'THE THINKING DRIVER'

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CHAIRMAN'S COMMENT



I am very proud on behalf of our Group to share with you the continuing success of our Group Associates and Observer team with yet another F1rst pass. On this occasion to **Seán Mullin** and his Observer, **Nigel Packer**, and to our Group National Observer / Local Group Observer Assessor, **Jonathan Hughes** who leads our Group Associate Evenings, congratulations to all concerned and very well done! With 16 conducted tests 9 have been at the F1rst pass level.

Our Group has recently attended events at Himley with the **Classic & Retro Show** and West Park with the **Wolverhampton Carvers Marathon**. My thanks to all who helped out not only on the day but the previous day when our Gazebo's were erected. Sadly the weather at both occasions resulted in much smaller crowds with those attending not staying to enjoy the venues. Our thanks to "**Dicky" Dodd** of **Signal 107** who got us into the latter event and the Organiser has kindly offered us a space for next year (2018).

Both events have led to hundreds of leaflets and information being handed out, so time will tell the success we have had, and hopefully growing our Group footprint to all! This leads me to a slightly more unusual request - do any of you have dry storage available where the Groups' equipment can be stored? If so, please get in touch with me (see 'Contact list' on page 9) - as your Group has a bit of a storage crisis presently.

Please be aware that there are some Group Committee personnel changes as **Graham Foulkes** is stepping down after many sterling years as our Group Treasurer with **Christine Westwood** taking over. **Kathryn Ball** has taken on Group Events Co-ordinator and also guest speakers from **Nigel Packer**. Also **David Gallagher**—see below.

<u>During next year our Group will be reaching a significant milestone of being in existence for 40 years</u>. We are planning a number of events to celebrate this, so in your next Newsletter and possibly before on our Group Website (www.wolvesiam.org) there will be some days and evenings available to help make this a success. We are sure that we all will want this to be a success for our Group, so please contribute to this in what ever way you are able as these 'events' are revealed in your Group website!

Finally, our Group wishes to pass on its congratulations to **David Gallagher** (see page 5 too) with is appointment to the role of **IAM RoadSmart's Young Driver Ambassador 2017/18** and wish him every success following what he has achieved in his similar role with us.

Our Group website is a tremendous resource frequently updated and evolving. To those of you with Social media accounts be aware of our Facebook, Twitter and YouTube channel. Until next time safe driving.

Best regards

Paul Williamson

WHAT IS MISSING FROM YOU?

- <u>Can you guess</u>? Could it be Newsletter contributions from our membership? Other than those from members of your Group Committee can you recall any?
- What can you give in your Newsletter? Motoring / driving articles, experiences, details on talks / visits, etc. If you access our Newsletter website files you can get a historical listing of such going back to 2000(should so desire!).
- <u>Indeed what else could you give?</u> Join your committee? Help at Events? Talk about Advanced Criving, our Group, the IAM, etc. during your other social life. Ask if you can drop IAM / Group leaflets, posters, etc. at appropriate locations to garner members, interest, etc.
- 'Taster Runs' and 'Gift Vouchers' for your close / wider family members? (See page 5).



EVENTS & GROUP MEETINGS??

**Your Attention please:
Following our latest committee changes —ALL Group Events, Talks, Meetings, Associate and Observer Evenings etc. and their details—will be listed on our group website (www.wolvesiam.org) for Events Diary' Map links, etc.

As such arrangements occasionally can and do change—please consult your Group website regularly, also emails!

**This current section will be reused as from the
next newsletter. What
would you like to see here?

MEMBERSHIP & TALKS/MEETINGS

• Your IAM and Group Membership Detail

Members are reminded that <u>any</u> change in their detail previously supplied to the Group via a Group Application Form on joining or renewal of memberships needs to be passed to your Group Secretary <u>and</u> the IAM itself as soon as they happen. <u>The IAM and your Group cannot effectively contact you if your detail on our databases is out of data.</u>

Talks/Meetings

Rather than just waiting for things to be arranged, have you got any details of talks, visits, etc. that you may have experienced or from other interests in your lives that could be transferred to your WAM Group? Yes / No? If you have, please contact our Group Events / Talks Officer, **Kathryn Ball** (see page 9 of this newsletter) or any other listed committee member. All contributions will be welcomed! **DO remember to check your Email & Group Website (www.wolvesiam.org) 'regularly' - as changes often take place!**

OBSERVED & PRE-TEST RUNS

Full and Associate Members—please note - that a valid Group Membership card must be produced upon request. Failure to do so or if the card is invalid, that particular activity shall not take place.

