



**Moray Advanced Motorists & Motorcyclists (MAMM)
Minutes for the AGM held on**

Wednesday 26th March 2025 at 18:45–20:00

Duffus Village Hall, Duffus

Awaiting Approval at the next AGM in 2026

1. Present

Tony Lunnon-Wood (Chair), Billy Johnson (Vice-Chair), Myra Orr (Secretary), Vince Dobby, Tom Ireland, Bill Ruck, Alan Innes, John Bromehead, Stewart Ord, Karim Mahmoud, Alastair MacGregor, Ian Jones, Cathy Francis, Iain Lax, Malcolm Bradley, Nathan Ruck, Lindsay Ritchie, Paul Lake, John Rees, Rosemay Marland.

Apologies

Bob Drysdale (Treasurer/ Membership Secretary), Peter Austin, Willie McDougall, Heather McLaren, Elizabeth Devonport, Mhairi Millward, Sarah Henderson, Michael Pumfrey, Richard Pyett, Ian Gibb.

2. Minutes of 2024 AGM held on 5th March 2024

Approved: Vince Dobby

Seconded: Billy Johnson

3. Matters arising from the 2024 AGM Minutes

More MAMM members have been nominated to join the committee at this AGM 26.03.25.

Over the last year the Chair, Tony Lunnon-Wood, has approached sponsors to be involved in supporting younger drivers. However, no sponsors have been secured as yet.

4. Office- bearers' Reports

Treasurer/Membership Secretary – Bob Drysdale

The Treasurer / Membership Secretary's full report was e-mailed to MAMM members prior to the AGM and can also be found on the MAMM website.

This is the first AGM that our Treasurer has been unable to attend in 30 years and the Chair gave a brief summary.

The account is in healthy credit and has been able to support to two young people undertaking their advanced driving course. However, there still remains a deficit of young associates in MAMM.

Chair – Tony Lunnon-Wood

The Chair's full report is available at the end of these meeting minutes.

Tony presented his report to the members present.

He highlighted the need to download the IAM digital membership card as these will not be sent out to members when they renew their membership.

The newsletter has been useful in providing information to members about what is happening within MAMM, any decisions being made at committee meetings and the date of the next AGM.

Tony would like to encourage more young people to be involved in MAMM. He suggested they could be refunded the full cost of the course even if their test was failure. Our present practice is to subsidise younger associates on the course cost, by paying £30 back to them if the course and the test are completed.

Tony invited Billy and Vince to add anything else. Vince said that John Bromehead will be taking on an observer role in the car section. Billy expects it will be another busy year for the bike section. Tony mentioned that the Police Rider Refinement training course is currently £65.

5. **Adoption of Accounts**

Resolution 1 – that the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024 be approved.

Approved: Vince Dobby

Seconded: Tony Lunnon-Wood

6. **Election of Office-bearers to serve 2025-2026**

Standing down:

Office	Name	Nominated by	Seconded by
Chair	Tony Lunnon-Wood	Malcolm Bradley	Cathy Francis
Vice Chair	Billy Johnson	Tony Lunnon-Wood	Malcolm Bradley
Secretary	Myra Orr	Tony Lunnon-Wood	Tom Ireland
Treasurer/ Membership Secretary	Bob Drysdale	Alan Innes	Billy Johnson

All nominations were unanimously approved by a show of hands.

7. **Election of Committee Members to serve 2025-26**

Position	Name	Nominated by	Approved by
Motorcycle Coordinator	Billy Johnson	Tony Lunnon-Wood	John Rees
Motorcycle Chief Observer & Assessor	John Rees	Tony Lunnon-Wood	Alan Innes
Car Coordinator	N/A		
Car Chief Observer	Vince Dobby	Tony Lunnon-Wood	Alastair MacGregor
Committee member	Alan Innes	Tony Lunnon-Wood	Tom Ireland
Committee member Web Master	Tom Ireland	Tony Lunnon-Wood	Vince Dobby
Committee member	Cathy Francis	Tony Lunnon-Wood	Iain Iax
Committee member	John Bromehead	Tony Lunnon-Wood	Vince Dobby
Committee member	Alastair MacGregor	Tony-Lunnon-Wood	Tom Ireland

All nominations were unanimously approved by a show of hands.

