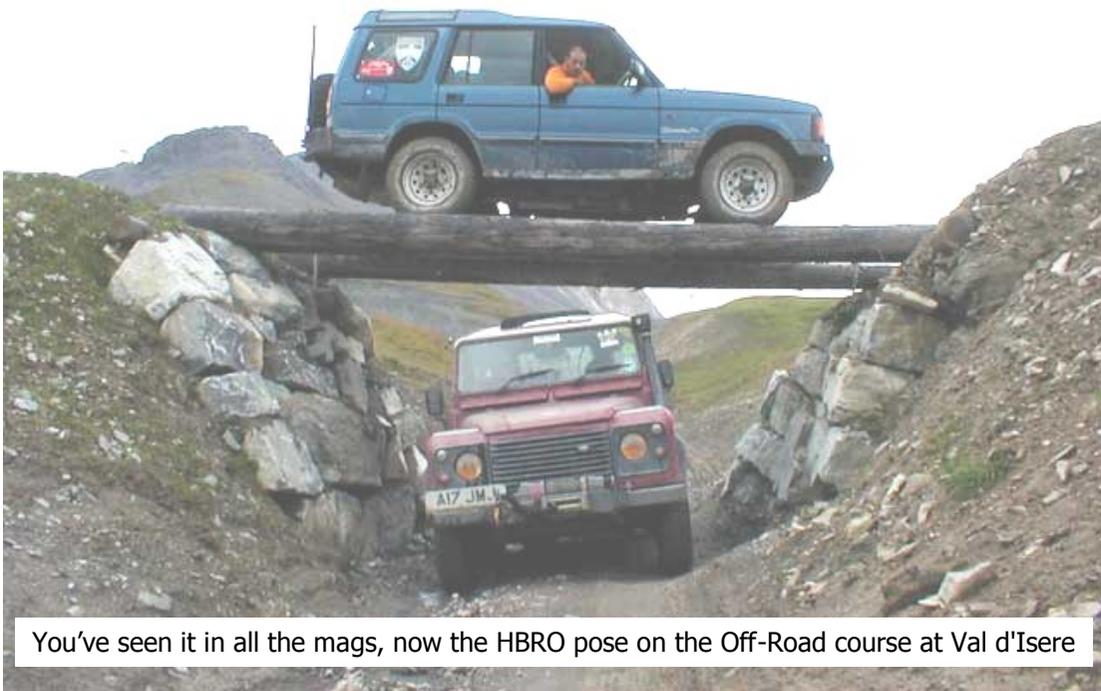


Pants & Barks



You've seen it in all the mags, now the HBRO pose on the Off-Road course at Val d'Isere

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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....

I hope you're getting to like the new style newsletter. We can't have a picture on the front and a coloured cover, but no-one's complained about the plain paper yet.



This month's pictures are from the Alpine Tour. (nicked from the HBRO website but shown in this issue only in monochrome!) Maybe this will prompt more entries next year. Is there going to be one in 2003 Nick?

I've put the Christmas Dinner stuff in (stuffing?) in again. Absolute closing date for bookings is 18th November.

It's AGM month. Please make an effort to attend and help direct the club in the direction you would like to see it go! The location, time and agenda are in this issue somewhere.

Is anyone going to write a full article on the Alpine Tour? Verbal and pictorial feedback indicates it was quite an adventure...

Steve Kirby.

This month...

Regulars:-

- Chairman's Comments.
- Social Scene
- Green lane news.
- Club Shop.
- For Sale.
- Events Diary.

Articles:-

- Roadmaster information.
- An introduction to Hart First Response.
- First Aider and other advice from our resident medical support team "Hart First Response"
- Ridgeway News.
- HBRO Winching Training now available.

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. P&B is produced on 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:- SteveKirby@waitrose.com To improve the chances of making contact, try sending messages to both addresses for the time being. Thanx.

Chairman's Comments

Excellent turn-out for the Summer Rally - the weather held, and I think everyone enjoyed and appreciated the activities, including the: Tyro - thanks to Ed Ellis and marshals for a very well set out trial; Gymkhana - thanks to 'non-stick' Nick Jennings for adding some fun and frivolity to the occasion; RTV - thanks to Bob Davis and John Jennings and marshals, who got the trial just right for the occasion; and Nick 'Chippy' Woodage for the Members driving day to round off the weekend. Big round of applause for Angela Ellis, for sorting a super Barbecue and all the trimmings and to the boys on the coals.

Unfortunately, the Rickshaw has been postponed until January 25th due to problems with the Military planning, however I have been assured that it will go ahead and that we are very much needed to provide the trials discipline. Don't forget we have the RoadMaster event to run on the 2nd November!! See details elsewhere in this issue of P&B.

Participation in the Tempest event needs to be arranged through the ACSMC, and so far I have not had confirmation of details. I'm not sure who to contact on this event, which is essentially a 'Stage Rally'. If any member really wants to Marshal the Tempest, contact me and I will give you contact details for ACSMC.

