

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 Cob & Pen, Wallington, near Fareham, Hants. (From 7:30 p.m. Plus Land Rover related videos if possible.). Grid ref SU583 068 approx.
- * Green-lane trips will usually be as advertised elsewhere. There will be someone present to indicate rights of way on the maps. Please bring your own maps of Hampshire and Berkshire, in case you get lost. If there is a lot of rain on the few preceding days, anticipate postponement.

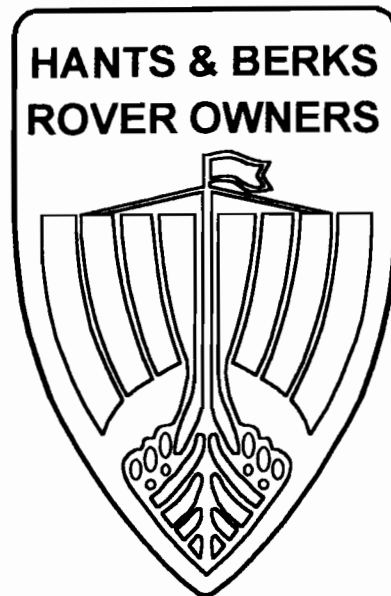
I've printed the dates of everything I know about at the moment so get your diaries out! Note that *provisional* events are printed in *italics*. Will event organisers please let me know when any of these is confirmed / changed / cancelled etc.. Major changes, cancellations etc. are highlighted in **bold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

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

WS = Winter Series. SS = Summer Series.

Green laners:-See article elsewhere for details of the next trip(s).

DATE	EVENT
August 23 - 27	RTV / Camping at Nelly's Dell. ** CANCELLED **
August 23 - 27	RTV at Broxhead / Camping at Martinique (ARC2000 site) YES! THIS IS ON. See details elsewhere this issue.
August 24 - 27	BALA 2001. North Wales Land Rover Club's event. Scenic drive, Tyro trial, CCVT, RTVT, Adventure Drive. Still on at the moment. Information line 07977-128989.
August 25 - 27	Town & Country Festival, Stoneleigh Park, Coventry. Camping, caravanning.
Sept. 1 - 2	4x4 Show i.c.w. Off Road Motorsport Magazine.
Sept. 8 - 9	Major's Trial. Eastnor. ** CANCELLED **
Sept. 8 - 9	LRO Show at Stoneleigh.
Sept. 8 - 9	Dunsfold Open Weekend. details later.
Sept 15	ARC meeting, Solihull.
Oct. 6	HBRO AGM at the Lawns Motel, 6:30, followed by a quiz.



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Newsletter of the Hants and Berks Rover Owners

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"Hants & Berks Rover Owners" is a member of the ARC (Association of Rover Clubs), the MSA (Motor Sports Association) and the ACSMC (Association of Central Southern Motor Clubs.)

Editor's bit....

Sadly, the continuing effects of Foot & Mouth have resulted in the F&M updates making it into the "regulars" slot below. Take heed.

Some more events have been cancelled and some doubtful ones are becoming a reality.

The Slab Common Scenic Drive clearly went down very well as the amount of feedback shows. Several of these have been via e-mail, hence the unfamiliar format of some of them. We used to receive the occasional letter of thanks, but e-mail is so easy that we receive more now.

Following a couple of dubious occurrences at the Slab do, I have written a Technical Towing Tips article. It's a bit of a mish-mash at the moment but if anyone has any comments to make, please let me know and I'll see if we can create a proper set of guidelines for marshalling and recovery for Scenic Drives.

The August Bank Holiday sees a full blown event for the first time in many months. Details elsewhere this issue. Unfortunately I'll miss it as I have a regular appointment elsewhere on the Bank Holiday weekend.

Thanks.



This month...

Regulars:-

- Foot & Mouth Updates various.
- Nick's Bits. (Chairman's chat.)
- Green Lane News.
- Club Shop.
- For Sale.
- Events Diary.
- Welcome, New Members.

Articles:-

- "Daft Hobby" by Jeremy Clarkson, source unknown.
- Initial info on the HBRO AGM.
- A plea for a stolen Land Rover.

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 have a PC, you can send articles on 3½" disc and I'll return the disc 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 use plain Text (*.txt file) or Rich Text (*.rtf file) format preferably. Please include a brief explanatory message in the e-mail. My e-mail addresses are:- at work:- Steve.J.Kirby@BritishAirways.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. Thanx.

