

ChainLincs



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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 November 2022

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

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Cover Photo

One of our members on the way to this year's Ride to the Wall (RTTW).

CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER



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(Based on previous month) Another reasonably busy month for the group with tests and passes. In amongst that we had the usual monthly observed ride, an evening social ride, the monthly Sunday social ride, a midweek ride, Roland's test ride for the Ride of Thanks and the Observers teams training meets. If you weren't part of any of this you missed out but hope to see you at a ride soon.

Every month I thank Stuart and Michelle for putting together another great edition of ChainLincs and every month I ask for anything you have that could be included.

Thanks to those that have sent in items to them for inclusion, however they still need your help, it really does make their life easier.

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.

The new members this month are Suzanne Bolton from Sleaford, David Hooper from Scartho Top, Paul Morris from Bracebridge Heath and Leigh Hodson from Lincoln. Welcome to you all and I hope to meet you at a ride soon. Enjoy your advanced riding experience.

We have some committee changes recently. Simon Battram has stood down. Simon had been on the committee for a number of years so many thanks to him for the time he has given to the committee and the Group. He continues as a National Observer with the group so thanks to him for that, much appreciated. Joining the committee is John Bateman who only recently passed his advanced test. Thanks to John for stepping forward to support the group.



Rides in August started with an evening social on 1 Aug. Six of us met at Caenby Corner I led us across the Wolds and ended up in Rothwell for a well earned drink at The Blacksmith's Arms. Mission achieved as once again Phil Gilbert had no idea where he was!! Thanks for joining me guys.

The following day Will Field had organised a midweek ride to Flamborough Head. Only two others joined him but looks like they had a great day including fish and chips AND ice cream! Will

had posted this ride on Facebook a few days before but I never got around to sending an email out to all the members not on Facebook, sorry guys. Many thanks to Will – I will do better next time.

The next ride was the Group Observed ride on 7 August from Willingham Woods. Eleven of us turned up and Alan Pugh guided two associates, two trainee observers and six full members across to Sandilands and back to Wickenby Airfield so two brew stops! A useful ride for the trainee observers who were positioned behind the associates. Thanks to Alan for the lead and hope that Geoff wasn't on his own for too long tucking into that huge burger at Wickenby!



The next ride was Roland's test ride on 10 August for the Ride of Thanks which is taking place on 4 Sep. Four members joined him on what must have been a warm day as they had ice cream! There is a trend developing here.

Then on 21 August there was the social rides taking place from the WAVE and Barneys Diner. Twenty members were at the WAVE, they split into three groups led by Geoff Everard (he had finished his burger), Bruce Pettit and just to prove he could find his way around, Phil Gilbert. It looks like they scattered in different directions across Lincolnshire and even across county borders. Shame I couldn't be there.



Due to efforts of Simon Battram there were 13 members at Barney's Diner. The following was from Stuart Harrison's FB post 'In one group 13 bikes - a tad adventurous to say the least. We all got to Seaways (eventually) - good chat and a brew all round. Three bikes split off from there and the rest headed south again via the tour of Prisons - lead by [Michelle Harrison](#) with Mr H at the rear to collect stragglers.

Over 100 miles in lovely sunshine and dry roads. Varied roads and a great view coming down Garrowby Hill.'

Thank's to Stuart and Michelle for the leads and Simon for getting this many members at Barney's.

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.

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). We now have 147 members signed up to the Facebook page and it is a great way to publicise events quickly and easily and also see what has been happening in the Group.

Stay safe

Mick

Observer and Associate

The September Observers meeting for those that could make it was back around the big table at Emprocom. We were joined for the evening by IAM Roadsmart Examiner Ross Glover.



During the evening, Ross talked about the Advanced tests that he had conducted over the last couple of years. He also assisted the Observer team with guidance and advice to further improve Associate test results. Finally Ross, as a Masters Mentor, gave some insights into IAM Roadsmart Masters course. The evening was an open Q&A with Ross and many interesting questions and interactions were put from all around the table. Thanks to Ross for his time and all that could make it.

