

Events for Your Diary

- * First Wednesday of each month, Noggin & Natter at The Jolly Miller on the B3349, between M3 and Odiham aerodrome, Hants. (From 7:30 p.m. Plus Land Rover related videos if possible.). SU734517 approx.
- * Last Wednesday of each month, Noggin & Natter at the White Swan, Bank Street, Bishop's Waltham, Hants. (From 7:30 p.m. Plus Land Rover related videos if possible.). See OS sheet 185, SU555175 approx.
- * Green-lane trips will usually be as advertised elsewhere. There will be someone present to indicate rights of way on the maps. It is recommended that those involved obtain current maps of Hampshire and Berkshire, or borrow the club's set. If there is a lot of rain on the few preceding days, anticipate postponement.

I've printed the dates of everything I know about at the moment so get your diaries out! Note that *provisional* events are printed in *italics*. Will event organisers please let me know when any of these is confirmed / changed / cancelled etc.. Major changes, cancellations etc. are highlighted in **bold text**.

Short-term events programme is shown below; long term programme can be found inside the back cover.

WS = Winter Series. SS = Summer Series.

Green laners - call Dave Ridden for details of the next trip. Next one is planned for May 9th.

May 1 - 3	May Bank Holiday Rally at Bow Hill. Camping. Trials. SS2
May 2	Land Rover Marque Day. Heritage Motor Centre, Warwickshire. Lots of special displays, trade stands, cinema, children's entertainment etc. Details next month.
May 8 - 9	West Wycombe Show. Contact Sam Parker.
May 9	<i>Green Lane Trip. Ring Dave Ridden.</i>
May 28 - 31	ARC National Rally. (plus possible follow-on camping rally)
May 28 - 30	Driving Force. See details elsewhere.
June 12	ARC Meeting. Solihull.
June 18 - 20	<i>Camping Rally at Roundhill. Contact Kiran Raval.</i>
June 27	<i>Scenic Drive at Long Valley</i>
July 3- 4	<i>Trials at Pucknall. Camping. SS3</i>
July 10 - 11	War of the Roses.

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**Newsletter of the
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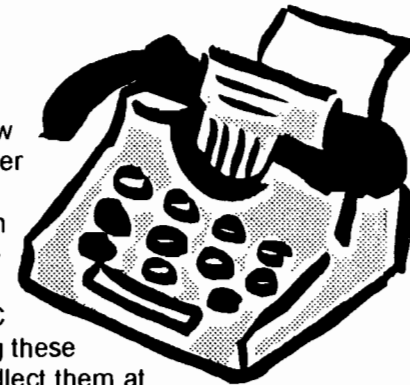
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Editor's bit....

ARC News free zone!. ARC News is now coming by post to you all so this edition's smaller than usual!

Where are all your caption competition entries from the March issue? You can't all be that boring, surely!

Roll Up! Roll Up! Get your 1999 ARC Handbooks here. Sam has already been handing these out so get yours as soon as possible. Please collect them at evening meetings or at events if you can to save us having to post them to you. It's bigger this year and costs 73p to post so try to save the club some money and hand them round. Committee members will always have a handful to dish out.



This month...

- Chairman's Chit Chat Corner.
- Mark Halliday describes the Treasure Hunt day out and explains the clues too.
- Caption competition entry. What? only one.
- That's about it...

Shock! horror! I went with the ARC2000 management team to Long Valley in my 'going-to-work' Rangy. This is the first time it's got really muddy AND I got stuck. Ashly rescued me with his Toyota but I returned the compliments an hour later when he got too bold. The 101's got a dud clutch slave cylinder so I had to go in something suitable. Mind you, it'll probably be my trialler in another couple of years time!

Most articles now come in by e-mail or on disc but if you can't do it that way, send a good clear typed or machine printed copy and I'll scan it in.