Nick's Bit's

Well at last HBRO is coming out of hibernation, things are slowly starting to happen again. When Ash got the go ahead for the Slab Common Driving Day, I had to pull my socks up a get myself organised. The first thing was to get the trailers back to Nelly's. At the start of the Foot & Mouth situation Steve Skinner had the Yellow Trailer at his house, as he was about to start servicing it, there was quite a lot of work that needed doing on it. Matt Hewitt had taken the small trailer home with him after the Surrey Saw Mills Trial in February, because he was going to be C.O.C. at the next trial at Hook End in March, (this of course never happened). So when Foot & Mouth struck, these two trailers remained where they were at Steve and Matt's homes, as they could not be returned to Nelly's at that time. Steve & Carol brought the Yellow Trailer back to me on Sunday the 1st July, and I returned it to Nelly's on the Wednesday, at the same time loading it up with items needed for the Slab Driving Day. I asked Nick Woodage if he could collect the trailer on Saturday 7th July and take it to Slab. He kindly agreed to do this. Nick was going to be available on the Saturday to set out, but much to his annoyance, he was off on his holiday on the Sunday and would be unable to attend the Driving Day. The Yellow Trailer sorted out, I now got in contact with Matt Hewitt. Matt said he would not be able to make either the Saturday or Sunday. The small trailer had two fire extinguishers and signs in it that would be needed for the driving day, so we arranged to meet up. Matt lives near Newbury so I arranged to meet him at Bullington Cross on the Thursday evening. We both agreed this was roughly half way. With the two trailers now dealt with, and everything loaded into the Yellow Trailer that would be needed for setting out on the Saturday, I focused my attention on my Ninety. The V8 had been put away in the garage after the Surrey Saw Mills Trial and had not been taken out since, although I had started the engine a couple of times. What a disgrace, it still had the mud on it from the trial. The MOT was about to run out, and the tax due at the end of July. A quick phone call to Steve Skinner and it was booked in for its MOT. Now I had to wash it, before it went in for the MOT. (This I did, however, when Steve looked at it before the MOT, he decided to give it a jet wash first!) Thank goodness it passed without any problem.

On Saturday 7th July (the setting out day for the Slab Driving Day) I had to work in the morning, so Sue and I didn't get to Slab until around 1 o'clock. Sue and I had already arranged with Dave Ridden who was C.O.C. that we would set out the car park area. As usual, we had a large group of HBRO members working very hard all day setting out. The site was remarkably dry, and some of the setting out team remarked that it might be too easy for some. Not enough of a challenge! My reply to this was that the weather forecast for Saturday night was heavy rain, and the conditions on Sunday would probably be very different. This was exactly the case, and I think the more experienced off-road driver did manage to find some quite challenging sections. There was a main circular route, which was easy, and suitable for all levels of driver and vehicle. Then

there were marked difficult sections off the main route. It worked very well and with very few problems. The public commented on how well organised the event was and how helpful and friendly the marshals were. The three ladies in the signing on tent, did a grand job, they were so efficient. At this point I would like to thank everyone who helped with the setting out on the Saturday and the organising and marshalling on the Sunday. HBRO is a great team. As chairman of the club, it makes me very proud when we receive the thanks and appreciation we do, from the general public. I received thanks from many people on the day and have received e-mails since. I believe Steve has printed some of these else where in the newsletter. Well done everyone!

Now for some more good news! Ash has managed to book Broxhead Common and Martinique Barracks for the August Bank Holiday Weekend. We thought we might make it an interclub, so we have invited the **Southern Rover Owners Club** to join us for this event. (In previous years, we have held an early August interclub with SROC at Battlehurst Farm near Petworth. This event was cancelled this year because of F&M and the fact Battlehurst Farm is a working farm with cattle on it and therefore will not get a permit.) HBRO members love competition, and having missed out on the Nationals this year, we thought you would relish the chance to compete against another club. We will hold a Gymkhana on the Saturday, and an RTV/CCV on the Sunday. Then on Monday we thought it would be nice to hold a Club & Friends only Driving Day. The camping for this event will be at Martinique Barracks. When I spoke to Simon & Mel from Southern, they said that they had not had an event of any kind since January. SROC have got a farm booked for the Bank Holiday Weekend, but to date they have not managed to get a permit, therefore they do not know if their own event will go ahead. SROC were very grateful for the invite and said they will get back to us ASAP. If all goes to plan, this promises to be a great weekend. Not only will it be wonderful to get back to the competition, the club has so missed since February, but to have the use of Broxhead Common & Martinique for an August Bank Holiday Weekend is the icing on the cake! As all the regular club members will know, this was part of the area that the club used for the ARC 2000 Nationals. It is one of the clubs favourite sites. HBRO would love to use it on a more regular basis but.

- a) It is MOD land and therefore more difficult to book.
- b) Because it is MOD land it can be withdrawn at short notice.
- c) Other clubs use it as well, and we compete with them when booking it.
- d) It is much more expensive, about three times the amount that we would normally pay for an RTV Site.

HBRO will go head with the weekend, even if SROC do not join us. Steve will have more information about the weekend else where in the newsletter, with a map for any of you who do not know the site. Sue and I look forward to seeing you all there.

By for now, Nick van den Braak Chairman of HBRO.

