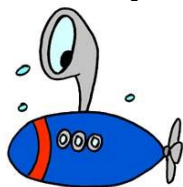


Last Call – Subscriptions 2016



All local subscriptions were due on 31st March, 2016. Many thanks to everyone who has already paid and we are grateful for your continued support of the Group.

You are invited to renew your membership (maintained at £6) for another year.

Please post a cheque (payable to **York Group of Advanced Motorists**) and send this, along with your address and email details (if applicable) to: Nicola Macauley, Membership Secretary, Bramley House, 14a Swarthdale, Haxby, YORK, YO32 3NZ. Thank you.

Your continued support is much appreciated. We would kindly ask that all cheques are payable to York Group of Advanced Motorists only. Associates do not need to pay local subs until they have passed their test with the Group.

Contacting the York Group

Please email yorkgroupsecretary@hotmail.co.uk

Test Successes:

Congratulations to Martin Leach, Howard Burrows and Elizabeth Bell on passing their Advanced Driving Tests with the York Group.

New Associates:

Welcome to Ben Potter, John Cleather and Claire Kenworthy - good luck with the preparation being provided by the York Group observer team for your tests



Diary of Events 2016

Date	Time	Location	Event
May			
Sat 7 th	9.30am	Monks Cross	Associate Drives
Thurs 12 th	7.00pm	Toyota	Committee Meeting
Tues 17 th	7.30pm	Dunnington	Observer Meeting
Sun 22 nd	9.30am	Monks Cross	Associate Drives
June			
Sat 4 th	9.30am	Monks Cross	Associate Drives
Sun 5 th	All day	Newby Hall	Alfa Romeo Day
Thurs 9 th	7.00pm	Toyota	Committee Meeting
Sun 19 th	9.30am	Monks Cross	Associate Drives
Tues 21 st	7.30pm	Dunnington	Observer Meeting
July			
Sat 2 nd	9.30am	Monks Cross	Associate Drives
Thurs 14 th	7.00pm	Toyota	Committee Meeting
Tues 19 th	7.30pm	Dunnington	Observer Meeting
Sun 17 th	9.30am	Monks Cross	Associate Drives
Aug			
Sat 6 th	9.30am	Monks Cross	Associate Drives
Thurs 11 th	7.00pm	Toyota	Committee Meeting
Tues 16 th	7.30pm	Dunnington	Observer Meeting

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- **New IAM Roadsmart Logo**
- **AGM Feedback**
- **Local subscriptions are due**
- **Events over the Summer**
- **Police and Crime Commissioner Reports**

AGM Feedback 19th April, 2016

We are pleased to announce that all posts for officers and committee members were filled at the AGM. Our officers for 2016/17 are:

- John Buffoni (Chairman)
- Neil Harrison (Secretary)
- Peter Williamson (Treasurer)

Commissioner Publishes First Annual Report About the Use of Safety Camera Vehicles

Julia Mulligan, Police and Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire published the report "Saving lives, preventing injury" explaining how safety camera vans were used in our county.



The number of people killed or seriously injured on the county's roads each year has gone down significantly over the past 25 years– from more than 1,600 in 1990/91 to under 600 in 2014/15. However, North Yorkshire still has one of the highest accident rates in the country.

Last year, 44 people died on our roads. There is proven evidence that nine of those deaths were the result of speeding. However, speed was a probable factor in many more of the deaths and serious injuries that took place.

In the past, road improvements and traffic management schemes have played a large part in promoting road safety. Be it better signage, non-slip surfaces or new road layouts – where they have been possible, these engineering solutions have all largely been done and account for much of the steep fall we have seen in casualty numbers.

North Yorkshire police began piloting safety camera vans in July 2011 – deploying a single vehicle at key accident sites. In April 2013, the fleet was increased to three vehicles and in April 2015 it was increased further to six vehicles.

Key facts from the report:

- **Purpose:** To reduce speed-related collisions by monitoring all vehicles for offences such as speeding, no seatbelt, crossing white lines, using mobile phones and dangerous driving.
- **Running cost:** £886,000
- **Impact:** Processed 40,377 road safety violations – the equivalent of 11 for every hour they were in operation. Of those violations, 34,419 led to motorists attending a speed awareness course.
- **Money generated:** £1,049,000 – enough to run the vans with a surplus of £163,000 ring fenced for road safety initiatives.
- **Site with the most violations:** A19 southbound at Kilvington near Thirsk.
- **Site visited most frequently:** A59 Blubberhouses with 145 visits during the year.
- **District with the most violations per site:** York with an average 1,035 violations per site. (Mainly due to sites located on the A64)

Dates for Your Diary

A driving treasure hunt will be held on Sunday 21st August, followed by a BBQ.



The New Advanced Driver Course Standards

As we all know advanced drivers should be able to drive in a safe smooth and efficient manner at all times. Through good observation, sensible anticipation and accurate planning, all combined with sound operation of their vehicles controls. They should deliver a comfortable progressive drive for their passengers while maintaining total safety. So nothing new here, except the course is now called 'The Advanced Driver Course'. Modern driving aids such as satellite navigation, reversing cameras and auto park systems, are becoming more commonplace. They can complement the skills of an advanced driver and enhance the overall experience. The appropriate use of such technology will therefore be encouraged more than it was previously.

By providing enhanced driving skills and combining the developments in technology we will make all our candidates into a 'thinking driver' and create a safer more enjoyable driving experience for them, and others. The course guidance notes do allow for the individuality of associates and observers but to ensure a level of consistency at national level a standard for course and test content is now being issued and these will be applied by all groups. No longer do groups have to produce their own course material and the course presentation will be the same throughout the group network to this agreed set of standards.