Steve Kirby

In order to get the newsletter to you by a reasonable time, everything must get to me by the 20th of the month absolute latest. If you are posting or faxing something to me, give me a call to let me know it's coming in case it gets delayed or mis-routed. If you use a PC, please send articles on 3½" or 5¼" disc if you can and I'll return it afterwards if needed. Practically any word-processor format will do or use plain text. If you use Works, only version 3 or later, please. I've now changed to Publisher 97 so I can accept files in any Publisher format up to that version. Fax facility now available again. Alternatively try e-mail. If you send an attachment, please state in the accompanying text the full filename and file-type of the attachment; and your own full e-mail address. My e-mail addresses are:- at work:- Steve.J.Kirby@British-Airways.com and at home:- Steve.Kirby@cwcom.net To improve the chances of making contact, try sending messages to both addresses for the time being.

Chairman's Chit Chat Corner

So! Where were you at Easter?

From the look of the camping field on Good Friday morning most of you were at Nelly's Dell. I hope you all had a great time! The only thing that was lacking was the sun that Carl from meridian weather had promised.

On Saturday there was a decided lack of entries for the ladies trial. This was a real shame as a lot of work had gone in to the sections that awaited. There was a "spur of the moment" green lane trip Saturday p.m. I ain't never seen a Land Rover tipped over to that angle before, and not roll, Steve.

Sunday, the day of the main event, dawned dull & miserable. It did get better during the day, however, and a very good entry of vehicles demanded the two-group approach. A good day ensued and incredible score of one point saw the redoubtable Mr. Duffett take the overall pot. (well done Hugh)

Monday, and the weather is worse for the Gymkana. Nine valiant competitors (or was it idiots) took the plunge for some silly games. Pot takers this time were Zoe & Kiran, well done guys and good luck in Morocco.

Thanks must go to Maureen Jennings for the masterful catering, house-keeping, parenting and shopping skills shown throughout the weekend.

Has anyone not yet got a job on the ARC2000 management team? If not, why not? I promise you that you will find it interesting. If you have a skill that may be of use to the team (printing, computing, P.R., secretarial etc.) or if you just want to help, get in touch. Your Club needs you.

Come on all you laners, let's hear what you get up to on all those trips into the wild green yonder. Have you had any interesting experiences on a recent lane trip. Have you met any interesting people whilst in the midst of the mire? Lets hear all the tales of woe or hilarity! (...and let's have some photos - Ed.)

Appearances can be deceptive !!!!!!!!!!!

I am sure some of you have experienced this at times... You are at the traffic lights, at the front of the queue, and it arrives in the lane next to you. Mr Macho in the Dagenham Dustbin with stickers holding the bodywork together, more spot lights than the national grid could power, and of course the dice in the windscreen. Just because the vehicle next to him is a tatty Land Rover he thinks he will be way down the road at the green light. Doesn't it do you good (those of you with V8's anyway) to tickle the right hand pedal and leave the heap in the dust. I even managed to do this the other week with caravan on the back of the motor!!!! (I know I shouldn't brag but I guess its just the little boy in me.)

Nick Jennings

Camping and RTV Trial at Bow Hill Farm, Chilgrove / East Marden. May 1st - 3rd.

RTV Winter Series.

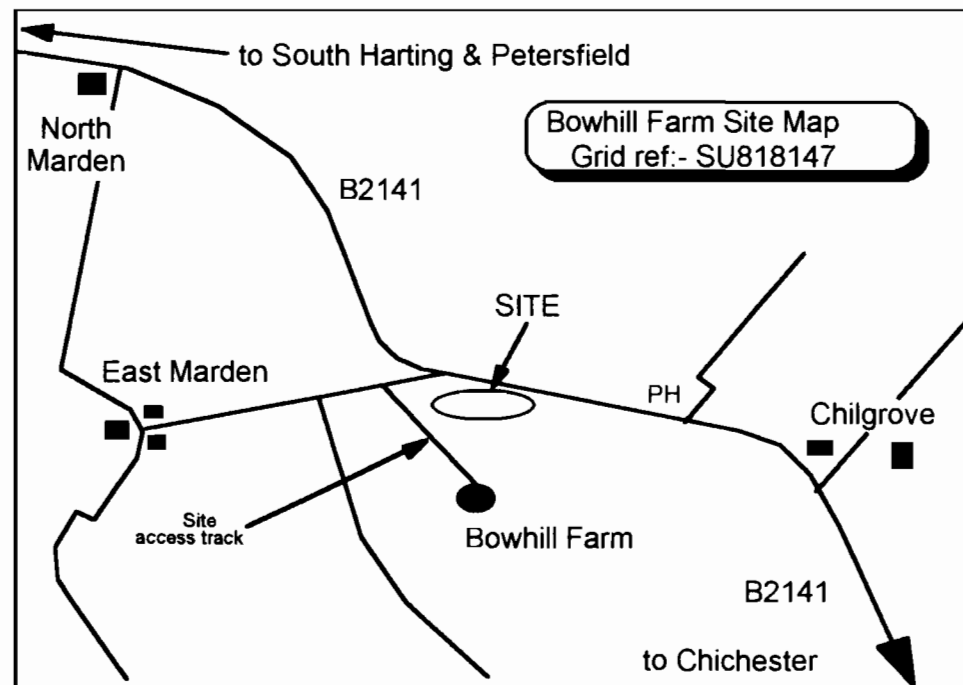
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Scrutineer Hugh Duffett / Steve Kirby
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Camping Kiran Raval.

