

Pants & Barks



Jenny Davis at the Minstead Summer Rally Tyro trial, pictured just before she ran over the photographer !



**Newsletter of the
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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....

Opposite is the new line-up for the HBRO Committee.

Many thanks for the efforts that the previous committee have put in to make this club the success it is. Special thanks from me for their support through my illness and it's after effects.



Ed pointed out a few errors in the August issue. The fees for Nelly's Dell trial and the Broxhead driving day were incorrect. Trials and club members' driving day fees have been £15 for some time now but I had used some out of date templates for these events. Ed has also updated the conditions of entry (no, not pre-muddled!) for driving days. If we don't stick to these conditions, then we can't get insured and we won't have a driving day. That's the way it is these days. The location for the new venue for the southern pub meets is at The Hog's Lodge. Directions have now been added.

Winch events are becoming popular, so make sure you don't get Nick Woodage's Chippy Challenge event in November mixed up with Nigel Barker's one in October !

Was last month's skinny P&B a blip? Well, it's certainly full to overflowing this month but I guess it's up to you to send articles and pictures to put in it.

Steve Kirby.

This month...

Regulars:-

- Chairman's Comment.
- Secretary and Social Secretary's Bits.
- Competition Secretary's Update.
- Green Lane / Rights of Way News.
- HBRO Committee Meeting Minutes.
- Spares and Vehicles For Sale.
- Events Diary.

Articles:-

- Steep Marsh RTV article by John Jennings.
- ARC News 55 is here.
- HBRO Winch Challenge
- Chippy Challenge.
- ... and a lot more.

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 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 or CD (I can return the disc afterwards if needed) or by e-mail. If you send an attachment with the e-mail, please use Microsoft Word (up to version 2000), Publisher (up to version 2000), plain Text (*.txt file), or Rich Text Format (*.rtf file) preferably. Please include a brief explanatory message in the e-mail.

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Chairman's Comments

OK I have dropped the act. Yes the AGM was held on the 6th September and I have now been elected to the chair. Thank you.

The summer rally went extremely well at Minstead Manor Farm, somewhere in the New Forest. We set out for a Tyro on the Saturday, expecting the usual, 7 or so entrants. Wow. An incredible 22, all I can say is how fantastic it was to see so many new faces, taking part in this event which now seems to be growing ever more popular. (I was chatting with Maximum Bob yesterday; your new Comp.Sec. and we will definitely be scheduling more of these in coming next year).

So to the AGM. The resignation and election of the committee went very well indeed. My thanks to the out going committee and welcome to the incoming committee. A few changes and a few new faces. Yes we have a new member, Derek, Powell who put his hand up for RoW. Thanks Derek. Maureen Keen in the Social seat aided and abetted by Angela. Oh and as mentioned above Max. B as Comp.Sec.

Oh and I understand from a few "old timers" that we had a vote for the first time since the introduction of the Series Land Rover, surely not that long. Well, we had two contenders for the post of Membership Secretary, Trish and Lee. Trish took the count by the narrowest of margins.

We have been asked by the military to support the Rickshaw rally again this year. This request and confirmation of date by them was made very late, due to the goings on in Iraq I guess. Unfortunately (and we did point this out to them) the Rickshaw date clashes with the Chippy Challenge. So we have advised them that we will not be able to give it our wholehearted support. However, Roadmaster will be upon us soon and we have undertaken to give a 100% effort to that event as always.

Speaking of the Chippy Challenge, please support Nick Woodage in helping to run this event, Oh and he has asked for some competitors as well.

On the matter of scrutinising, I gather from our new Comp.Sec. that we are going to "sharpen up the edges" so as to speak. Minstead proved to a number of us that our pride and joy may not be in such as good as condition as we think. So I urge you all to read the green book. As Max B has said, fore warned is readiness to trial.

Yes I know it's early but look out for the Christmas Party, rooms and caravanning available, should you want to stay over.

At the AGM there was some discussion on the issue of emailing the P&B to members. This was discussed at the first committee meeting of the new committee. There are several problems with emailing the P&B. As so often happens with emails they can get bounced back, sometimes the account is not open, the address fails, there is a block on certain types of mail being received by the recipient, there is also the risk of virus infection etc. A special group mail would have to be set up, the format of the document would have to be agreed by all recipients so that they have to correct software to open the document etc.

Plus additional administration charges would be levied by our provider. Many members still prefer to receive a hard copy document through the post. In light of this it has been concluded that we will continue to mail the P&B.

We were also charged with looking at making the P&B a two monthly issue. For the time being we have decided to leave it as it stands, monthly, however if the amount of articles continues to decrease such that the magazine becomes very thin and without content, then we will reconsider this decision.

Mr Ed.

Social Secretary's Bit

HOOK END FARM - BONFIRE NIGHT 8 NOVEMBER 2003

Bonfire night is upon us once again it only seems like yesterday we were burning our guys. Please bring your own food for the barbecue. It would be appreciated if one large firework could be brought for the firework display, if not a donation on the night would be great. Don't forget children and adults there will be a competition for the best dressed guy. I hope to see lot of guys. Even Dennis the Menace is making one.

Maureen & Angela Social Secretary.

Secretary's Bit

Interested in Comp Safari??

We have received an invite from Lincolnshire Land Rover Club Ltd, to their two day comp safari.

The event takes place at Wickenby Airfield on November 29/30 2003.

If anyone wants a booking form of further information please contact me (details inside front cover)

Can you help??

I received a request from Hampshire Police to help them with their investigations. We are looking for:- Series 3, full canvas cover in bronze green; Series 3, part canvas cover with truck cab in bronze green; Series 3 part canvas cover in army green.

If any members own (or know somebody who owns) any of these vehicles and would be interested in helping, can you please contact me so I can put you in touch with the right people.

Thanks

Jenny Davis - Secretary.

Competition News

CALLING ALL HELPERS

As you may already know I've taken over the comp sec role from Mr Ed.

With the aid of my trusty assistant Teflon John we will attempt to try and please our membership and run a healthy calendar for the rest of this year and 2004.

To achieve this, we need a lot of help from the membership.

Hence I need volunteers for the following positions at all future events

Clerk of the Course (COC)	(Official Position)
Secretary of the Meet (SOM)	(Official Position)
Steward	(Official Position)
Chief Marshal (Approved recovery marshal)	(Official Position)
Scrutineer	(Official Position)
General marshals	(Official Position)
People to set out the course	
People who are prepared to collect and return the competition trailer.	

We run our events to MSA and ARC rules and these state that these official positions must be filled in order to run events.

The committee are not able to run these events on our own, and we feel that this is why sometimes we fail to achieve our stated intent of quantity of events and indeed various types of event.

To do things well we need Your Help. Please contact me and put your name forward. Without volunteers we simply can't run events.

HBRO TROPHIES

Well the traditional Club Xmas dinner is approaching (its October and we're thinking about Xmas !)

At our clubs meal we normally like to honour our top dogs with a trophy or two, and to that end I will need to get all the trophies back.

