



Group Meeting Oct 2022

Chairman – Phil Sayer

- Welcome
 - New members
- Club News
- Paul Fletcher, new RoSPA examiner
- Break



Club News

- Test Successes
 - New Tutors
 - New passes - Associates
 - Re-Tests – Full Members
- Group Training Rides
- Group Nights
- Group Social Rides and Events

Test Successes – Tutors

- David Richards
- Mark Vincent



Test Successes – Associates

- Phil Gill - Silver
 - Ben Greeves - Gold
 - Kevin Johnson - Gold
 - Stephen Amner - Gold
 - Liam Lynch - Gold
 - Ian Capper - Silver
 - Neil Lennon - Gold
- Stephen Russell
Stephen Worrall
Keith Gilbert
Stephen Worrall
Stephen Russell
Richard Knowles
Chris Austin

Test Successes – Three Year Re-tests

- Martin Smith - Silver
- Stephen Andrews - Gold
- Frank Barrett - Gold
- Martin Gooda - Gold
- David Richards - Gold
- Colin South - Gold
- Vini Evans - Gold
- Geoff Bones - Gold
- Jim Abbot - Gold
- Neil Burley - Gold



Group Training Rides

Group Training Rides:

- 20 Nov – Group Training Ride – Steve Russell
- 18 Dec – Group Training Ride – Steve Russell

Group Nights

- 28 Nov – Elspeth Beard, Round-the-World motorcyclist
Pre-registration essential; £2 member / £3 guest;
Curvy Riders; SAM
- 12 Dec – AGM including elections followed by social
evening with buffet
- 23 Jan – Quiz Night
Questions: Geoff, Lee,
Richard, Steve A, Steve V
- 27 Feb - Riding green lanes and TRF
Alan Huett, www.trf.org.uk



Social Ride-outs

Breakfast Social Rides:

- 13 Nov - Weeping Ash, St Neots – Vini Evans
- 11 Dec – Jubilee Café, Ardleigh – Neville Goodchild
- 29 Dec – Twixt Breakfast Ride, TBC

Suggestions for venues and events very welcome.

Events

- 19-27 Nov – *Motorcycle Live*, NEC
- 21-22 Nov – *Emergency Services Show*, NEC
- Biker Down – Suffolk Fire & Rescue
(various dates) Details on posters on Tables
- **January 2023 - Ten Year Anniversary!**
The group was founded on 1st Jan 2013
Celebration Ideas / Suggestions?

Summer Challenge 2022!

- ***“Wings and Wheels”***
Status update – Jeff Martin

Highway Code - Special Offer!

- New issue 29th January 2022
- Do you know about the “*Hierarchy of road users (Rules H1 to H3)*”?
- Available now at discounted price to all Full Members
 - Normal Price - £6
 - To you, ***Only £4 – see Stephen Worrall***

Volunteers wanted to help run your group!

- AGM – 12 December – elect a new Committee
- The Secretary (Chris Austin) is standing down after 8 years on the Committee
- The Treasurer (Jeff Martin) is standing down as Treasurer but is willing to stand as Secretary
- The Chairman (me) is standing down as Chairman but I am willing to stand as Treasurer
- We need a new Chairman! Can you help?

Introducing Paul Fletcher

- Paul has recently qualified as a RoSPA examiner
- He has kindly agreed to introduce himself

Break

- Back in 15 minutes please

Training Discussion 'Old Chestnuts'!

Please welcome...

Steve Russell – Training Officer

Stephen Worrall – Senior Tutor

Training Discussion

'Old chestnuts'!

Making progress

Filtering

Offsiding

Straight lining bends, roundabouts

The line of least resistance

'Brakes are to slow, gears are to go'

Training Discussion

'Old chestnuts'!

Making progress:

What? - keeping moving safely, systematically and smoothly at a speed appropriate for the situation that is safe and legal.

Legal? - yes

Should you? - yes

Dangers? - inappropriate speed! Exceeding rider's capabilities. Other road users reactions.

HWC: Sect 124/125 Speed limits; 146 Adapt your driving

MR: Page 226-7 (Overtaking) Filtering

Training Discussion

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Filtering:

What? - where traffic is slow or stationary enables riders to keep moving.

Legal? - yes

Should you? - yes where 'necessary' (subjective)!

Dangers? - many! Inappropriate speed, other road user's reactions.

HWC: Sect 88 Manoeuvring, 211; 165, 167(overtaking)

Traffic Signs: Page 62 road markings

MR: Page 226-7 (Overtaking) Filtering

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Offsiding: (phrase not used in MR or HWC!)

What? - adopting an offside road position to maintain a forward view and aid being seen. In MR this is toward the centre line of your lane, not the on-coming lane!

Legal? - yes, if done safely.

Should you? - only where there is a real benefit.

Dangers? - oncoming vehicles!

HWC: Sect 160 General rules;

MR: Page 189-90 Positioning for advantage (Position 3!)

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Straight lining, bends, roundabouts:

(phrase not used in MR or HWC!)

What? - riding a straighter line through bends or roundabouts to maintain machine stability.

Legal? - yes, within certain limitations.

Should you? - yes

Dangers? - confusing other traffic and collision.

HWC: Sect 186, 188-9 Mini roundabouts, Multiple roundabouts 190

Traffic Signs: 68 Mini-roundabout; 70 Traffic lanes;

MR: Page 162 Reducing the tightness of the bend

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The line of least resistance: (phrase not used in MR or HWC!)

What? - choosing clear lanes or openings in busy traffic to 'maintain progress'.

Legal? - yes, depending upon road markings/signage.

Should you? - yes

Dangers? - confusing other traffic and collisions.

HWC: Sect 186

Know Your Traffic Signs: page 70 Traffic lanes

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'Brakes are to slow - gears are to go':

What? - can you use gears to slow? Block change or overlap?

Legal? - yes, if done safely.

Should you? - depends upon circumstances, must be part of a planned approach to a hazard.

Dangers? - rear wheel lock up.

HWC: Sect 122 Coasting

MR: Pages 42, 43, 44 Overlapping braking and gear changing