



PETERBOROUGH & DISTRICT

ADVANCED MOTORISTS

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Newsletter

September 2016



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CONGRATULATIONS

to those associates who passed their IAMS test upto August 2016

<u>Name</u>	<u>Observed by</u>
Richard Ruff(02/16)	Prue Lester
Tom Thorp(03/16)	Bill Peck
Graham Brooks(03/16)	Bob Collier
Kyle Bennett-Tighe(03/16)	Sandy Reid
Michael Moss(04/16)	Bob Collier
Sophie Williams(04/16)	Bill Peck
Malcolm Groves(06/16)	Stuart Earle
Anna Hawkins(06/16)	Stuart Earle
Kim Best(F1RST)(07/16)	Bill Peck

New look for the IAM

Changes are afoot at the IAM. This isn't an exhaustive list but I've attempted to summarise the main ones that affect our group members.

You may have already noticed that from last April, the IAM has had a new blue logo. The advanced driving courses also now come under the new branding, IAM RoadSmart. The Skill for Life course has been renamed and is now called the Advanced Driver Course. There is a new website at <https://www.iamroadsmart.com/> which should be easier to navigate and works much better on tablets and smartphones than the old website.

The Advanced Driver Course has been updated with new standards. The System (IPSGA) remains at the core of the course but there is also more focus on the human factors in road safety. Observers and examiners are now all working from the same materials with a much more detailed new handbook that contains the same material that associates are given. There is also a set of optional handouts for associates featuring a range of different aspects of advanced driving that they will cover during the course.

The new specifications are being rolled out nationally over the course of 2016 so that by December 31st, the old brand will be withdrawn and all groups will be delivering the new course. Each group's observers will receive training in how to deliver the new course. The Peterborough group received our observer training for the new standards in July and will begin using the new materials from August 1st. All new associates from that date will receive the new materials.

Associates will now have a log book with run sheets to be completed by the observer so that assessment and feedback can be given in the same way by all groups nationally. The course is now laid out in a more modular way with chapters focusing on a topic based specific aspect of advanced driving. There is still flexibility for observers to be able to tailor training to the individual associate but the driving skills covered are much more clearly laid out. Areas covered are as follows.

Human Factors

Further competencies are all framed by IPSGA

Core Driving Skills

Bends and Cornering

Roundabouts and Junctions

Overtaking

Motorways and Dual Carriageways

Manoeuvring

Commentary Driving is now referred to as Spoken Thoughts

Assessment criteria for the various competencies in the test have been narrowed down to three levels, 1 – commended, 2 – satisfactory and 3 – requires development. A number of the old criteria have also been combined for clarity.

For drivers who wish to have more regular assessment of their driving skills after initially passing the test, there are two new products. The Members Driving Assessment and a new class of membership, Fellow Membership. The Members Driving Assessment costs around £45 and gives you the chance to gain a F1RST if you didn't do so when you took your original test. It is also a step towards taking the Masters

which is the highest driving qualification offered by the IAM. If you don't do so well, there is no threat to your membership.

Fellow Membership will have a retest every three years. Failure on retest will result in loss of membership unlike the Members Driving Assessment. The cost of annual Fellow Membership will be slightly higher than standard membership at £38.

Other changes: To reflect a greener image, the IAM will issue printed paper card membership cards instead of plastic ones. You can still request a plastic one if you wish.

The IAM made a decision last year that the current headquarters in Chiswick no longer meets requirements and the building has now been sold. The head office will move to a new location in 2017 upon completion. The new location is yet to be found but we suspect that it may well be outside London, possibly at a more central location. We will keep you posted.

The IAM is still delivering commercial products that I won't go into in detail but these include speed awareness courses and tailored products for companies that need driver training for their workers. These products have also been updated. More information can be found on the new website <https://www.iamroadsmart.com/>

Once our group observers have received training in the new course, we may have more information to pass on to you. We'll keep you posted in future newsletters. If you have any feedback on the new website or anything related to the updates, please let me know by email at peterboroughiamsec@live.co.uk and I will pass them on to our Regional Manager, Ian Firth.

Leon King, Group Secretary



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IAM Conference 2016

22nd & 23rd October 2016

Your invitation to the 2016 IAM conference at Aston University

Please join us for the 2016 IAM Conference at the Great Hall, Aston University, Birmingham. This year the conference will again take place over a single weekend, with car groups attending on Saturday 22nd October and motorcycle groups on Sunday 23rd October

This gives all our groups the opportunity to understand and have input to the strategy of the IAM over the weekend.

Venue and Format

The venue for the 2016 Conference will be in the Great Hall Aston University, Birmingham. The conference is provisionally scheduled to run from 09:30-16:30. A timed agenda and location map will be distributed in due course.