The other thing I have noticed is that we don't seem to have had the trophies engraved (SHOCK HORROR)

Well Guess what we want to do.

Yep you're right -can all those with trophies please contact me so that I can get them updated and ready for presentation at the meal.

I don't really want to trawl my way back through the archives, so if those who have won since 2000 can also contact me it would be appreciated as it would save me time.

LAND ROVER or SHED

As you are all aware we run our trials to the ARC rules and regulations. It's a bit sad then that one of my first jobs as Comp Sec is to advise that some of the rules are being breached.

Following our trial at Minstead both Ed and I asked for a detailed list of what items should be failed at scrutineering. Needless to say JJ did his usual excellent job and advised that we need to tighten up, and start failing competitors with repeat faults rather than being generous and allowing these to get through continuously.

JJ also made it very clear to each competitor who had a problem, and indeed what actions were necessary to correct the fault.

I'm not going to name and shame as some have asked but below is a list of faults detected.

Range Rovers Bumpers-	Width, Length and height.
-	Materials used in construction (Scaffolding)
-	End Caps Missing.
Miscellaneous	- Ball joint failures (Approx 15 cases)
-	Recovery points (not fitted properly)
-	Battery not clamped down.
-	Wheel stud lengths.
-	Throttle springs not fitted where required.

If you know your vehicle would have failed please fix the problem before the next trial. If you can't remember what JJ said please contact me.

Sorry to have to start off like this but the rules are the rules and we all must abide by them.

At future events we will be tougher on this. (You all know the score)

Maximum Bob Comp Sec

RTV Trial & Camping at Nelly's Dell 4th & 5th October 2003

RTV

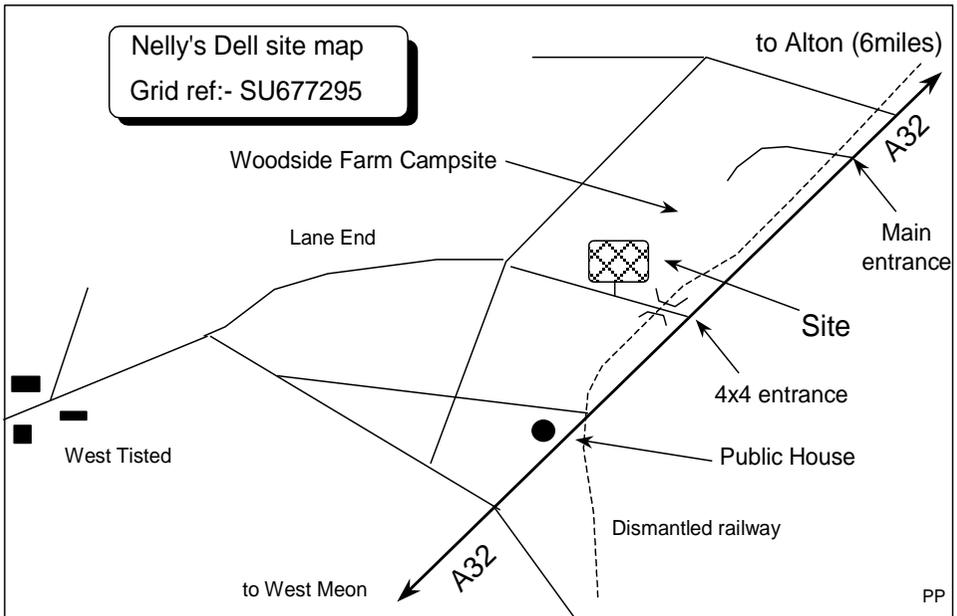
Status	Closed. HBRO only.
CoC	John Beagley
Steward	TBA.
Scrutineering starts at	08:45.
Drivers / nav's briefing	09:45.
Marshals briefing	09:45.
Event starts at	10:00.

Payment to Sec of meeting.
£15 on the day.

Nelly's Dell is on the A32 Alton to West Meon road. Triallers and or trailers can enter the lower field from the side road. See map.

No camping.

Please read the
Competition Event Information
inside back cover.



Green Lane News

Shears at the ready, here we go again !!!! It's time for the "recover a lane" challenge that we are now taking on, on a twice-yearly basis. We have had some pretty successful clearances so far, and such is the reputation of HBRO as the club with the 'world class lane clearance team' that the stakes have been increased this time. A lane near Shipton Bellinger nr Tidworth on the edge of Salisbury Plain needs our urgent assistance. The lane has dual classification as a RUPP and a Byway, so clearance would increase the chances of re-classification as a Byway open to all traffic, and this is key to us keeping these lanes open. I visited the lane proposed by HCC yesterday, and it is indeed in need of serious clearance.

In the absence of alternatives and because this lane is genuinely open to vehicular use, I have agreed that we will tackle this for our part in the National Green Lane Day. I will put out a call for support, and start organising the activity with members and HCC. Matt Beal will attend briefly, but this one will be run on a 'self administering basis' and I will produce the 'risk assessment' and manage the day.

The challenge is that this is a tougher and longer clearance than we have tackled before, and will need two teams working from each end if we are to complete in one day. We have the full support of HCC, and we will operate as a self administering group for the first time! No power tools allowed, just manual labour, healthy exercise, team spirit, enthusiasm, fun, day out in the countryside and a sense of achievement. If you can make it, let me know and I'll keep you posted on arrangements. Let's show these other Clubs what we can really do !! There will be PR coverage of the activity, both for 'National Green Lane Clearance day' and 'National Make a difference weekend'.

If you wish to join in, you must pre-book by calling Ashley on 01264 710546 or 07867 554724, or e-mail him on ashleypocock@ntlworld.com Planned date is October 26th but the pre-booking is in case the date or location is changed.

Ashley Pocock. (just another club member)

Treasurer's Bit

Club Equipment

HELP! I need to update the Club's Asset Register (List of equipment owned by the Club!) If you have any equipment which you may be looking after can you please let me know as soon as possible.

Please either email and phone – details on inside front cover.

Many Thanks Sarah Bridger Treasurer

Steep Marsh RTV

It was the first time we had used the wooded site near Petersfield and I don't think that anyone who had helped set out, clear and Marshal the trial thought it would be an easy task. I would like to thank everyone who lent a hand and especially to the people who helped clear the site on both the Saturdays. I do believe it was the first time my Mum helped at a clearing day and it looked as if she had a good time.

As far as the trial goes I had a great time although the score sheet looked rubbish. I think it must be those new tyres, too much grip. Yeah that's the reason, not that I have lost my trialling touch. I made sure that no embarrassing pictures would appear on the web by taking the Web master (Ian Parker) as a co-driver, this proved to be a good idea when I had to be cut away from a tree on a rather steep bank. Oh that reminds me, cheers Kiran, Roy and Bob who cut it out the way.

Again thanks to all the Marshals and COC Trevor Jones for their work over the weekend.

Seen you all soon

Teflon John

Bargain of the Month

Problem:- You have done the Winch Course and now you want to enter the Chippy Challenge, but you haven't got a winch!

