

ChainLincs



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Lincolnshire Advanced Motorcyclists

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Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month starting at 8pm at The Bottle and Glass in Normanby by Spittal
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Next Issue

The next issue of ChainLincs will be in July 2023

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What's in it for you?

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Cover Photo

Great roads just waiting for you!

No doubt everyone has heard of the NC500, and many of us will have ridden it (several times in our case). Scotland also provides a similar touring opportunity in the form of The Crieff Cloverleaf! - <https://www.cloverleaf.scot/> - offering a great website, including downloadable GPX files, accommodation finder and much more.

CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER



Welcome to the June edition of ChainLincs. As you will have noticed there was no April or May edition due to some family and work commitments with Stuart and Michelle but hopefully we are back to normal and so is Michelle's Mum. My Chatter will cover the last couple of months although I don't plan to comment on every ride there has been!

The majority of you will have had reminder from John as April is the month the annual subs for the Group fall due. Kept at £8 for another year it is a great way of supporting your local motorcycle safety charity. It helps us to continue providing advanced training to Lincolnshire's motorcyclists hopefully making them

safer and reducing the number of bikers killed or seriously injured on our roads. A great number had paid as I write this but there are still a few outstanding so if you need to pay please do it, many thanks. Please don't put it off, do it now while it is in your mind! Bank details are 30-96-26, 67439968, Lincolnshire Group of Advanced Motorcyclists and please remember to add your group membership number as the reference to help John see who has paid. Thank you all.



For the social evening on 4 Apr Roland kindly came along in his role as an ambassador for the Air Ambulance and gave us an update on what's been happening in the helimed world. Many thanks Roland. There were 20 of us to support Roland and thanks to your generosity we also raised £95.50 for the air ambulance.

There were only 12 of us at the next social evening meeting on 2 May but we had a great chat and presented Adam Jacobs with his pass certificate after his pass in April. Well done Adam and congratulations. His observer was one of our most recently qualified observers and he was her first pass. Well done and congratulations to Julie Mendes as well, thanks for becoming an observer and hopefully you will mentor many more advanced bikers. Adam has been the only pass so far this year, hopefully a few more will be happening soon.

The next evening social at The Bottle and Glass in Normanby by Spital is on 6 June at 2000hrs. No speaker planned for June but we do have a couple of things in the pipeline for future months. The Bottle and Glass have also started serving food on a Tuesday evening starting at either 1800 or 1830 and finishing at 2030 so if anybody wants to eat before the meeting the facility is now available.



In the last 3 months we have had 12 new members join, one returning member and a transfer from another group. So welcome to Nigel Lee from Harlaxton, Paul Corbridge from Martin Neil Stone from Coningsby, John Noone from Lincoln, Martin Wood from Louth, Paul Dutchburn from Market Rasen, Simon Elwess from Heapham, Stephen Richardson from Saxilby, Joe Allenby from South Hykeham, Ian Welsh from Woolsthorpe, Viv Ford from North Hykeham and Peter Caldwell-Jones from Balderton. I hope you all enjoy your advanced riding experience. We also welcome back Don Ford from Lincoln who is also planning to requalify for his National Observer qualification. Good luck to you all and see you as a ride or social sometime soon. Gerald Krause has also joined us having transferred from another part of the country, welcome Gerald.

Plenty of rides going on over the last couple of months so thanks to all those that came along to the rides. Even bigger thanks to those that led a ride at the weekend or organised a midweek ride as there have been three of them.

At the observed ride on 9 April there was a good turnout of 17 members. For a change Jerry had asked Will to organise a ride using the second person drop off system and with that number of members it worked really well. Thanks to Will for the planning and leading the ride which was well organised and good fun.



Another ride of note was Will's ride to the Yorkshire dales on 24 May. Eleven of us met at Caenby Corner, after Will's ride brief we departed around 0930. The objective was the 'World famous' Tan Hill Inn, the highest pub in the British Isles and we arrived there a little before 1400. After a drink and lunch we rode across more of the Dales and then headed home arriving back at Caenby Corner around 1800. Many thanks to Will for the organising the day, it was a great day out and he booked some good weather as well!



The next Group observed ride is on 11 June from Willingham Woods. Meet at **0930hrs** with departure at **1000hrs**. If anybody is willing to lead a ride then please step forward before then or on the morning. It would be nice to see some associates there to take advantage of riding with a group or even going off on a one to one with a different observer than they normally have.