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DRIVING FORCE 1999 MAY 28/29/30

Hello once again. This years Driving Force, with it's new organising team led by Drew Elgeti, will be run in the counties of Hampshire, Berkshire and possibly into Surrey. Utilising the Army's land at Bovington and Long Valley, along with inter-linking rights of way and highway, we will see a new style format for this years event. The night navigation on Friday night will be finishing much earlier on the Saturday morning, and will not cover as many miles. Our usual format for trials is also changing and we will see "running trials" i.e. after driving through a section the team continue straight on via road routes to the next trial site, and it will all be part of the timed route. The driver picks up points for stopping, hitting a cane, reversing etc.

Accommodation and meals will be provided for those marshals requiring it as usual. With the new venue being some distance from our homes in Bristol, I will not be taking charge as Chief Marshal nor will Martin Lewis be acting as Assistant Chief Marshal. (September '98 Martin, who has helped me since 1992, was diagnosed with Cancer and I am please to report that the 6 months of chemotherapy appear to have worked and he is on the road to full health again, I am sure you would all wish him well) We hope to be able to come and assist on the weekend but with the new location it will not be possible for us to come and reccy for the trials - which due to the new format will be over some distance. For this reason I have asked Chris Hill of the Southern Off-Road Club (who managed to compete last year as a navigator *and* won a trophy!) and colleague Gavin if they would take on the task of Chief Marshal and Assistant CM. They know the areas well and would be excellent for the job, they have also marshalled for the event for a number of years.

I would ask you to give them all your help and support if you are able to marshal this year. The reply slips below should be returned to me and I will collate all the marshal information for Chris and Drew. *Please note the new telephone numbers - I no longer live at Marksbury.* If you require further information about the event contact Drew on 0118 946 1875, but not after 8.30 p.m. please. I will be in France May 11-17th, but you can reply to me by phone before then.

Best Wishes

Liz Hurley

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AVAILABILITY:	FRIDAY NIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
ACCOMMODATION:		YES / NO	
MEALS:		YES / NO	

If you go down to the Woods Today....

...you'd better not go alone.

Members of the ARC2000 team visited Rushmore Arena and Long Valley on 10th April for a look around. What a site this is! However, we would like to issue a warning. This is a very large site with lots of trees, tracks, mud and water to get lost and stuck in. Pictures of recovery operations next month! So anyone involved in viewing or setting out on this site should not go out alone. If you get lost, get stuck, breakdown or suffer an injury, it could be a long time before you are found.

Steve Kirby.



It came as quite a shock!

After the April ARC2000 meeting, I went home on the M3. I didn't really take any notice of the bridge I was passing under, you do it all the time. What I didn't see were the louts on the bridge or the rocks coming down. These laminated screens are pretty resilient and stopped the rocks coming through but I still got showered with glass. The Tesco lorry beside me caught some too and we both stopped at the next phone to report the incident. There's not much the Police can do, I guess. They were helpful enough though.

Damage? Bonnet and windscreen will need to be replaced and my nerves will take some time to recover.

Trouble is, it wasn't my car. Mum had offered to lend me her's. I woke her up when I finally got home to give her the bad news...

