

Speedwatch Report

Parish Council 18th August 2022

During July the number of sessions run by the group was a lot lower than average, due to a combination of holidays, health issues and personal commitments of operators. August is looking better with 23 planned sessions, but with some ongoing health issues and personal commitments future sessions may be lower than normal, unless we can recruit more volunteers.

We ran 13 sessions during the month of July, totalling 6.5 hours, those sessions recorded 44 speeding vehicles from 1696 passing vehicles, the fastest speed recorded was 48mph, two vehicles were recorded for the second time this year, one for the third time and another was recorded for the fourth time in the last twelve months. One of the sessions recorded zero speeding from 187 passing vehicles. One of the passing vehicles was not speeding but reported for abusive gestures.

One session had to be cancelled due to the Radar device being in the Unipar workshop for repair.

September sessions will be a bit different to average months, not set sessions for the rest of the month yet, but we have already set sessions for the week 19th to 23rd which is Project EDWARD week, 20 sessions are so far planned for that week. When we set the sessions for the rest of the month it will probably add another 12-15 sessions.

Project EDWARD is a national campaign held in September each year, all Police Forces and various other road safety organisations, including Speedwatch, carry out as many high profile road speed and safety checks as possible and run some educational sessions. EDWARD stands for **E**very **D**ay **W**ithout **A**Road **D**eath.

The full summary of Etchingham sessions for previous months and the Sussex groups overview can be viewed on the Parish Council website in the documents section.

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