

Leicester Group Of Advanced Motorist Newsletter

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Editors Column

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Hello and welcome to the March newsletter.

This month we will be holding the AGM on the group night (March 21st). Don't forget that the group night in April will be held at The Field Head Hotel in Markfield.

If you wish to read previous newsletters they can now be downloaded from our local website which can be found with this link <u>www.iamroadsmart.com/groups/leicesteram</u>

If anybody has anything to add to the next newsletter please email me on kevinhill213@outlook.com

Committee News

The next committee meeting will be in April. This will be the first meeting after the AGM If anyone would like to join the committee please contact Alan Griffin (group secretary) for more details. At the AGM the group officers are looking to stay in their roles for another year so again if anyone has comment on this please contact the secretary. Alan will have copies of the nomination forms on request if anyone requires them. At present we have 8 committee members and would like to increase the numbers. It goes without saying that any member can attend the AGM and are encouraged. Further details will be in the group night section.

The Minutes of last years AGM is available on the website.

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A Warm Welcome

The Committee would like to offer a warm welcome to the following people who have enrolled in the Skills for Life course in the last 2 months.

- Alex Harrop
- Darrel Rhodes

We hope you enjoy the training. Remember you are all welcome at the group nights which are on the third Wednesday of every month. I will be in touch with you all in the coming weeks to explain the next steps and getting you paired with an observer. There will be an associate introduction day happening on 17th Feb to which you are all welcome.

Observer News

This month see's the appointment of a new Chief Observer. Leicester group has not had an official Chief Observer for quite a while so I thought it fitting for this position to be filled. Tony Moore has accepted this role.

Tony has done so much towards observing and the associate training days, along with assisting myself to run the observer training days. I felt he was more than qualified to fill the position especially as he has passed his Masters. Thank you Tony!

We are still looking for new Observers so if you are thinking about becoming an observer please contact me and I will discuss this further with you by email or phone.

Group Night (Wednesday March 21st)

Group night this month is the Leicester group's AGM.

All members are welcome. The AGM will consist of re appointment of the committee along with the presentations of the 2 group awards (services to observing and services to the group) as well as pass certificates for associates.

Attending the AGM will be Chief Superintendent Jason Masters who will be giving us some words of wisdom along with information on Leicestershire's policing.

This is being held at the Enderby Police Headquarters. This is situated at Narborough rd. (B4114) near Fosse Park.

Full address is Leicestershire police Headquarters St Johns Narborough Rd Enderby LE19 6BX

We will also be holding a prize raffle and presenting Skills for life awards. All members are welcome to the group nights and the AGM, so come along and get involved with your group. After all its free. Even the tea and coffee is free.

As mentioned in the previous edition of the newsletter we will be holding April's Group night at the Field Head Hotel in Markfield. This year's Group night list is below.

- March 21st AGM (being held at Enderby Police HQ)
- April 18th (being held at the Field Head Hotel)
- June 20th (being held at the Field Head Hotel)
- September 19th (being held at the Field Head Hotel)
- November 21st (held at Enderby Police HQ)
- December 19th held at Enderby Police HQ)

We are trialing the Field Head Hotel as this is a more comfortable and easily accessed venue. We will be holding the meeting in the Charnwood suite and will have the use of the bar.

Any questions or suggestions about group night events you can contact Fred Palmer (vice Chairman/ Events Co-Ordinator) palmerdec@btinternet.com

A message from the Treasurer.

2018 Group Subscription Due

The holiday, sadly, is over!! After the year's grace from paying subscriptions, the new Annual Subscription system comes into full effect on 01 APRIL 2018, meaning that Group Subscriptions of £7.50 for EVERY Full Group Member will be due on that date. In future, subscriptions will be due on 01 April each year, whenever you used to pay under the previous Anniversary system.

If you normally pay by Standing Order, you will need to change your mandate to the bank. You may need to establish a new one, as some establishments will allow you to change the amount you pay, not the date on which it is paid. If you pay by BACS, cheque, or cash please put a note in your diary that subs will be due on 01 April EACH YEAR.

The account is in the name of The Leicester Group of Advanced Motorists - which is the payee should you wish to pay by cheque. For those of you who wish to use online banking, the

account details are: Sort Code: 77-15-09 and the Account Number: 14844660. Please include your name as a reference.

I would like to thank all of you who continued to pay over the past 12 months, your donations made a significant difference to the Group's finances. Should you have any questions, comments or thoughts on this procedure, or wish to send me a cheque (do not send cash via the Royal Mail), please contact me at 21 Melton Road, Asfordby Hill, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire LE14 3QX Tel: 01664 812519 or by email anthonyj.moore@btinternet.com

Associate News

To all associates out there currently being assessed.

Please be aware that if you have been assessed for a year or more without taking your test, you may have to renew your National IAM membership to carry on with your assessed runs. If you have not managed to complete your course within the year please contact myself to check if you are still valid for insurance purposes. We may be able to extend your membership if there are mitigating circumstances. I should be in contact with any associate that has expired their membership, but if you have not been contacted or think your membership has expired please get in touch.

If Anyone would like to have a piece included in this newsletter please contact me.

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