Inter-club Trial & Camping Broxhead Common, August 23 - 27

Trial

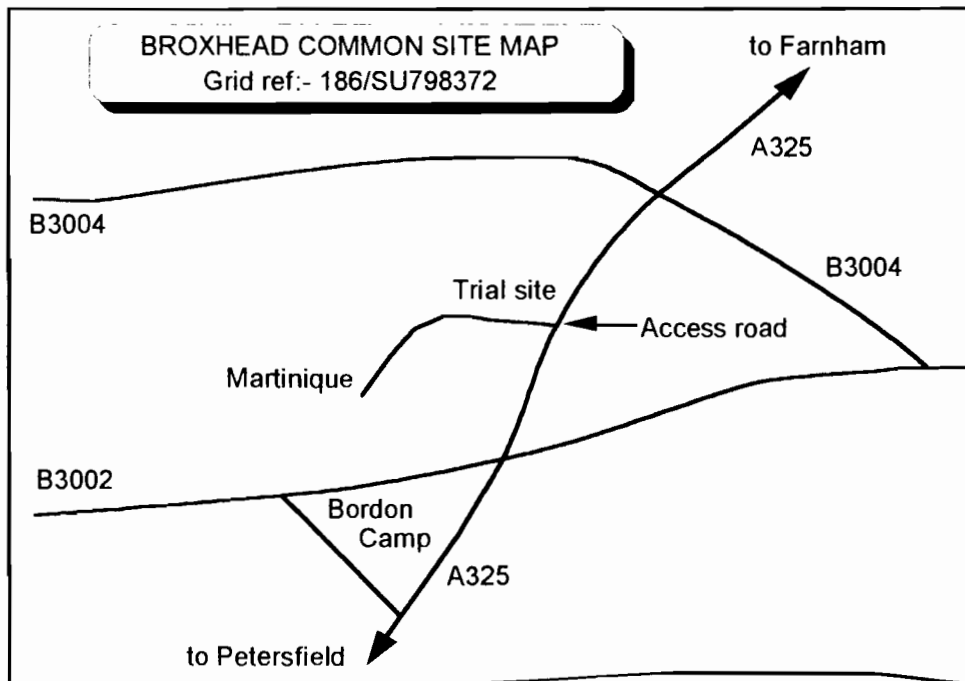
Status	Invitation to SROC.
CoC	TBA.
Steward	TBA.
Chief Marshal	TBA.
Scrutineer	TBA.
Sec of Meeting.	TBA.
Camping	TBA.
Scrutineering starts at	08:45.
Drivers / nav's briefing	09:45.
Marshals briefing	09:45.
Event starts at	10:00.

Broxhead Common is on the A325 between Farnham and Petersfield.

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Payment to Sec of meeting.
£12 on the day. £10 advance (>7 days).
Facilities:- Toilets in trailer.
TBA = To be advised.

Please read the
Competition Event Information
inside back cover.



Let's Off Road!



Monday 27th August, Broxhead Common nr, BORDON, HANTS **OFF-ROAD DRIVING DAY**

Any make of a Land Rover TYPE Off-Road vehicle! Not suitable for car based 4 wheel drives. Max g.v.w. 3.5 tonnes Sorry no quads or bikes

All vehicle occupants must be seated & wear an approved seat belt at all times. The passenger sitting along side the driver must be at least 14 years of age.

Passengers who occupy the rear seats of the vehicle must not be less than 2 years of age, any child under 4 years of age must be seated in a CE approved "child seat".



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Site open from 10.00 till 15.00 hrs – Located off the A325, on the Bordon to Oakhanger Rd, West of Bordon, Hampshire.

(Map ref: 799 371 - Landranger Sheet 186) -

Entry Fee: £15.00 per vehicle/driver (HBRO Club members £12.00) plus £2.00 for each additional driver

Pre-booking not required but you **MUST** call 02392 597266 eves. 7days before the event to confirm the event is on schedule.

Slab Epilogue - 1

(From web site guest book and e-mail)

Great Day at Slab common 8th July, had lots of fun, even when I managed to get my 110 stuck, thanks to the two marshals who helped me out, my passenger also enjoyed his trip around the course even if he did get his Police uniform dirty. Hope another day is planned soon thanks again.

Rich Brown

A big thank you to the Club and the organisers of the Slab Common Driving Day, for a superbly organised event, especially considering the difficulty with the conditions, I am sure that there were many challenges behind the scenes but from our perspective it was superbly run.

It was attended by myself and family in our newly purchased Discovery Series II, which we were all very impressed with, we had a superb day and met with some great people, I would also like to pass on special thanks to the member that pulled us out of a huge hole halfway round the course, as a result of me getting to confident for my own good!

Can't wait for the next one, I should just about have the discovery clean by then!

Many thanks.

John Butcher.

Steve,

Through the newsletter I'd like to say many thanks to everyone involved in the organisation and running of the off road day at slab common last Sunday. It was my first day off road and the first club event I have attended since joining recently.

I was impressed by the high standard of marshalling and appreciated the help and advice given to me including the tow out when I became stuck on the first time around. I and two of my children who attended thoroughly enjoyed it and we all look forward to the next one !

Many thanks

Robin Hugo

Hello,

I would just like to say THANK YOU for the Driving day your club organised at Slab Common on Sunday. Although not a member (yet!) I thoroughly enjoyed myself. It's not often I get the opportunity to off road my Landrover as the other half commandeers it every weekend to tow her horse all over the country.

So please would you please pass on a BIG THANK YOU to all your team for their time and effort it is much appreciated.

Keep up the good work

Tony Bathe

ps when's the next one?

