



Oxford Local IAM Group Newsletter March 2019

for all car and bike members of the Oxford Area Group of Advanced Motorists

**Plans for Group
Reorganisation
Go Ahead
Read on for more details.**



The following announcement was recently sent to all Oxford Local IAM Group members:

Division of Car and Bike Sections into Separate Groups

Car Section to Merge with Banbury Advanced Motorists Group

Your Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the many members that were able to attend the recent information & consultation meeting held on Wednesday 6th March 2019.

We very much appreciate that you took the time to listen to our concerns and gave us the opportunity to discuss with you the options to take the group forward.

It was very encouraging to receive a clear message of support from the members present for the plan to move to independent and separate car and bike groups.

It was also accepted that there would be mutual benefits for the car section to merge with the Banbury Local IAM Group to form a new Oxfordshire group. This would increase the area of coverage by the car section to that already covered by the bike section, which would become a re-formed bikes-only IAM group. Fruitful discussions with the Banbury Group are already under way. The proposed changes also have the support of our parent body, IAM RoadSmart.

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What's in a Name?

The car members aren't simply being required to join the Banbury group. *A completely new group is being created to serve the whole of Oxfordshire.* One of the first challenges will be to decide what to call the new group. We plan to hold a competition among members to come up with the best name to submit to IAM RoadSmart.

An Extraordinary General Meeting to Ratify the Planned Reorganisation

To facilitate the changes, an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) will be held in due course, at which members will be asked to vote for a resolution which will deliver a binding mandate for the new arrangements.

We encourage all of our members to participate at the upcoming EGM or, if they can't attend in person, to make use of their proxy vote.

Within the next few weeks, the official EGM notification will be sent out to all Oxford Group full and fellow members with more details, including instructions on how to vote via proxy.

Approximate time line

April 2019: Notice of EGM sent to members

May 2019: EGM held for vote on the future of the group

Further Information

Alongside the formal EGM process, we are currently evaluating the need for further information and consultation sessions. These sessions would be tailored to the separate car and bike sections and invitations will be issued as appropriate.

In the meantime, your Committee is making the necessary preparations – including detailed talks with our Banbury colleagues - in order to draft a feasible and practical proposal to present to our members at the EGM.

If any member feels that they would like to discuss the proposed changes on a more personal level we would be happy to arrange a confidential phone conversation.

In this case, please contact the relevant Chief Observer:

- Geoff Ayres, Chief Car Observer carchiefobserver@iamoxford.org

- Paul Thompson, Chief Bike Observer bikechiefobserver@iamoxford.org

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Alex Lewis is Chair of Oxford Local IAM Group

I have to say that when I stood for chair I didn't expect to be managing a complete reorganisation of the group. Nevertheless, I am convinced that continuing to run the group in its current form would continue to pose a number of challenges. The IAM's systems are really designed for single interest groups and it has to be admitted that drivers and bikers tend to have different concerns and motivations. However we organise our work, it should always be focussed on achieving our core aim of improving road safety by high quality driver and rider training

A new merged group will be able to focus on car-specific interests and the much larger number of car members will make it possible to mount more events. Though, of course, the larger geographical area covered by the new group will mean longer travel time to certain events. We hope to mitigate this by running events such as drive-outs from different locations in the north and south of the county. Major events such as the AGM will have to be held somewhere central but we'll aim to rotate venues for other events so that no-one ends up particularly disadvantaged. The existing bike catchment already covers much of what will be our new geography - in fact, we hope to still organise occasional joint events with the new bike-only group. We know that other local IAM groups successfully cover similar or larger areas.

With good will, imagination and a bit of trial and error, we hope to develop arrangements that will satisfy everyone. I very much hope that, in this process, we'll be able to breathe new life into the programme of events we put on for our members. Suggestions for group activities will be gratefully received. Mike Bishop, in his message below, refers to two events already planned by our Banbury colleagues.

The discussions we have initiated with the Banbury group have begun extremely positively. Change will inevitably bring a period of uncertainty and we ask for members' support and patience during the coming months. However, change also brings new opportunities and we need to focus on taking these on and making a successful future for the new group.



Mike Bishop is Chair of Banbury Advanced Motorists, as well as filling the role of Publicity and Social Media Officer. He passed the Advanced Driver Test at the age of 18 and became an Observer at the age of 19. In 2016 Mike passed IAM Masters with a Distinction.

I very much support the proposed merger of the Oxford and Banbury IAM groups. My personal belief is that this would benefit all parties concerned from both the committees involved through to the members and associates. From our early discussions we have been particularly impressed with the electronic tools used by the Oxford Group.