Skills fade is a reality, this is also relevant to our Advanced riding skills, having taken the Advanced test 5-10-.15 or even 20 years ago without taking extra training since then might lead to Skills fade. Sometimes this can be easy to see, but also something we might not be aware of as it has crept up on us over a period of time. As an Advanced rider we should always be looking to make sure that we are riding at our best and that we are still riding to an Advanced standard. The IAM Fellow program is a great way to keep your Skillset fresh, relevant and bang up to date. The IAM Fellow is open to all members and includes a three yearly retest. This is one tool that we can all use to eliminate Skills fade. For more details check out how to become a Fellow on the IAM web site.



This month the Observer team would like to welcome Paul Bentham and Ian Smalley to the team. Both Paul and Ian will be working towards the IMI Local Observer Qualification.

The Highway Code- 9 Months On

On the 29th of January we saw eight new rules as well as 49 revisions to existing rules introduced in the Highway Code. Now 9 months on how have things developed? Have you been putting the new rules into practice?

To recap, the changes implemented were...

Rule H1: New Hierarchy of Road Users

Drivers of vehicles that can cause the greatest harm in the event of a collision bear the greatest responsibility to take care and reduce the danger to others.

Rule H2: New priority for pedestrians at junctions

At a junction, drivers, motorcyclists, horse riders and cyclists should give way to pedestrians crossing or waiting to cross a road into which or from which you are turning.

Rule H3: New priority for cyclists when cars are turning

Drivers and motorcyclists should not cut across cyclists, horse riders or horse drawn vehicles going ahead when you are turning into or out of a junction or changing direction or lane.

We spoke to Richard Gladman, Head of Driving and Riding Standards at IAM RoadSmart, to hear about his experiences with the new changes, and what it means for the future of road safety.

“All road users should constantly consider their own and others safety, and the latest updates to the Highway Code highlighted the importance of protecting our most vulnerable road users. When driving and riding on the roads this year, I’ve found that pedestrians still tend to be reserved and allow cars to pass first as they are turning into junctions, but drivers and riders should consider pedestrians crossing or waiting to cross the road as a priority. If they are waiting to cross and we have real danger behind us then we would not be expected to cause a crash to comply with the changes. We can manage this by being more aware of our surroundings, and by slowing in or out of a junction whilst gathering information in front and behind us.”

“As drivers and riders, we should recognise that large vehicles need more space to do the simple things like turning a corner, and cyclists should also be aware of this. It’s important to note that the code still cautions against moving down the nearside of a vehicle slowing or indicating a turn. All of us should have been using a similar hierarchy in our driving and riding prior to the changes made earlier this year and have a good understanding of the vulnerability of other road users around us. Any efforts to encourage more awareness of the needs of others should be embraced.”

Please note: Many of the rules in the Code are legal requirements, and if you disobey these rules, you are committing an offence and may be prosecuted. You may be fined, given penalty points on your licence, or be disqualified from driving. In the most serious cases you may be sent to prison. Such rules are identified by the use of the words ‘MUST/MUST NOT’.

Stay Safe

Jerry

Members Tit Bits

Membership Update

Membership Update etc.

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

Three new members to welcome since the last update:

Member	Observer
1019 Gordon Scott from Bracebridge Heath	Bruce Whetton
1020 Mick L	Full Member
1021 Kambiez Zandiyeh from Covenham St Mary	Full Member

There are five test passes to report, making twenty so far in 2022.
Congratulations on your success and a big thank you to your Observer.

Member	Pass Date	Observer
Rhys Lackay	26 August	Morris Howe
Robert Radford	28 August	Alan Pugh
Stephen Ackland	6 September	Andrew Kitchen
Ian Coleman	11 September	Rick Fox
Clive Brealey	13 September	Bruce Whetton

Additionally a further four test applications have been submitted, this illustrating the commitment of our Observer team in the preparation of candidates.

The present composition of the group is as follows:

Full Members	144
Fellows	12
Associate Members	29
Total Group Membership	185

Please be aware that on 1 October group membership renewals will be due for membership numbers 952 to 974 inclusive. These will be mailed out with the option of returning a cheque by post or by the now preferred method of Bank Transfer to the group account. All necessary information will be on the renewal form sent out.