Nick,

My partner June and I had a great day at Slab Common yesterday in my red 2.5TD 90. The organisation was great, course well laid out and everyone helpful. I hope you may have another open day soon.

Many thanks.

Graham Love.

Judging by the previous couple of comments Slab Common Driving Day was a great success. John & I had a good day, winching out several vehicles. All the officials did a great job and I am sure that the club will benefit from an influx of members. Cheers. See you in the mud.

Nick Jennings

Technical Towing Tips

At the Slab Common driving day, I toured round to inspect the towing points on the recovery vehicles. There's no way I can check anything other than the visual condition of the fittings and the spec of the bolts. What I didn't check was the spec and condition of the tow ropes, but here are a few points for recovery vehicle drivers to bear in mind:-

Use a nylon rope in preference to a natural fibre or polypropylene rope.

Fabric strops are not suitable as they have very little "give".

Chains or wire cables are forbidden.

Do not use a shackle to join two ropes together in the middle. If one of the ropes breaks, the shackle will head one way or the other and cause injury or damage.

If a straight pull fails, a gentle "bounce" on the rope may do the trick but do not do a run-up snatch recovery with an ordinary rope. The club does sell kinetic recovery ropes (very easily identified as they are plaited, not spirally laid) but they must be used with care. I will look into recovery techniques with kinetic ropes and report back but for the time being, do bear in mind that they are very springy and if a tow fitting does come off during a recovery with this type of rope, the broken off fitting will go much further and faster.

If someone does become well mired at a driving day, remember that the tow-fitting on the private vehicle you are pulling on may never have worked any harder than to tow a small trailer of garden rubbish to the council tip.

The Marshal's job is safety first; a bogged down vehicle is quite safe; vehicle recovery comes second, and there's no shame in failing to recover a stuck vehicle. Call another marshal if you can, or wait for a roving marshal. The Clerk of the Course, Safety Officer or Technical Team member is usually on a continuous drive round anyway. Other participants may also offer to help and a "double-headed" straight pull should recover most stuck vehicles. Don't be afraid to decline help from a participant's vehicle that does not appear to have a suitable tow-point.

I'll say it again, don't be embarrassed if you fail on your own. Call or wait for assistance. If the stuck vehicle is blocking the course, explain to the following vehicles what the problem is and then see if there is an alternative route. Above all don't panic.

If a club member with a winch turns up to help, follow their instructions, they know what they're doing. If you do help the winch operator, don't touch a winch cable at any time with your bare hands, even when it is slack. It might be a good idea for each marshal to buy a pair of those thick leather gardening gloves, they're only a couple of quid at a garden centre, or buy "riggers gloves" in a tool store. Then you can safely help with a winch recovery. Also, don't step over a winch cable unless it's quite slack; walk round the winch vehicle.

Finally, if there is a part of the course where vehicles are persistently bogging down or drowning in water, close the section or re-route where possible.

Hmmm. Having written all that, maybe we should produce a set of guidelines for Scenic Drive marshalling unless there already is a set around! If you have any comments or further advice, please let me know.

Thanks for all your help in marshalling these events, we have an excellent safety record to date and as you can see from the letters on the previous pages, the paying public are enjoying the events immensely. Let's keep the safety level and the fun level up!

Steve Kirby
Chief Scrutineer HBRO.

Slab Epilogue - 11

18 July 2001

From: Steve Dent

To: Nick & Sue van den Braak

Subject: SLAB COMMON

Congratulations to you and your team for such a well-organised event, the appropriate siting of recovery vehicles and marshals and particularly impressive was the ease of opening alternative routes when original ones became too difficult. However, I am a complete novice to off-roading, having only done it once before at your camp weekend last August when Ian (Sam) Parker kindly sat in with me and guided me round the route. I only have a bog-standard S3 SWB petrol with I guess only road tyres and no wading plug (missing, on order), so I came to Slab Common because it advertised easy as well as more challenging routes, with obviously no intention of doing any wading activities. Imagine my horror and panic when within 10 minutes of doing the easy route I found myself stuck in a "puddle" with muddy water up to the doors and the exhaust pipe just underwater. (There was no bypass to this puddle). Fortunately I was towed out within a few minutes but the result of my wade is clutch slip in 3rd and 4th gears, which is still happening today. Additionally of course, my confidence was destroyed and I left soon after, not wanting to do further wading. Any ideas how I can cure the clutch slipping? Can I just put a jet of clean water into the flywheel housing hole?

Feel free to publish any part of this in the magazine.

Best regards, and keep up the good work.

Steve "OK-I'm-a-wuss" Dent

Hi Steve,

Sorry to hear you had problems, When we set the route out on the Saturday the water on the main "easy" route was wadeable or avoidable, and most of Slab dry and dusty! However on Saturday evening I think about 25/30mm of rain fell, and as you found out things changed. Regarding your clutch, yes wash it out on low pressure, then let it dry out for a while (wading plug left out), it will probably be ok. However it will possibly rust together. If this happens, put hand brake on hard, and start it in gear! Maybe even put your foot on the brake pedal. If this fails (it shouldn't) get out onto the road and start in gear, and when moving, a few emergency stops should do the trick. I trialled a S111 for years, without a wading plug, and put it through this procedure from time to time !! I will forward your letter to Steve Kirby, as it will warn others in the future about wading. Look forward to seeing you at future driving days.