The 'Chippy' challenge will have been completed by the time you read this, and hopefully everyone will have been recovered from their perch in the fir tree or whatever devious challenge Nick has in mind this time !!??

A survey of Byways, around Newbury for West Berks. D.C. will also have been completed on the 22 September, so details on how that went in the next mag'.

Don't forget "National Green Lane Clearance Day" !! The actual day is on the weekend of the 21/22 October, however due to a conflict in the HBRO calendar and availability of HCC to co-ordinate, we will be running the "HBRO National Green Lane Clearance day" on Saturday 12th October 2002. See details elsewhere in this issue.

Other issues:

The minutes of the Committee meetings will be published every month starting with this issue, to keep members informed as to what matters are being discussed/progressed by committee.

The location of the AGM has been fixed - the Blue Bell at Liss on the

26th October. See details elsewhere, in this issue.

Several members have expressed concerns over speeding at the Summer Rally - PLEASE DO NOT EXCEED 5MPH ON THE RALLY FIELD!! Another reminder regarding Nelly's - please pick up all litter including bottle caps and small items - the field is used for grazing and litter is a hazard!! We have always kept good relations with Miss Crisp and we need to keep it that way.

Just a note on the recent ARC rule changes - The proposal to allow engines sizes up to 3.6l where the vehicle type was not originally fitted with this size of engine, has been passed. However the proposals to allow plastic fuel tanks where not originally fitted to type, and removal of bump stops have both been rejected.

See you all at the RTV and Driving day at Broxhead on the 20th October.

Ashley Pocock. Chairman

ARC Representative's comment:-

Ashley has misinterpreted the engine capacity rule change. This is only for comp safari vehicles, and from Jan 1st 2003 the capacity 'break' between classes 6 & 7 and 8 & 9 has been raised from 3000cc to 3600cc. This now splits the 3500cc V8s from the 3900cc and above.

HBRO AGM 2002

The AGM will be held at the Blue Bell Inn in West Liss, Liss Hampshire. Take the B3006 from the A3 and head towards Liss. After about ¾ mile you come to a set of double bends. Left and then right. The BlueBell is on the inside of the last double bend. If you come into Liss and reach the railway crossing you have gone to far. On the last bend is a turning left this is station road, do not take this. Do not go straight on either. Be there at 6 for 6:30. There will be a quiz afterwards. The pub offers bar food.

Ed Ellis

Editor's comment - See AGM Agenda elsewhere in this issue.

RTV Trial & Club Drive Round Broxhead Common, October 20th

RTV

Status	Closed.	HBRO only.
CoC		Ashley Pocock.
Steward		TBA.
Chief Marshal		TBA.
Scrutineer		TBA.
Sec of Meeting.		TBA.
Camping		Ed Ellis
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. See map.

There will be a club only drive round on the same day. See details and contact numbers opposite.

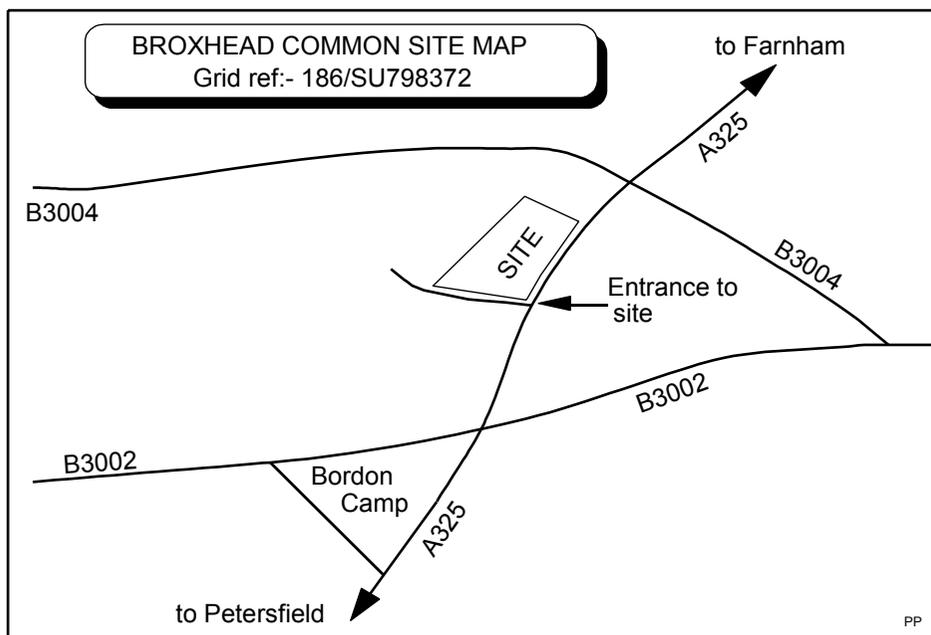
Please read the Competition Event Information inside back cover.

Payment to Sec of meeting.

£12 on the day. £10 advance (>7 days).

Facilities:- Toilets in trailer.