IAM Documents Declaration Forms—<u>must</u> be completed by the Associate at their first run. Attendance at both 'Associate Evenings' by Associate Members—is required.

Do remember - When you have taken a 'pre-test' drive - and have been recommended to take your actual IAM Test be aware this recommendation will come from you having demonstrated the standard that we expect of you to pass - however - it will still depend on your driving on the actual day of your IAM test with an IAM Examiner. Your actual Test application will done via the IAM DTE database and the group's database user. Within 2-3 weeks - an Examiner will normally contact you to arrange a date, time and location for your actual test. **Associates—do be aware—** that this will be **your** Test arrangement with the Examiner, so do stay in contact with him should anything change that may affect it.

After taking your test - please let your Observer <u>and</u> Chief Observer know of the result as soon as possible. This allows us to say 'well done' — and to free your Observer for any waiting Associate.

"Advanced Driving
by the 'Thinking
Driver'?"



FROM YOUR CHIEF OBSERVER

May I suggest that when we, as Advanced Drivers, are going about our normal daily driving activities, whether business or pleasure, nothing should or does actually happen, "Suddenly". My reason for saying this is that an Advanced driver should always have applied **IPSGA**:

INFORMATION: Taking, using and giving.

POSITION, (PLANNING): Determining the best approach to the hazard then planning and positioning accordingly

SPEED: Establishing the correct speed to manoeuvre through the hazard GEAR: Being in the right gear to manoeuvre through the hazard and then

ACCELERATION: Accelerate from the hazard to get swiftly to the best possible safe speed

Over and above this the driver should have anticipated the likelihood of an incident developing, and adjusted their driving style to suit.

Anticipation by definition means expecting something to happen. In Advanced Driving, we read the road and the behaviour of other road users so that we are prepared for any eventuality thereby keeping ourselves safe. A less well-trained driver may not be so aware of potential incidents developing; reactions and understanding may not be sufficient to avoid being involved, and part of that incident creating a situation that may have started out as a nice leisurely drive developing into a full-scale emergency!

We take in Information and apply **all** our senses in deciding what might be going to happen. For example, you could be following a bus and note passengers starting to stand ready to alight at the next stop, or a stationary bus at a stop dropping off or picking up passengers. "**What if**" someone "darts" from front or rear of the now stationary bus, and straight into your path! As an Advanced Driver, you will have already anticipated this possibility, and, as always, applied **IPSGA**. Taking information as to what you can see, processing it then deciding what might happen, followed by your considered opinion the best course of action for you to take in order to keep you safe. Similarly, if you see dust-bins on the pavement edge, you may expect to see a dustbin lorry making a collection. The smell of new mown hay in the countryside could indicate the possibility of heavy plant or machinery operating in the vicinity, perhaps around the next bend.

Apply good forward and peripheral observation at all times, scanning far and near, (think of main and dipped beam), make full use of your mirrors.

If you continually ask "what if" for every hazard encountered, then act upon it, you are very unlikely to be surprised by your environment and a "suddenly" situation should not occur. By doing this you will continually assess possible hazards and revise your driving plans accordingly, the mark of an Advanced Driver.

On a final note for this issue of our Newsletter, "Spoken Thought", (previously known as Commentary), is exactly what it says; simply saying what you see happening around you. It is not mandatory for the test, unless you are hoping to gain a F1rst, however even without that goal in mind, spoken thought is a valuable aid to honing and refining your Observation skills. By scanning far and near and saying what you see, may surprise you as to what you do actually see. If you have not tried talking through your drive for some time, do so, preferably when you are in the car alone; you may be surprised at how much there is that is going on around you at all times.