Nick van den Braak

Rights of Way News

Latest news is that just as we are starting to look forward to travelling the byways again, the number of suspected outbreaks of FMD suddenly takes a surge upwards. The RAC have issued a statement warning of a likely growth in the number of outbreaks over the August period. Despite this our area appears fairly resilient to the disease, and it looks as though a cautious re-commencement of laning can start. The following advice, issued by GLASS should be adhered to, however if the outbreaks increase then stay on the tarmac.

If you see any sign saying that a route is closed, you must not use it.

MAFF and DETR advice with effect from 2nd June 2001 is that it is no longer necessary for any route to be closed if it is more than 3 km from an infected premises. However, there may be instances where a route is legitimately closed for local, valid reasons, but does not carry a sign.

The GLASS committee advise that recreational use of routes may be pursued if more than 3 km away from an infected premises, and which you feel SHOULD be open, contact the HA and your GLASS representative.

Your local GLASS Area representative will be aware of the regional variations in the implementation of the MAFF and DETR regulations.

HBRO is now an affiliate member of GLASS (Green Lane Association), and our local area rep's are: Berks - Michael Dyer on 01276 473907. Unfortunately the Hants rep' has resigned, so in the mean time call me.

I will start planning trips out with the HBRO area rep's now, so check Septembers P & B for dates.

Ashley Pocock
RoW Officer.

Welcome New Members.

W.H. Wain
Phil & Shirley Edwards
Rebekka & Peter Davis
Ewan Jures & Lynn Thackray
Marek Ward & Amber Saunders
Alistair Yule
Katherine & Simon Townsend
John Steadman

Bordon
Bognor Regis
Haslemere
Aldershot
Gosport
Bracknell
Church Crookham
Catherington.



Bala 2001

It's on!

Bala 2001, the North Wales Land Rover Club's popular August Interclub Weekend, will be taking place from 24th to 27th August at Llandderfel as earlier announced.



We are expecting a high entry this year, so please get your entry in quickly.

Further details and entry forms can be obtained from our website: www.nwlrc.co.uk or from the Rally Secretary Suzy McLachlan on 01244 547436 6 Ash Grove, Mynydd Isa, Mold, Flintshire CH7 6YA

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Competition News

Well, wasn't it a good day at Slab on the 26th June! It seems we had an excellent turn-out by the 4x4 owners to the tune of over 160 vehicles. Terrific work by all of the Marshals/Officials/Helpers - thanks everyone you did a grand job in setting out a driveable route (despite someone from above leaving the tap on over-night), and handling the entrants and their nuances.

Now on to the next event! The "**Summer Rally**". Due to the continuing difficulties with 'Foot and Mouth' we are unable to hold the Rally at Nelly's as per normal. So after grovelling to the MOD, we are on for Broxhead (Competitions) and Martinique (Camping). The site will open on Thursday (23rd August) evening for those eager campers amongst you, and close Tuesday (28th August) morning for late departure. Camping will be around the top-end of Martinique, on the grass adjacent to the parade ground. Note - we are arranging for water to be available on site, but there is unlikely to be elsan/chemical toilet disposal available. Camping fee is likely to be £10 for the weekend.

A gymkhana (Nick Jennings - CoC) will take place on the Saturday (25th), followed by a Club barbecue (bring your own drink and salad - meat and bread provided by HBRO courtesy Nick Jennings) organised by Pam Duffet.

Trials (RTV plus, if numbers justify, CCVT) will take place on the Sunday (26th) on Broxhead, with scrutineering between 8.00 and 9.30, and kick-off at 10.00. Entry fee will be £15.

A public driving day (Nick Woodage - CoC) is planned for the Monday (27th), across Broxhead. The plan is to open the course at 09.00 till 15.00 to give early leavers a chance to help clear up and get away. Entry fee will be £12 for HBRO members and £15 for everyone else.

Further events are now being planned for September, provided that we can get access to sites. Check Septembers P & B. Two new sites are being investigated, and these may give us some variation on our regular event locations.

Ashley
Competition Secretary

Missed the boat?

ARC2000 videos available for £15. Contact Ashley Pocock.

DAFT HOBBY.

A 'green laner' gets his car filthy on muddy country track.

With the foot-and-mouth crisis now pretty well over and the countryside re-opened for business, I should imagine the bobble-hatted rambles will be more determined than ever to make it all their own.

Having won their right to roam, these beardies in their big red socks will now be stepping up their campaign to abolish farming, forestry, Army manoeuvres, shooting, shaving and driving at more than 40mph on country roads.

So people who like to drive around the country's green bits in their four-wheel-drive cars have pretty well had it.

Now; quite frankly, I'd rather eat my own knees than spend a day up to my backside in mud, trying to get some crappy old Land Rover to the top of a hill.

I've done off-road work before and I know that two things will happen. I will get stuck, and I will break the car. So I will come home dirty, poor, worn out and as often as not, on foot. As far as I'm concerned this so-called "green laning" is the daftest hobby on God's earth. After golf and rambling. But I cannot see a single reason why it should be stopped.