TBA = To be advised.





Let's Off-Road!



20th October

Broxhead Common

See map opposite

HBRO Members & invited guests only

Off-Road Driving Day

£15 per first driver, and £5 for each additional driver.

If you're not competition minded, please do volunteer to help run this event while the others have their RTV! Come along on Saturday and get familiar with the site while you mark out the route.

Please contact Ashley Pocock on Tel: 01264-710546, Mobile: 07867 554724 or e-mail ashley.pocock@care4free.net

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".

Old Sodbury Sortouts 2002

26th October

Newbury Showground

Entry is from 11am for buyers with a £4 entry fee.

Sellers pitches need to be booked via 01454 323109 or visit www.oldsodburysortout.co.uk or e-mail info@oldsodburysortout.co.uk

PO Box 1705 Yate Bristol BS37 6RJ.



*Hants and Berks Rover Owners
2002 Christmas Party
Saturday 14th December.*

Dear All,

Here it is, the menu and booking forms for this years Christmas party.

So we have changed the venue and made it a bit of a theme night. The theme will be the 1970's.

Now its up to you, you can pull out your old gear and dress up, a bit of "fancy dress" if you like. There will be a prize for the best turned out 70's couple. So what's the deal? Well for the princely sum of £22.00 per person you will have the choice of a three-course meal, pre dinner cocktail, 70's style disco and dancing, a raffle and the traditional end of season prize giving.

Right a few facts.

Firstly you will need to complete the booking form and send or give it to me with your cheque (cash) before the 18th November 2002. Cheques to be made payable to "Hants and Berks Rover Owners". Along with the booking form I would ask that you make your selection for dinner.

Venue. So where is it?

Cornucopia (Country Market), Osbourne and Malthouse Farms, Kingsley, Nr Bordon, Hampshire. GU35 9LW. Please see the map elsewhere in this issue. Time. The bar opens at 7pm with a free welcome cocktail, dinner is at 8pm. The disco and bar close at midnight. Carriages at 12:30.

Dress: Smart or 70's its up to you, but remember there is that prize for the best looking 70's couple.

Accommodation: There is a hotel fairly close to Cornucopia (about 1.5 miles), The Headley Park Hotel. The address and telephone number as follows: Headley Park Hotel, Picketts Hill, Bordon Hants. GU35 8TE, tel. 01420 472810. Room rate twin sharing/double inc. VAT and breakfast £70 per night. You will have to make your own arrangements for this.

Also, I have negotiated 12 caravan berths on site. Very sorry there are no facilities, so bring your own loo and water. Cost for the night £3.50. As there is a limited number of pitches I will allocate these on a first come first served basis.



Christmas Menu

"Kojak"

French Onion Soup

Or

"Temptations"

Smoked Mackerel Mousse

Or

"Groovy Cocktail"

Florida Cocktail

"Status Quo"

Roast Turkey breast with seasonal trimmings

Or

"The Professionals"

Steak and Ale Pie

Or

"Sole Sister"

Sole Veronique

Or

"The Good Life"

Vegetable Stroganoff

"The Sweet"

Traditional Christmas Pudding with Brandy Custard

Dutch Apple Tart

Black Forest gateaux

Freshly brewed coffee or tea with mince pies.

Price per head £22.00.

HBRO Christmas Dinner 2002 Booking Form

TO BE RETURNED BY 18th NOV. 2002.

Name:

Membership No.

Guest or Partner:

Selections

Starters	Number required
French Onion Soup	
Smoked Mackerel Mousse	
Florida Cocktail	
Main Course	
Roast Turkey	
Steak and Ale Pie	
Sole Veronique	
Vegetable Stroganoff	
Dessert	
Christmas Pudding	
Dutch Apple Tart	
Black Forest Gateaux	

(Please fill in the number required)

Caravan: (Please indicate if pitch is required). **YES/NO**

(delete as applicable) Cost £3.50.

Please remember to include your cheque for £22.00 per person made payable to **“Hants and Berks Rover Owners.”**

RETURN TO:

Edward Ellis. Social Secretary.

Hants and Berks Rover Owners

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HBRO Winch & Off Road Recovery Training in Association with Off Road Motivations of Andover

Background

Following a request from the committee, I have organised a training course in Winch & Off Road Recovery, in association with Off Road Motivations of Andover. The course is for a maximum of 10 people per session. Each course cost £200+vat (£235). It is therefore very important that we try to fill each course. Students will be required to pay their own tuition fees.

Scope.

The course will consist of an introductory classroom session to cover Health & Safety, basic techniques of winching & High Lift Jack operation etc., followed by practical sessions in the field.

Time table

The first course is on Sunday 17th November, starts at 9.00 am finishes at 4.pm with a short break for lunch. Please bring your own food & drink. Further courses are envisaged at a time yet to be arranged.

Location:

Please see attached sheet.

