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TVGAM News

November 2024

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Letter from the Chair

Nick Room



In the Chair's letter this month Nick focuses on:

- Quiz Night
- Recent IAM RoadSmart Volunteer Awards
- Next Meeting
- Our AGM on 29th April 2025

To read Nick's letter in full [Click here](#)



Our Winter/Spring programme (dates for your diary)

Tuesday 26th November - Quiz with a Difference
hosted by Joe Ashworth

No meeting in December - Happy Christmas

Tuesday 28th January 2025 - Mathew Barber,
Thames Valley Police & Crime Commissioner

More details on our website at tvgam.org.uk/events

Congratulations - Des



Congratulations to Des McDermott on his recent award as a runner-up for the Group Volunteer of the Year Award 2024. For details [Click here](#)

Chief's Observations



Des McDermott

For his article in this month's edition Des has handed the slot to regular contributors Tony Browne and Derek Wilson who express their views on novice drivers. Please [Click here](#)



Thames Valley Police and Crime Commissioner Matthew Barber has launched his

**THAMES VALLEY
ROAD SAFETY STRATEGY.**

Oxfordshire and Milton Keynes.

As a consultee on the Strategy we would like to thank TVGAM for its input.

This is an important document that affects us all. Please [Click Here](#) to read it.



[Keep Coaching](#)

Engage with the associate, make it fun, embed the knowledge and above all **keep coaching** where necessary are the secrets of TVGAM National Observer Nicki Kitching's amazing success story.

[Click Here](#) to read it.



A warm welcome to 7 new Members who have recently joined the Thames Valley group.

[Associate Members](#)

Nicola Baldwin from Henley
George Couzens from Windsor
Torquil Warren from Maidenhead
Jason Hawkings from Crowthorne
James Palmer from Wokingham
Martin Shaw from Slough
Robert Holmes from Maidenhead

[Full Members](#)

The total number of New Members joining TVGAM in 2024 is : 34

[Test Passes and Memberships by Portfolio](#)

Associate

Josh Presnail (F1RST)
Grace Skinner (F1RST)

Observer

Nicki Kitching
Nicki Kitching

**The total number of successful associates gaining
an Advanced Test Pass or Memberships by Portfolio in 2024 is: 13**

££ Membership fees ££

- All Members pay **both** a yearly IAM Membership subscription **and** a TVGAM one.
- If you do not pay, you cease to become a Member until payment is received.
- IAM Subscriptions can be made either by Direct Debit (it's cheaper) or by Card and both can be done via your IAM website Dashboard at www.iamroadsmart.com/renewals, or by phoning 0300 303 1134 and select option 2.

For the current TVGAM membership fees and payment methods: [Click here](#)



Membership Records

**Please help keep the Group records in order by
sending any changes of address, email address
or contact telephone numbers
to: membership@tvgam.org.uk.**

**Nicki Kitching
Membership Secretary**



A warm welcome to our new ASDM

Tony Green

(sadly no picture available)

TVGAM are delighted to welcome new Region 2 ASDM Tony Green who succeeds Stuart Haythorn.

To read more about Tony [Click Here](#)



Carlota joins the IAM Senior Management Team

IAM RoadSmart recently announced the following:

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Carlota Da Veiga Pestana to the position of Business Development and Operations Director at IAM RoadSmart, completing our Senior Leadership Team. Carlota's focus will be on increasing and diversifying our products and revenue streams.

TVGAM extends a warm welcome to Carlota in her new role.

From the FORUM



We are entering year two of IAM's 3-year strategy and developments are moving forward apace.

[Click here](#) to see some of the headline changes we can expect to see introduced in 2025.

JOE RUSH

1934 - 2024

We have been informed that TVGAM stalwart Joe Rush passed away earlier this year. Joe who lived at Checkendon had been a member of TVGAM since 1991.

Our thoughts are with Joe's family.



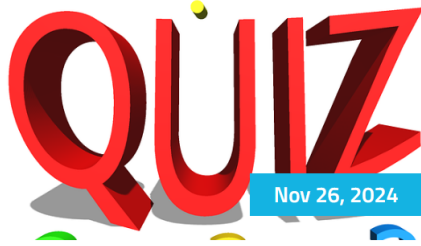
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Video Corner

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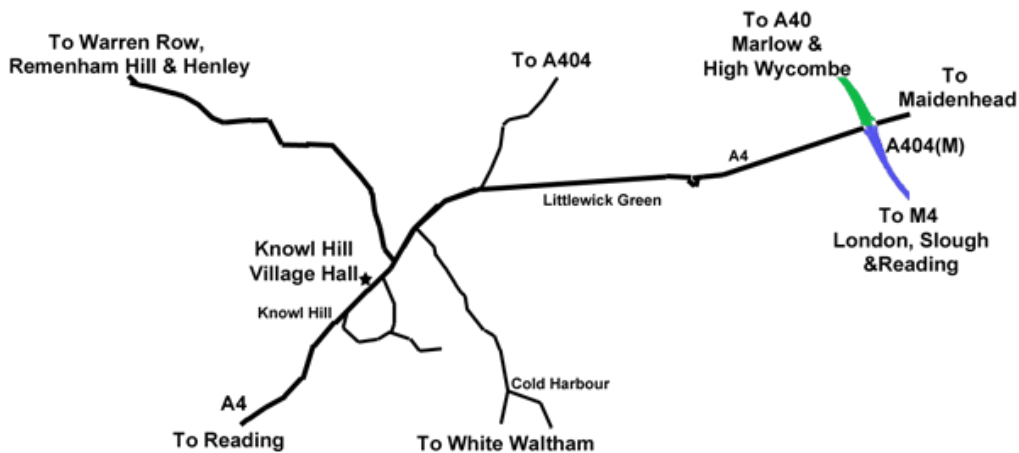




Tuesday 26th November

Quiz with a Difference hosted by Joe Ashworth + Festive Treats

Venue Map



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