



Lincolnshire October 2007



Hi Everybody

Wednesday 10th October was the last of our summer evening meetings at The Castle Inn Conningsby. Having been lulled into a false sense of security by the warm weather I suggested to Rachel that we go on the bikes and as it turned out we weren't the only ones, but the journey home proved that we are indeed in the winter months with dense patches of mist and a chill in the air. During the meeting we discussed our Christmas party and settled on Saturday 8th December at The Royal Oak, Tattershall Bridge. We also decided to have a Sunday meeting on 11th November at Suzy's Café, A17, Fosdyke at the usual time of 12:00. This is in addition to the Ice Skating trip to Doncaster Dome on Sunday 18th November. If you are interested in coming it will be on a make your own way basis. Timings and costs are: Afternoon session from 14:00 to 17:00. Adults are £3.40 and Juniors £3.05 with skate hire an extra £2.00. This event is open to all Centre 9 members and friends. You don't have to be experts and don't worry about falling over as I find that is the easiest part of skating.

The Fireworks evening is on Saturday 03 November at Brandy Wharf Caravan park and a total of 8 caravans and 10 tents booked, 33 people in all, so it should be an excellent night.

Don't think that winter means the end of bike oriented events, Lincolnshire members are again hosting a stand at The Springfields Bike Show which will be on 19/20th January 2008.

As planned our October Sunday meeting was on 14th. It turned out to be an excellent day for biking with dry roads and bright sunshine, a far better day than many this past summer. We arrived at Horncastle market place bang on 11:00 to find John Stones and Graham and Michelle waiting for us. After stopping for a 5-10 min chat we were joined by John Burdall and the eight of us set off for Stallingborough. Graham kindly led as he knew the route, which saved me having to lead, think about where I was going and keep an eye on the group. It's good to make use of local knowledge and it gives other members chance to lead rides. We arrived at the Olde Farmhouse, Stallingborough at about 12:30. It's a nice pub, with plenty of comfortable seating and the Sunday lunch is only £5.95 a head. We stayed about two hours in total and had a pleasant afternoon chatting. The landlord has said we are welcome to hold meetings there and they will provide sandwiches. Following the meeting we all headed back in our respective directions. For me Rachel and the boys it was back to Horncastle for the MAG Eastern Region AGM, where we had the opportunity to hear from Dave Short the Campaigns manager and also their President Ian Mutch. Both were interesting speakers and it was good to see a positive and upbeat organisation.

Events Calendar

Date	Day	Lincoln event
03 Nov 07	Saturday	Fireworks – Brandy Warf Caravan Park
11 Nov 07	Sunday	Meeting at Suzy's Café, A17, Fosdyke
18 Nov 07	Sunday	Ice skating at Doncaster Dome. All welcome.
08 Dec 07	Saturday	Lincolnshire Christmas meal, The Royal Oak Tattershall. This will also be our Dec meeting.
13 Jan 08	Sunday	Sunday meeting to plan 2008 activities. Venue TBN.
19/20 Jan 08	Sat/Sun	Springfields Motorbike Show

Regards Trev