



Sefton Advanced Motorists

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Welcome to the MAY 2024 edition of the SAM Newsletter.

Hello my lovely readers I hope you have enjoyed May's bank holiday week-ends and the very mixed bag of weather that has been thrown at us. I was lucky enough to get away on both the BH weekends the latter having been a trip to Blenheim Palace and surrounding Cotswold villages. Beautiful and lucky with 'precipitation' too. On my return from the Oxford area I took my travel companion to another friend's house in Four Crosses LLanymynech. Fully expecting the Sat Nav to take me back to the motorway to make my way to Newcastle U Lyme to call in on my son and family, but no he (he being Siri from my plugged in iphone) took me across country and through Market Drayton. It was bank holiday Monday and surprisingly very quiet and I thoroughly enjoyed another area of our lush green countryside at the moment. However I have encountered, on more than one occasion, that Siri sometimes does not appear to know where he is sending me. He will start "at the next...stop and say...I'm sorry I'll start again" and then proceeds to tell me the next directions! Does anyone else have an apologising Siri Sat Nav? The home improvements are still ongoing!



Thank you also to my readers, for your positive comments to April's newsletter and its content and food for thought for future topics. I have not included one this month toooooo many photos of us enjoying ourselves in Scotland hahaha!

Last month we were asking for volunteers for the stand at the Mawdesley Classic Car and Motorbike Show. For which we have now been informed has been cancelled due to the field being waterlogged. This will hopefully now go ahead on the 27th July and I will give you more information nearer the time.

Progress is ongoing with our 40th celebrations and it's still not too late to let us know you want to come along and join us.

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CAR Section

The car section are very pleased to say congratulations and well done to Jennifer Murphy who gained her FIRST Class Pass this month.



Just in time before going to 'press' congratulations and well done to Jensen Gilchrist on his Advanced Test Pass, one of our young drivers



I think our car drivers are a little camera shy



MOTORCYCLE Section

This month the Bike section would like to say congratulations and well done to



Mel Keates,



Jim Wright



and Peter Knowles



Also an Advanced FIRST class Pass goes to Mal Pool, but no photo for him either.



CHAIR

Our Chair would like to thank all the bike observers, who donate their expenses and make a donation to charity. This time the Southport offshore Rescue Trust were the lucky recipient, receiving a cheque for £410.00 from our representative Clive Woodhams.

Also our chair would like to make a request for help with storing some of our open day equipment. Does anyone out there have some space in their garage or outbuildings, that would be able to store the gazebos and banners which we need for our open days? Please get in touch and we can give you more information about their dimension etc. enquiries@samadvanced.co.uk

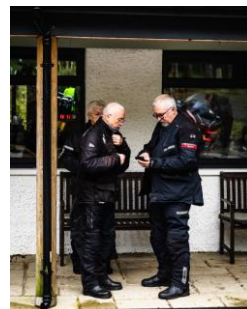


The Chair would also like to thank everyone who attended the AGM on the 20th of this month. We were able to recruit 3 new members to the committee Myself Jo Ensor and Rob Mayor and re-elect the Chair, Secretary and Treasurer who will stand for another year? Well done to the committee.



NEWS & VIEWS (Mumbles & Grumbles)

The first bank holiday weekend was the SAM Riding/Driving weekend to the Oban area of Scotland this year. The idea of a weekend away to Scotland first started back in the ?? 90's??. In the beginning it was a different hotel each night, staying in some beautiful and 'interesting' settings. This year was no exception, however as we now do 'Hub and Spoke', you could not get away from the 'idiosyncrasies' of the hotel. Never in Scotland have I had to ask to turn the heating off. The bathroom radiator was on permanently and you could fry an egg on it, so we had to take the duvet out of its cover and just sleep with that as a covering. But we did have a laugh. The weather was kind to us and the food was edible and value for money I could not complain although everywhere felt like it needed a bit more TLC. Traditionally it was all bikes however nowadays we do have some of the gang in cars (including me) so if there are any car members out there wanting get more involved let us know.



MEMBERSHIP 158

Please be advised that your SAM subscriptions are now due.

Thank you to the members who have already paid their subscriptions and for those who still have it on their 'TO DO List' here 's a reminder of ways to pay.

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Dates for the Diary

The next committee meeting will be held on 12th June 2024 at 7.30pm S&B

The next group Meeting will be on Monday 15th July 2024 at S&B Trafalgar Road Birkdale.

We still have a vacancy for our speaker coordinator if we have any willing volunteers out there?

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Many thanks for reading this, not back on teas and coffees..... on the committee!



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