

NAM MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2023

CLUB NIGHT - TUESDAY 11 APRIL - NORTHUMBRIA POLICE

Northumbria Police will be presenting at the April club night. PC Derek Longstaff will attend the night and give a presentation on Road Safety. PC Longstaff is a member of the Collision Investigation team at Northumbria Police.

RESEDENTIAL WEEKEND

This month will see 40 members travel to Port Patrick for our annual weekend trip. Hopefully the weather gods will be kind to add to the enjoyment of the trip. Many thanks to Michael for once again taking on the task of organising the trip.

OBSERVERS

As we see the spring emerge so we will see the team of Observers begin to arrange sessions with their associates.

A message from our **Chief Observer** regarding the process to become an Observer is below:

For those interested in **becoming an observer** please let me know by emailing me at chiefobserver@namrider.com. There are some members who have expressed an interest already - you are on the list!

When I've got numbers, I'll organise a meeting to explain what it takes to be an observer.

We can only train a limited number of new observers each year so there will be a **selection process**. Don't let this put you off we'll explain what you need to do if you are not successful this time.

If you require any further information, please contact any member of the Training Team.

RIDE OUT LEADERS

The Ride Leader workshop and the discussion on Marking Junctions were both well attended and invoked much discussion. The ride out season is now in full flow and ride leaders will be required to ensure the rides take place. We do have routes we have done in the past that can be used again; this will reduce the pressure of having to organise a route. If you would like to volunteer to lead or back mark a ride, or would just like further details or info, please contact the Ride Out coordinator or any committee member.

NAM OPEN DAY

Something for your diary. You will be aware that we are having our **NAM Open Day** on Saturday 13th May 10am to 2pm at the Quorum Business Park in Longbenton to promote Road Safety to fellow NE bikers. We will have our friendly team of observers there to provide a FREE IAM RoadSmart "Taster" ride so that bikers can experience how Advanced Training can help them



become a better, more confident, and safer rider. And, even better news, NAM will be offering a refund of £25 to the first 10 riders that sign up to IAM RoadSmart on the day! (full course including manual, observed sessions, advanced test and membership to NAM is £175). We will also have other exhibitors there on the day including Blood Bikes, Biker Down, Ridewell Teesvalley and Helite Safety vests. Take a look at the flyer which is attached for further info including the full postal address of the venue and our website NAMRIDER.COM. We need as many observers there on the day as possible plus members to help out as needed. Hope to see you there!! And spread the word to any of your friends and other bikers. We are advertising the event via a Facebook Ad, leaflets/flyers in local dealers, a post in MCN and posts on other NE forums. Let's hope it's a sunny day.

NAMCAMPING WEEKEND

If you are planning on attending the camping weekend at <u>Orcaber Camp site</u> please let me know. Dates are Fri 7, Sat 8 and Sun 9 July



YOUR COMMITTEE

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The sole aim of your committee is to ensure the club continues to run and meet its objectives.

They are selected by the membership to serve all members of the group, so it is both the right and responsibility of each member to ensure any issues, queries, concerns etc. are brought to the attention of the committee as soon as possible.

Honorary President - Michael Sutherland