8. **A.O.C.B.**

The Chair asked the group if anyone had any thoughts on how MAMM money might be used. As IAM is a charity, any grants have ringfenced use and if not used, there needs to be some justification. Tony will negotiate how the donors wish the grants to be used.

Suggestions included subsidising older associates and members, external training and subsidising anyone in full time education, including mature students.

Advertising MAMM was discussed. For example, IAM stickers to display in members cars, Hi Vis jackets for rider observers, car driving schools to promote MAMM, using social media, linking with TSI Community Link Bulletin, the possibility of being involved with schools, IAM advertising on TV. These can be discussed at the next committee meeting. Some members offered to investigate these ideas further.

Our new ASDM has been proactive and now communicates regularly through a group WhatsApp account to the relevant members of MAMM Drivers and Riders.

It was felt that the MAMM newsletter has been helpful and informative in raising MAMM's profile within the group. The newsletter will only work, however, if members are able to provide the secretary with information to include in it.

There was a plea to members to pay by standing order which would make a considerable difference to the workload of the treasurer.

Rosemay Marland said this would be her last AGM as she was retiring after 40 years of involvement in many roles within the group. She has very much enjoyed being involved with MAMM all that time. Tony thanked Rosemay for everything she has contributed to MAMM over the years and wished her all the best for the future.

The MAMM website is now accessible without a password and anyone can view meeting minutes etc. Those present at the meeting were asked to confirm that they were happy for their name to be included in the minutes, when they are posted on the website, in due course.

The meeting closed at 19.25

MAMM Chair Report for the AGM 26th March 2025

2024 was a busy year with a remarkably high number of motorcycle associates. This ensured a busy season for the few motorcycle observers we have, with one out of action for most of the season after reconstructive knee surgery. The car section albeit not as busy, still had a productive successful year.

A requirement to ensure all observers are NO qualified by April this year has also set a new challenge for our present NOs ensuring that any upgrades are completed seamlessly. IAMs have decided all observers will be NOs with a requirement to be reassessed every 5years. Normal mentoring of associates ran parallel with the upgrade requirement and 3 MAMM associates gained F1rst passes last year, a shining testament to their hard work. As chairman I must offer a huge thanks to all the observers who have mentored their associates to test ready status. I welcome all the successful associates to MAMM as full members. We hope to have your company for many years.

IAMs are telling us that the requirement for all observers to be NOs will ensure all observers are now validated by examiners ensuring a higher standard of Instruction. The more cynical among us will probably say the system was working with LOs and as validating NOs will cost the group £30 for each test, this is just a stealth tax.

There are changes on the horizon. Course fees will increase by £4 and HQ is aiming to go digital in April. You will now need to download your membership card if you require a tangible proof of membership.

We look forward to 3 members joining the committee if the floor votes for their inclusion.

Tom Ireland will be website manager, and Cathy Francis and John Rees both have particular skill sets which will bring new vision and expertise to the committee.

The newsletter compiled and distributed by Myra Orr, our secretary, hopefully keeps all our members up to speed on any developments or major decisions taken by your committee, as well as being an informative read.

We still have a major problem recruiting young drivers and riders. I have written to Energy companies to apply for grants to subsidise any young volunteers. I attempted to find donors from local 5 companies, only one bothered to reply. Hopefully my perseverance will pay off which will enable MAMM to heavily subsidise course fees for younger drivers/riders with terms and conditions to ensure we only subsidise drivers/riders genuinely interested in becoming safer drivers.

I wish all of Team MAMM a safe, prosperous and enjoyable 2025.

Tony Lunnon-Wood 26.03.25

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