday 27th	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 (See contacts page)
Sunday 31st	Group Social Runs – Meeting 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00 Waddington Airfield Viewing Area (WAVE) LN5 9FF Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB
<b>AUGUST</b>	
Monday 1st	Social ride leaving Caenby Corner truck stop at 18.15 Informal get together so make your own arrangements on the night, regarding route, run leader etc.

Sunday 7th	Group Observed Run - Willingham Woods Picnic Area near kiosk Meet 09.00 for prompt departure at 9.30
Monday 8th	Committee Meeting via Zoom - details to follow nearer the date
Sunday 28th	Group Social Runs – Meeting 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00 Waddington Airfield Viewing Area (WAVE) LN5 9FF Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB
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 (See contacts page)

## 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 several colours available, contact Philip Gilbert [pmgilbert7@yahoo.com](mailto:pmgilbert7@yahoo.com) or 07704 168227

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	£
Caps	Group Badge				£5.00	£
Beanies	Group Badge				£5.00	£
Colour required:					TO PAY	£
<b>PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED WITH ORDER</b>						