The next regular social ride is on 25 June meeting at two locations, the WAVE on the A15 opposite RAF Waddington, LN5 9FG and Barney's Diner, DN38 6LB both for **departure at 1000hrs**.

We now have in excess of 180 members so it would be great to see more of you at some of these rides, us regulars don't bite and we are a friendly bunch that it seems like to drink tea and coffee, eat cake and ice cream so come along if you haven't been before, you might enjoy it.

On 14 May we held a free taster ride day at the WAVE near RAF Waddington. Starting at 1000hrs we had somebody there for a ride just after we had set up. In the end we conducted 10 taster rides and recruited six new members although one of them was allocated to the South Lincs group due to where he lived. All in all a successful day. I want to thank all the members that helped me setting up and chatting to the guys that came for the rides, it made my life a little easier that day. Without the support of our great team of observers we can't do things like this so thanks to those that came on the day and conducted the taster rides. It was also a great opportunity to get plenty of members together for a chat and catch up. We were joined by the members that turned up for the group observed ride from Brigg so good to see them as well. This is a great group and it is awesome to receive this type of support from our members. Observers – don't forget you can claim for the mileage you did that day! If you want a claim form let me know.

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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.

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 135 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.

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 contributed recently, please keep the articles coming, it really does make their life easier.

Stay safe

Mick

Some snaps from the Taster Day at The Wave



Stay safe *Mick*

Observer and Associate

As the evenings stay lighter for longer, the LAM Observer team look to use the summer months of May, June, July and August to do our monthly on-bike training. The team which covers most of wonderful Lincolnshire is divided into 6 small groups spread throughout the county. Members of these 6 teams are working together to improve their knowledge and skill set, we also use this opportunity to cross-check each other's riding.

Welcome to the new Associates that have joined us recently, your Observer will be in touch soon to start your Advanced Riding journey. Make sure you have an up to date copy of the Highway code, and take time to read it, as part of being an Advanced rider also requires having a very good knowledge of the Highway code.

As an Associate, any extra Advanced riding practice that you can get in the better. The Sunday morning Observed ride is a really great opportunity to work at your advanced riding. It is free and open to all associates. You will meet many other friendly experienced members of LAM who are always happy to assist with advice about advanced riding. It's also a great opportunity to follow another Advanced rider and always a great couple of hours fun riding bikes! Keep an eye out for the dates in the ChainLincs diary, emails and our group Facebook page, and let's see you there, it is open to all!

“The clues are out there, we just need to look for them”

The new Roadcraft now makes more of the safe and effective use of information gained from observation. Riding plans are based on your observation skills. Observe and gather the information by continuously scanning the whole scene as it opens up around you, make the obvious observation links, to anticipate any likely hazards, and to identify the actual hazards, prioritise and grade the hazards in their terms of risk, then decide what the appropriate course of action will be, but always be prepared to re-form your riding plans if new priorities arise.



Good Observation is a skill that needs practice and concentration to master, things do not just happen - they develop.

When riding in the country make the scenery work for you, look for the clues, which way do the hedges bend, scan over the hedges, where do the telegraph poles go, look for the gaps at gates to see if any information can be gleaned, a car roof across the field could mean a junction around the bend. Also on the open road the faster you travel, the further forward into the distance you have to look, a vehicle seen in the distance over the brow of a hill will not startle you as it pops into view in front of you.

Observation is not about just looking what is ahead of you, but scanning from the distance, through all the intermediate area to the immediate road surface in front of your wheel. The information must be gathered from the scene in front of you, roundabouts, road junctions, lay-bys, bends, oncoming traffic, etc are all obvious hazards. An offside indicator starting to flash on a parked vehicle, a ball rolling across a path, an empty junction, a farm gate left wide open, are less obvious clues that something or one may become a hazard for us.



Likewise, loose gravel, and especially these days in Lincolnshire the pot holes and manhole covers are all better ridden around. Rear observations, whether lifesaver, shoulder check, or looking in the mirrors all must be taken into account as all the forward observations are possible rendered useless, be a lack of rear observation.

So, by constantly scanning and observing the road ahead for actual and potential hazards with rear observation, then grading the risks to prioritize the greatest danger, and putting a plan into action (OAP) your progress will be safer and a lot smoother. The clues are out there all you have to do is find them. So, the key to being an advanced rider is to be able to make good observations, act on them, be able to plan an appropriate course of action and still have a contingency plan in reserve.

Stay Safe, Jerry

Members Tit Bits

Some RT bits for sale.