Equipment:

Off Road Motivations will be providing the instruction, we will be providing the equipment. If you have a vehicle equipped with a winch please bring it along & it will be used. If you do not, you will be able to share with others. Please ensure you have clothing to cope with the November weather as well as a stout pair of gloves.

For further info please contact Non Stick Nick Jennings on:

01189 543 056 home

01189 543 181 business (office hours)

01189 461519 business (outside office hours)

01189 461380 fax (work)

0788 40 666 43 mobile

email: nick@jencav.co.uk

RoadMaster - 1st-3rd November 2002

I have now received the Road book, so things must be serious. RoadMaster is the event where army personnel face the challenge of driving Land Rovers on Navigational, Scatter, Orienteering, Safari and Trials exercises. The plan is that HBRO will be supporting the "Trials Exercise" as normal on Saturday 2nd November 2002. This will be based at Sidbury Hill, North of Tidworth. The usual 6 trial sections to be run over the time span of 11.00 through 16.00. This means being on site by 09.00 for briefing and deployment. Setting-out will be on Friday 1st November, for those who can take the time-off to help. Some recovery marshals may be needed for Friday/Saturday night, however I won't know the details until just before the event.

Camping/Caravanning will be possible at Rolleston Camp - please let me know by 15th October if you wish to camp.

Don't worry if you've never done this kind of thing before - we'll guide you through the scoring and event details. It's a great opportunity to get onto an area of Salisbury plain that we don't normally get access to, so make the most of it.

Anyone interested in marshalling/setting-out, can you please email or call me by 25th October, and I will make sure you get details and rendezvous locations and timing.

"HBRO National Green Lane Clearance Day" - Saturday 12 October 2002

OK, so it doesn't quite coincide with the actual day, but as we have the Broxhead trial/driving day on that weekend, something had to move. The plan is to perform clearance on a lane in the Hampshire area, in association with HCC. Our contact at HCC, Matt Beal, who looks after the Hampshire Paths partnership, has identified 3 possible lanes for clearance. The preferred lane is one located off the A30, near 'Cholderton', with back-up Lanes near Kings Worthy and East Tytherley. The plan is to meet at the chosen lane at 09.00 on the Saturday morning, receive a Health and Safety briefing from Matt, and sort as much of the Lane as possible. If we complete the lane, and have time/enthusiasm to continue, then onto the back-ups. Plenty of helpers would be appreciated. Bring thick gloves, loppers, handsaws, and any other non-powered tools that would help the clearance process. Please email or call me if you can help.

Thanks,

Ridgeway

I attended a meeting with Swindon BC to discuss the future of the Ridgeway in their jurisdiction. The primary issue is the current TRO that's in place until the end of January. I attended on behalf of ARC, together with Tim Stevens (LARA), Ross Kennedy (GLASS), Andy Burtenshaw (AWDC), RRR, 3 councillors and 2 Council officials. Andy Burtenshaw, from AWDC, produced a chart showing all of the Clubs that could band together to help in maintaining the Ridgeway as a Byway. Some discussion took place about irresponsible users - general opinion was that most clubs had discouraged use of the Ridgeway, and so the problem may be more about how to reduce the damage caused by other parties.

The outcome of the meeting was:

1. Swindon BC will continue to maintain the TRO until they consider the repair work complete. Some indication that they would prepare a briefing paper on how they see this work being complete. They agreed to discuss the timing with the Clubs.

2. Swindon BC talked about a 'Code of Conduct'.

3. Liaison with the National Trails Management team could help.

4. Support from interested Clubs should be formalised and arrangements made with Swindon BC to provide repair teams. AWDC seem to be leading this.

I didn't sense any negativity from the BC and if they stick to their statement, the TRO will come off as soon as the repair work is completed, and the Byway will open to all traffic.

AGM - 26th October 2002, Liss **Your Club needs you to help**

Please attend the AGM if you can - there will be some interesting challenges to resolve about the future of the Club, and the committee needs as many members as possible to attend to represent their views, opinions, and to offer help. There are a lot of proposals to discuss some of them fundamental to the shaping of HBRO for the future. Details are included elsewhere in this issue of P & B. Any additional proposals, including nominations for committee posts should be submitted to a committee member by 12th October 2002.

Ashley Pocock

Repeat Notice of the Annual General Meeting for the Hants and Berks Rover Owners

Date: 26th October, Venue to be confirmed.

Agenda

1. Apologises
2. Minutes of the 2001 AGM
3. Matter arising from 2001 Minutes
4. Chairman's Report
5. Secretary's Report
6. Treasurers Report
7. Competition Secretary's Report
8. Rights of Way Officers Report
9. Membership Secretary's Report
10. ARC Liaison Officers Report
11. Special Events Officers Report
12. Acceptance of Audited Accounts
13. Appointment of Auditors
14. Proposals Received
15. Voting on Proposals Received
16. Resignation of Officers
17. Voting for 2002-2003 Committee
18. Any other business - matters for discussion
19. Date for the 2003 AGM
20. Close of Meeting

A number of proposals have already been received, some, of which could constitute change to the Club's constitution. Any changes to the Club constitution must be made and approved at the AGM.