The cost will be £4, this covering the six month period from 1 October 2022 to 31 March 2023.

Subsequent renewals will then follow the normal pattern of annually (April to March) at the agreed rate (currently £8 per annum)

That's all for this month, ride safely:

John Cheetham

2022 AGM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by order of the Group Committee that the 36th Annual General Meeting of **LINCOLNSHIRE GROUP OF ADVANCED MOTORCYCLISTS** will be held at 8.00pm on Monday 7 November 2022 via a “Zoom” meeting due to the lack of premises to enable the Trustees of the Group (Registered Charity No. 1049955) to present their Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 for approval by the Group Members and to conduct an election.

Honorary Secretary's Name	John Cheetham	Date	01 10 2021
Address	26 Lansdall Avenue Lea GAINSBOROUGH DN21 5JL	Group No.	7176

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

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

CURRENT OFFICERS

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

Mick Smith	Chairman	Offering to stand for re-election
	Vice Chairman	Nominations required (post currently unfilled)
John Cheetham	Secretary	Offering to stand for re-election
Matt Hopkins	Treasurer	Offering to stand for re-election

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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

A. RETIRING BY ROTATION AND STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION

Jerry Neale
Phil Gilbert

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

None

C. COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT RETIRING

John Bateman
Phil Niner

Note

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

As notified separately, the AGM is being held at 8.00pm on Monday 7 November 2022 via a “Zoom” meeting.

Nominations are invited from Full Members to stand for Committee. The Nominee must be willing to stand for the Committee and sign the Nomination Form. By signing the Nomination Form the Nominee is affirming his/her ability and intention, if elected, to attend Committee meetings regularly.

Please note - You may not stand for the Committee if the law debars you from being a Charity Trustee.

Only Fully Paid Up Members of the IAM and of the Group may nominate Committee Members or be nominated as Committee Members.

This Nomination Paper must be returned to the Group Secretary at least seven days before the election – i.e. by 31 October 2022. (Group Rule 3.5)

All Officers and one third of all other Committee Members must retire annually by rotation and may offer themselves for re-election by Group Full Members. (Group Rule 3.4)

Those elected become Charity Trustees of the Group.

OFFICERS

Name	Position	Nominated by	Seconded By	Signature of Nominee
MICK SMITH	Chairperson			
	Vice Chairperson			
JOHN CHEETHAM	Honorary Secretary			
MATT HOPKINS	Honorary Treasurer			

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Name	Nominated by	Seconded by	Signature of Nominee
JERRY NEALE			
PHIL GILBERT			

Diary of Events

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(Remember - Covid-19 hasn't gone away)
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 9FG	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.

OCTOBER

Sunday 9th	Group Observed Run - Ancholme Leisure Centre car park, Scawby Brook, Brigg Meet 09.30 for prompt departure at 10.00
Monday 10th	Committee Meeting - details to follow nearer the date
Wednesday 26th	Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers For information contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)
Sunday 30th	Group Social Runs – Meeting 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00 Waddington Airfield Viewing Area (WAVE) LN5 9FG Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB

NOVEMBER

Monday 7th	Group ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 19.30 (via ZOOM)
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Email to be sent with link / login details for those wishing to participate

Sunday 13th Group Observed Run - Willingham Woods Picnic Area near kiosk
Meet 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00

Sunday 27th Group Social Runs – Meeting 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00
Waddington Airfield Viewing Area (WAVE) LN5 9FG
Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB

Wednesday 30th Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers
For information contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)

DECEMBER

Sunday 11th Group Observed Run – Waddington Airfield Viewing Area (WAVE) LN5 9FG
Meet 11.30 for prompt departure at 12.00

Monday 12th Committee Meeting - details to follow nearer the date

Monday 26th Group Social Runs – Meeting 10.30 for prompt departure at 11.00
The Homestead Pub, Canwick Avenue, Bracebridge Heath, LN4 2RS
Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB
"Come on, let's get out on Boxing Day!"

PLEASE NOTE there is no Observers meeting this month

2023 ALL DATES NEED CHECKING

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.

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 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	£
PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED WITH ORDER						

