



# KAMG. Kent Advanced Motorcyclists Group

News Update - Riders Extra March 2019 No111

Hello. I am often asked how long it will take to become an advanced rider. The answer is (as usual for me) "It all depends!" We all learn at differing speeds. We all have differing time available. However I do know that the more you put in the more (and quicker) skills will be learnt. Get out there and keep practising!

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Easter Egg Run to  
Parkwood Hall  
School, Swanley.  
Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April.

Meeting at Polhill Nursery for tea/coffee and briefing - the restaurant at the rear. Leaving at 11.00 for an hours ride to Parkwood Hall School at Swanley to arrive at noon. Bring along Easter Eggs for the kids and staff - we normally cover the reception area with your generosity. We can also offer pillion rides around the grounds for the kids/staff/parents. If you are willing to do this please bring along a helmet, jacket, gloves etc.

***Nick Hamilton has offered to be run Leader as I  
now have to work on this morning.***

***Please book on Tracker if you are joining in.***

# Diary Dates

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April Machine Control Day 0900 Ebbsfleet Stn car park

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April IDCAM 0900 Inn on the Lake Hotel

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April Committee meeting 1930 Inn on the Lake Hotel

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April IAM Skills Day - see IAMRoadsmart website

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April Pork Pie Run 7

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April Easter Egg Run to Parkwood Hall School 1100

Polhill Nursery TN147AD

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April Group Night at Brands Hatch 2000

[Kent Event Marshalls](#)

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April Social and Training run 0900 Moat Hotel

[Run to Shoreham Airport](#)

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May B Road Bimble

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May IDCAM 0900 Inn on the Lake Hotel

and the Kent Firebike Day see P4 for info

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 0900 Green Badge Holders Run

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May Committee meeting 0900 Inn on the Lake Hotel

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May Fish and Chip Run 1900

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May Day Trip to Dunkirk, France see P3 for info

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> 1000 Lanes of Kent commemorative ride

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May Kent Rider Skills Day

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May Vianden Tour 2019

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May Group Night 2000 Kentagon clubroom Brands Hatch

[Vines BMW - satnav training](#)

**Please confirm dates and times on Tracker.... I have been known to make mistakes! You can also book your place on the system.**

# 2019 Day Trip to Dunkirk

Saturday  
18<sup>th</sup> May

on Eurotunnel  
“Le Shuttle”



0750 train from Folkestone, returning on the 1820

Riding 30 miles to a coffee stop, then 30 miles to Dunkirk for lunch. Returning to Calais with coffee at the mid point again.

Open to all KAMG members whether you have travelled abroad before or not.

Book your train tickets then book in on Tracker and you will receive more information in the weeks to come. Ian Burchell [ianandchris377@btinternet.com](mailto:ianandchris377@btinternet.com)



Welcome to this months new members; Brian Baker, Chris Pygill, Jason Martin, Jim Readings, Richard Palmer, Robert Lowry, Simon Medhurst and Vincent O'Brien. We hope you enjoy your membership of KAMG and good

luck with your training and/or future riding. We look forward to meeting you at a group activity in the future.

# ROAD SAFETY EXPERIENCE

KENT & MEDWAY

FREE RIDE SKILLS DAY FOR KENT BIKERS! On Saturday 11th May 2019 a Ride Skills day is being held at the Road Safety Experience, Rochester. This all day activity includes theory input, observed ride with the KAMG and EKAM, slow speed/emergency stop tuition and Biker Down first aid. There are currently 19 places remaining on this free to attend day. This event has been planned following the ever popular Ride Skills at Brands Hatch minus the track session. Therefore; this day caters for bikers out there with textiles who have not been able to attend the Brands Hatch sessions.

If you would like to book at place please email [bikerdown@kent.fire-uk.org](mailto:bikerdown@kent.fire-uk.org)

Further details will follow upon completion of booking.



Machine Control Day  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April 0900  
Ebbsfleet Stn Car Park D

This is the first MCD of 2019. Free to KAMG members.

£10 for non members (plus the completion of a disclaimer form)

Book your place on Tracker - we will need Observers to help on the day.