Solution:- Buy my Land Rover! 88" Series III truck cab fitted with V8 and under floor PTO winch with 250 feet of 9mm cable. Numerous extras/modifications including:- SAT's on white 8 spokes, Stage 1 V8 brakes, oil cooler, Defender bonnet and front panel, checker plate on wings bonnet and floor in the back, V8 radiator, large Kenlowe fan, aluminium door tops, Range Rover diffs, Lumination electronic ignition, Ifor Williams pick-up top, extended spring hangers, high back seats, AFFF fire extinguisher, hi-lift jack, spare set of rims & tyres, plus loads of spares and odds & ends. Offers around £1700

Also ¾ ton Sankey Trailer fitted with Series 1 rear tub. Any offers?

Phone Steve Kendall on 01635 44989 evenings & weekends E-mail stephen@miceng.co.uk

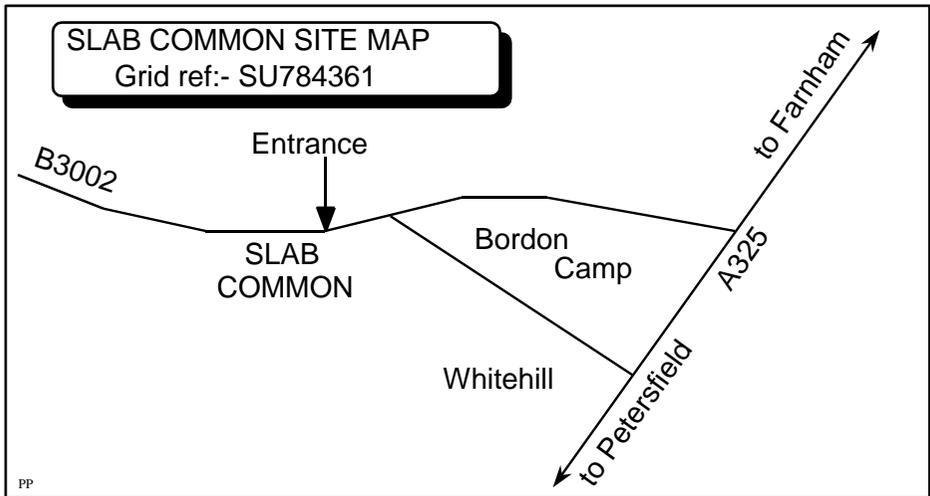
Chippy Challenge 2003

Yes its "stand up and be counted" time again folks. This year's team Chippy Challenge is scheduled for the 19th of October and I need teams of 4 vehicles plus 8 persons and most importantly I need volunteers to run the sections and more people to follow around with the teams to also help with the sections.

I will of course be the main man in charge this year but heavily assisted by Nick & John Jennings to also take some of the blame. We three have some cunning challenges up our sleeves and in our minds so look forward to a lot of fun and stress. Each team will need at least 1 winch-equipped vehicle with assorted hardware also carried. As usual, points will be awarded and subtracted for good / bad technique.

You can ring me with your team and members names including the marshal volunteers or you can send your details to me, address inside front cover of P&B. Remember, we must have sufficient marshals to run the event. Mothers with children will be welcome.

Nick Woodage
Special Events Officer



Summer Rally 2003 New Forest.

This year saw a change to the venue of the summer rally, normally held at Nellies Dell the event was in the New Forest. The camping field was really very good and made a nice change on scenery, we had the best part on 25 units camped showing that it is defiantly a popular club activity.

Friday saw setting out for both the RTV and the Tyro, which would take place on the Saturday afternoon. I had volunteered myself to COC the tyro so I borrowed Bob Davis, Wayne Duffy and a selection from the Ellis clan and set out 5 sections in the woods. It was clear to me that setting out a tyro is very difficult for somebody used to RTV's, there is a fine line between too easy and too hard also the fact that the vehicles are not going to be set-up for competition but totally standard. But I think that the majority of the 22 competitors enjoyed the experience and shows that this type of activity is very popular indeed. Well done to Phil (Men's winner) Sarah and Sue (Ladies Winners) and Tim (Junior winner).

The RTV was also very good, quite probably the best RTV I have done before. Well done to Hugh and Nick the COC's and all who helped to marshal and set out the Trial. The sections were all very good as I am sure most would agree. The last section especially sticks in my mind as a lasting memory, Diesel power. I also feel I must mention my first class first time Co-driver Sally who made the day a little more interesting and amusing.

Last but not least the Gymkhana on Monday set out and ran by Non Stick Nick and with some assistance by Klim. We played some silly games in pairs, Bob and I working as a team eventually came 2nd behind Wayne and George. I think we could have beaten them if Bob's Left and Right skills were slightly better. Well done to the winners and thanks to the event organiser for thinking up the silly games.

Finally Thanks to all.

Teflon John

Scrutineering Feedback from the ARC

The new “yellow pages” rules are settling in, not too well in some cases! However, here’s an update on recent ARC deliberations:-

Start inhibitors on automatic transmissions. Some drivers are disabling this feature thus enabling the engine to be started with the engine in gear. The ARC Council agreed to progress with the wording **“Automatic Transmissions must be fitted with an inhibitor to prevent the engine from being started in gear.”**

Shock absorbers / damper attachment to rear braces. The MSA has now issued a rule change which requires a strip / strut min 5mm x 25mm from the point on the rear brace where the damper attaches down to the chassis. This is due to come into force on Jan 1st 2004.

The ARC’s ruling on CDS roll-cages may be delayed as this is to be discussed by the Roll Bar Working Group (RBWG) which is being re-convened (after 10 years) by the MSA as a result of this matter being raised by the ARC. Andrew Flanders represented the ARC on this group and he has agreed to represent the ARC again.

Remote reservoirs on high performance dampers must be covered as must damper absorber tops. The rule says that these must be isolated from vehicle occupants. See MSA regulations E.12.2.1. and .12.2.2.

New trials class? The MSA has been considering a new class, Intermediate Trial to sit between the current off-road trials regulations and the Tyro Trial. This may enable a lowering of the age of the driver, possibly to 13. Latest news is that the MSA has changed its mind and will amend the Tyro rules instead.

Trials penalty points...

If a twig becomes attached to a vehicle during an RTV trial and this twig knocks down some canes, should this incur penalty points?

Page 45 of the ARC Handbook states “3.2. Note that contact with a gate cane with any part of the vehicle or its occupants means that you should award a penalty.” A twig is not part of the vehicle or its occupants and so should not accrue penalty points. The view was that the marshal observing this should signal to the driver to stop at a suitable safe point to have the twig removed. The reason is that the trial is to test the skill of the driver, but only in extreme circumstances will a re-run be granted.

Eligibility issues:-

- 1) Can you have a truck cab soft top on a 90? No, only on a Series One.
- 2) Is a steering wheel knob allowed? Yes, this is acceptable. See B.19.2. a)

Steve Kirby. ARC Representative.