Always expect the unexpected and be prepared to act upon it should it happen. Like the proverbial Boy Scout, (or Girl Guide), always be prepared; this act may save your and other lives on our very busy roads.

Always be a "Thinking Driver"

Until the next time, stay safe and happy motoring,

Roy Richards Chief Observer.

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Attendance at <u>both</u> Associate Evenings.—is <u>required</u>.

Keep in touch with your Observer—it is your responsibility to do so.

If you cannot keep an appointment— tell your observer. Observers are volunteers and have lives of their own to fit around observing. It is only courte-

ous to let them know in a timely manner.

ASSOCIATE RESPONSIBILITIES

If you do not keep in touch with your observer—we will assume that you no longer wish to continue and your observer will be assigned to another associate. Our observers are a scarce commodity so we have to make best use of them.

A successful pre-test run—still means that you continue your runs right up to the actual test. Do not go off the boil! Your IAM test result will be on how you drove on that test run.

When you pass your test—let us know via your observer so that all the group can celebrate your success.

Are you using 'IPSGA'?



Have you the vision to drive safely?

Leave a positive vision behind

Over time our eyesight deteriorates and previously strong vision can become poor. If eyesight problems are left unaddressed they can often lead to poor reaction times to unexpected hazards or the behaviour of other road users. This week's tips give advice on eyesight. When riding and driving from IAM RoadSmart's head of driving and riding standards, **Richard Gladman**.

- Get regular checks. Eyesight can deteriorate over time without you noticing. If you are having to move closer to the television to read the titles clearly or have noticed even a slight deterioration with your eyes, we recommend a visit to the optician for a check-up; after all we should do this on a regular basis (every two years) anyway and its free for the over 60s
- Take a break, eyes get tired too. If you are travelling for long periods of time you should take a break every two hours or every 100 miles, whichever is sooner. This will refresh you and your eyes keeping you alert
- Driving at night can be the most problematic area as our eyes age. No matter how eagle-eyed we may think we are, it is a scientific fact that as we get older our eyes become less sensitive to light. Avoiding night time driving is a wise precaution if you are starting to struggle to see clearly after dusk
- Keep a pair of sunglasses in the car in all seasons; low sun on a wet road will make you wish you hadn't packed them away after the summer
- Know the law. You must be able to read (with glasses or contact lenses, if necessary) a
 car number plate made after 1 September 2001 from 20 metres. To find out more
 information on this visit the government's driving eyesight rules page <a href="https://example.com/here-black-number-black-n
- Use this to test yourself, if you struggle to read it get checked out straight away
- Stay hydrated. Water is very good in keeping you hydrated and is also good for your eyes. With the added bonus of helping you maintain concentration while driving and riding

Richard said: "Deteriorating eyesight can often be a sign of other health problems so a checkup is a good idea. If you do have eye correction prescribed for driving make sure you use it, not having your glasses is a poor excuse when you have had the accident. As a little aside how often do you clean your glasses? Even a pristine windscreen will seem dirty if the lenses are covered in fingerprints."

So—just when did you last have your vision properly checked? Do you ensure that family, people that you are responsible for equally practice regular eye checks?

How about your hearing? And sense of smell?

As we drive, walk, etc. we use the three senses—sight, sound and smell. We give our cars a service and yearly MOT—so what about ourselves too? Otherwise it just could be a case of—great car but shame about the driver—and its passengers (?).

(No worries, I'll do it tomorrow, mate!) Now there's an over used phrase!

Gathering and using available Information?

Official Provider



<u>David takes over from Eloise as younger ambassador</u> This week our new Younger Driver Ambassador <u>David Gallagher</u> starts with <u>IAM RoadSmart</u>, taking over from Eloise Peabody-Rolf who leaves to go to university. David, from Sedgley, has already been involved with the charity through the <u>Wolverhampton Advanced Motorists Group</u>, acting as its younger ambassador and helping establish its social media channels. Welcome David as he makes his way around the country. (<u>extracted from Issue 156 IAM.RS Inform Weekly News 6/9/2017)</u>

IAM RoadSmart—Car 'Tasters' & Gift Vouchers

IAM YOUNGER DRIVER AMBASSADOR

New free car 'Taster' website

The new web page for free car taster sessions is now live at www.iamroadsmart.com/drivefree ahead of the official launch. Every group that provided an email address is listed; those who were blank or provided web or phone numbers instead are not listed.

