



Presentation on Training to be an Observer

Thursday 16th February 19.30hrs for 20.00hrs at Shilton Village Hall

If you are a full member and have ever considered becoming an Observer with our Group then you are invited to a presentation on **Thursday 16th February at 20.00hrs**. The presentation will provide a solid introduction to the training programme, the commitment expected and the skills that will be taught, practised and enhanced.

The presentation will be held at Shilton Village Hall (www.cwam.org.uk/Locations/Locations.htm).

This is an open invitation to all full members but please note that by attending this presentation you are **NOT** committing yourself to becoming an Observer or training as such.

If, following the presentation, you do wish to train as an observer then we ask that you confirm this to Ian Collard by Sunday February 26th (via email or telephone).

There are a limited amount of places on the course, so if it is over subscribed names may have to go on a waiting list.

The programme runs to a timetable during which you will be expected to attend Post Test training sessions with a National Observer and achieve a riding standard that will be in excess of that required to pass the IAM advanced test and will demonstrate a good understanding of Roadcraft technique and principles.

After this you will be invited to attend a "Lead and Chase" session, which is an introduction to Observer riding under the direction of a National Observer.

You will be expected to study the IAM How to be a Better Rider book, the Police Roadcraft book and the Highway Code and attain a pass in the respective examinations.

After successfully completing this element of the programme, you will be allocated to your own National Observer (mentor) to complete the practical aspect of the course. This is mostly on road with an Associate



and should last approximately 4 months, after which you should be validated as an IAM Local Observer.

You will be expected to exhibit a high level of attendance throughout the programme and have an email address that you access regularly.

The benefit to you of completing the programme will be an increase in your riding skill (often significantly so) and understanding of advanced riding, and the satisfaction of being able to improve other riders' skills and performance.

Will you please register your interest in attending this no-obligation presentation so that we know how many people to account for on the day by emailing Ian Collard (Training Officer) at: ian.collard@hotmail.co.uk

If you have previously registered an interest in becoming an observer then it is important that you email again to confirm that you are still intent on pursuing this course.

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