Christmas Party 2003.

OK I know its early, but we have started planning this years Christmas bash already.

When: 13th December. Put it in your diaries now.

Where: The Headley Park Hotel, near Bordon, Hampshire.

What's on offer? Apart from the usual dinner and disco. Well there are caravan places available and rooms in the hotel as well. The hotel has 17 rooms, prices range from £40 to £80. (single to double). Inclusive of VAT and breakfast.

The hotel will block book rooms for us and we may be able to negotiate the rate a little. If you would like a room, please give me as much advanced notice of your intention. (email. ellisrover@yahoo.co.uk)

Oh and they offer breakfast for those who are not staying in the hotel.

Look forward to hearing from you soon regarding your need for rooms.

Ed Ellis.



Broxhead Common Driving Day.
Photo by Juan A del Azar.

RTV Trial and Bonfire 'do' at Hook End Farm, Upper Basildon, Pangbourne, Berkshire, November 8th & 9th

RTV

Camping Ed Ellis.

Scrutineering starts at 08:45.

Drivers / nav's briefing 09:45.

Marshals briefing 09:45.

Event starts at 10:00.

Payment to Sec of meeting.

£15 on the day.

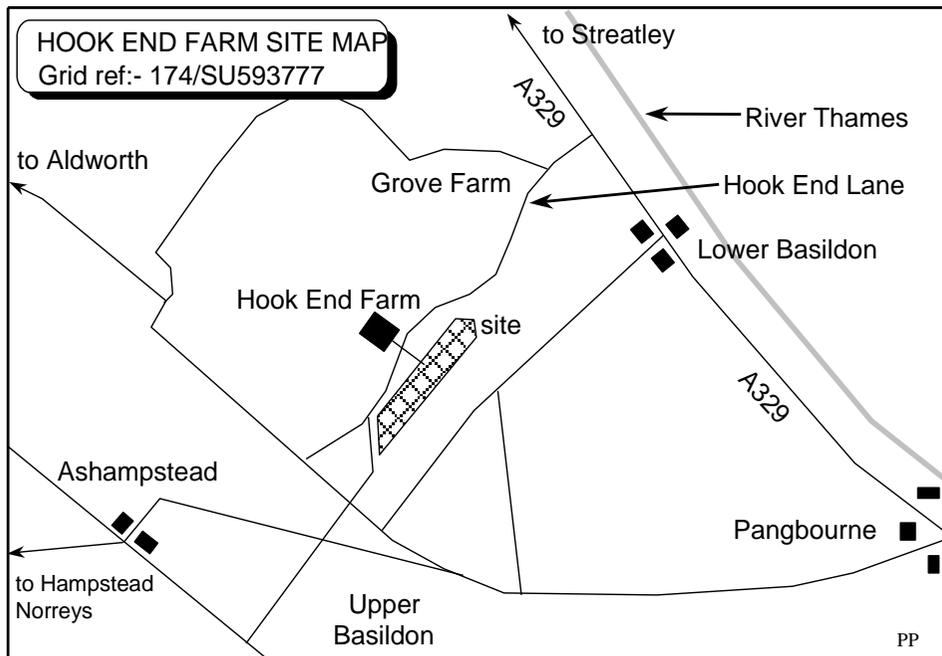
Facilities:- Toilets.

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Competition Event Information
inside back cover.

Hook End Farm is on Hook End Lane, a turning off the Pangbourne to Streatley road, the A329 about 9 miles West of Reading.

Or,

from the Newbury area, take the B4009 to Hampstead Norreys and thence East to Ashampstead, or take the A4 towards Reading and at Theale, take the A340 North to Pangbourne. The site is generously made available by Mark Ambler and his family. The event is open to all fully paid-up members of HBRO.



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Hants & Berks Rover Owners
Committee Meeting - 4th August '03

Present: Ed Ellis Jenny Davis Sarah Bridger
 Nick Woodage John Jennings

Apologies: Steve Kirby Angela Ellis Nick Jennings

Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes of last meeting were accepted by all. Jenny to forward to Steve for publication **Action JD**

Outstanding Previous Actions

Investigations from Corporation tax still ongoing **Action SB**
Ed to ask Ian Parker to do an email hit to all members prompting them to attend the AGM. **Action EE**
Received invitation from ARC to publicise our club on their stand at Shows. Jenny to enquire. **Action JD**
Ed to get maps from Ashley **Action EE**
Club Makro Cards - Sarah to establish how many club cards there are and recover them. It was agreed that cards should be for committee positions only. **Action SB**

Chairman's Report

Had no comeback from the article for the Petersfield Post.
Driving Day - Ed has emailed a selection of local clubs to promote the day.
Members' comments on club forum - there have been a lot of comments recently about the lack of driving days on the club calendar. It has been suggested that the club try and hold "Pay and Play" days. All agree in principal subject to members' support. To be discussed in the magazine and at the AGM **Action EE**

Secretary's Report

Received information and applications for the Mendip Challenge. To put the information in the magazine and contact Jenny for application forms. **Action JD**

Treasurer's Report

Still to pay for ropes, printers, MSA for Steep Marsh, and military site. Tina Corke has audited last year's accounts - couple of discrepancies which are being investigated.

Trying to contact Nigel Leake to sort out ARC2000 account which appears to be still open. **Action SB**

Estimated that club will have made a loss at the end of July - Reasons include an increase in overall running costs, insurances, magazine costs, and losses on RTVs aswell as paying for the Christmas Party and purchase of a new trailer.

Committee feels the need to raise membership fees to £25 for Ordinary, £5 for Associate and £5 for Social members. To be discussed at the AGM. Sarah to prepare necessary figures of expenditure. **Action SB**

Competition Secretary's Report

Steep Marsh - had 18 triallers, needs more clearance - OK with landowner.

Summer Rally - Nick W and Hugh Duffet to run RTV, Dennis Keen to run Tyro, and Nick J to run Gymkhana. Ed to deliver trailer. **Action EE**

14th Sept - Broxhead - Nick W to set out on Saturday, need CoC for Sunday. **Action EE**

5th Oct - RTV at Nellies, permit booked.

19th Oct - Chippy Challenge - had 4 volunteers to help, need more. Info to be put in the mag again. Members from IOW asked to attend, Ed to request a "Privileged Permit" from ARC. **Action EE**

Rickshaw ramble - Cancelled.

9th Nov - Hedge End Bonfire meet - permit done.

Winch Challenge - EE Raised the issue of a Winch challenge and advised that he had been in contact with the MSA and also Nigel Barker who had produced some guidelines for running such a challenge. The idea being to run this first challenge at Wedgehill in November. EE noted that the MSA are looking into a new permit system for such challenges. Nigel Barker to act as CoC for the event. John Jennings/Bob Davis volunteered to assist.

Action EE

Membership Secretary's Report

Membership now stands at just under 260. Committee voiced concerns about the drop in membership.

Rights of Way Officer's Report

National Green Lane Day - end September, Ashley to confirm.