Low seat – sculpted by “Core” in Nettleham (bike not included). £125



BMW OEM Sport Screen
The red taped line shows the difference in height. Great for the summer! £125



This is the low screen on my previous RT. (Bike not included)

I also have a pair of genuine BMW Pannier inner bags for the panniers on an RT or GT - £125 the pair.

If anyone is interested in trying the seat or screen for a test ride – just get in touch with Stuart Harrison (stuart.harrison@btinternet.com / 07548 248100) to arrange.

Roads, Routes and Rides

This section is for any of our members to share favourite Roads, interesting or challenging Routes or even GPX files with “mystery tours”. GPX files are the preferred file format for Garmin Sat Navs / Zumo / Tom Tom. I don’t think they work on iPhones but I could be wrong.

If you send a GPX file to me I’ll put on our website and link it here in the newsletter.

C’mon – you know you want to show off – and don’t forget to include your favourite cake stop too!

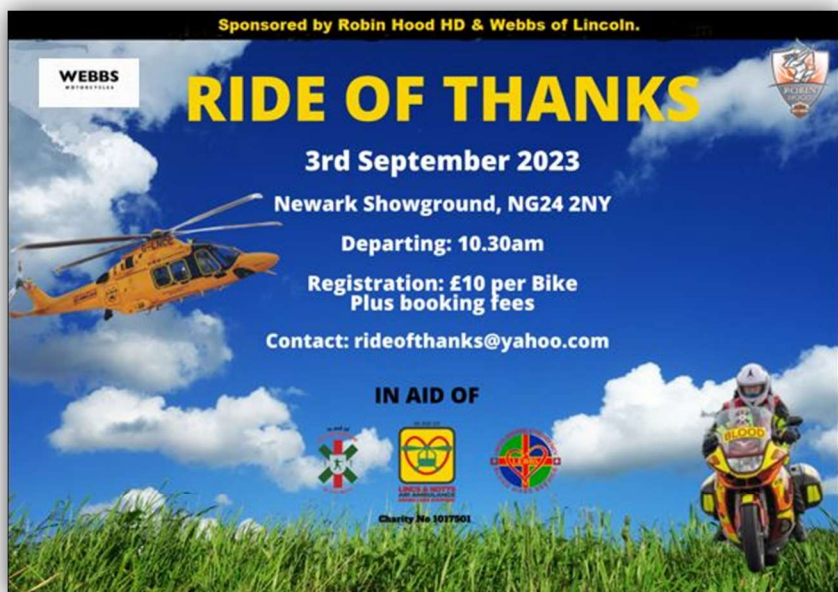
Ride The Cloverleaf ?

As mentioned earlier Scotland provides another touring opportunity in the form of “The Crieff Cloverleaf” - <https://www.cloverleaf.scot/> - offering a great website, including downloadable GPX files, accommodation finder and much more. It’s likely that many of you will have ridden the roads included in “the cloverleaf” – so feel free to share your experiences and I’ll include it in future ChainLincs.

RIDE OF THANKS

A constant reminder about this year's Ride of Thanks – a date for our diaries

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RIDE OF THANKS

3rd September 2023
Newark Showground, NG24 2NY
Departing: 10.30am
Registration: £10 per Bike
Plus booking fees
Contact: rideofthanks@yahoo.com

IN AID OF



Charity No 1017501

Promises to be another great day and an ideal opportunity to support our charities, rub shoulders with like-minded people and no doubt eat some cake !!



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Membership Update

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

There are fourteen new enrolments to the group since the previous newsletter.

| Member | Observer |
|--|-----------------|
| 1031 Nigel Lee from Grantham | Rick Fox |
| 1032 Paul Corbridge from Martin | Steve Goodwin |
| 1033 Donald Ford from Lincoln | Full member |
| 1034 Neil Stone from Coningsby | Julie Mendes |
| 1035 John Noone from Lincoln | Will Field |
| 1036 Martin Wood from Louth | Morris Howe |
| 1037 Gerald Krause from Heighington | Full Member |
| 1038 Paul Dutchburn from Market Rasen | Mike Day |
| 1039 Simon Elwess from Heapham | Mark Gill |
| 1040 Peter Caldwell-Jones from Balderton | Steve Goodwin |
| 1041 Awaiting GDPR Member Contract | Andrew Kitchen |
| 1042 Joe Allenby from South Hykeham | Roland Johns |
| 1043 Awaiting GDPR Member Contract | Rick Fox |
| 1044 Viv Ford from North Hykeham | Karen Bevan |

There has been one test pass to report, making a total of one so far in 2023.