Here are the proposals received to date:-

Item	Club Activity	Proposal
1	RTV	Ensure that there are at least 12 trials conducted throughout the year
2	TYRO	Appoint Assistant Secretary to manage this competition in support of Club Competition Secretary - non committee post
3	CCVT	Appoint Assistant Secretary to manage this competition in support of Club Competition Secretary - non committee post
4	Competitive Safari	Appoint Assistant Secretary to manage this competition in support of Club Competition Secretary - non committee post

Item	Club Activity	Proposal
5	Scenic Drives and Special Events	Appoint non-competitive secretary to manage this activity - Committee post
6	Scenic Drives and Special Events	Appoint assistant non-competitive secretary to manage this activity - non Committee post
7	Green Laning	Explore options for motivating support for laning - consider 'official' activities to legitimise the event
8	Sites	Appoint a sites officer to be responsible for the maintenance of existing site arrangements, and to seek new. Role will involve booking and negotiating with Landowners
9	Pub meets	Following some confusion over the Northern pub meet, there appears to be a need to re-focus pub meets onto 'Club' interests. Determine whether there will be one or two pub meets, and ensure 'clubroom' available for videos etc..
10	Trials rules	Publish a review of rules to emphasise those rules, which appear to be being flouted by certain members.
11	Ladies trials	Consider flexing the rule preventing competing partners to co-drive
12	Committee meeting minutes	Publish with discretion, monthly
13	Event fees	Increase to cover rising costs and to reduce cross-subsidy of competition by non-competition. Current fee is £12 on day, £10 in advance.
14	Membership	Conduct a sample phone survey of members to try to get a better understanding of interests and preferences.
15	Re-branding	Consider some improvements to HBRO image, including free sticker to all, and enhancement of P&B front cover

Pirelli British Rally Championship

On the 26th and 27th of October Sutton and Cheam, Middlesex County and Hart Motor Clubs will be running the final manufacturer round of the Pirelli British Rally Championship and Craven Motor Club have been asked to run two stages on each day of the event and we are looking for the help of the members your club.

The stages are Bramshill 1 and 2 on the Saturday, a 5 mile all gravel forestry stage, and on the Sunday Warren 1 and 2 an effective reversal of the Saturday's stages but with some extra mileage.

I would like the help and assistance of anyone who can come along and Marshal on both or one day of the event and if your members don't want to come and help me then I'm sure any of the other Stage Commanders or Deputy Clerks of the Course would love to hear from you.

More details of the event can be found at www.tempeststages.org.uk and if any one wishes to offer their help can you please email me at cravenmc@hotmail.com or phone 0118 9509 619, if you can publish this request in your club magazine and make an announcement at your club nights I would very much appreciate it.

I look forward to hearing from some of you shortly.

Regards

Bryan Hull cravenmc@hotmail.com or phone 0118 9509 619,
Stage Commander.



Alpine Tour - Any excuse to get stuck!

Alpine Tour - The great thing about the Alps is that wherever you stop for a wee you get such spectacular views



Alpine Tour - We make it to the mountains



Alpine Tour - Commander Nick homes in for a photo opportunity. Quick turn the spot lights on... (Just dipping the headlights, actually.)



Alpine Tour - Minor repair #1 Carb problems

Alpine Tour - Great view, but don't look down!



Alpine Tour - Right we're here and you need to get to Joinville. Any ideas?

Hart First Response - an introduction...

You have all seen us at events, you will certainly have seen Ethel (our Land Rover ambulance), but do you know who we are? Possibly not!

Hart First Response (HFR) is a registered charity that aims to provide ambulance and first aid cover for local events, as well as providing training for the community in first aid skills. We are a small team of ten volunteers, all with current first aid qualifications, and a significant amount of first aid experience. However, there are certain things we are not. We are not medical doctors, we are not paramedics, we are not ambulance technicians, and we are not professional ambulance personnel.

The three of us who usually turn up for RTVs are Graham (the tall ginger one with the beard), who is married to Hester (the loud, bossy one), and Martin (the one with the glasses). We are all qualified, experienced, and insured ambulance attendants. An ambulance attendant is the voluntary equivalent to an ambulance technician; we have undertaken the same training and similar exams. However, we only practice our skills in our spare time (much like a special constable, although we do not get paid). This additional training means we can assist breathing using oxygen, relieve pain using entonox gas, immobilise fractures with splints, and control a suspected spinal injury using a neck collar and strapping the casualty to a board. We do not carry, or administer drugs, or drips and we cannot perform a tracheotomy (cutting open someone's neck to help them breathe).

We have a wide range of experience in providing first aid cover for motorsport and other potentially high impact events including: the Monaco Grand Prix, motorcycle, touring car, and truck racing at Thruxton, innumerable motorcycle scramble events, and karting at one of the most difficult outside kart tracks. We do not enjoy accidents and our best day out involves no injuries, but we are there to help you and to treat every casualty to the best of our abilities. First aid is about preserving life, preventing the condition worsening, and promoting recovery. We use ambulance equipment to help us do this, but all you really need is common sense, a cool head, and a pair of gloves!