Join us now for a free advanced driving introduction.

Your first step to becoming an advanced driver is free.

If you're interested in finding out what advanced driving techniques and skills could do for your confidence and ability, then this is for you. We believe that the very best way to understand and develop new skills is to see and feel them in your own car, with the guidance of an IAM RoadSmart qualified Observer.

We'll help you to develop new skills quickly and easily.

Your free drive lasts around an hour, usually arranged at a time and location convenient to you - although some of our groups host drives on set days and locations. It is a relaxed and enjoyable experience with the opportunity to ask questions. There are no special requirements and the offer is open to everyone, providing you have a full licence and your own car. You'll gain some new ideas and skills, plus tips on how to develop your driving abilities.

How to book your free session.

Simply click on the location closest to you below. You'll then be able to email your details directly to the local organiser - please include your name, phone and email details plus the car you drive. They will make contact with you and arrange your free driving session.

Come and enjoy finding out all about advanced driving with us, you'll love it!

As a thank you IAM RoadSmart will also offer you 10% off (£134) our Advanced Driver Course if you then decide to take the challenge of becoming an advanced driver with IAM RoadSmart.

Alternatively might this be of interest to you as something for a family member to try perhaps?

Successfully completing the advanced driver course would make that person a better and safer driver, and could allow them to benefit from better car insurance premiums. Purchasing such a course has been popular with both parents, grandparents, etc. for their younger family members.

Why Gift not an Advanced Driving course?

IAM RoadSmart courses (https://www.iamroadsmart.com) make thoughtful, practical and hugely enjoyable gifts.

IAM.RS offer a number of courses as gift vouchers presented in attractive gift packs. So whether you wish to help someone you care about to also benefit from the skills that you learned with us, or you are simply looking for a unique, thoughtful present, then take a look at the gift packs that are offered. If you need any help then please call Customer Care on 0300 303 1134 during office hours..

Always in the right **P**osition,?



Drugs, Alcohol, Medications, etc.

Above the influence: tips from the IAM.RS

<u>Illegal substances</u> can affect drivers in several ways, making them unfit for the road. But it is not only illegal drugs that we should be wary of. Prescribed or over the counter drugs can have similar negative affect's on motorists too and driving while impaired by medication could see you banned from using the road.

These tips give advice on riding and driving with prescribed medication, from IAM RoadSmart's head of driving and riding standards **Richard Gladman**.

Always ask your GP when the medication is prescribed and then confirm the information by reading your medication leaflet before you take it. This can often be overlooked as more pressing medical matters are at the forefront of your mind. If you need further details or advice about your medication ask the pharmacist or get back in touch with your medical professional. Some drugs are based on banned substances but if you stick to a prescription you will not be breaking the law, but your driving can still be impaired.

If you feel in any way affected by your medication don't take the chance; use a designated driver or use a taxi. Don't risk your or others lives by driving when your concentration or reactions are impaired.

If you are not sure whether you can drive with your medication, don't get behind the wheel. Use public transport to get to your destination. The government offer advice and also has a list of prescribed medications you are not allowed to drive with, visit https://www.gov.uk/drug-driving-law

Don't stop taking your medication. This tip may seem obvious but some motorists may choose the convenience and luxury of driving over health. Ask your healthcare professional if an alternative is available and if not, plan around not being mobile

Remember some untreated medical conditions and allergies will also affect your ability to drive. The itchy streaming eyes often caused by hay fever can make driving hazardous, add to that a sneezing fit and you are a real danger. Manage your symptoms and avoid driving when this is at its worst. Pollen eases in the evening

Richard said: "The legislation in relation to driving with prescription drugs is there for all of our protection. More so than any other impairment, drivers find themselves falling foul of the effects of their prescribed medication by making a decision to take a chance. It is often through lack of knowledge that they find themselves in this position. If you are taking medication check what the side effects are or might be and plan accordingly."