Social Secretary's Report

Christmas Party - After investigations, it was proposed that the party be booked for Headley Park Hotel, Bordon. Three course meal, accommodation and camping available. All agreed. Ed to confirm in writing, and Sarah to pay deposit. Disco to be subsidized by club at cost of approx £150

Action EE/SB

AGM - Jenny to arrange a quiz. Prize to be £10 club voucher, Sarah to organize

Action JD/SB

Magazine Report

Ed contacted Steve - he is happy to continue producing magazine.

Ed raised concerns when some months there are not enough articles for the mag - should we change it to a quarterly publication or look for other methods? All agreed that not at this stage.

Also concerns for logistics of getting mag from printers - costing time & money, or relying on good will. Nick W to contact a printer known to him which could be more convenient.

Action NW

ARC Report

Nothing to Report

Special Events Report

Nothing to Report

Any Other Business

Radios - proposed to buy a set of four hand held radios to be used at events by officials. Approximate cost £100 plus batteries. All agreed, Nick J volunteered to purchase.

Action NJ

Shackles - John has ordered stamped bow shackles from Frogs Island.

Ed discussed the need for more canes - general opinion was that we have enough - John to investigate.

Action JJ

Marshals vests - Ed discussed the need for some new ones - Nick W to enquire with KCC

Action NW

Ed asked for the insurance document for the military permits. Sarah to

locate.

Action SB

Catering needed for Broxhead - Ed to arrange

Action EE

AGM - club official positions were reviewed. Minutes were discussed. Ed has use of a laptop projector to present meeting. Jenny to prepare minutes of last meeting. Ed, Jenny & Sarah to hold pre-AGM meeting Monday 1st September.

Action JD

Next Meeting: Monday 15th September '03



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A.R.C. NEWS

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STEERING COLUMN

I trust that you all arrived home safely after this year's National Rally and have had time to do those necessary jobs on your vehicles as well as enjoying the lovely weather that we have had during this summer. Just a reminder the ARC National Rally 2004 is being hosted by Peak and Dukeries Land Rover Club, entry forms can be downloaded from their website. Please note there is a closing date for event entries so to avoid disappointment and assist P&D be sure to get your form in early.

While this year's event was still fresh in our minds, the organizing team of ARC 2003 have compiled a CD ROM. This CD contains useful hints and tips to assist member clubs when considering their offers to host a future National Rally. Copies of this CD ROM are available to any Club Secretary from Steve Wells (National Rally Liaison Officer) or Paul Barton (ARC News Editor).

Denis Bourne A.R.C. Chairman

NFU WINS INSURER OF THE YEAR AWARD

NFU Mutual has won the top prize in this year's insurance industry awards.

The rural insurer took the General Insurer of the Year prize at the British Insurance Awards, announced at London's Albert Hall.

"We're absolutely delighted – it's a terrific achievement to win this award against competition from the whole of the insurance industry," said Bob Newton, General manager. It's a tremendous accolade to the professionalism, hard work and dedication of our staff and agents throughout the UK.

"Coming after our success in last year's awards – when we won the Customer Service Award – our latest success clearly demonstrates that we really do deliver our vision: to be recognized by our stakeholders as setting the market standards in terms of all round value, service and trust" The audience of over 1,500 representatives of UK insurance companies at the award ceremony heard the judges praise NFU Mutual for its success in combining financial strength, excellent value for money, and industry-leading customer care standards in a virtuous circle.

"Because we are a mutual we can focus all our efforts into looking after customers," Bob explained.

Founded by a group of Warwickshire farmers in 1910, NFU Mutual has grown into one of the UK's 10 largest general insurers but still adheres to its founders' belief in mutuality as the best way to serve customers' interests over the long term.

NFU supports A.R.C.

CARAVAN PERMITS

Any member club of the ARC may apply for a permit to hold a caravan rally of up to five days duration from Simone Birch, the ARC Secretary. If clubs are using any land that is not already licensed to have caravans then this is necessary as it means that the landowners will then not require planning permission from their local council to hold a caravan rally, which can be a costly exercise. Caravan permits are free of charge and should be applied for at least one month in advance of the event taking place. The permit application forms are available from Simone and should be sent together with a self-addressed envelope to ensure that the permit is returned to the correct person.

For caravan rallies of longer than 5 days duration, an application needs to be made via the Association of Caravan and Camping Exempted Organisations (ACCEO) not less than 14 weeks before the start of the rally. Application forms are available from Simone and there is a fee of £25 (made payable to ACCEO).

ACCEO also issue the caravan permits that allow events to take place within the National Parks but applications must be submitted by 1st April of the preceding year for the Peak District, Lake District and North Yorkshire parks and by the 1st May for all other National Parks.

Privilege Events

Member clubs of the ARC may hold up to three Privilege Events a year where they may invite non-ARC clubs to compete in club competitions. The non ARC clubs should be MSA registered and the following rules apply:

Prior written approval of the invitation is obtained from the ARC Secretary.

Events are held under a MSA insurance permit.

Events are held under MSA regulations with additional supplementary regulations to be set by the host club,

Application forms and further details if needed are available from Simone and should be applied for at least one month in advance.

A.R.C. INTERNATIONAL RALLY 2003 VIDEO

G E Media Limited , specialists in Video, Photography and Design have now completed and posted out to everyone who ordered a copy at the National Rally the 2003 video. If you would like a copy please send a cheque for £17.49 for the video which includes p&p or £27.50 which includes p&p for the DVD version to G E Media, Monarch House, 1 Smyth Road, Bedminster, Bristol, BS3 2BX.

LAND ROVER COMPANY NEWS

NEW LAND ROVER 'G4 EDITION' DISCOVERY AND DEFENDER

The vehicles are launched in celebration of the success of the inaugural Land Rover G4 Challenge, dubbed the ultimate global adventure and spanning four time zones during four weeks of extreme sports and driving competitions. Sixteen competitors from countries all around the world fought it out, with the victor driving home in a new Range Rover as the winning prize. G4 Edition Defenders and Discoverys come with a selection of specialist expedition equipment and convenience features. Specification highlights include 'A-frame' front protection bars, front and

rear lamp guards, new Black Mogul 'technical' fabric seats, special colour schemes including Borrego Yellow and Tangiers Orange, air-conditioning and a CD player. Additional features on the Defender include 'Boost' 16" alloy wheels, a windscreen protection bar and, for additional vehicle protection in hazardous environments, black chequer plating on vehicle wing tops and sills. The Discovery comes with 'Style 3' 16" alloys, lockable roof-rack cross-bars for additional equipment security, cruise control and self-levelling suspension. Commenting on the vehicles, Land Rover's managing director Matthew Taylor said: "The first Land Rover G4 Challenge was the ultimate global adventure which took place in some of the world's toughest terrains. These new and very well equipped vehicles embody the spirit of this adventure and will enable many budding explorers to re-live the experiences of our G4 Challenge heroes." G4 Edition Defenders, available in both the 90 and 110 station wagon wheelbase options, start at £24,350, and the Discovery is available from £28,595, on-the-road.

