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Welcome to the June 2022 edition of the flyer.

SAM SUNDAY AFTERNOON FAMILY BBQ – 21st AUGUST 2022



As mentioned in last month's flyer, the proposal is to hold a family BBQ at the Southport & Birkdale Sports Club, Trafalgar Road, Southport, on **Sunday 21**st **August**, starting at **2.30pm**.

The will be a family oriented event, subsidised by the group, with:

BBQ

Bouncy castles

Face painting

Exclusive use of function room and outside area.

Friends and family all welcome

Kids and young people under 14 years FREE

All others, £5 per person

And of course, the BAR will be open.

It would be great for as many as possible to attend and please do bring your family and friends. We would really appreciate if you would let us know if you are able to come and an early response would be very helpful. Please email either Brian Dring or myself –

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secretary@samadvanced.co.uk

Southport Auto Centre Classic Bike & Car Show - Saturday June 25th



The group's gazebo will have a central role at the Southport Auto Centre Classic Bike and Car day on Saturday June 25th and observers from the bike and car sections will be present to talk to visitors about the IAM. Proceeds from raffles and donations will go to Macmillan Cancer Support and NW Blood Bikes. The show runs from 10am until 4pm and is located in Wright Street, Southport. A 10% show discount is available for courses.

Committee

The Committee held this month's meeting at the Southport and Birkdale Sports Club on Wednesday 15th June, 2022.

SAM annual Fees

Ross Maul passed on his thanks to members who had responded to his latest request for payment of SAM fees. A letter will be sent out to others who have yet to respond.

The SAM Group currently has 177 members and associates.

Car Section

Thirteen associates are currently signed up. We also have two Associates who have been allocated Examiners, with a date yet to be confirmed for the test.

Motorcycle Section

The summer course started 11.6.22 and is running on a mass guidance basis from the Southport Fire station.

The North West Masters partnership with South Lancashire is in progress with 4 riders from SLAM being mentored by SAM riders. To date no SAM riders have joined that course. It is an excellent way of improving your riding standards and we encourage members and observers to consider it. One rider from the Wirral Group is now taking the National IAM R MASTERS course mentored by a SAM Masters mentor.

The group is supporting the current Bikesafe course being run by Merseyside Police from Birkenhead, the next session being on Sunday 3rd July. The group has been asked to provide three observers, so if any bike observers are available to assist, please con-

tact Brian Dring. Expenses will be paid.

Social Meetings

Stephen Carr gave us a talk on the IAM's connection with 'Mental Health Motorbike' at the S & B Club, on Monday June 20th. Stephen is an IAM RoadSmart member, volunteer, and former Group Chair and registered volunteer with Mental Health Motorbike.

The organisation exists with a number of objectives aimed at reducing the number of suicides amongst the biking community by getting qualified mental health first aiders into other organisations such as, in our case, the IAM. The objective is to have a first aid volunteer in each of the IAM groups by providing a training course that teaches in depth skills for providing first aid to people who may be experiencing mental health issues such as depression, anxiety and psychosis.

You can read more about Stephen and Mental Health Motorbike on the IAM website – use the search box to search for 'Mental health'.

Other News



The above picture was taken at the Spinal Action Research Group in Birkdale recently, where a cheque for £360 from the SAM observers charity fund was presented. Pictured

are President Clive Woodhams, Chair Barry Hesketh and Secretary Brian Dring.

The committee would still welcome any suggestions from members for talks etc. at group social meetings. If anyone has any group or associated news that they would like to add to the flyer, or indeed any suggestions for its improvement, please let me know at

citdickens@gmail.com

Dates for the Diary

25th June 2022 – Southport Auto Centre, Wright Street, Southport, will hold its annual classic bike and car show in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support.-10am to 4pm.

18th July 2022 – SAM social meeting. Southport & Birkdale Sports Club, Trafalgar Road, Southport. 8pm.

21st August 2022 - SAM Sunday Afternoon Family BBQ. Southport & Birkdale Sports Club, Trafalgar Rd, Southport. **2.30pm start**.

Best wishes to all,

John.

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