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We have a fantastic group of observers, a good core membership and excellent contacts with our local examiner, Jim Henderson. Jim will be giving a talk on his role as a Police collisions investigator on 25th April and you are invited to join us for this. We also have a manoeuvring event planned which we are very excited about. The event is still in early stages of discussion but has the potential to put us in touch with many local people who may be interested in signing up for the advanced driver course.

Harry Schoetz is Secretary of Oxford Local IAM Group



Having served on the Group Committee for the last three and a half years, I can truly say it has been a very challenging and intense time. We have had to make many changes in a relatively short space in order to meet the standards of our parent body IAM RoadSmart. The legal compliance necessary after the introduction of the new data protection regulations was a particular challenge.

I think the group can be very proud of the many key milestones that we have achieved. This applies in particular to our training work, which has always been the way we meet our primary objective of creating safer roads through a better driving and riding. Both our bike and car observer teams have demonstrated a great amount of flexibility and willingness to adapt to new standards, processes and use a modern IT platform in order to provide a more customer orientated approach now and in the future. The observer teams are a huge asset and are the reason for our success!

Whilst we are clearly a very strong group in terms of improving safety on the roads, unfortunately our social and events programme for local members has been less successful for some time. Despite our best efforts we weren't able to sustain an attractive events programme that would suit a variety of interests. It is important to remember that everything we achieve in our group relies on volunteers who give up much of their free time - their tireless efforts can't be praised enough for that. Our lead team represents only about 5% of the overall membership and the capacity currently available is just not enough to fulfil all the group objectives and still provide an appealing events programme.

For a while, we have been evaluating how we can improve on our present situation. It became clear that operating our complex layout as a combined car and bike group will always require disproportionate work in administration and coordination compared with just a single division group.

As the group secretary, I can clearly see the long term advantages that will follow if each section can fully focus on only their particular interests and are able to tailor their own events programme much more towards them, rather than always having to find compromise solutions. After many years operating as a combined group with all its pros and cons, we now have a great opportunity to explore further the benefits of single division groups each with more focus on their own priorities and interests.

Use Your Vote

The reorganisation can't happen unless a majority of members vote for it at the Extraordinary General Meeting.

Make sure you use your vote.

Urgent Appeal Vacancy for Interim Group Treasurer

A further complication in the group organisation at the moment is that, due to work commitments, Paul Thompson has given notice that he is resigning from the role of Treasurer. Paul will continue as Bike Chief Observer for the time being.

Assuming that the proposed reorganisation goes ahead as planned, this means that the current committee **urgently needs to recruit an interim treasurer** to oversee the group's finances until the group is wound up later this year. The newly formed groups will each then be obliged to appoint their own treasurer.

If you are willing to fill this temporary vacancy we'd like to hear from you. Please contact Group Secretary Harry Schoetz at secretary@iamoxford.org.

Below is the full job description for Group Treasurer, drawn up by IAM RoadSmart.

Job Summary:

The Treasurer is part of the local Group Committee and a Trustee
To maintain accurate records of all the financial transactions of the Group

Key responsibilities:

To provide regular and accurate reports to the Group Committee
To provide data to Group Secretary as required by IAM RoadSmart
To advise Membership Secretary of all Group subscriptions received

Key tasks:

Collate information from bank, IAM RoadSmart and other sources to update Treasurer's records
Maintain proper records of the receipts, payments assets and liabilities of the Group
Ensure that Gift Aid relief is claimed annually from HMRC
Balance and close yearly accounts and immediately submit to the Auditor for independent review
Submit audited balance sheet for publication to Members
Submit audited accounts at the AGM for endorsement/acceptance by the membership
Ensure that the annual return and annual accounts required by IAM RoadSmart and The Charity Commission are submitted on time

Key skills:

Good interpersonal skills
Working knowledge of a spreadsheet package
Knowledge and use of internet
Email skills



Group Subscriptions

An Update from Group Treasurer, Paul Thompson



Subscription renewal requests have been now sent to all Full & Fellow Members, that are paid up IAM RoadSmart Members.

2019 Subscription renewal for Full & Fellow Membership is £15 if paid by 12th May '19 with the 50% early payment discount already applied, after 12th May it reverts to £30.

Please Note

- To vote in the upcoming EGM, you must be a paid-up member of IAM RoadSmart and a paid-up member of OAGAM and have been issued a subscription via WebCollect.
- 2019 Subs paid now will be honoured and transferred after the proposed merger, if cars and bikes split into separate groups.
- If you have not done so already, please do complete and return the attached OAGAM Gift Aid Declaration - a clear digital photo is acceptable, or good old Royal Mail.
- The last date to qualify for the 'Early Payment discount' offer is May 12th.
- To improve traceability and accounting accuracy, **cash payments are not accepted.**
- If no payment is received by 31st May, it is assumed that you have chosen not to renew your local group membership and subsequently your personal data will be deleted from our local systems in order to comply with our privacy notice.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding your payment or subscription, please contact the Group Treasurer: treasurer@iamoxford.org

Thank you for your continued support of our Oxford Group.