LAND ROVER DISCOVERY 2004 MODEL YEAR

The 2004 Discovery's off-road ability is improved with a locking centre differential as standard equipment on the XS and ES specification. This distributes the engine power equally between the driving axles, reducing the risk of wheel slip and enhancing the Discovery's already impressive off-road credentials.

For 2004, the Discovery receives additional revisions to enhance its appeal with families. All models now receive the ISOFIX child seat fixing system. This simple, yet universally agreed standard enables any ISOFIX child seat which has been approved for use in a Discovery, to be fitted easily and securely to the vehicle.

E and S specification models now gain heated electric door mirrors, a valuable safety addition for winter driving. Whilst the GS models also gain a heated front screen, powerfold mirrors, a single slot CD player and twin electric sunroofs.

XS models gain twin electric sunroofs, adding to the ambience of the Discovery's interior, a centre-locking differential and an enhanced exterior look with the addition of thicker roof bars. The already comprehensively equipped ES model receives the locking centre differential, revised restyled thicker roof bars and interior enhancements in the form of enhanced wood trim for the centre console.

Additionally all Discovery models will be fitted with Automatic Drive-Away Locking. This fully automatic system locks all of the doors as the vehicle moves away. The system will detect when the driver or passengers wish to exit the vehicle and will automatically unlock all of the doors, alternately when the engine is switched off, the system will release all of the doors.

New colours for 2004 Discovery include Maya Gold and Helsinki Blue. Also available will be Adriatic Blue and Giverny Green, previously only available on the Range Rover. Completing the changes for 2004 are revised badging, in Range Rover style raised lettering in a Brunel finish. On the road prices for the new 2004 Discovery commence at £22,195 for the five-seat Discovery Td5 in 'E' specification, rising to £34,590 for the 7 seat V8 model with automatic transmission. Also available is a range of Discovery commercial vehicles, which can be adapted for a variety of uses, with prices commencing at £22,995.

COUNTRYSIDE ACCESS ISSUES

VEHICLE USER GROUPS QUESTIONNAIRE – BOATS USE

Club Secretaries have been provide with a copy of the form sent out by consultants acting for the Department of or Food and Rural Affairs which seeks evidence about use of BOATS by off road clubs and individual drivers.

All members interested in BOAT preservation should fill in these survey forms so that the consultants are as fully aware as possible of the extent to which BOATs are used.

A.R.C. DATES

Saturday 20th September 2003 - Extraordinary General Meeting at NFU Mutual Tiddington Road, Tiddington, Stratford-upon-Avon – all A.R.C. members welcome, meeting starts at 10.00am

A.R.C. MEMBER CLUB NEWS

LINCS LAND ROVER CLUB OFFROAD DRIVING DAYS

Grasby Quarry 28th December 2003 Further details from Paul Smith on 0777 932 8475. All events start 10am and cost £15 per vehicle per day. Organised by Lincolnshire Land Rover Club on an RAC permit.

MAJORS MEMORIAL TRIAL 2003 – September 12th/13th/14th

Midland ROC will be pleased to receive any offers of assistance with marshalling at this prestigious event

2003 MENDIP CHALLENGE –SOMERSET AND WILTS LAND ROVER CLUB – October 11th – 12th

This ever popular event is limited to 100 RTV and 100 CCV drivers. Camping from Friday 10th October with RTV Trial Saturday with live entertainment Saturday night and CCV Trial Sunday. Application forms from John Hamilton-Donovan Tel 01454 411409. Marshalling assistance warmly welcome!

NON- A.R.C. CLUB EVENTS OF INTEREST

- Dunsfold Collection Open days 2003 will be the weekend of September 13th/14th
- South London & Surrey LRC, London to Brighton Run. Sunday 5th October 2003
- Langley Farm 4x4 event – 19th 21st September – call 01132 708 262
- Northern 4x4 & ex-military spares day Hamilton Hose St Michaels, Garstang, 01253 407 779
- Old Sodbury Sortout - 25th October Newbury Berks

Significant topics raised at Scrutineering & Off Road Committee meetings.

Fluid reservoirs (brake / clutch) that are inside the cab with the occupants must either have a “proper” metal or plastic cover. A plastic bag over the reservoirs will catch any leaks should the vehicle become inverted. (Bags with safety perforations are not suitable.) This is also to apply to any vehicles that are manufactured this way. 101 drivers be warned !

Military Sites If you use military sites, it may be worth considering some means of reporting any ordnance found. The simple message to start with is “DON'T TOUCH” and report to the Range Officer or Warden.

Drivers retiring or abandoning an event.

Any entrant abandoning or retiring from an event must report to the CoC to announce this fact. Relating to this, the MSA Yearbook says:-

H.27.2. To be classified as a finisher, a competitor must have attempted at least three quarters of the total number of Observed Sections and arrive at the finish within 20 minutes of the preceding vehicle.

E.5.1.6. Competitors must remain available at an event until any protest period relating to their event has elapsed, failing which, any judicial action against or relating to that competitor may be heard in their absence.

So if the competitor has retired from the trial without letting the officials know, then presumably he (or she) didn't "**...arrive at the finish within 20 minutes of the preceding vehicle.**" The fact that the competitor departed from the event before its conclusion in contravention of E.5.1.6. suggests that the competitor disqualified himself. Apart from anything else, this premature unannounced departure is a serious etiquette contravention and shows serious lack of consideration for the organisers and fellow competitors. If a score needs to be recorded for a championship or similar, then 10 penalty points per section in a trial, or maximums for a comp safari should apply.

Log Book Scrutineers who leave the ARC may not continue with their duties and must return all tags, documents, folders etc to the Log Book Secretary, Dennis Wright.

Fuel tanks with underseat fillers. Permanently sealing the underseat panel with all its slots and holes and hinges is virtually impossible. "Gaffer" or "Tank" tape over all the gaps and hinges should last for the few minutes it takes to extract the occupants and / or right an overturned vehicle. A better idea is to seal the tank. A plastic bag over the tank should last for the duration of an event but should really be used only when everything else has failed or as a temporary measure for the few hours that a family vehicle is being used in a competition. A much better idea is to solder a vent pipe into the cap with a rubber vent tube leading away somewhere safe. This can be swapped for a normal cap for use at other times if required.

Scrutineering. Demonstration of serviceability of equipment such as cut-off switches, handbrake etc. This should not be the task of the scrutineer; the competitor should be requested to do this to obviate accusations that a scrutineer has mis-handled or damaged the equipment.

Tag Removal.

Lost tag – carry out a re-check by one Log Book Scrutineer.

Either:-

Use the normal form and return the log book to Dennis Wright.

OR

Re-check the vehicle, fit the new tag, amend the number on the log book and write an entry on page 2 stating that this has been done. Sign and date the entry.

Log Book Fees. Reminder that the log book fees went up to £10 with the re-issue now being £5.