Steve Kirby

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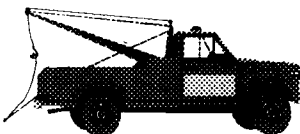
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**March Caption Competition
Entries**

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Bottom picture "Steve's still scrutineering
halfway through the event!"

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It was a glorious day and I had no intention of staying indoors any longer than possible, so Vivienne, Natasha (ll) and I set out to the Lawns Hotel near Nelly's Dell for the Treasure Hunt. We arrived at about 13.30 to be met by Sue and Nick van den Braak, who promptly explained that our (shock, horror) Renault Scenic may not be too good on the green lanes. Thankfully this was Sunday afternoon humour. We were then issued with our instruction pack which contained a line map of the route with 40 clues, detailed instructions on how to read it and a list of things to collect, which included an old trout! Well it was Mothers day.

The following is roughly what we did, with the clues and/or OUR answers in *italics* to separate them from the drivel.

We set off towards Alton then Ropley and our first 4 clues which included *Land Girls*, a *cockerel*, *HM Customs & Excise* and a *pair of trousers*. Then it was left and right to Alresford, past an *athletic clergyman* to the Railway. We knew it was the *Watercress Line* but *Mid-Hants* totally slipped our mind, despite a detour to the station. Off then to Old Alresford, past the Bridgers (going the other way) to find *The Globe* for *Shakespeare's second home*. After the lake we turned left past a *Toad (an old tad on a pole)* where Natasha demanded a drink. I took this opportunity to collect some *watercress* and some *wool*. Thirst quenched it was on towards the *Oxdrove Way* and 3? *old gas lamps* in a garden. Left again to Itchen Stoke past the Woodages to find an *old wind pump*. Dropping down to Itchen Stoke you can't help noticing the *diamond pattern* in the roof tiles on the church, but we decided that the "*watertight investment*" was in fact the *cast iron guttering*. Well you win some, you lose some. Right for a change and through a ford to a very *pretty mill*, surrounded by Pam & Hugh Duffett and Andy Jones. Very tempted to turn right to the Bush for quick drink but it was left (some how we must have been going round in a circle) then right (yippee) then, you guessed it, left along *Gander (male goose) Down*. Totally missed the *solar panels* for *cheap electricity*, so swapped the answer with Andy Jones for the guttering one - Sorry Andy. Went back anyway until forced to turn around again by a convoy of Land Rovers going the right way. The convoy turned left (boo) and right (hooray) to the *Trig Point* just off the A272 before splitting up. The radio mast in the field seemed to have a lot of people's attention. On we went, past sweet *Honeyman Farm*, collected some "*cats tails*" towards Owlesbury and Baybridge to *Ten Acres & a quantity of trees*. A bit further on were hundreds of *Jerry cans* which if full could have gone *4X4X4X4X4.....X Far*. In about the narrowest part of this lane I spotted some *chalk* on the bank and stopped to collect it. Good job Nick & Sue have good brakes, it was a silly place to stop! A right took us towards Upham and the *Brushmakers Arms* (the butcher was still ahead of us somewhere, not in the pub) and then on to Bishops Waltham. A quick smile at the *speed camera* then to find a spot of religion at *The Priory*, past a happy *Muscovy* in *Pond Lane* and a left to Corhampton.

