

South Cheshire Advanced Motorcyclists

Chairman's News Bulletin

February 2015.

Well this newsletter will be the last before the A.G.M. and last as I will be re-introducing the monthly newsletter in its place for South Cheshire Advanced Motorcyclists with issue one to be distributed first week of April 2015. I would ask all within the membership to forward any interesting motorcycle related news to my club website email, you can find it in contacts area or www.Clubchairman@southcheshiream.org.uk .The newsletter although very time consuming will have all in depth coverage on places to visit/holidays, events occurring in that month and a few mechanical/clothing elements and of course an occasional photo or two to hopefully stir things up a bit (just for fun though). Hope you enjoy the first issue coming soon as they say.

On to recruitment and as a club are here to promote the I.A.M, "Skill for Life" course, being affiliated to the I.A.M. So we have pre-booked our "Recruitment Days beginning with our first visit of the year to Staffordshire Triumph on March 14th @ 10.00am. Please any club member can come forward and assist in promoting the courses and relay to prospective Associates how it was for you and the benefits it gave yourselves as riders. If you feel you can or wish to promote the above please contact any club committee member and we will guide and assist in any way we can to make the days a pleasurable and fruitful one. All our recruitment days for the coming year are on the Club website, so if you can assist not only on the above but any days through the year, please help us to move forward and help others in the recruitment of advanced riders. "Your Club Needs You".

Staying with recruitment our first Skill for Life course starts with the Induction evening on Friday 10th April with practical session one beginning on 12th @9.00am at Grand Retail Park, Crewe, so if you know anyone wishing to become an advanced rider or looking to further their riding Skill point them in the right direction to South Cheshire Advanced Motorcyclists, all details on our website www.southcheshiream.org.uk for all 2015 courses and details of contacts to help out on all recruitment days.

I am pleased to announce the appointment to our North Region Mr Peter Serhatlic who takes up the roll of Regional Quality Manager. Peter will be undertaking the roll previously taken by Chris Givvons, Staff Examiner with Peter carrying out all Firsts, Masters & National Observer tests and of course Skill for Life tests throughout our region. I am sure you will wish him all the success in his new post.

This is now the time with Peter's appointment to take up the challenge of National Observer or promoting yourselves with a transition from Group Observer to Local Observer with the success of Paul Cuthbertson & Dean Walker who have gained Local Observer Assessor status with our club, I am sure as a club we are pleased to be moving forward with the introduction of the IMI awards and would congratulate both Paul & Dean on their success. For further details or information on the above National/Local courses please contact Clubchairman@southcheshiream.org.uk. Still on recruitment and appointments I am happy to introduce a new member to our club Chris Harris who has transferred from Redditch Advanced (please note it was a free transfer with no monies involved) Chris has already taken his National Observer test with Redditch and I am sure both Observers & Members will give him a very warm welcome.

Social events

Thursday 26th February 2015, there will be a special presentation evening by Geraint & Jan Hughes of Dragon Moto Tours with the theme of "How do you read the road". I know most members will know Geraint through the Skill for Life test with the I.A.M. being one of our I.A.M Examiners & being a retired motorcycle Police and Bike Safe presenter for Cheshire Police for many years he will provide a very in depth look as the topic of how do you read the road. Geraint & Jan will be presenting the above at a new venue for the Club, Cheshire Fire Brigade Headquarters , Sadler Road , Winsford, Cheshire CW7 2FQ, start time will be 7.45-8.00pm with Coffee/Tea & biscuits provided with what I know will be a very entertaining evening for all those that attend. So see you there and looking forward to seeing some new faces/club members.

Both Geraint & Jan set up DMT numerous years ago and offer motorcycle holidays/tours all over Europe check out their website www.dragonmototours.co.uk for more information on the 2015/16 season.

On April 23rd we have been asked to hold a presentation for the visit of an I.A.M Trustee Mr Derek McMullen who wishes to come to South Cheshire Advanced Motorcyclists and explain the changes and the "way forward" within the I.A.M. This visit is a very special one for us as a Club as we are only one of six to be chosen for the visit. The venue will be Cheshire Fire Brigade Headquarters, Sadler Road, Winsford, Cheshire CW7 2FQ. Start time of 7.30pm, we will be inviting other I.A.M. Clubs to attend this very important event and I hope you support this event as all the others with your greater numbers and find out from the horse's mouth so to speak as what/where all the progress in the I.A.M. will take us all.

Finally South Cheshire Advanced Motorcyclists Annual General Meeting will be held at the Hawk Public House @ 8.00pm 26th March 2015 , all members are welcome and voting documentation will be sent to you in due course, please attend as this is your club and your time to have a say on what you want for your Club. If any member has new ideas or thoughts on the way the club needs to go on moving forward with social events or recruitment please attend, we don't bite and would love to see you assist with moving this club to bigger and better things in the future.

Hope to see you at the social events or the A.G.M. so bye for now

Regards and be safe out there

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