An Important Announcement

At the last Committee Meeting, I gave notice that I will be standing down as your Group Treasurer, at the end of the current financial year, 31st March 2019. This is due to a change with my full-time job role. This will allow me to devote my time and energy to my other group responsibility as Chief Motorcycle Observer, which has suffered. I support the current proposal for our car section to merge with Banbury and to split the cars and bikes into two separate groups. It is a major change, but a big step in the right direction, which can create a win-win situation for all.

Since I took over the treasurer role, in 2016, I have endeavoured to improve, simplify and streamline the group's finances. We now have a robust, efficient and transparent secure system in place, which works well, using the following:

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1. Dual Authorisation - a secure banking process via complex mandates to use Online Banking. ... It requires two appointed committee members to authorise a third-party payment electronically.
2. Web Collect – is compatible with our banking arrangement and manages the member payment and subscriptions and offers various payment options - Direct Debit, Online Bank Transfer, Standing Order and Cheque payments.
3. Gift Aid – we are now registered with HMRC Online Services, and we made our first successful claim, earlier this year. It is disappointing that only about 30% of our members have submitted Gift Aid declarations! Please do submit yours if you have not already done so. It costs you nothing and the group can claim 25p in the pound for Full & Fellow Member Subs.

Group Finances

I'm pleased to report to you that as I leave this role, our group finances are in good shape, with income steadily improving and spending stabilised, as shown by this screenshot from the [Charity Commission](#) website.

Data for financial year ending 05 April 2018

Oxford Area Group Of Advanced Motorists



Gift aid

Recognised by HMRC for gift aid

The Committee appreciate all the time and hard work Paul Thompson has put into the role of Treasurer. His meticulous approach and dogged insistence that everything should be one hundred per cent correct have led to significant improvements in the way group finances are managed. Thanks so much, Paul!

Drive-Outs

An Update from organiser, Peter Edgley



The Winter Drive-Out

We met at the Yarnton Nurseries Garden and Shopping Village café for a Sunday morning drive-out. Given that this was a first - drive-outs have previously on summer evenings only - there was a very respectable turnout of twelve members of the group.

The weather was good and everyone seemed happy with the location, some of us returning for a hot drink afterwards. I received several emails from participants who said they enjoyed the morning.

Easter Drive-Out – This event replaces the April monthly meeting.

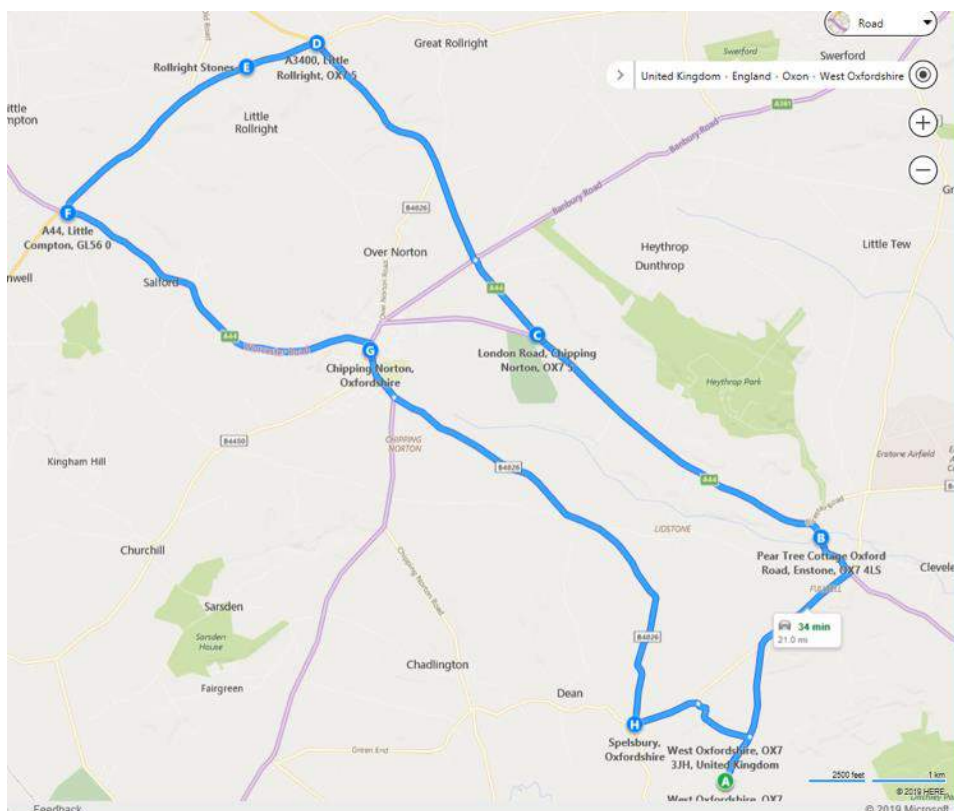
Sunday April 21st 09.00 am for approx 10.00 am departure