This year, we will be running a series of 5 workshops, from the following:-

- CEO and Chairman proving an update on the Overall IAM Strategy
- Insurance Ratios/Rates
- Young Driver/Riders attracting and retaining
- New Group Handbook/Charter
- Policy & Research, What should or position on policy and research be, what subjects?
- Business Driver

We will be only running 5 of the workshops so the final decision will be made after the Autumn Forums have been held and feedback received.

Attendees will be able to attend all workshops. We encourage groups to send representatives who are able to communicate the information and ideas they have obtained throughout the day to group officials and members.

Confirmation of delegate places and booking details

One delegate per local group is fully funded by the IAM (including accommodation* and travel expenses)

One additional delegate attendance fee is funded by the IAM (excluding accommodation and travel expenses)

Additional delegates may attend, but all costs will need to be covered by the local group

**Overnight accommodation is provided for groups over 200 miles from Birmingham. Groups over 300 miles away will receive two nights' accommodation. No meals are IAM-funded.*

How to confirm your conference places

Please forward your interest to the
Secretary
Leon King
07727 073064

Who will discuss the full details with you.

Bookings need to be completed by s **by the 30th September 2016 so get in touch with Leon as soon as possible if you are interested.**

Confirmation of the costs of attendance

The full costs of attendance of one delegate per group will be met by the IAM. The daily attendance fee for a second delegate will also be met by the IAM. Any additional delegates or expenses will be charged at the following rates:

Daily delegate attendance fee £48.00
 One night hotel dinner, B&B.....£128.34 Inc. VAT
 One night B&B excluding meals£97.20 Inc. VAT
 Mileage expenses 24p per mile*
 * If two motorcycle delegates travel on separate machines, each delegate will receive 24p/mile.

Awards at the 2016 Conference

Nominate your unsung IAM Heroes!

Once again we will recognise the outstanding contributions of our group members by presenting the annual **Fred Welch Rosebowl** and **The Lord Strathcarron Award** to the two IAM members whose nominations are judged to be most deserving of the awards.

The Fred Welch Rosebowl is for the car member who is currently contributing most to the aims and objectives of the IAM.

The Lord Strathcarron Award is for the motorcycle member contributing most to promoting the aims and objectives of the IAM.



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The awards nominations should be no more than 500 words and quiet clear as to why the person deserves the award for which they are nominated. The panel that will review the nominations are likely not to know the individuals and therefore the nomination needs to do the person justice. To make your nominations please submit to conferenceawards@iam.org.uk

The @IAM award

First introduced last year, this new award recognises and celebrates outstanding and effective communications delivered primarily through social media channels or websites. We'll be looking for entries that show how innovative online communication has delivered results.

To enter for this award, please email a short statement detailing examples of your group's achievements in this area, including web links if appropriate, to conference2016@iam.org.uk

Finally I would like to thank you for all your hard work so far in 2016 and I look forward to seeing you at the 2016 IAM conference weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Sillars OBE
Chief Executive

Meetings for the remainder of 2016

Words from the Editor

Meetings are usually held on the first Thursday of each month at

Peterborough Milton Golf Club starting at 8pm, unless otherwise stated.

Sept 12th Meeting at Premier Inn, Norman Cross, with other groups. Guest speaker IAM Chief Executive, Sarah Sillars

Oct 6th Talk by John Slavin from 'Honest John' about tools offered to motorists to help car buying

Nov 4th News from National Conference

Dec 1st Buffet and quiz

Check out our website (address at bottom of page) up and running, with kind thanks to Robin Sutton

Visit the IAMs web site for some late night reading <http://iam.org.uk>

Enter weekly news or the item you are searching for into the search bar:

Please accept my apologies for missing the spring publication of the Spring Newsletter which has been due to personal commitments.

Please forward contributions, articles with photos, news clippings etc, for the next newsletter to:

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by 21 January 2017 latest.





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Here are a few essential contacts and information about group meetings to help you get the most out of your local group.



Group contacts

JOIN US FOR AN EVENT

Date: Meetings take place on the first Thursday of every month (excluding January) at Peterborough Milton Golf Club and start at 8pm unless otherwise stated in the newsletter.

Directions Milton Ferry, Peterborough PE6 7AG (just off the A47)

➔ From east, exit A47 via slip road to Castor (the first junction to the west of the Nene Parkway interchange at junction 15). Turn right at the T junction. After 150 yards turn left towards Marholm (signposted Golf Club). Entrance is immediately on right.

➔ From west, leave A47 at the third exit of the roundabout (signposted Castor) where the single carriageway becomes dual. Go through Ailsworth and Castor. Just over the bridge crossing the A47 turn towards Marholm (signposted Golf Club). Entrance is immediately on right.



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The Group keeps records of the membership on a database. This database is not available to outside parties and no details are passed to other organisations or persons. However, if you do not wish your name and address to be kept on this database you should contact the Membership Secretary.

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Vacant positions

Offers invited.
Please contact the secretary for more information.

Public Relations

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and finally.....Motoring Mirth



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