Shropshire and Powys Advanced Riders

Newsletter July / August 2018.

Hi members,

For those that missed the July newsletter this is a joint July / August newsletter.

Annual membership of RoSPA is going up to £40.00 per year from September, if you keep your membership current you do not have to pay for your re-test. At the moment the bike test for us oldies is £68.00 and for those lucky enough to be under 26 it is £63.00.

Mike Kinna who looks after our clothing has been working hard with our suppliers on getting up to date clothing made with the correct logo. He has a sample of each item and will bring them to the AGM on Sunday 7th October at 4pm at the Four Crosses, Bicton, Shrewsbury. The minutes of the 2017 AGM, committee roles and nomination forms will come to you soon by e-mail. I have to say that the clothing looks very smart and a big thank you to Mike for all his efforts. Keep an eye on the group web page as photos will be taken soon and posted on there.

As no one came forward to organise a mid-week social, or indeed any social, there have not been any which is a shame as the weather has been so nice. The Sunday runs are well attended, the next one is on Sunday 2nd September and is being led by Bob Hayes. The October run on the 7th is being led by Marion and not Martin as I mentioned in the last news letter.

There are members who have not taken their RoSPA re-test. I have been asked to remind you that if you do not hold a current RoSPA advanced motorcycle certificate at the time your SaPAR renewal is due, you are classed as an Associate member and the renewal fee is £50.00, not the £20.00 as for a full member. Can you please let Stuart know, on training@saparwab.com, of the date of your re-test and the grade you obtained so that our records can be maintained. Thanks for helping us with this important matter.

Paul Collier of the local IAM group, SAMM, is looking to arrange a go-karting event in partnership with Blood Bikes and ourselves. We will need people to make a team, or two(!), it is not cheap but apparently great fun. No date or cost as yet been fixed but if you would like to have a go let me know.

When new members join the group as an Associate they are placed on a waiting list for allocation of a Tutor. Associates are allocated to Tutors in chronological order as this is deemed to be the fairest method. We current have members on the waiting list so if you have been allocated a Tutor but are unable to keep up the commitment to Tutoring please let your Tutor know so that you can be put back on the waiting list and someone else can be given the opportunity to start Tutoring.

On Sunday 23rd September SaPAR will again have a stand at Forden motor show. If you can come along and help it would be great to have you. If you know in advance that you will be able to help please let Kevin know via the contacts form that can be found by clicking on the 'other' tab on the right hand side of the SaPAR web page and selecting 'Publicity dept', so that we have some idea how many members will be coming. It is always good to see new faces.

Finally, a plea from Glyn, our Facebook wizard. If you have any suitable photos or videos that he can use on our Facebook page please let him have them. You can contact him via the SaPAR web site using the contacts form as mentioned above and selecting 'Facebook Coordinator'.

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