A resident fellow at college, with disciplinary function and Dean went completely without notice, so it was time for some *Fore-Play at Corhampton Golf Club* and not in the lay-by as some may have thought. Down through Corhampton and left to Meonstoke to find another pub with *Grouse & Moreland*. This then led us to (would you believe) another pub - *the 110 or 400m Hurdles*. Now we turned towards Hambledon in search of a *big white cat* which was a sign to *The White Lion*. How many pubs do the van den Braak's know? Left again towards Clanfield past a *decoy pigeon on a post* and on to the Bat & Ball to find out *how many times Hambledon had beaten England at cricket* (not difficult). Then we joined a traffic jam by Wessex Land Rovers. Here we found the Skinners, the Duffets, Andy Jones, the Jennings (I said he was not at The Brushmakers) and a few others who were searching for some reference to the *King of Wessex and his most famous fact*. Well we plumped for *Arthur and Camelot* because of a National Lottery poster. Wrong! We should have had *Alfred and his burnt cakes*. Then it was on towards East Meon & Ramsdean to find the *last post time on a post box*. Turning into Harvesting Lane we found *Giants Cottage*, but did not spot the *face on the wall* until the lady of the house pointed it out to us. I think she is used to her house being used as a clue in treasure hunts - she was even thinking of serving teas! On the loop back to East Meon we spotted the *bull shaped weather vane* on a barn. In East Meon we had to find the link between *J R Hartley and Izaak Walton*, which was, surprise, surprise, a pub clue and then spot the *lych gate* at the church. Left & right towards Privett to spot the *foot path in Chalk Dells garden and Orchard Cottage* where *James Grieve may have lived*. Just past Privett was a big development board where we found the *Estate Agents name & number* followed by a *fraudulent imitation at The Forge*. Just the Grono to see now, which turned out to be a *breed of cattle* and back to the Lawns. Only Bob, Jenny & Tricia had arrived before us. We handed our answer sheet to Sue and Nick along with our fir cone, lambs tails, piece of chalk, lambs wool, watercress, piece of flint, holly leaf, rose hip & ivy leaf. The Old Trout refused to get into the bag with them all so we went in for a swift drink, while Sue and Nick struggled with the marking outside.

All in all 18 crews had a great day out. The sun shone, the birds sang and we came 2nd equal.

Sue and Nick did a great job, organising a really good event, and I think I speak for all participants when I say thanks very much for a hard job well done.

Mark, Vivienne & Natasha Halliday.

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15. April 1999

Invitation to the 1999 Danish National

Dear Mrs / Mr

We would like to invite you to the Danish National 1999. This event has become a tradition that has been held for as long as the Danish Land Rover Club has existed.

The Danish National is being held between the 12 to the 18 of July 1999 and during this week we among other things are going to compete in the following disciplines:

Trophy (5 cars on a team)
Trial
Team Recovery
Gymkhana

Saturday evening we are going to have our traditional party, and on this occasion we will celebrate Region South Zealand's 20 years jubilee. So if you have the possibility then come and celebrate with us.

The Danish National is taking place on south Zealand nearby Vordingborg, which is approximately 100 km. south of Copenhagen, and right in the bottom of Zealand.

The main driving will take place on one of Zealands best military exercise areas. We have not been there for nearly 10 years. So we are very much looking forward to get through the driving program for the Danish National at The Danish Life Regiment's exercise area.

So if you are having the days off, there is no excuse for not starting your Land Rover, and head straight for Denmark in your Summer holidays.

If your are interested and want more information please contact us on the above mentioned addresses or telephone number.

Best Regards

Peter Struntze

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- * 1993 Discovery Tdi 3 door. Red. Exceptional condition. Full service history. 66000 miles. Many extras. £9200 o.n.o. Call Mike Creagh on 01753-550633 or 07803-27463 (APR99)
- * Land Rover Series 3 1980. SWB. 2¼ petrol. Ex-MOD. Truck cab but also with full soft top and hood sticks. ARC logbooked. with full comp safari cage. White 8-spokes with Super Mud Pluggas. Corbeau race seats with full harnesses. 12 months MoT. Ready to race, CCV or RTV. One careful lady owner!! £2250 o.n.o.. Contact Karen Duffett in Fareham on 01329-220181. (APR99)
- * Camel Trophy 110 J-reg. 70,000 miles. Regularly serviced. Genuine Camel Trophy support vehicle. Some original equipment still in place. £10,000 ovno. Contact Bob & Joe Ives in Herriard on 01256-381218 (MAR99)
- * Series III Lightweight. Green. Ex-radio vehicle and still contains many MoD parts. Snorkel intake. Mud Plugger tyres. Nudge bar. Reconditioned 2¼ petrol engine with little mileage. Two new batteries. Electrics, exhaust and brakes checked recently. MoT to September. 99. No tax. £2250. Call Rob Clark in Bristol at home on 0117-908-3260 or on the mobile 0468-708001. (FEB99)