Fire extinguishers. We have received reports that some competitors are still using dry powder units, which have never been acceptable.

Trials. During an RTV trial, a twig became attached to a vehicle and this twig knocked down some canes. Is the twig deemed to be part of the vehicle and so scores penalty points ?
Page 45 of the Handbook states "3.2. Note that contact with a gate cane with any part of the vehicle or its occupants means that you should award a penalty." So a twig is not part of the vehicle or its occupants and so should not accrue penalty points. The view was that the marshal observing this should signal to the driver to stop at a suitable safe point to have the twig removed. The reason is that the trial is to test the skill of the driver. Only in exceptional circumstances will a re-run be granted.

Re-runs in Trials. There needs to be a very good reason. If a vehicle stops to avoid an errant spectator or perhaps a loose dog, then don't score the stop. Allow the vehicle to continue or even back up a bit to restart sensibly. (Don't forget to take action on the errant spectator or loose dog!)

Additional Log Book Scrutineers. There are now many more log book scrutineers. A list has been circulated to all club secretaries.

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SCOTTISH LAND ROVER CLUB CCVT AND COMP SAFARI – SPONSORED BY TOMCAT MOTORSPORT

Weekend of 25th and 26th October at Cambusbaron near Stirling – just off the M9 Motorway, Event entry is free for any English based competitor making the trip to this great competitive weekend. Trophies for classes in both events as well as the annual TOMCAT trophy for the highest placed competitor in both disciplines

All enquires to tomcatmotorsport@aol.com

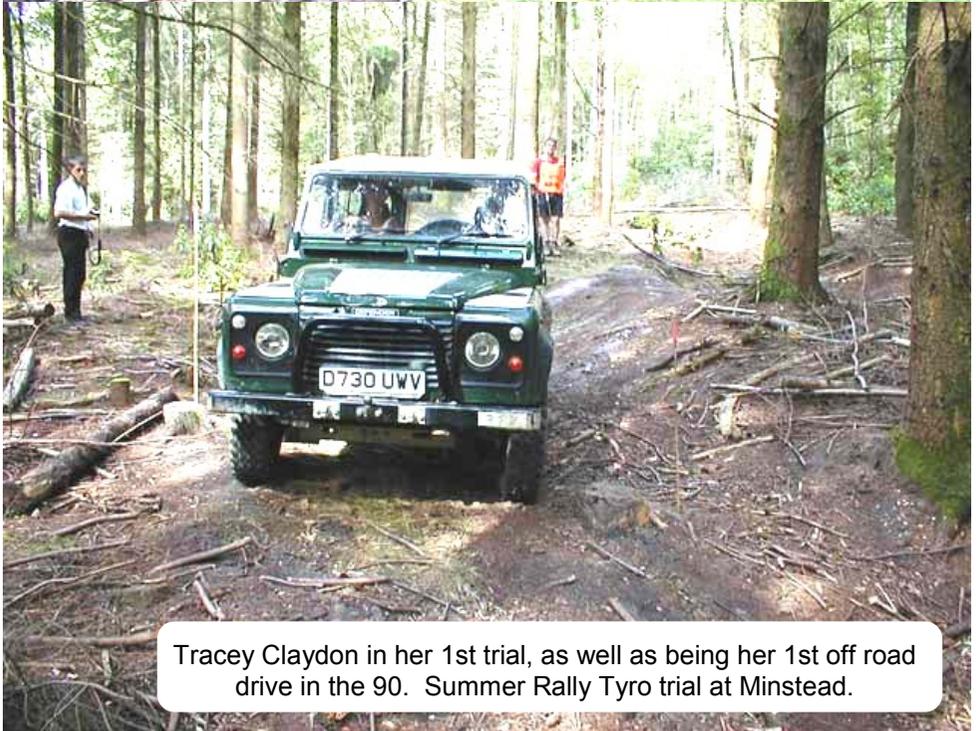
HILLRALLY NATIONAL "B" 2003

The organisers of The National "B" Hillrally 2003 have written to invite members of any ARC club to take part in the Hillrally on the 4th and 5th October 2003. The event is based at Coleg Llysfasi, close to Llangollen and Ruthin. Entry fee is £260 per vehicle and is open to those who have never competed in a Hillrally at greater than National "B" status .

If you require further details and regulations for this event please contact Chris Caton, Secretary of the Meeting on 0151 677 5571 (home), 0151 633 2640 (work), 07860 103279 (mobile) or e-mail: chriscaton@arowe.freemove.co.uk The organisers are also looking for anyone keen to help marshal this event.



Wayne Duffy makes light work of this section at the Minstead Summer Rally Tyro trial.



Tracey Claydon in her 1st trial, as well as being her 1st off road drive in the 90. Summer Rally Tyro trial at Minstead.



Klim has a good day, coming second in class at the Minstead Summer Rally RTV trial.



Neil Read clearing the 6th section of the day at the Minstead Summer Rally RTV trial. Neil won the day scoring only 2 points in seven sections .

HBRO Winch Challenge

The 'Winch Challenge' event is on Sunday 23rd November at the fabulous Minstead Site. Ok, so where do I start ?...

Well, this 'HBRO Winch Challenge' event is the 1st the club has done, and with good support and entries, if it proves popular and members like it then there will be some more, it means something else the club does for you to choose from for your off road fun, be it as an entrant or as a marshal.

In some terms you could think of this event a bit like a 'Drive Round Day' with optional 'RTV' sections.....which you can also use your winch to help you gain the points.

A 'Drive Round Day', in that this site is 300 Acres, and around the site there will be 'section's for you to consider doing,..... I say **consider** as they are ALL optional.

There will also be a limited number of places, so don't leave it to late , oh and

THERE IS NO ENTRY ON THE DAY – this is a PreBooked event ONLY !!

The 'Sections' will vary immensely in the difficulty levels from several 'Nice N Easy' to 'Hard' and lots of 'In Between', all the "Sections" will be marked according to the difficulty level... so there is no doubt ! ...

The majority of entrants will be in Teams of 2 vehicles, (although you can if you wish just enter as a team of one).

Only one "Working" Winch is allowed between a team, the other will have a coloured tag to show it is "Off Limits",so even if you do not have a Winch fitted but fancy a go you could still enter, with either a friend who has a winch equipped Landy, or we may be able to team you up with a Winch Equipped member looking for a team mate to join them – ring me !

You and your team mate choose which of the various sections you fancy doing, and, maybe more importantly, which ones you don't fancy doing.

In all of the sections I, and the other marshals will be trying to ensure that it is the terrain that will stop you, and not as in other events you may have seen or heard about the layout being such that damage is inevitable – we are going to try to the best of our ability to ensure that it is non damaging, although nothing in life is guaranteed !

We will be giving you a map with the general locations of the sections, but this is a big site so you will need to look at where you are going, and try not to get lost !....

I do now have a full pack which I can post, or e-mail to you, this gives much more detailed information as to the days events, rules etc, or you can just phone me for a chat.