Meet in The Old Shed, Charlbury for breakfast

This drive-out will be something different. We're starting early and meeting for breakfast at [The Old Shed, Charlbury](#). It's a lovely location on Banbury Hill Farm. There is a large car park, inside and outside tables and the menu looks great. Let's hope the weather is good.

The route is also a bit different from the usual ones. It's closer to Banbury and we're hoping that members of the Banbury IAM group will join us. It's a round trip, from The Old Shed on country roads out to the Rollright Stones, which are worth a visit, and back via Chipping Norton

If you wish to take part in the drive-out on 21st April, please [register](#) by noon on 18th April.



On the Buses for 41 Years

For the February meeting, Chief Car Observer Geoff Ayres entertained us with a fascinating account of his career with the Oxford Bus Company.



Among the amusing anecdotes – including one romantic encounter – what emerged most strikingly was the huge changes Geoff witnessed during his time ‘on the buses’.

He remembered joining a predominantly male world of coarse language, colourful characters and strong trade unions.

He described the Faringdon Bus Garage, where he was based for a time, as basically a tin shack constructed around scaffolding poles with a shed at the rear for the drivers’ rest room. The country bus operated from there to the surrounding villages and a big event each week was the market day bus to Witney.

Later, Geoff worked from the Cowley Road Bus Garage on the Blackbird Leys route. He recalls that time as the end of an era. When the Cowley Road Garage was opened in the thirties, it included a tanning shop to mend and replace leather seat covers, a timber shop to rebuild wooden bus body frames and a paint shop. All repainting, rebuilding of engines and gearboxes was done on site. Buses were serviced over a pit, with five engineers to a bus, each with their designated job -

electrician, bodyman, etc.

When the company moved to their current premises on Watlington Road, practices changed dramatically: pits were out and hoists were in, it was one engineer to service a vehicle in a set time, with everything recorded on computer. Buses began to be fitted with radios and CCTV. Also, by that time Geoff was able to say that driving standards, running to schedule and general discipline had all vastly improved and health and safety measures had become a very important part of working practices.

Geoff’s final years at the Oxford Bus Company saw him out of his cab and into the role of Service Controller, working in a dedicated control room from where the whole route network was monitored by radio and a comprehensive computer system.

And, of course, progress continues with electric hybrid buses and Über style Pick-Me-Up minibuses that you can hail via an app on your phone.

Many thanks to Geoff for taking us with you on a ride down memory lane!

January & February Test Passes

We offer our warmest congratulations to members who passed the advanced driving or riding test recently.



Dominic Hargreaves has passed the Advanced Driver Test in his 'gorgeous' Rover 75.

Dominic reports: *I've lived and worked in Oxford in various IT related jobs since graduating here nearly twenty years ago.*

Having always cycled into work, driving has mostly been something that was an occasional experience rather than a regular one. For a brief period I drove a Toyota Corolla, which sadly died a death, probably due to my poor maintenance, particularly my lack of attention to warning lights!

Fast forward to last year, when I became, somewhat unplanned, a car owner for the first time in a decade with a Rover 75 - a gorgeous car if I say so myself - and decided to take the opportunity to brush up on my driving skills. I also took the chance to dip my toe into car maintenance, maybe to make up for the Corolla! Inspired by the enthusiasm of the friend who sold me the car, I serviced and repaired some

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minor issues, and joined the Rover 75 and ZT club.

Thanks to my observer, Trevor Hipkin, as well as Andrew Carter, who did a couple of final runs with me, I was pleased to rediscover the joy of precise and smooth driving. Although I would have classed myself as reasonably competent, some simple suggestions from Trevor, picking up on several areas that needed attention, made all the difference.

Whilst I didn't quite manage a F1RST, this is surely just the next challenge. I hope to stay in touch with members of the local group – and maybe take in a track day in the future! My car now has the IAM emblem displayed in the back, which helps to keep me focussed - can't let the club down!

After years driving a range of vehicles, **Sam Giles** has passed the Advanced Driver Test.