Practice slow riding skills in a safe, helpful environment.

I welcome your news and views and articles to share  
with KAMG members.



**The KAMG AGM took place at Group night last Thursday**

**Group Officers are now**

Chair	Tina Underwood
Vice Chair	Dave Murphy
Secretary	Joe Mair
Treasurer	Paul Jessop



**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

The committee all retired and were re-elected with the exception of me! Because of a change in my work commitments I stood down.

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**Kent Fire and Rescue Firebike Skills Day at Brands Hatch**

The dates are yet to be published. Keep an eye on their website

[www.kent.fire-uk.org/your-safety/road-safety/road-safety-for-bikers/ride-skills/](http://www.kent.fire-uk.org/your-safety/road-safety/road-safety-for-bikers/ride-skills/)



At present they have only published the 2018 dates on the site!

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The KAMG Observer corps is again offering FREE taster ride sessions for non club members. Do you know anyone that would like to take advantage of this offer - a 1 hour ride with feedback afterwards.



If so please ask them to contact me: [associates@kamg.org.uk](mailto:associates@kamg.org.uk)

Associates and Observers - are you having difficulties getting out together for observed rides due to work, family commitments or other reasons? Maybe I can help as the Associates coordinator. Let me know and I could organise extra rides with a different Observer or maybe re-allocate you on a more permanent basis. We are here to help but cannot unless we know about your situation.

Ian Burchell IDCAM and Associates Coordinator.

Which reminds me..... Steve Riches (and others) offer any group member inc Green Badge holders, the opportunity to have an assessed ride with an experienced Observer to see if you have kept up your riding skills. Please speak to Steve for further information.

We are also considering offering some “Pot Luck” ride days when you can turn up and have a ride out with an Observer. Is there interest amongst the Observers, Associates and group members. Let us know.



An update to an article in this months edition of Riders. The national speed limit on single carriageway rural roads in France is now 80kph. This was reduced from 90 in July 2018. Always worth checking before you travel.



### **Membership Renewal**

Thank you to all who have renewed their KAMG membership so far, and for those who still intend to renew, please do it soon as we have already seen some lovely weather and the calendar in Tracker has loads of opportunities to join in some great riding.

So if you have been meaning to pay your KAMG membership , do it now and don't forget to check if your IAM membership is still current.

If you need any assistance just call David Howard 07899 843072 or email [kamgmembership@btinternet.com](mailto:kamgmembership@btinternet.com)



A lot of club stuff is now circulated via Facebook. For links go to our website [www.kamg.org.uk](http://www.kamg.org.uk) use the tab "Communication"

The club Facebook page is [www.facebook.com/#!/groups/TheKAMG](http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/TheKAMG)

### ***KAMG Club Nights***

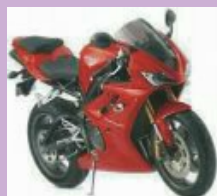
The last Thursday of every month (except December) at the Kentagon Clubroom, Brands Hatch racetrack. Club business starts at 8.15pm.

Then we usually have a guest speaker or other activity.

We look forward to seeing you there.

**Visitors/guests welcome to call in and see us.**

If you have any business with committee members, such as regalia sales, booking an IDCAM, joining the club etc. please sort this out before 8.15pm so that we can give our guest speakers the quiet room they deserve (and expect).



#### **IDCAMs**

Held on Saturdays, at the Inn on the Lake Hotel.

Starting at 0900.

Costs £10 at present - includes an observed ride after lunch (bring your own please!).

The first step to becoming an advanced motorcyclist. Contact Ian Burchell

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#### **Machine Control Days**

Held on Saturdays, now at Ebbsfleet International train station car park D, starting at 0900. Costs £10 at present. Practise slow riding and machine control in a conflict free area and environment, around a number of exercises, with Observers on hand to help.



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KAMG also produces a quarterly magazine RIDERS, free for all group members. Filled with information and interesting articles. We are always seeking copy for the next edition. Send your stories, travel tales and tips, pictures of events and anything else motorcycle related to [editor@kamg.or.uk](mailto:editor@kamg.or.uk)