At present, there are 130,000 miles of footpaths and bridleways in England and Wales, but only ten per cent can be used by off-road enthusiasts. And the situation was worsened recently when the Government reclassified 4,000 miles of track, saying they were open for all traffic, except motorised vehicles.

Why? If someone wants to bump along a track somewhere, miles from anywhere, burning up their own fuel and smashing their own suspension what business is that of mine, or yours? I mean, rambles already have more than 100,000 miles of footpath where cars are not allowed and, surely to God, that's enough.

They say cars chew up the ground but so do horses.

They say cars break fences but then I, happen to know that most of the organised green lane clubs spend most of their time rebuilding them again.

They say cars are noisy but so are tractors, so are crow scarers and corn driers.

The countryside is a deafening place so I can't see that a car makes much of a difference. They also say cars are an eyesore but I for one would far rather see a nice green Range Rover bumping along a country track than some git in a bright orange anorak.

Let me put it this way. I live within a mile of a model aeroplane flying club and sure, the din is a nuisance on a peaceful Sunday afternoon. But should it be banned?

Of course not, because if you banned everything that caused a problem to someone, you'd have to ban everything.

Foot & Mouth Update

As of 16th July, the Wye & Welsh LRC have been unable to obtain event permits from the MSA for Baskerville Challenge 2001. The MSA had requested that we postpone our decision until Friday 20th July to further assess the situation.

As many will be aware, the news today 16th July, has brought forth further outbreaks in the Crickhowell area. Many W&W members would normally pass through this area on the way to Clyro.

With this in mind, the Wye & Welsh Land Rover Club Committee has taken the responsible decision to cancel Baskerville Challenge 2001.

There is nobody more disappointed than our own committee and members but we could not justify at this stage, the risk of spreading any infection onto land near or far. We also need to be fair to the Land Owner, David Hodby, and agent Tim Northern who have been very understanding of our concerns about cancelling the event.

We wish you all the very best in your endeavours to maintain interest in your club activities while the restrictions are still in place and hope to be able to invite you all to Baskerville Challenge 2002.

Anyone who has already booked for this year, will be contacted to see if you require a refund - or are willing to transfer the booking to be used for Baskerville 2002. (F&M willing).

Regards
Murray Wiltshire
Editor, on behalf of The Wye & Welsh Land Rover Club

Eckington Event - Bank Holiday

From: Dave Banner <david.banner@ntlworld.com>
Subject: Eckington

After a further assessment of the site the event WILL go ahead at Bank Holiday August.

Following provisos:-

- > No Caravans or triallers etc. that have been stored on livestock farmland for 28 days prior to the event allowed.
- > Dogs must be kept on leads on farmland.
- > All persons must abide by disinfectant as directed.
- > Thanks again.

P&D Comp Sec Dave Banner

INFORMAL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE FORTHCOMING A.G.M. TO BE HELD AT THE LAWNS MOTEL ON SATURDAY 6TH OCTOBER STARTING PROMPTLY AT 6.30 PM

Sue and I have decided we will not be re-standing for the committee posts of Chairman & Treasurer at the forthcoming A.G.M. in October. The rest of the committee is already aware of our decision. Running our own business is time consuming enough! We will have been committee members for more than two years and feel it is time for new faces and fresh ideas. We thought we would give you all plenty of warning, giving you time to get your act together. Perhaps you might think about standing for a committee post yourself, or maybe there is someone you think would make a very good committee member. It is only August, so you have time to persuade suitable candidates to stand. We would both like to thank you all for your help and support during our time in office. We will give our wholehearted support to those who follow us, and will still remain active members of the club. Remember, all committee members stand down at the A.G.M. so nominations are welcomed for any of the committee post.

We would like to remind you all, the room at the Lawns Motel, has been booked for the whole evening and there will be a social/quiz night after the meeting.

Nick & Sue van den Braak
Chairman & Treasurer of HBRO

Foot & Mouth Update

It may not be in the news much now but it hasn't gone away....

Majors 2001 Cancelled

Hi

Its very sad news that I bring you, The Major's Memorial Trial 2001 is not going ahead due to the foot & mouth crisis.

I can assure you all the decision has not been taken lightly and is an amicable one made after consultation with the Eastnor estate & the MSA.

We can now look forward to 2002 event which we hope to be better than ever.

Clubs that have already sent entries will have them returned, I would like to thank you all in anticipation of your support for next years event.

Thank & Regards

Dean Walters Chairman MRQC

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Stolen 110

Chiltern Vale member Colin Cooper's 110 was stolen on 11/07/01

Vehicle: Land Rover Defender 110 County CSW.