Dr Hester Wain

Hart First Response Hon.Sec.

Monowai Cottage, 66, Church Road, Fleet, HANTS GU51 4LY

Work Tel: 44-20-7679-5027 Home Fax/Tel: 44-1252-629132

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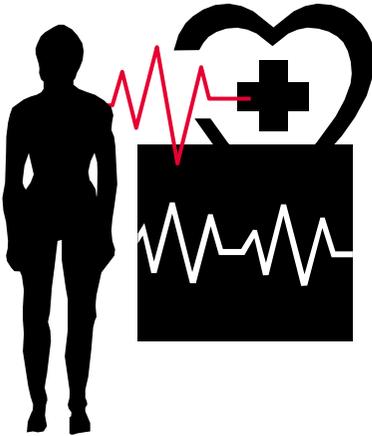
Providing voluntary first aid & ambulance cover in the local community.

Email: hester@hartfirstresponse.org.uk

Website: www.hartfirstresponse.org.uk

Off Road Safety - 'D' is for Danger

When learning about First Aid everyone learns the mantra DRSABC (pronounced 'Doctors ABC'), this stands for Danger, Response, Shout for Help, Airway, Breathing and Circulation. It gives First Aiders a simple plan of how to deal with individual casualties. By focussing on the D for Danger, we can look at some of the off road safety issues surrounding trials events.



We always like to operate on the basis of the old adage 'Prevention is better than a cure.' So the first issue is to look at what we can do to make an event safe for everyone. Obviously, this includes competitors, marshals and spectators and dogs! We must be aware at all times that 'Motor sport can be dangerous', why else would this be exclaimed on the triangular sign always posted at every event.

The day before any event the clerk of the course and assistants spend a lot of time setting out a challenging and safe course, attempting to utilise the site to its full potential. As you know this is followed the next day by competitor signing on and vehicle scrutineering. Here some simple

checks are conducted to ensure the vehicles are safe to trial.

Assessing the amount of risk arising from trialing hazards is complex. Therefore it is the responsibility of everyone to look out for themselves and others during the day. Obviously, if we are sensible and think about issues then the risks are small, as opposed to blindly rushing in to things which we know increases the risks significantly. Course setting out and scrutineering help to mitigate risk, however as in any situation the biggest variable is human nature!

In our experience trialing hazards can be split into three main groups:

- The terrain
- Moving vehicles
- Recovering stuck vehicles

The Terrain

Any Land Rover trial held on flat dry ground would be a pretty boring affair, so Rover owners are driven to find wet and muddy places with challenging slopes. These sites are usually considerably difficult simply to walk around, let alone drive! So, if you have come along to watch the fun then please try and make sure you stand somewhere sensible and move around carefully. The heavy right footed (they know who they are) attempting to make it to through the next gate may not see you. The final push over the cunningly designed course may also throw up some surprises they were unprepared for including you! So perhaps we can consider some of the places that are dangerous to stand:

- Across the finish gate, and behind the finish gate within a vehicle length.
- Too close to the track: Being close to the action is fun, however a vehicle at speed can cover the two feet between you and the edge of the course very rapidly. Recently someone managed to plant a land rover right on the exact spot where minutes earlier two children had been playing.
- Anywhere the vehicle driver can't see you - i.e. the other sides of a crest.
- On the outside of any corner that the driver might not make, for instance at the end of a slippery downhill run.

Finally, please do not be offended if someone asks you to move, but politely comply.

On the other hand some good places to stand include:-

- By a marshal: If you are not used to spectating then look at the marshals. They normally manage to put themselves in a sensible location.
- The marshal scoring the last gate is normally in a safe position to watch the action.
- With a hefty sized tree between you and the course. It would also be a good idea to ensure that any tree you pick to stand behind is a live one following our recent visit to Pangborne.
- If the course is over lumpy spoil heaps such as found at Wedgehill and Surrey Sawmills then pick a hillock which isn't on the course and stand on top of it. These spoil heaps are often comprised of builders waste and so can contain sharp pointy pieces of metal, glass or loops of wire lurking in the grass.

When walking around the sites please be aware of sections of fencing that seem to spring up in the middle of woods, other users of the site such as horse riders and large holes left by wildlife or soldiers! It is also a good idea not to focus on where all proceeding vehicles have gone. Look at the canes, as someone may want to use the place where you are standing as a different route between the gates.

Moving Vehicles

Whilst travelling around the site in your vehicle or whilst competing it would be useful to bear in mind the following:-

- In simple terms the energy involved in an accident and hence the risk to you and any passenger increases in proportion to your vehicle speed squared. Therefore the slower you are travelling

the safer you will be.

