

The LDIA - News Update

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Hello everyone, you will now only receive this newsletter if you are a paid up member of the LDIA. Page 3 shows if you are in the DLSAS, if you want to be, contact Mike Bell, details on page 2. Now then, there is still a couple of members that have not filled in their membership application forms and/or sent in their ADI badge copies, hurry up, we need these details to update our lists and validate any claims, so pull your fingers out and get them sent in (to me)

Ok I've had my say. We have a David Collins as guest speaker at the next meeting regarding coaching BUT a different type to previous guest speakers, come along and see.

£235

A message from Mark Walsh Harehills Test Centre Manager. The next TCM surgery at Leeds Harehills will be on Friday 13 May at 12:45? I will be happy to take questions on independent driving and local issues.

Next Meeting is on Tues 8.00pm 10th May 2011 at the Corpus Christi CMC Halton Moor Avenue LS9 0HB

End of road for annual MoTs: Tests could be less frequent to reduce costs for motorists

Ministers are considering lifting the requirement that cars have an annual MoT test, despite warnings that it could lead to dozens more deaths on the roads. Under new plans, drivers may be required to get their vehicles checked only once every two years. Transport Secretary Philip Hammond said the proposal, which would save motorists hundreds of pounds at a time of high petrol prices, was sensible because modern-day cars were a lot safer. But the Government's own analysis has found that relaxing the MoT rules could lead to an extra 30 deaths on the road every year. Garage owners will oppose the move because it will hit their profits, and the AA has spoken out against any change to the current annual requirement. Mr Hammond said: 'Car technology has come a long way since the 1960s when our MOT regime was introduced. That's why we think it's right to check whether we still have the right balance of MoT testing for modern vehicles.' An MoT test – the abbreviation stands for Ministry of Transport – costs about £55. But many of them reveal unknown flaws which can send the total bill soaring. At present, cars that are at least three years old have to get an MoT test every year. Without an MoT, a motorist cannot legally drive or get his car insured. Mr Hammond is to launch a consultation on three

options for change. The most conservative would be to delay a new car's first MoT until the end of its fourth year. It would then have annual MoTs. A study by the Transport Research Laboratory, which says vehicle defects contribute to 3 per cent of accidents in Britain, has found that this change would lead to about two extra road deaths every year. Ministers' favoured option is for an initial MoT after four years, a second after another two years, and then annually after that. Although this would be a boon for drivers, with just four tests in the first decade, the research shows it would lead to five more deaths a year. The most radical option is for the first MoT after four years and then once every two years, no matter how old the car is. This would lead to between 16 and 30 extra deaths a year, it is claimed. Mr Hammond said: 'This will be a genuine consultation. We want to work with the industry and motorists to get the decision absolutely right.' As vehicles get older, the rate of MoT failures increases, with nearly 60 per cent failing by the time they are 13 years old. Cars with high mileage are also likely to fail. AA president Edmund King said road safety could suffer if the plans went ahead. He added: 'Even if you have a new car that is three years old, you can still have bald tyres and failing lights. We have surveyed 60,000 drivers and most of them think we should stick with the current regime. Rather than being a burden on the driver, we think it's a good safety reminder once a year.'

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The Dave Lawrence Sickness and Accident Scheme.

A list of participating members of the LDIA DLSAS are as follows. If your name does not appear below **you are not covered.** This could be because you have not returned your form or joining fee or photo ID (ADI badge) but if your forms, fees have been returned after this publication then your name will appear in the next newsletter. So far we have 48 members in the scheme, this means members will receive £235 per week for 6 weeks if out of work due to an illness or sickness. If someone is ill, at the moment each member would pay £30 per week for six weeks. We need 51 members in the scheme to pay out £250 per week. (see full terms and conditions for DLSAS)

Leigh Andrews	Andrew Jeffreys	Kevin Schofield
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REPORT ON THE MEETING HELD ON 12th APRIL 2011 AT CORPUS CHRISTI C. M. C.

The meeting started at 8.05p.m. 29 attended the meeting.

Guest Speakers were Clive Grace and Malcolm Kleiman MBE. Clive started off with talking about dyslexia and dyspraxia. He mentioned that he has dyslexia and started the evening with that. He told us how pupils find driving with dyslexia quite hard. You have to tell them a lot further in advance than normal. Choose your words carefully because they won't take in the first sentence only the last. Most dyslexic people are left handed and are mainly boys. He warned us what to look for and what should start the alarm bells going. Dyspraxia was talked about next. He said they can't turn things around in their heads and they can't judge distances, giving us a few examples, with dyslexia and dyspraxia you have to be very patient. Some dyspraxia pupils can't tell uphill from downhill, some pupils only suffer when there are tired, if they are wide awake then no problems. Watch how your pupils walk, do they walk into their gate posts on their way out to the lesson? If so they may have dyspraxia, they mix their left and rights up. Clive then answered questions. Well done Clive.

There then followed a break.

Malcolm Kleiman was next talking about disabled drivers. He started by praising Clive for his presentation. Malcolm then went on to say that he is the longest serving disabled instructor in the country. We then saw some of the gadgets he uses to convert his tuition car into a car to teach disabled pupils in a matter of minutes. His first disabled pupil was his own father who had only one leg, which then led him on to teach disabled pupils as well as your average learner. Some of the gizmos he uses to teach are amazing, he could teach someone who has one arm and no legs, wow, how? I hear you ask, well he showed us the gadgets he needed to do it. Over £6000 worth of gadgets Malcolm has, he couldn't bring them all in. He has different size steering wheels to different size pedals. Some are manual and some are Bluetooth. Mirrors that can see everything behind and I mean everything. No qualifications needed at the moment to teach disabled people but they might bring it in, so now is the time. Questions were then asked and answered, thanks Malcolm.

There then followed another break.

Raffle

563 – Peter Scott, 604 – Mike Bell, 393 – Marie Parker-Gale, 469 – Simon Stocks, 541 – Alan Stubbs.

Alan's bonus ball

12/3 – 40 no winner, 19/3 – 17 no winner, 26/3 – 38 no winner 2/4 – 25 Andrea Siviter, 9/4 – 22 Peter Scott.

Business Meeting

Apologies

Carol Cocker, Bruno Hullah, Bev Hardwick, Nicky Harris, Francis Lintott, Damian Heaney and Chris Reynolds

New members

Andrea Page, Lynne Raistrick, Neil Cullen and Achla Manrai.

Minutes of meeting held 11th January 2011

Proposed: Alan Stubbs

Seconded: Ron Spruce

Matters arising

None other than the ten people that told me about it not being the AGM, thanks peoples.

Correspondence

Email from Steve Kelly, giving up instruction, wishes to thank everyone in the LDIA.

www.lidia.weebly.com

Treasurers Update

Peter then gave his report, everything was in order.

New business

Website – it is ever evolving, members wishing to have their details on the site please email me derekadi@aol.com and this will happen.

There are 20mph zones everywhere and on North Parkway no entry signs – worth a check out if not been down there in a while.

Then are previous treasurers court case was then read out, in brief it was 200 hours community service and ordered to pay compensation of £4,168. What we'll see of this is yet to be seen. That ends Jeffrey Weeds court case.

A debate was then had regarding whether to write to DSA reporting Geoff/Jeff. A majority vote was taken in writing to DSA reporting Geoff/Jeff of his conviction.

AOB

None.

The meeting closed at: 10.05p.m.