Reg: M132 LKV

Colour: Green (White top)

Chassis: SALLDHMF7MA961480

Engine No 16L18368A

Extras:-

Steering guard, Front Diff Guard, Front Tow Hoops, Front A-Bar (Black) with two spots (Not wired in) New Rims/tyres. Silver modulars with Wildcat MST 235x 85 tyres. High Back 2nd row seats (2 outer. Different material to other seats) Gear Box - Mainshaft Mod (Steve Parker)

Various other stuff; Golf Umbrella, Fire Extinguisher, Nylon Rope Poly Rope, Shackles, First Aid Kit (green) under driver's seat, Various Tools, Bulbs, Fuses, Gloves, wire-connectors, Rear N/S window stickers; Round Woburn Landrover (Green - Stag/Deer), Round CVROC sticker (Yellow - Lion)

If anyone has any knowledge as to where this Landy might be, PLEASE CALL colin_cooper@talk21.com

I don't have a phone number for Colin but if anyone has any news, call me or any of the Committee with e-mail and we'll forward the message. Don't forget to contact the police immediately if you know where this vehicle is.

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Fleeces

Adults Half Zip	Black, Navy, Green	£28.00
Adults Full Zip	Black, Navy, Green	£31.00

Size Guide:	Small – 36in Chest	Medium – 38-40in Chest
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PLEASE NOTE: All clothing is order only and must be accompanied by full payment. Order may take up to two weeks.

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Send orders to Sarah Bridger, HBRO Club Shop, Address inside front cover.

Green Lane Reps Info

HBRO now has "area reps".

Here is a list so you can contact them to see what's on:-

Green Lane Co-ordinator, Ashley Pocock

Tel: 01264-710546, ashleypocock@compuserve.com

Area Reps:-

Nick van den Braak, South Downs / East Hants. Tel: 023-9259-7266

Nigel Thorne, Hindhead / Haselmere Areas, 01428*714581.

Nik Watts, North Hants Area, 07768 615377.

Jimmy Salmon, Thames Valley / North Berks, 07774 680977.

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Country 4x4, Terry Vincent, Caversham Heights, Reading. BERKS. 01189-471931, 0836-577892 (mobile) www.country4x4.co.uk Terry@country4x4.co.uk	Spares (new & s/h), servicing on Range Rovers and Discoveries. Any specialist work undertaken. Engine swaps etc.	Very hard to beat prices! Deliveries / collections of vehicles / parts negotiated.
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Missed the boat?

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For Sale

Note that small ads are free but please let the editor know when a sale is complete so we don't keep printing an out of date ad each month. I know I forget sometimes so you may need to remind me more than once! Please help potential customers by quoting location (nearest large well-known town), phone number with full national dialling code, fax, e-mail, etc in your adverts. All the following adverts are dated as to their first month of publication. When they become about 3 months old, they will be deleted unless the "owners" renew them! Please don't just leave an old advert to "time-out", Thanx.

HBRO accepts no liability for the accuracy of the descriptions or the serviceability / suitability of items sold in this section.

Commercial Adverts:- Contact Zoe Raval, address inside front cover, for advertising rates. Current newsletter circulation is over 300. Adverts are marked with the start date so you know when their time is up!

Bits & pieces

* Misc. Land Rover Bits 3x 205R16 Town and County on 90 rims - £5 each. Rear 90 axle complete (no diff) - £40. Full set 90 springs and shocks - Offers. Plain rear window glass - £5. Land Rover wheel cover (fit 205R16) - £10. Ladder roof rack - can be made to fit a Landy but a bit seized - £5. Disco 300tdi Catalytic Converter, damaged braided flexy cover but joint still sound - Offers.

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V8 90 radiator, very good condition - £50. 2.5 N/A diesel engine, rebuilt inc. recon head + 4x hotspots (£30 each), re-ringed (with all receipts). Excellent runner, may include H/D 90amp alternator + all ancillaries & pipe work. Can be seen running - £450. Complete 90 exhaust system, some new-ish sections (may split)- £45 Call Stuart 01489 786034/07929 310364 (Southampton) or all@davidsonhouse.fsnet.co.uk (AUG01)

* 2286cc Petrol Engine, partly rebuilt 2 years, approx. 2000 miles ago. New rings, big end and main bearings, all oil seals. New alternator, distributor and carburettor. £200.00. Can be seen running is 109 S111, but not for long, converting to V8 to pull the caravan better. Also, stainless steel exhaust for 109 2286cc diesel, little used £75.00. Phone Roger Hardwick on 01252 335708 days or 01252 376797 evenings or mailto:roger.hardwick@ntlworld.com. (AUG01)

* Series 3 1982-83 breaking for spares, 2.25l petrol engine needs new water pump, but can be heard running £100. Gearbox, fits aforementioned engine, reasonable working order £75 or both for £150. Four 600x16 wheels and tyres fair condition £50, Front axle complete with hubs £100 each or will break for

reasonable offers. Front wings one in good condition £30 complete other damaged but possibly usable £15 or both for £40, bonnet with mounting for spare wheel £30. Radiator for 2.25l petrol £25 complete with hoses if you want them. If you want anything else off it that I don't need then I will accept any reasonable offer. Also I have a very straight & tidy Series 2 LWB pickup body for sale that is still fitted to the motor that I am in the process of rebuilding £150 with spare tail gate thrown in. Contact Jeremy Matthews on 07990 915912 (day) or 01420 560230 (evening) or E-mail me at jeremy.matthews@onmail.co.uk (JUL00)