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

| Member | Pass Date | Observer |
|---------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Adam Jacobs | 17 April | Julie Mendes |

The present composition of the group is as follows:

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| Full Members | 132 |
| Fellows | 12 |
| Associate Members | 24 |
| | 168 |

Please note that group membership subs are now overdue and should be paid as soon as possible please.

The support of the members is the means by which the group as a whole can operate and provide the resources needed to continue our mission of helping motorcyclists increase their safety and enjoyment.

Therefore it is sincerely hoped that you will continue to be a member of our motorcycle group.

That's all for this month, ride safely:

John Cheetham

Diary of Events
(Remember - Covid-19 hasn't gone away)
Social distancing. Avoid shaking hands. Follow NHS hygiene advice.
Hands. Face. Space. Motorcycles.

DIARY OF EVENTS

JUNE 2023 to OCTOBER 2023

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

The WAVE Sleaford Road Lincoln

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.

JUNE

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|------------------------------------|---|
| Tuesday 6 th | Social Meeting – Bottle and Glass. Main Street, Normanby by Spital Market Rasen. Lincoln, LN8 2HE Meet 20:00 |
| Sunday 11 th near kiosk | Group Observed Run - Group Observed Run - Willingham Woods Picnic Area Meet 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00 |
| Sunday 11 th | Biker Breakfast (Details and location to Be confirmed) |
| Friday 16 th | Committee Meeting - details to follow nearer the date Prompt start at 19.00 |

Sunday 25th Group Social Runs – The WAVE Sleaford Road Lincoln

Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB
Meet 9.00 for prompt departure at 9.30

Wednesday 28th Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers
For information contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)

JULY

Tuesday 4th Social Meeting – Bottle and Glass. Main Street, Normanby by Spital
Market Rasen. Lincoln LN8 2HE Meet 20:00

Sunday 9th Group Observed Run –
The Homestead, Canwick Avenue, Bracebridge Heath, Lincoln, LN4 2RS
Meet 09.00 for prompt departure at 09.30

Saturday 15TH / Sunday 16TH

We are attending the Classic Suzuki Day at Cadwell Park and will be there with our stand and hopefully signing up future new members.

Sunday 23rd Group Social Runs – Meet 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00
The Homestead, Canwick Avenue, Bracebridge Heath, Lincoln, LN4 2RS
Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB

Wednesday 26th Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers
For information contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)

August

Tuesday 1st Social Meeting – Bottle and Glass. Main Street, Normanby by Spital
Market Rasen. Lincoln, LN8 2HE Meet 20:00

Sunday 6th Group Observed Run - Ancholme Leisure Centre car park, Scawby Brook,
Brigg, DN20 9JH
Meet 09.00 for prompt departure at 09.30

Friday 18th Committee Meeting - details to follow nearer the date
Prompt start at 19.00

Sunday 20th Group Social Runs – Meet 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00
The WAVE Sleaford Road Lincoln
Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB

Wednesday 23rd Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers
For information contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)

September

Sunday 3rd Group Observed Run - Willingham Woods Picnic Area near kiosk
Meet 09.00 for prompt departure at 09.30

Tuesday 7th Social Meeting – Bottle and Glass. Main Street, Normanby by Spital
Market Rasen. Lincoln LN8 2HE Meet 20:00

Sunday 17th Group Social Runs – Meet 09.30 for prompt departure at 10.00
The WAVE Sleaford Road Lincoln
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)

October

Sunday 1st Group Observed Run - The Homestead, Canwick Avenue, Bracebridge Heath,
Lincoln, LN4 2RS
Meet 09.00 for prompt departure at 09.30

Tuesday 3rd Social Meeting – Bottle and Glass. Main Street, Normanby by Spital
Market Rasen. Lincoln LN8 2HE Meet 20:00

Friday 13th Committee Meeting - details to follow nearer the date
Prompt start at 19.00

Sunday 15th Group Social Runs – Meet 9.30 for prompt departure at 10.00
The WAVE Sleaford Road Lincoln
Barney's Diner, Melton Road, Barnetby, DN38 6LB

Wednesday 25th Meeting for Observers and those interested in becoming Observers
For information contact Jerry Neale (details on page 2)

Sunday 29th Group Observed Run - Ancholme Leisure Centre car park, Scawby Brook,
Brigg, DN20 9JH
Meet 09.30 for prompt departure at 10.00

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