Sam says: *I used to work for Thames Water where I had to drive a vast range of different vehicles. For example, in my time I've been trained to drive tractors and dumper trucks and to drive and manoeuvre with a trailer attached.*

And amongst it all, I clocked up more than twenty years of van driving.

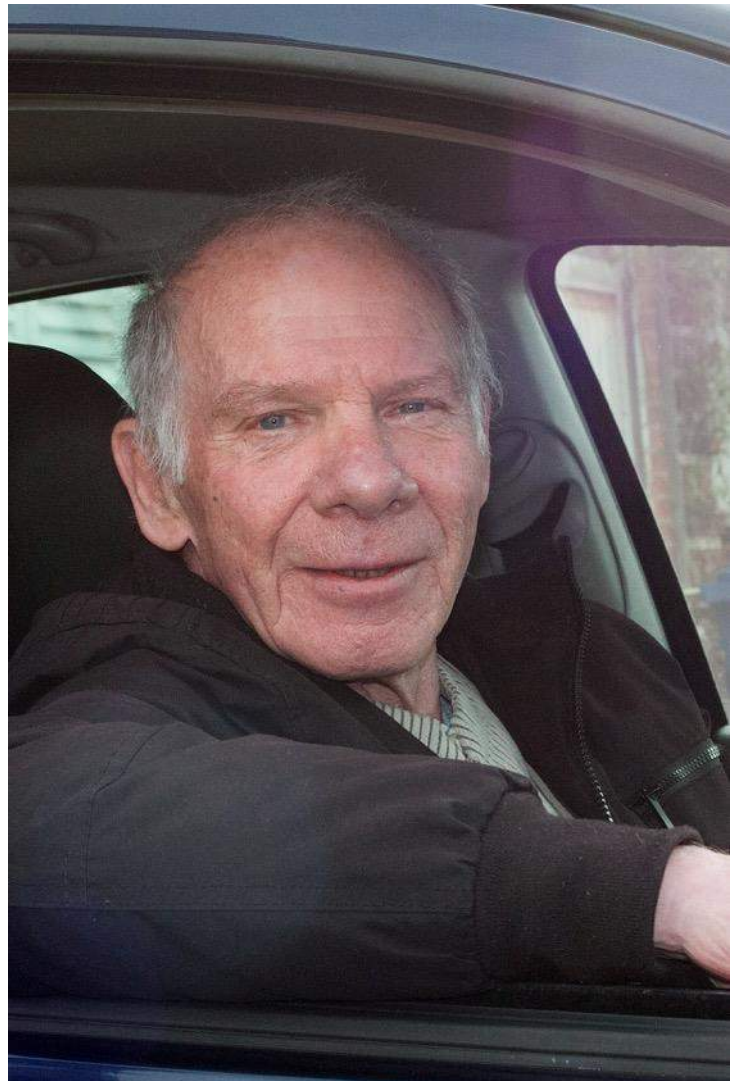
Time passes so quickly, though, and it occurred to me recently that I had been driving for the best part of half a century. However, despite all that training on specialist vehicles, I'd done nothing to improve my 'personal' driving and road skills.

That idea planted a seed that eventually led to me signing up for the Advanced Driver Course.

On the course, I learned a lot of useful new tricks and my driving is now more confident and much smoother.

I'm particularly pleased that block gear changes, which were a challenge at first, have now become second nature to me.

It was very pleasing to pass the Advanced Test and thanks are due to two excellent nice guys – Geoff Ayres and Andrew Carter – for their help along the way.





David Thompson's quest for better driving ended with an Advanced Driving Test pass.

THE QUEST TO IMPROVE MY DRIVING

David writes: *Not long ago, whilst on a Caravan Club Rally in Yorkshire, I was browsing the trade stands and came across IAM RoadSmart. There I was collared by an experienced Police driver who tried to persuade me to sign up for the course. He explained what it was all about and I said that I would think about it.*

On returning to our caravan I told my wife all about it and she mentioned that I had a birthday approaching and if I was really interested she would buy it for me.

As I had passed my driving test some fifty years ago, I thought that it was time to update my driving skills.

When I arrived back home I made contact with IAM RoadSmart and they put me in touch with my local branch.

Harry introduced me to Tony Chalkly who was to be my observer. Following many weeks of advice from Tony I felt that I was getting somewhere. The only disapproval was from my Wife who thought I was now driving too fast, but after I explained to her what I was trying to achieve she eventually understood. Subsequently, Tony informed me that I was ready for my test, so a practice test was arranged with Andrew Carter who gave me a pass and some observations. Then it was on to the big one.

My examiner put me at ease, then let me loose! After about ninety minutes it was all done and he gave me the good news: 'You have passed'.

