



Sefton Advanced Motorists

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Welcome to the September 2023 edition of the SAM flyer.

I hope this flyer finds you all well and still enjoying driving and riding. I must say that I do enjoy driving more since passing my test but I have been sorely tested over the past few months. Why I hear you ask, well I don't know about you but trying to keep to the rules of the road and not create a nuisance on the road has been very frustrating driving on the Formby by pass. 🤨 We started with a section of 30mph then 40 then all 30 and then a blanket 20. I also noted that no car I was on the road with, actually did the speed limit! Well done to any trainees who experienced this on their tests. This week as I drove to Formby it appears the 'works' have finished and the temporary road signs had gone. However not all the original 60mph signs had been reinstated. Very confusing for visitors to Southport. 🤔 Moan over.....let's find out what's been happening.

Car Section

The car section have continued to be busy over the Summer. Here we see Samuel Roach receiving his FIRST Test Pass from his Observer Kieran. This was a 1st, First, for Kieran too. So well done and congratulations to both.



Here we see Mark Thomas, with his observer Ross, being presented with his FIRST Pass Also. A successful summer despite the weather.



Motorcycle Section



The motorbike observers have also been busy over the summer too and are pleased to announce an Advance Test Pass for Gordon Banks, well done and congratulations.



On what looks like a lovely sunny day another Advanced Test Pass for Karl McKeivitt.

Well done and congratulations. 🙌

Let's have well done too for the observers 🙌



Some 22 members of the motorcycle section attended a run of about 150 miles on Sunday 3rd September. Starting at the Tickled Trout they rode to the Dalesman Café then to The Market Square, Masham for lunch returning via Kettlewell to Starbucks on the A59. The ride was organised and led by bike observer Dave Mercer.



Nine members of the bike section observers will be travelling to the Isle of Man with their motorcycles for a three night stay in October. Whilst good weather for motorcycling on the island is hoped for, most of the discussion about organising the trip seems to centre on food at present!

Chair

As you may be aware, SAM has donated to S.U.A.G. a charity that runs a residential home for people with spinal cord injuries.

They are currently looking for a volunteer driver, under the age of 70, to occasionally drive their mini bus locally. If you have some time to spare are interested please email enquiries@samadvanced.co.uk

Membership SAM group membership is now 127.

SAM Meetings

Now I know you are not supposed to open with a negative comment but I really must say that I was 'miffed'! Miffed I wasn't able to attend the meeting on the 18th September.

By all accounts and despite the damp weather it didn't dampen the event which was very well attended.

The visit by members of the Military Vehicle Trust (MVT) was organised by committee members Brian Dring and Jo Ensor and her husband, Neil, who is a member of the Trust. Several members attended, along with some of their historic vehicles, which included Jeeps and trucks.

Ian McCormack presented a talk on the history of the MVT, a registered charity dedicated to the restoration of historic military vehicles and also of the Jeep, which featured heavily in the attending vehicles. This was an interesting and entertaining evening and the members of the MVT have said they'd be happy to visit SAM again.



The Committee would welcome feedback and ideas for future talks you would like to attend.

Please send to enquiries@samadvanced.co.uk

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 11th October 2023 Committee Meeting 19.30hrs Southport & Birkdale Social Club, Trafalgar Road.

Monday 16th October 2023 Highlights from a Life in the Air. 19.30 hrs Southport & Birkdale Social Club, Trafalgar Road. As described in August flyer, don't miss it.

That's all for now folks, thanks for reading, see you in the next issue.

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