<u>Drunk motorists</u> cause thousands of accidents on UK roads every year. Some 1,380 people were killed or seriously injured when at least one driver was over the limit. This represents a statistically significant rise from 1,310 in 2014. A lot of people may be surprised to learn that accidents occur the most over the summer period. This week's tips give advice on drink driving, from IAM RoadSmart's head of driving and riding standards Richard Gladman.

- Know how much you are drinking. Drinks consumed at home or at a friend's house are often larger than those in public venues and may contain a lot more units of alcohol than you think
- •Leave your vehicle at home. If you do take your car and change your mind make sure you have parked your car in a place that you are able to leave overnight before you start drinking. Don't go back to it after as you have had a drink it may be difficult to prove you were not going to drive
- •Get your transport sorted out beforehand. If you arrange a taxi or minibus for yourself and your friends it takes any pressure off to drive and if you pay for it in advance you also know you don't have to worry about finding the money at the end of the night! Nominate a designated driver and make sure they stick to zero alcohol. Remember it is distracting and potentially dangerous having drunk passengers when you are an inexperienced driver; play the game and behave. As the driver if your friends can't behave: don't drive them
- •Don't succumb to peer pressure; stick to your guns if you are the driver. Don't try to guess how may drinks will be safe, you are playing Russian roulette not only with your licence but potentially with your life.
- •Be careful of the 'morning after.' The only cure for 'being drunk' is time, alcohol will take hours to leave your system so after a late night you may not be fit to drive all day. If you have a late night make sure you won't be behind the wheel tomorrow. Richard said: "The consequences of drinking and driving can be tragic. It may be that your ability to drive is affected even if you are below the legal limit, if you need to drive the safest way is a no drinking policy. We all know of someone who had 'one for the road', the lucky ones escaped with just a driving ban."

At the right S_{peed} ...?



OBSERVER AND ASSOCIATE EVENINGS

<u>Observer Evenings</u> (Holiday Inn, Wolverhampton Racecourse) at 7.30pm unless advertised otherwise:

N.B. Observers should attend each evening.

October 24th.

<u>Associate Evenings</u> (Holiday Inn, Wolverhampton Racecourse) at 7.30pm unless advertised otherwise:

N.B. Associates should attend both Parts 1 & 2 during their guidance runs period. September 19th, October 24th, November 21st.

*** NOTE: Occasionally circumstances may dictate 'movements' by us against these dates, so do check our website (www.wolvesiam.org) 'Events Diary'! After the above listed dates such Evenings will be posted on our website —ONLY!

Your Group Committee Members



Hi everybody, I'm **Kathryn Ball**, the newest member of your WAM committee.

I passed my car driving test when I was 17 mainly because I thought it would be so cool to take the car to school and park next to the headmaster. Many decades and many thousands of miles later I have thankfully matured somewhat and I joined WAM as an Associate member at the back end of last year.

I think we have a great message to get across, we show people how to drive safely, how to react to the unexpected and most importantly – keep themselves and their families safe. That message isn't getting across too well, we are fighting against driver complacency and the seduction of sleek well designed cars that do the thinking for you.

We need to increase our influence and get our message out there and that's what I and the team want to do. Next year will be our 40^{th} Anniversary, we are planning on making that a special year. We want to increase our membership and line up some great events for everyone to take part in. Why not let your committee know what you would love to see us do?

Now a bit about me -.

I've been an International Trade Adviser at Birmingham Chamber of Commerce and Black Country Business Link. I've worked on the Commercial team at the British Embassy in Prague, and I was a Business Relationship Manager for the DTI (Trade and Industry) Automotive Section, building relations with national companies within the Automotive sector e.g. Corus, Triumph, Avon Tyres and Alexander Dennis.

Most recently I was Office Manager for an MEP who sadly neglected to regain his seat at the last election.

So, don't forget, get in touch if you have ideas or suggestions. Tell your committee what your idea of an interesting evening is. Let us know and lets work together to make the next year really memorable.

You can contact your committee members anytime - see page 9.

Kathryn Ball

In the right **G**ear,?



IAM—ADVANCED DRIVING TEST

The test is the culmination of your training, it is your opportunity to show how good you are and justify your observer's faith in you. A little bit of nerves can be a good thing. Stay focused and try to enjoy it. The perfect driver has not yet been discovered but how close are you?