* Hard top and rear door for Series III SWB Land Rover £60.00 ono. Contact Robin Hugo, Wokingham, Berks on 0118 9788531 after 4.00pm or email robin.hugo@mitech.co.uk (JUL01)

* Ninety bits Pair door tops with sliding windows, good condition - £80. Pair door bottoms - £60. Pair ex-army seats - £30. Galvanised front winch bumper (no winch!) £100 ono. Dave Walker, Farnborough. Mobile 07879-897242 or 01252-372089 after 5 pm. (JUL01)

* Overdrive Unit, Suit Range Rover / 101 FC 4-speed. Complete with instructions - £150. Nigel Thorne on 01428-714581. (JUN01)

* 5 steel wheels with Deestone Extra Traction tyres 750 x 16, fit 90. also 90 rear bench seats £100 o.n.o. tel. Dave Allen . Portsmouth 023 92431477 after 6 p.m. e-mail dav.allen@cwcom.net (JUN01)

* Sankey type trailers, 1/2 ton £80, 1/2 ton generator trailer (no generator!) £60. They are priced to move, not at a profit. Ernie Simmans on 01895 469511. erniesimmans@yahoo.com (MAY01)

* Proflex Animal full suspension mountain bike. Rock shock forks, k2 smart shock, dx v brakes, Shymano stx rc/xt/lx group set, Mavic d/h wheels, Tioga factory tyres, Azonic d/h bars, Planet X short stem, Kooka single ring crank, dmr v12 pedals, only £500 ono. Also giant 17.5 inch alloy frame, rigid forks, wheels tyres bars stem shifters and full group set, no cables, no brakes, £50 also set of Magura hs 22 hydraulic rim brakes with braces and service pack £20. Various other bits to clear. All must go due to back injury. (the nigel barker of the bike world) call John Jennings in Caversham on 0118 954 30556 home or 0778 0633 642 mobile (MAY01)

Vehicles for Sale

* Land Rover Series 1. Recently restored. I had most of it done by Frog Island 4x4 near Abingdon. However I have to sell it now, so if you know anyone who

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* Series III SWB. X-reg (1982), 2¼ petrol. Hard top. Spare tub. Paintwork needs sorting. Good project. &750 ono. Contact Paul Curtis in Farnham on 01420-22528. (JUL01)

* 1971 Tax exempt Range Rover. Looks good for a 30 year old vehicle and runs very well. An extremely reluctant sale-due to lack of time to continue to keep up and do justice to this 30 year old classic. A straight original vehicle, no modern extras or upgrades (no rear wash wipe, no alloys, no power steering, no overdrive, etc.) Used almost daily. Only failed a recent MOT on drivers side sill and inner wing. Chassis good except for rear cross member (not an MOT failure this time). Taxed until May 2002. Panels in good condition and in original Autumn Gold paint work. Headlining in very good condition, tailgate good, brand new carburettors, new battery, exhaust system in good condition (new middle box) recent new springs, Rostyle wheels professionally refurbished (two spares), five good tyres. This vehicle deserves to be kept and used by an enthusiast who can give her the time and attention she deserves - £1000 ono. Ian Bailey 01420 89010 or 01420 547472 (work) or e-mail ian.bailey@treloar.org.uk (JUN01)

Wanted:

* 90 bits. Rear load space mat, swing away spare wheel carrier and Hella Rallye 2000/3000 driving spots with covers. Also required – Defender 200tdi engine. Cash waiting. Call Stuart 01489 786034/07929 310364 (Southampton) or all@davidsonghouse.fsnet.co.uk (AUG01)

* Range Rover Roof Lining. Mine's gone all droopy (it's probably the cold weather that does it!) If you have one in fair condition that hasn't gone all saggy, please give me a call. Steve Kirby in Twickenham on 020-8287-0377 or e-mail to Steve.Kirby@cwcom.net or Steve.J.Kirby@BritishAirways.com. (AUG01)

Services

* Roll-bars In stock or made to order. Fabrication and welding service available from BS certificated welder. Call Neville Dewdney in Ashvale on 01252-650212.

* VIDEOS Professionally made videos produced and distributed. Contact Dave Jeffery of "4-WHEEL FILMS" on 020-8715-4861 or e-mail David@fwfilms.freeserve.co.uk.

* Welding and Fabrication Rollover protection, fuel tanks, & any other metal fabrication. BS4872 certificated. Welds all steels and aluminium alloy. Examples:- LR full external cage £280. Steel fuel tanks from £65. Dave Middleton. Frimley Green. Mobile 07773770448.

* 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.

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- All HBRO RTVs are qualifying rounds for the "Red Leader Shield" (standard class Leaf sprung LRs), 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. A Marshalling Guide booklet is available on request.
- 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. A Scrutineering Guide booklet is available on request.

Events - Forward Planner

DATE	EVENT
Oct 21	National Green Lane Day
Dec. 8	Xmas Dinner at The Grange, Alton. Booked. Menu soon.
Dec. 8	ARC meeting, Solihull.
2002.....	
March 16	ARC meeting, Solihull.
June 15	ARC meeting, Solihull.
Sept 14	ARC meeting, Solihull.
Dec 7	ARC meeting, Solihull.