

## February 2020

Welcome to the first newsletter of the year. What's new for this coming year?

The monthly ride-outs begin again in April, I will be leading the first one on 5<sup>th</sup> April @ 09:30, no idea where it will go but hopefully we will see a good turnout whatever the weather. Having looked at the ride-out list on the website there are plenty of opportunities to lead a ride-out, please have a look and contact Ken on (<u>ridecoordinator@saparweb.com</u>) to put your name forward. If you need help/advice then Ken will happily provide that. He also has various routes that can be used or amended. Please get in touch, like everything, use it or lose it!!!

Stuart will be organising a separate Tutor ride out just to make sure all tutors are up to speed as all of us, no matter how good we think we are, need to be checked.

Robin, our training co-ordinator (<u>training@saparweb.com</u>), has been contacting all associates and tutors regarding training. Please respond promptly to him to make his job easier. We have increased the number of tutors but still need more so if you have passed your RoSPA test at Gold or Silver and would like to take on the challenge of Tutoring please get in touch with either Robin or Stuart.

We will be looking for volunteers to man our stand at upcoming events, when these are advertised please make yourself available. It is open to both full members and associates to help. It would be nice to see new faces at these events, it's an opportunity to meet other members, also it's free entry into the event!! It gives the group an opportunity to promote itself and sign up new members for advanced training which makes the roads safer for all of us.

One last thing you may or may not be aware of an App called What3words. It can be downloaded free and when location services are switched on, on your phone, will pin point your location to within 3 sq. metres. It will give three words which you can give to the emergency services when you contact them. They will then be able to identify your location no matter where you are in the world apparently never mind the UK. Try it!!

Our next committee meeting will be held 7.30 p.m. on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020 Elim Church, Lancaster Road, Shrewsbury SY1 3LE

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