What to expect during the test:

•The administration process •The test •You •At the conclusion of the test

The administration process Having applied for your test (within WAM Group—via your Group Secretary and the DTE Database link we share with IAM RoadSmart following an acceptable Group pretest run) you will be contacted by your examiner either by telephone or email. This is to arrange a mutually convenient date, time and location for the test to take place. The location should be safe, easy to find, of no cost to either of you with facilities and easy access to a variety of roads. Supermarket car parks and fast food restaurants are often chosen. (Beware of time limited parking).

The test This should be about 75 minutes from start to finish with no more than 60 minutes riding or driving.

What will be tested? After the document disclaimer is dealt with the examiner will conduct an eyesight check. This is the same as the DVSA test or a police roadside check. You must be able to read a standard number plate at a distance of 20.5 metres. During the drive you can be tested on anything from the course material. It may not be possible to assess some areas practically so the examiner may ask questions.

You will be asked—to conduct a practical real life manoeuvre or demonstrate competency in course of test and your decision making process is part of the assessment. On a motorcycle you may be asked to perform a slow riding manoeuvre if this has not been displayed during the test. Your drive must be safe and legal. Use your speedometer to keep to the speed limits which must be adhered to at all times, there are no exemptions when making an overtake so do not plan to exceed the speed limit when deliberating.

Your Examiner—All of the IAM examiners are advanced police drivers and have experience in dealing with road safety matters.

They will: - •Put you at ease. •Set the scene for you and explain what they are looking for. •Explain clearly the route directions and how they will communicate them. •Explain test protocols such as safety and commentary. •Explain that any road traffic offence is likely to lead to a fail. •Explain about their note taking (they write positive points as well as areas for development) •Give advice on how mistakes will be dealt with (you will not necessarily fail for a minor mistake) •Answer any questions you may have You We know that you will be nervous, we all were in the same circumstances. Your examiner will have been through the assessment process a number of times from both seats. If you have any concerns or are unsure of anything don't be shy, ask the question, there is no such thing as a stupid question and you will get an answer to help put you at ease. If you are suffering from any disability or mobility issues let the examiner know. If you are dyslexic or hard of hearing let the examiner know. All reasonable adjustments will be made to the test to make it all-inclusive. It must however be assessing a standard that is perceivably higher than the DVSA test.

You will be asked to attempt a commentary. To achieve a F1RST you must have tried (unless medical reasons apply) give it a try it can help you to focus.

During the test if you don't hear or think you may have misunderstood an instruction, ask. We are all human.

At the conclusion of the test. You will be told your result straight away Pass or Fail You will be given verbal feedback followed by a written report containing the detail of your drive or ride. If you are successful you will be given an interim pass certificate.

You will also be given advice on other options within the IAM

Applying the right degree of **A**cceleration ...?"

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FROM THE EDITOR

HELP REQUIRED!!

Please search your diaries for blank spaces and for things that are of low priority that can be deleted or put back. Your group needs help in order to keep going. Why not give something back against all that you have gained from becoming an advanced driver? How? Easy, become a committee member or an observer. Well? Well - why not? Eh? Me? Yeah, you!!

Requirements for <u>current</u> Group and IAM membership.

Please keep a close eye on the status of both of these!

Do ensure that you complete the Group form with each Group annual renewal - and/or - change in detail and send them together with the applicable monies in a timely fashion to our Membership Secretary. In this way you confirm contact details and affirm your

driving documents legal. Also the IAM form from Welvyn Garden City HQ which you send back to them.

Group renewal date - is April 1st each year!

Current memberships— are a <u>mandatory</u> requirement for <u>all</u> observers.

Timely renewals—are a must. Those not renewing will cease to be a group member, associate, observer, etc.

Please complete your membership renewal forms—with all relevant detail so that we can maintain our group and IAM files.

What is missing from your Newsletter?

To a great degree — contributions from you! We get little or nothing from you. Your newsletter does not appear like magic! (Doesn't this fellow ever

shut up? No!). Do send your letters, articles, etc. to me preferably on a disc or as an attached file on an email in an MS Office program format but hard copy will do if you do not have a computer. My contact details are in the column to the right.