* 100" Hybrid Land Rover tax exempt J reg, truck cab, petrol V8, built on 1991 r/r chassis £2800 ovno. Call Tony for more details on Bishops Waltham (01489) 860231 or Email Thebrusmakersarms@btinternet.com (FEB99)

* Class 9 ARC Racer. Road legal. John Eales tuned 4.6 V8 (250 bhp, 300 lb.ft.) Borg Warner 66 auto with 40-row cooler and fan. Roberts-built transfer box (70 mph in low box). Rear 4-pin diff and HD shafts. Ashcroft HD front shafts. 110 CVs. One of the best racers in the country. 2nd ARC Nationals. 9th & 11th Welsh Hill Rally 97/8. 9th overall British Off-Road Championship. £10,000. Contact Ian Roberts of the Staffs & Shrops Club on 01782-643957. (JAN99)

* Land Rover 109 LWB 2¼ Petrol. 1980. Red. Taxed and Mot'd. Leather Front Seats (from Rover 220 coupe). Recovered rear bench seats (unique Land Rover fabric, from Land Rover trim shop). Reliable. £1750 ono. Contact Paul Erskine by e-mail: paule@waltham.co.uk or by phone: 01564 775218 (eve) (JAN99)

Wanted

* 90 bits wanted. Sliding rear windows, alpine windows, flat bull bar and locking wheel nuts. Contact Stuart Davidson evenings on 01489-786034 or t0328sd@solent.ac.uk

WARNING

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SERVICES / ONGOING

* Hoods & Tilts etc.:- For all standard models of Land Rover, or made to measure for specials, in khaki, blue or green. Soft windows put in from new or added to old tilts. Seat covers made, any upholstery made. Repairs to hoods upholstery, tents, etc. There are very few people offering this kind of service. Call Lorraine and Jeff Heydon in Alfreton, Derbyshire on 01623-552309 or 01773-830551.

* Roll-bars In stock or made to order. Fabrication and welding service available from BS certificated welder. Call Neville Dewdney in Ashvale on 01252-

Competition Event Information

- Events are open to all paid-up HBRO members.
- ARC rules apply. Don't forget your MOT certificate where applicable.
- Entries to be on an official HBRO Entry Form.
- 1999 ARC Handbooks are now available. Contact the secretary if you haven't got one yet.
- All HBRO RTVs are qualifying rounds for the "Red Leader Shield" (standard class Leaf sprung LR), the "Pilot Trophy" (Standard Range Rover) and the "Performance Trophy" (for 90s)
- When you come to help set out the sections on the day before the competition, please find the Clerk of the Course (or whoever is in charge at the time) and sign on the attendance sheet. The event insurance covers those members setting up the event and is there for your benefit; but it is valid only if you sign to say that you are there.
- Please help to marshal the event. Attend the marshals briefing and then ask an experienced marshal for guidance on how to score and how to assist in the safe running of the event. We'll show you how to score if you've not done it before.
- If you are interested in scrutineering, please ask to accompany one of the scrutineers on the day. They'll show you how the checks are done and what to look for.

Long Term Events List.

July 15 - 18	Billing Show.
July 24 - 25	<i>Trials, Broxhead, SS4</i>
Aug 6 - 8	Battlehurst Farm. Inter-club Challenge & Gymkhana with Southern ROC. Camping. Farm drive.
Aug 13 - 15	<i>Southern Hill Rally</i>
Aug 26 - 31	<i>Summer Rally and AGM at Nelly's Dell. & gymkhana. SS5</i>
Sep 11	ARC Meeting. Solihull.
Sept 11 - 12	<i>Wessex Shield trial at Hook End Farm. Camping. WS1</i>
Sept 26	<i>RTV. Rushmoor / Long Valley</i>
Oct 9 - 10	<i>Scenic Drive at Broxhead Common.</i>
Nov 5 - 7	<i>Trials, Bonfire etc Nelly's Dell. WS2</i>
Nov 20 - 21	<i>Trials at Bow Hill. Camping. WS3</i>
Dec 4	ARC Meeting. Solihull.
Dec 4	Xmas Dinner. Marine's Hotel, Frensham.