- Whilst it is nice to have the window down and your arm hanging out of it, think about the possible consequences should you roll the vehicle over or perhaps slip whilst on a side slope and impact a tree. A closed window will stop your arm or head flailing out of the opening. Crushed arms have occurred at off-road events.
- Please remove long whippy CB aerials. These can move about alarmingly when brushed by trees and pose a hazard to spectators. You only have one pair of eyes!
- It's a really good idea to secure any loose object in the vehicle. As when coming to an abrupt halt or rolling over, these objects have a nasty habit of joining you in the front of the vehicle. This is generally at head level as they will have passed over the seatback. Several years ago I was involved in an accident in which a vehicle rolled onto its side and came to a very abrupt halt in a ditch after failing to take a corner. A metal clamp weighing about 1kg passed my head very closely and left an impressive dent in the front dash. I was very lucky!

Recovering Stuck Vehicles

The topic of recovering a stuck vehicle is a complex one and many people in the club are more experienced and can also offer wise words on this one! But here we would like to draw your attention to some things that can go wrong (this is not meant to be exhaustive):

- Hand injuries from entrapment in shackles or from wire ropes (wear gloves).
The worst danger for these is when a vehicle moves when someone is attempting to secure a shackle.
- Slips, trips and falls when human power is used to bounce or push a



vehicle free. Results can vary between a face full of mud and someone getting crushed.

- Rope or cable failure, leading to whipping ropes, sometimes with large pieces of attached metal. The energy stored in stretched ropes is considerable. If the rope became detached free ends can whip. This whipping action can cause very serious injuries. If a tow ball or shackle should fail then pieces of metal can be projected at very high speeds and often in the line of pull. This normally means that the occupants of the vehicles are in the direct firing line.
- Vehicle breaking free in an unexpected direction and often faster than you thought - keep well out of the way! Snatch recoveries can impose very significant dynamic loads on recovery equipment (snatching doubles the static forces).

Some simple ways to control these risks are listed below:-

- Only one identified person should be in charge of the operation.
- Vehicles should be properly maintained and have good recovery points. This may be checked in scrutineering.
- Bystanders should keep well out of the way: This includes maintaining clear spaces behind vehicles.
- If you see a problem yell 'STOP!' You can argue about it later, but better safe than sorry.

What to do if the worst happens

In this article we can't train you in the practical skills of first aid. Although if you are interested we will be happy to provide first aid training to HBRO members.

Some broad pointers about how to deal with any emergency, include:

Assess the situation, Are there any risks to you or any casualties? Put your safety first and do not rush in, making yourself another casualty will not help anyone.

Make safe, if you can't do this can someone else help? In general you will need to make sure any vehicle is safe, stable and switch off the ignition.

Give emergency aid - The First Aid bit -DRSABC

Get help from others - ambulance / fire / police as needed. With trials locations, please give the grid reference and send someone to the nearest road to guide the emergency services to you.

As with any First Aid, reading a book is no substitute for practical training.

I hope that this article will increase everyone's awareness of some of the

Camping

Well folks I think all in all we had a pretty good camp at Nelly's for the Bank Holiday. The weather was kind, the Tyro, Gymkhana, BBQ, RTV and driving day all went well. My thanks to all of you for making it a great success.

Sorry to say but I have been lobbied by a few to remind all of us of some key issues when on or about the camp site.

Please don't leave your rubbish lying around. Apart from the general pile that was left over from the BBQ there were assorted bottle tops etc. littering the grass where the marquee was pitched. The fields we use on our sites are often grazed by animals. A mere bottle top to us may well be a killer to a beast and even more costly to the farmer. So please please please in future do take your rubbish with you and deposit it at a recognised collection point or take it home.

Speed. Wow the limit on camp is **5 mph**. That means the needle hardly moves on the clock. Fields and camp sites are not the place for flat stick throttle in 4th. Please do remember that there are children, parents, friends and animals about. I was asked to name and shame but I won't, THIS TIME.

Ed Ellis, Social and Camping Sec.

MAPS

Well, Maureen and I battled from dawn til dusk against fearsome odds to retrieve the holy grail of ROW - an accurate set of maps!!! We managed to review 46 maps, although a couple of them were off the maps we had with us, leaving around a dozen left to do. All BOATs were captured, and conflicts with RUPPs marked. It should only take an hour or so to complete the exercise.

HCC staff were very helpful, and provided a set of changes since 1998 and a listing of TRO's across the county.

Also met with Andrew Smith, ROW Manager, Matt Beal, ROW officer looking after the Hampshire Paths Partnership, and his colleague Jane Noble.

Matt is keen to work with us on the Hampshire Paths Partnership, and we have agreed a date for a clearance day on Sat' 12th October 2002 as part of the National Green Lane exercise. It is not the actual date of the National activity, but that date of the 26th October clashes with other HBRO events.

Matt has also agreed to run a training session as 'on the job' training, and he will be arranging this through the BTCC (sound familiar).

Ashley Pocock.

Remember Remember The 5th November

Well actually its not the 5th November for us this year, it's the 9th and 10th weekend for the HBRO bonfire.

