

## 2022 AGM Awards

PRESIDENT'S SHIELD of MERIT (for a committed and hard-working committee member).

This was presented to IAN GORING – Chief Observer / Training Manager.

Ian joined the team in May 2021 at the request of our Chair. The previous Training Manager had stepped back, we had funding awarded from the PCC, a new training regime was needed, new Observers were awaiting training, and we were just restarting after Covid... He took all of this in his stride, moved over from Scarborough Group and immediately got to work! Five Local Observers were overdue training refreshers, three National Observers were due retest with the IAM Regional Manager, ten Associates were ready to restart training – all of this work has been undertaken to the highest standard. The new way of training has been established, three new Observers have qualified in 2021, and two more have commenced training in 2022. Ian has also established an ongoing training program for his team, and is currently researching ideas for an 'annual day out' for Observers as part of our recognition for the hard work the team do on behalf of IAM.



CHAIRMAN'S TROPHY (for outstanding service to the Group's training activities).

This was presented to RICK ILLINGWORTH – Local Observer.

Rick was the first Associate to pass the ADT after Covid – with a F1RST! He immediately registered interest in Observer training and progressed rapidly through the training process – qualifying with merit. Since then, he has coached two Associates who passed the test earlier this year, and is currently working with three more Associates. He attends all meetings, brings his positive attitude and always contributes with a balanced view within the team.



The BEN FORD TROPHY (for success in the IAMRS MASTER'S TEST)

Currently with PETER LANGRIDGE, no Master's tests took place in 2021, but we currently have one observer who is mid-way through training...

## YORK GROUP ANNUAL QUIZ SHIELD

Last year's winner ANDY DOUGALL presented the shield to MARK ROUNDING – an Associate who led a team of four to win the quiz in February at our delayed Xmas meeting. Mark will now have the envied task of setting our next Xmas Quiz!



An OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT certificate was presented to SHEILA JEFFERSON by our new Chair Sue Kemp. Sheila passed the Advanced driving Test in 1973 – traveling to Thirsk as there was no local group at that time. She joined York Group last year and came to us for a small amount of refresher training before taking – and passing the test again in February this year. IAM helped us to honour this achievement by making a special certificate for Sheila – 49 years of IAM membership, a real commitment to good driving!



Finally, John Buffoni, our Chair for 9 years has stepped down to pursue other interests and to spend more time at his second home in Spain. Our President, Jim Boam presented him with an engraved glass for his gin and tonic. Thanks for your service John!