Phew!!!

There were a few comments from the examiner which I took notice of. I do think that the course has set me up for the future. Very many thanks to Tony Chalkly for putting up with me and to the group for their support.

Lynne Ford is an IT Change Manager by profession but, having recently passed the Advanced Driver Test, she now also proudly signs off as a 'newly qualified member of Oxford Area IAM Group.'

Tired of jewellery, music and chocolates, I threw a suggestion out to my dearly beloved that instead of gifts for my next birthday I wanted an 'experience' - an opportunity to do something I hadn't done before. Effectively I had set myself a goal to find a challenge to meet its expectations.

Having undertaken parachute jumps, abseiling, parascending and a few other 'high' challenges I thought that it would be a good time of life to check my driving skills, some three decades after taking my initial driving test. How many bad habits had I picked up? What new good habits could I learn? And how long would it take?

Having sent back my initial response to the Oxford Area Group, I was greatly relieved to find, a welcoming and engaging group of like-minded souls. Having been allocated an Observer – Nigel, who was also to become my motoring mentor, guru and sensei - last March my learning journey, literally, began.

My already extensive acronym library increased further: IPSGA, TUG, T&T - the outpouring of knowledge was imparted with humour, determination and, occasionally, courage. There were intermissions when our respective holiday schedules overtook our driving dates and our exchanges became a series of text messages with dates and question marks, but we worked through that and on resumption I realised that the space between drives had concentrated my mind.

I was fortunate to have two check runs with other members of the group which proved very useful in preparing me for the eventual test drive with someone new. I also took the opportunity to attend the Thames Valley Air Ambulance visit at Brize Norton which was enlightening and gave a chance to meet the wider group. I hope to keep attending social and group events... my renewal subs are winging their way as I write.

When I realised I hadn't achieved a F1RST my initial question was 'Can we go again?' - and if I get the chance in the future I'd love to try to pick up those elusive points!

I have learnt several key lessons and new driving techniques over the last year and I know it has improved my overall driving quality. I thank every observer and member who has encouraged me along the way and look forward to meeting you all again at the next group event.

Nigel Champken-Woods was my sensei, Alex Lewis and Geoff Ayres both volunteered to carry out my check runs. The credit is all theirs.

Lynne Ford, newly qualified member of Oxford Area Group IAM.

Congratulations!

This month we also celebrate success for:

Mary Castle, who has passed the Advanced Driver Test
and **Nick Alcock**, who has passed the Advanced Rider Test.

For **Ed Rockett**, successfully completing the Advanced Driver Course was a family affair.



Ed explains: *I initially started my IAM journey in Derbyshire, taking lessons from my grandfather, who is an observer with the Matlock local group. I swapped to the Oxford group when I started a university course here and passed my test in December. My test was actually held in Aylesbury due to the unavailability of a local examiner at the time.*

So joining the IAM has been a fantastic experience for me, involving thoroughly exploring three counties - Derbyshire, Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire – in preparation for my test. At least it has given me lots of experience in observing the road, as most of it has been on roads that were alien to me.

I am proud to have followed in my family's footsteps, as I am the fourth to have passed the Advanced Test, after my grandfather and both parents. The picture shows three generations of my family with our IAM certificates: I'm on the left, my mother Elizabeth is in the middle and her father Peter is on the right.

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Mature Drivers: the statistics

In our piece last time about older drivers, following Prince Philip's accident in January, we quoted statistics showing the numbers by age group of car drivers who died or were seriously injured in road traffic accidents in 2017.

We said: The data suggest that the over 60s are actually not as great a danger on the roads as younger drivers. Years of experience may make older drivers more risk aware – or they may simply be less adventurous and, of course, there are fewer of them.

We are grateful to group member **Dominic Hargreaves** who did a little more digging into figures published by the Government.

Dominic wrote: I wanted to point out that the tabular data about driver casualties by age bracket does not tell the whole story and, although you mention that there are fewer older drivers, I thought some more data was in order.

In fact, a 2016 survey reveals that the difference is not nearly as great as might be inferred (in this case, older is defined as 70+):

'Older car drivers have a slightly lower casualty rate given distance travelled compared to all car drivers. In 2016, there were 292 older car driver casualties per billion vehicle miles travelled in England, compared to 306 for all car drivers. In recent years the distance driven by older people in England has risen markedly (by 28 per cent) from 1,593 miles per person per year in 2002 to 2,045 in 2016.

However, this includes a large weighting at the lower end of the age range. In fact the full data show a much more complete picture and demonstrate that the incidence of collisions goes up dramatically, per mile driven, for drivers aged 70 and above.'

