

Club night, 14 February 2006

Graham Bailey, our Captain Can'ardly

32 or so of us, ventured out at personal risk to ourselves given that this was St Valentines Day, to continue to provide support to our beloved monthly SAM club night. 'Was it worth it?', of course it was worth it! Even though our guest speaker was unavailable, all members present provided the atmosphere to make the evening 'happen'.

That was until the 'two- Andy's' instigated an impromptu road craft quiz, completely out of the woods in the shape of a two pronged attack! The mass exodus that followed their announcement to put to the test your general motoring knowledge, seemed to instil a frenetic charge towards the exit which I can only liken to the annual river crossing of the migrating wildebeest!! There were sure to be some casualties...

'Bless them both' for stepping into the breach. At the onset I must be honest I thought the members who were left were going to apply for a membership refund. But no, Andy Woodward and his commanding presence reversed the trend. The tide was turned, laughter and merriment returned to the evening and joyous rapture was to be echoed around all four walls! (Where do I get this from?!)

With the much-awaited raffle bringing the icing to the cake 'eh hum', the evening came to a satisfying end with all four remaining members quietly leaving the premises. (Only joking...there were five of us!) Seriously, thanks must be conveyed to the 'terrible two' for all of their efforts in attempting to edumakate you lot, I can only sympathise.

Your esteemed Chair. ♦

Jamaican safety study

A safety study was conducted in Jamaica, looking into the causal factors behind motorcycle injuries. SAM has loaded the pictorial analysis onto its website. Given its graphic nature, it should only be perused by resilient right-thinking adults of unusually strong disposition. See www.iamsam.org.uk/JAMstudy.shtml for the details (there is no link to it on the site – you'll have to type this address in directly). Don't look if you're easily offended, or even difficultly offended. Suffice it to say, the authorities really did get to the bottom of the matter, particularly regarding rear-ending incidents.

[Fnarr, fnarr! – Ed]♦