Have you done the excellent HBRO 'Winch Course' that Nick J organised ?, ...then how about putting those new found skills to the test, enter either as an Entrant or as one of the marshals ?...

If you have never done this sort of event before, but fancy the idea of driving most of the day off road, planning and working out how you are going to approach these sections, thinking about and learning how to gain points, and having a great time with other HBROers - then this day is for you.

If you fancy having a go at a "Winch Event" but are nervous of jumping into the deep end then this is for you – there are shallow, medium and deep ends here., and if you have done them before and wish to try a few harder sections, then yep there will be some "deep ends "

Marshals, ...

Please consider helping, if you would like to join us on the 23rd we need to know BEFORE the event as this is a 'pre booked' event. We will to know who is going to be joining us on the day and help marshal *in advance*,'Now' would be a good time to pick up the phone and say "Yep" and register your interest ..

Also, as the marshals job will be different to other events, everyone helping will get training prior to the event, (probably at a private pub meet), so if your new to marshalling, want to get involved now is a great opportunity to join us and get in at the start.

Lastly, we are going to have a compulsory 'Lunch Break', and yes, in November we are planning to have a BBQ !,this will be free for all Entrants and Marshals, if it rains then Mr Ed and I have a cunning plan, - a Marquee !!!,

(Hopefully Ed is going to arrange 'good weather' - I'm told he has a "Connection")

So, there you are, are you up for it ?...

If you would like to have a chat, about the day, or if you would like an 'Information Pack', or an Entry Form, or register as a marshal - phone me or e-mail me,

E-mail me on nigelbarker@btopenworld.com or phone me on: 07909 973163 (anytime)
or: 01428 653795 **BEFORE 8.30PM PLEASE!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Nigel Barker - COC HBRO Winch Challenge event.





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Hi,

I hope that you may help to find a good home for my Series 11A which regretfully I no longer have time to fully enjoy.

It is a 1970 (tax exempt) SWB petrol with a hard top and side windows, which had a complete chassis up rebuild about six years ago. This was prior to me buying the vehicle, but there is a series of photographs showing the work in progress.

A new MOT (14th August) has just been issued with the minimum of work required. This time around, an oil seal on the back axle, one replacement wheel cylinder, and a set of rear shoes, gave it a clean bill of health.

I have it insured as a cherished vehicle with a guaranteed value of £3000.00. I am keen it is sold to an enthusiast who will appreciate a true Land Rover without these new ideas of synchromesh and servo assisted brakes! It would be an ideal first Land Rover for the price of £1850.00 I require. I am based in Southampton, and would appreciate your passing this information to any club members you feel may be interested. Thanks for your help.

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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 with their first month of publication. When they become 3 months old, they will be deleted unless the "owners" renew them! Please don't just leave an old advert to "time-out", Thanx.

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

Bits & pieces

Vehicles for Sale

- * Discovery 1991H, V8i, Gold. Fitted: Scorpion uprated suspension, polybushed, front Marshland H/D bumper & F/R recovery /de-mountable winch assemblies (excludes winch), Southdown tank/steering/sill guards/de-mountable tow hitch. Runs well, just serviced/MOT'd. £2995 ono. Ashley Pocock - 01264 710546/07867 554724.

- * Land Rover Discovery V8 petrol 1990 G reg 79,000 miles. Ready to trial with ARB bumpers back and front, side bars, steering guard and tank guard, ARC legal with off-road tyres (nearly new) on dished wheels. Seat covers and carpet protectors. Sun roof and radio, electric windows and mirrors. Excellent condition. 3 doors, 7 seats. Long MOT and tax. £4,000 ono. Contact Jim Taylor evenings 0118 9775748 or mobile 07710 596 582 (SEP03)

- * Defender 90 - 200Tdi - 1991. 7 seat Estate/alpines/sunroof. Towpack. Radio/cass. 5 good Grabbers. Tax, Mot 1yr. Exceptionally good condition. £5950 - Contact Rod Ashton by phone on 02392 596906 Eve. 01329 222403 Office hrs. or by e-mail on rod.ashton@industrial-rubber.com

- * Discovery. L reg 1994.. 3.9 Efi. & seater. Freestyle alloys in silver & grey. Beige interior. Ex Land Rover owned in Coniston Green. Aircon. 115000 miles. Full service history with all receipts. Very good condition. New tyres, roof-rack if required. Taxed and MOT. £4450 ono. Call Andy Bunyan on 01252-516402

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For Hire

- * Hannibal Roof Rack for Hire. Fits Defender 90 and 110 and is the best that you can buy. Very reasonable rates. Contact Andrew Mull at andrewmull@aol.com or phone 01329 517613.

WARNING

Any adverts dated up to and including July will disappear next month unless you renew them!

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Don't forget to visit our Web site at:-

www.hbro.co.uk

Also see the ARC web site at www.the-arc.co.uk

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 whenever possible.
- ARC rules apply. 2002 ARC Handbooks are available to all HBRO members. (There isn't a 2003 ARC Handbook. Use the Vehicle Regulations on the yellow pages; page 65 onwards.)
- 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)
- All TYRO bookings must be confirmed 3 days before the event. The CoC needs to make sure that there are enough entries to make it viable.
- 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.

**Hants and Berks Rover Owners Newsfeed.
Web Site Update
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**Don't forget the HBRO the online forum at
www.hbro.co.uk**

Thanks to our friends at Darksiderz you now have the facility to chat online and post queries on all things Land Rover and Club related.

The Forum can be accessed from the main index page.

Take the time to register to get the full functionality
of the Forum/Bulletin Board.

Enjoy HBRO Online

Events for Your Diary

- * First Wednesday of each month, Noggin & Natter at The Fox and Hounds, Sunny Side, near Theale, Reading, Berkshire RG7 4AA Grid Ref: SU 649699. From 7:30 p.m.
- * Last Wednesday of each month, Noggin & Natter at The Hog's Lodge, Gravel Hill, Clanfield, Hants. PO8 0QD just off the A3. (From 7:30 p.m. Plus Land Rover related videos if possible.). Tel 02392-591083.
- * 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(s) elsewhere for details of the next trip(s).

DATE	EVENT
Oct 5	RTV Nelly's Dell. Details this issue.
Oct 17 - 19	Rickshaw Ramble. See Chairman's Comments.
Oct 19	Chippy Challenge at Slab Common. Details this issue.
Nov 9	RTV, bonfire and camping at Hook End Farm. Details next month.
Oct 26	'Green Lane Clearance day' Details elsewhere this issue.
Nov 23	Winching event at Wedge Hill. Details this issue.
Nov 28 - 30	Roadmaster at Longmoor. Details later.
Dec 6	ARC meeting at NFU HQ Tiddington. Stratford-upon-Avon.
<i>Dec 7</i>	<i>RTV at Brick Kiln Farm.</i>
Dec 13	Christmas Party, Headley Park Hotel Bordon
<i>Dec 21</i>	<i>RTV and Driving Day at Slab Common.</i>
Dec 27	Green Lane Day. Details later.