Should your input not be part of the next issue rest assured that it does go on file and will be used.

Your Group Website.

It contains a great deal of current and pertinent detail—please use it—regularly!

CLOSING DATE FOR YOUR NEXT ISSUE:

1st November 2017

Tony Robson - Editor.

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MEMBERSHIP

Data Protection

(Data Protection Act 1984) Details are kept on file for Members, all of our Associates, Regional and IAM RoadSmart contacts in order that we may print address labels and perform other necessary administration tasks. If you object to any of this information being kept on file please inform the Group Membership Secretary in writing. Such information held will only be used by the Group / IAM and will not be passed on to other bodies or organisations.

Group Membership Fees

Associate Membership Renewal - £12

Full Membership (effective each 1st April) - £12

Family / Joint Membership (2 Full members at the same address—effective each 1st April) - £18 Cheques - please forward them (payable to 'W.A.M.' with your Group Membership number on the back) together with your completed form to:

Tony Robson 133 Elston Hall Lane Bushbury Wolverhampton

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Associate Membership

Upon joining usually as part of the IAM RoadSmart Advanced Driving program. Within this program you get the cost of your Advanced Test and your 1st years IAM and group memberships.

Literature - is part of this package and comprises 'How to Pass your Advanced Driving' Book.

Guidance - will be from the Group Local Observer assigned to you up to the

day of your advanced test. This also requires a successful pre-test run with a Group National Observer before the Group can apply for the IAM Advanced Test via the Group IAM DTE database access on the Associate's behalf.

New Members - are required to complete the Group Membership Form which can be downloaded from our website and sent to the Group Membership Secretary.

- •Full Members please note - 'IAM RoadSmart' Membership' - is required in addition to that of your Group.
- •If your are a Group Observer - you must be a fully paid up member of both



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'Advanced Driving'



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Registered Charity: 249002

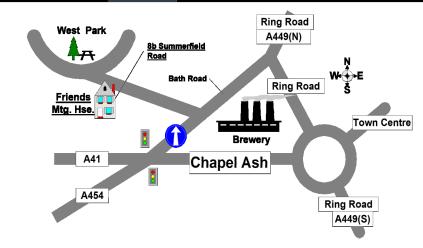
Wolverhampton Advanced Motorists

Group: 3081

Registered Charity: 1053330

Group Website: www.wolvesiam.org

"Each time, every time Well, are you?"



VENUE FOR OUR GROUP MEETINGS

 The Friends Meeting House 8b Summerfield Road Wolverhampton WV1 4PR

At the gate—follow down the drive towards the back of this property and car park. The Meeting House is at the very back. The map shows Bath Road is a 'one way road' - albeit briefly—when approached from Chapel Ash. You cannot turn right into Bath Road when coming out of town. Taking the Ring Road (northbound) from the Chapel Ash roundabout turn first left into Bath Road then second right into Summerfield Road. For other approaches see your 'A-Z'. See website - www.wolvesiam.org for maps—and SatNav details too.

NEW ASSOCIATES / IAM MEMBERS

Welcome to Associates:

- Malcolm Hill
- · David Lowe
- · Peter O'Brien
- · Craig Sterry
- · Sandra Ingram
- Michael Brooks

Sheila Barnfather

- Phil Compton
- Edward Connett
- Luanna Mazzetta

Members requalifying:

 Christine Westwood (F1rst)

Welcome to IAM Member:

• Nil

TEST PASSES

- Sarah Newlands (Observer: Alan Bates)
- David Lowe (Observer: Roger Denley)
- Craig Sterry (F1rst) (Observer: Christine Westwood)
- Sean Mullin (F1rst) (Observer: Nigel Packer)

Well done and congratulations to both Member and their Observer!

Hopefully your next move might be to become an Observer yourself to put back in some of what you have received. Added to this you will continue to hone your 'advanced driving' by this passing on your skill and guidance.

*Disclaimer Statement

Please note: See <u>www.wolvesiam.org</u> and <u>www.iamroadsmart.com</u> for further detail on this subject.