So what's planned?

Well for a start it's at Nelly's Dell and it's a camping weekend.

You will see from the calendar of events that there is a Night RTV on the Saturday and a normal RTV on the Sunday. So the order of events for the Saturday is:-

Saturday afternoon: Build a bonfire. Please bring plenty of wood.

Saturday afternoon 3pm to 4pm Signing on and Scrutinising for the Night Trial.

Saturday 5:30pm Drivers and marshals briefing. Trail Starts at 6pm.

(just enough time to get some tucker before the evening's programme)

Saturday. 8:15 (ish) Best Guy Fawkes Competition. **8:30 light the bonfire** and start the firework display.

Sunday RTV as normal.

OK then:-

Please bring along one or two BIG fireworks if you can, to donate to a central fund for all to watch.

Best Guy Competition: Ok you children and those young at heart. Make a Guy the best you can for we shall have a competition to see who's Guy looks most like the real Mr Fawkes

The Night Trial

There will be a 4 section NIGHT trial on Saturday. Run between 6 and 8 pm. Just a bit of fun really. Nothing to difficult.

Entry fee **£6** for the night trial only.

Sunday's RTV the usual **£12** on the day

Both Night Trial and the RTV £15. See what a great bargain we are offering.

See you there...

Mr Wizbang

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Bits & pieces

- * 4 Tyres BFG All Terrain 265/75 R16. Lovely and chunky. Look great. Fairly new with lots of miles left on them. Pick your own colour for the rims! £250. Bob Derham 07801 730465 Near Jolly Miller meet. bob@closemaster.co.uk (OCT02)

Vehicles for Sale

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- * Series 2A swb Land Rover. It's 1968 and tax exempt and in reasonable condition (good tilt, etc). You've probably seen it parked up in School Lane, Sheet, and you've probably also seen me driving round in it. Mechanically it's in good condition, the biggest plus being a new gearbox and clutch. It's also had a new brake master cylinder, carburettor, distributor, fuel tank and a few other things I can't remember. It's taxed and MOT'd until December, and I'm looking for around £1500 for it, basically because that's what all the above cost. However, you've got to be realistic and it may have to go for less; I'd be sympathetic if some young enthusiast who'd get a lot of use out of it wanted it, for example. Anyway, can you help? Many thanks. Colin Jackman. 01730

269620 or Crjsheet@btopenworld.com (AUG02)

- * Series 3 SWB SW 2.25L Petrol with overdrive.19K miles only S-reg marine blue. Long MOT. No tax. Excellent runner, good condition with recent work eg new master brake cylinder but the odd bodywork knock. Bucket seats and four point harness. Very good condition off road tyres General Super All grip. Only £1400 Call Bob Derham 07801 730465 Near Jolly Miller meet. bob@closemaster.co.uk (OCT02)
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Wanted:

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- * Range Rover Grab handle. The sort that screws to the roof above the doors. I need just the one. Steve Kirby in Twickenham on 020-8287-0377 or e-mail to SteveKirby@waitrose.com or Steve.J.Kirby@BritishAirways.com. (JUL02)

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Competition Event Information

- Events are open to all paid-up HBRO members. Bring your membership card.
- Entries to be on an official HBRO Entry Form.
- ARC rules apply. 2002 ARC Handbooks are now being sent to all HBRO members this year.
- 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

Events - Forward Planner

DATE	EVENT
Dec 7	ARC meeting, Solihull.
Dec 14th	Xmas dinner.
<i>Dec 21 - 22</i>	<i>RTV (WS2) at Broxhead Common.</i>
<i>Jan 12</i>	<i>RTV Surrey Sawmills.</i>
<i>Jan 25</i>	<i>Rickshaw. NEW DATE, SAME EVENT.</i>

Events for Your Diary

- * First Wednesday of each month, Noggin & Natter at Four Horseshoes, Long Sutton, Nr. Odiham Grid Ref SU747470. From 7:30 p.m.
- * 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
	*** IMPORTANT *** "Rickshaw" with BAMA. POSTPONED TO JAN 25 2003.
Oct 5 - 6	Green Lane trip. Details as last month's issue.
Oct 12	Green Lane clearance day in conjunction with Hants Car Club. Contact Ashley Pocock for details of time and place.
Oct 19 - 20	RTV and Club Drive Round Day at Broxhead Common. Details elsewhere this issue.
Oct 26th	HBRO AGM. Saturday evening and Anorak Quiz. Venue is the Bluebell in Liss. Directions and agenda elsewhere this issue.
Oct 27	"Tempest" event, see Pirelli British Rally Championship article elsewhere this issue.
Nov 2	"Roadmaster" on Salisbury Plain. Details elsewhere this issue
Nov 9 - 10	Bonfire do, Day and night RTV (WS1) and camping (Friday to Sunday) at Nelly's Dell. Programme of events elsewhere this issue.
Dec 1	<i>RTV / CCV trial. Brick Kiln Farm.</i>