In the flurry of discussion and comment in the press about older drivers following the Prince Philip incident, there was a lot of talk along the lines of: 'Actually older drivers have far fewer accidents and it's the young drivers who are most at risk of injury.' The statistics quoted in these discussions and articles were inconsistent with one another to say the least. Thanks, again to Dominic for pointing out that it would be more accurate to say that older drivers have *slightly fewer* accidents than younger ones but, the older you get, the *more likely* you are to be involved in an accident.

All the more reason to consider recommending an IAM Mature Driver Review to the older driver in your life!

The Mature Driver Review costs: £49

[Full details can be found here.](#)



Volunteer Driver Service

Can you help?

Volunteer Driver Service North Oxfordshire was established April 2012 as a project of Citizens Advice. Volunteer drivers use their own cars to take people to appointments where there is no reasonable alternative transport available. Passengers pay a 45p a mile charge to help cover the driver's fuel cost.

The service already has forty drivers who do over two hundred journeys and 5000 miles a month but is always looking for new drivers. The bigger the team, the more people they can help.

We recently received this letter from the scheme's Co-ordinator, Maayke Schiphorst, appealing directly to members of our group:

I work for the Volunteer Driver Service North Oxfordshire, a community transport project operating in the Cherwell district. Our volunteers use their own cars to take people to essential appointments where there is no reasonable alternative transport available to them.

Volunteers take passengers to medical appointments, but they also help elderly people visit their loved ones in nursing homes or take part in social activities. Without the work of our volunteers, they would otherwise face isolation due to living in rural areas or a lack of mobility preventing them from hopping on a bus.

We are currently looking to promote awareness of the service, with a view to attracting a few additional volunteers, as well as reaching out to potential service users.

I was wondering if your organisation might be able to help with this? Perhaps this could be a small feature in your newsletter, or a mention at one of your meetings or other events? If this is something that you might consider, or if you would like any further information, we'd love you to hear from you.

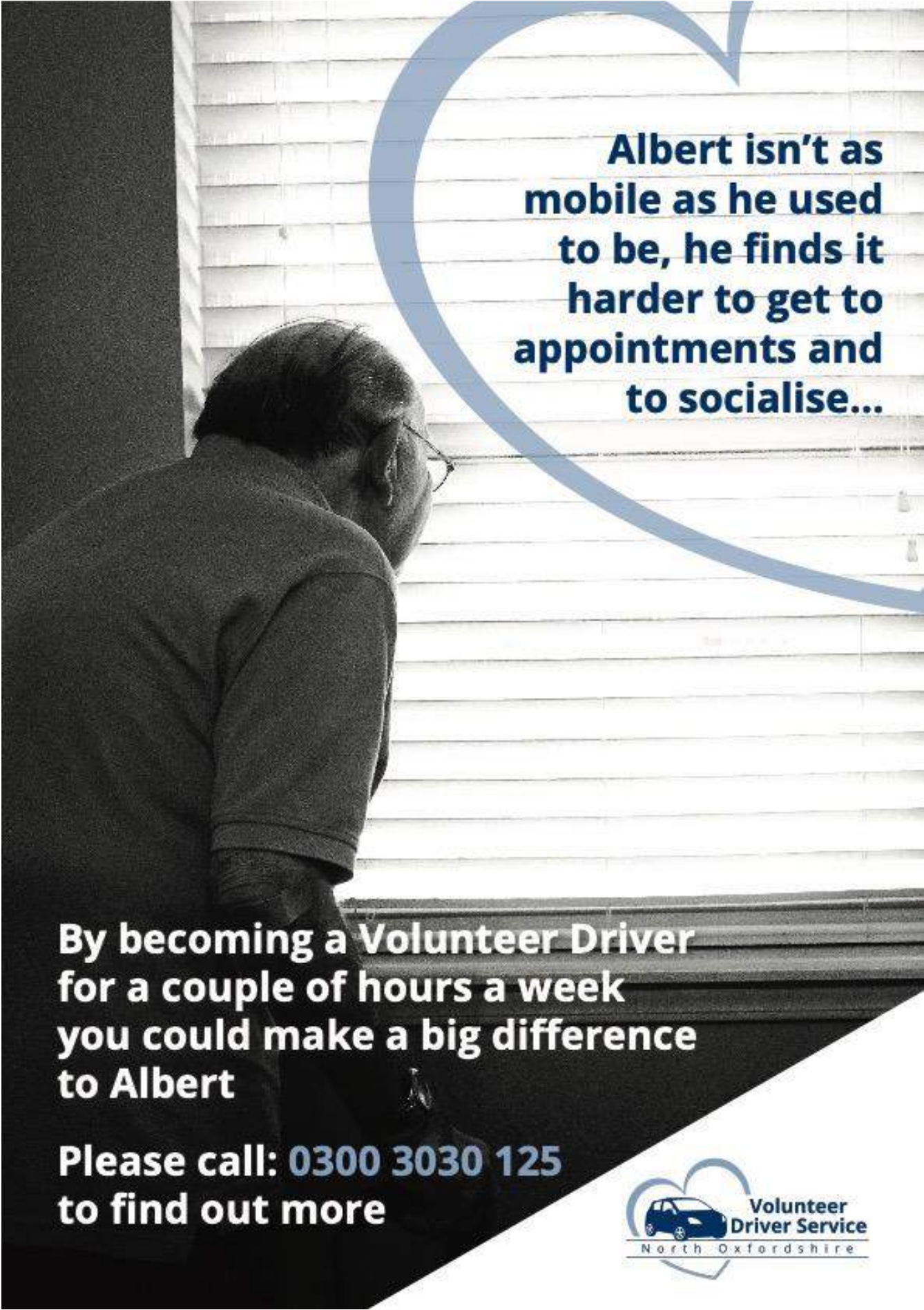
We have posters and leaflets that we could supply for distributing and displaying in a few areas - See next page.

Many thanks for your time.

Kind regards,

Maayke Schiphorst

<https://www.canosn.org.uk/Pages/Category/community-transport>



Albert isn't as mobile as he used to be, he finds it harder to get to appointments and to socialise...

By becoming a Volunteer Driver for a couple of hours a week you could make a big difference to Albert

Please call: 0300 3030 125 to find out more



2019 Events Checklist

Tues 2 April 2019

7.30pm - Bike Members Meeting
Exeter Hall, Kidlington

Wed 3 April 2019

The monthly meeting has been replaced by the Spring Drive-out on 21st April - See p7
The Bikers Curry Night has been replaced by the Bike Members Meeting on 2 April

Sat 6 April 2019

9.00am - Ride Out to Kempton Motorcycle Jumble
Starbucks, A34 North, OX25 3QQ

Sun 14 April 2019

9.30am - Thomo's Sunday Morning Ride Out
Starbucks, A34 North, OX25 3QQ

Sun 21 April 2019

9.00am - Spring Drive-out
The Old Shed, Charlbury, OX7 3JH

Thur 25 April 2019

7.30pm - 'Meet The Examiner' with Jim Henderson
St Hugh's Hall, Ruskin Road, Banbury, OX16 9HU

Sun 28 April 2019

9.00am - Ride Out to Bicester Heritage Sunday Scramble

Wed 1 May 2019

7.00pm for 7.30pm - Drive-out & Ride-out Meeting
Meet Exeter Hall, Kidlington

Sun 12 May 2019

9.30am - Thomo's Sunday Morning Ride Out
Starbucks, A34 North, OX25 3QQ

Wed 15 May 2019

7.00pm for 7.30pm - Evening Ride Out
Peartree Services, A34/A44

Wed 5 June 2019

7.00pm for 7.30pm - Drive-out Meeting
Meet Exeter Hall, Kidlington

Sun 9 June 2019

9.30am - Thomo's Sunday Morning Ride Out
Starbucks, A34 North, OX25 3QQ

Wed 3 July 2019

7.00pm for 7.30pm - Drive-out Meeting
Meet Exeter Hall, Kidlington

Sun 14 July 2019

9.30am - Thomo's Sunday Morning Ride Out
Starbucks, A34 North, OX25 3QQ

Wed 7 August 2019

7.00pm for 7.30pm - Drive-out Meeting
Meet Exeter Hall, Kidlington

9 11 August 2019

Bikers Trip to Keswick

Sun 11 August 2019

9.30am - Thomo's Sunday Morning Ride Out
Starbucks, A34 North, OX25 3QQ

Check for updates of this list by visiting <http://www.iamroadsmart.com/groups/oagam>



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Group Scorecard

The group scorecard is published each month and shows the test statistics for the previous twelve months. Here are the scores for February and March.

Test Statistics (over the last 12 months)		Status: 01/02/2019		
	OAGAM Group 12 months	OAGAM Car 12 months	OAGAM Bike 12 months	Region Avg. 12 months
First	13	8	5	4.1
Pass	37	15	22	11.8
Fail	8	4	4	2.4
% Pass	86	85	87	87

Test Statistics (over the last 12 months)		Status: 01/03/2019		
	OAGAM Group 12 months	OAGAM Car 12 months	OAGAM Bike 12 months	Region Avg. 12 months
First	11	6	5	4.1
Pass	38	17	21	11.8
Fail	9	5	4	2.4
% Pass	84	82	87	87