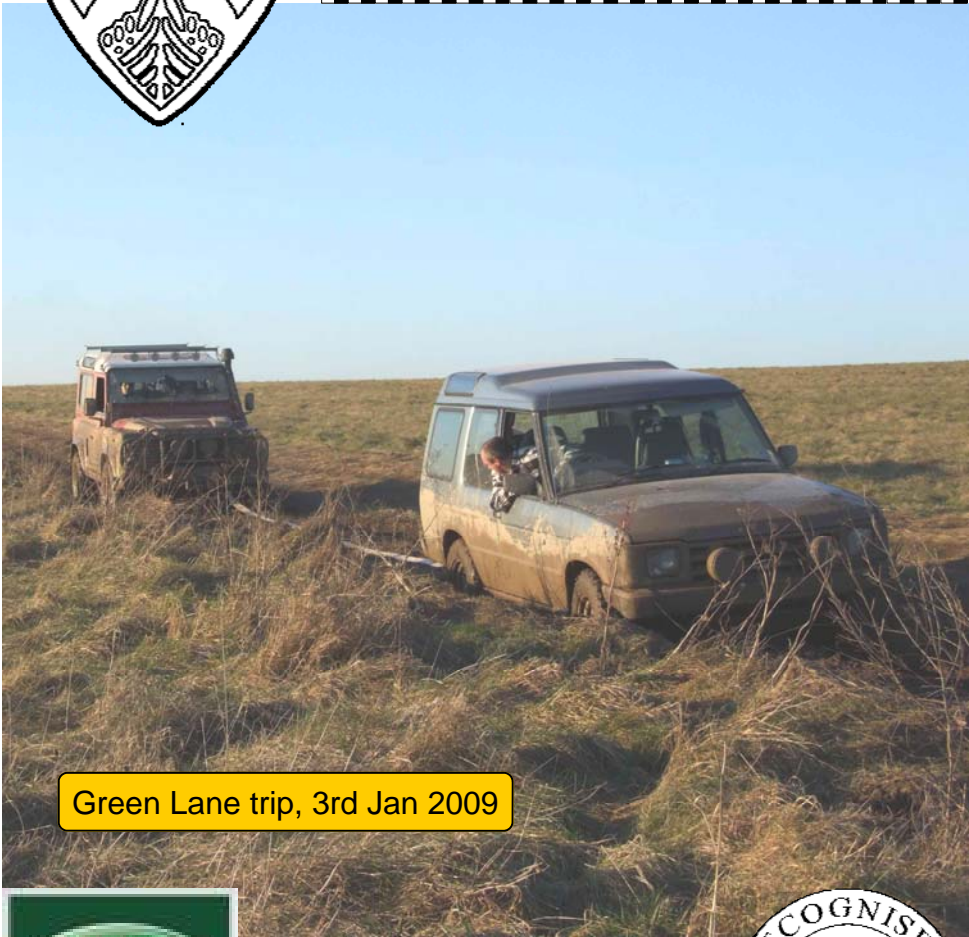
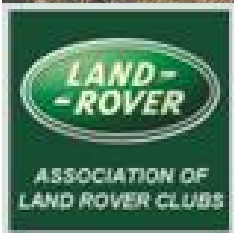




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Green Lane trip, 3rd Jan 2009



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Give them all your support; let them know what's done well, what you enjoyed, any new ideas. Write to the Newsletter Editor and get any Land Rover thoughts printed and off your chest. Most importantly, get along to the events, get involved and get more out of HBLRO by putting a little in.



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Hugh's Hectic Happenings

Hello Again. Well, where did we leave off last time? Ah, yes early November.

Later that month we held the Mike Wolfe Challenge Event on Slab Common which is a serious winch event. The day was typical for the time of year, wet, cold and dismal. But we had a full entry and all seemed to enjoy the day - Sarah and I certainly did. Thanks to Richard Salter, Nick Jennings and Kingsley Cross Country and all the marshals who helped run the event. Henry Cox and his dad walked away with the ALRC trophy and there is an excellent write up and pictures in Land Rover World magazine (March issue).

We held a RTV at Nellies Dell either side of Christmas with a very good number of entrants and enjoyable competition on both occasions, except for Russell Vare who broke a diff on his first outing since taking a year out to rebuild his beast.

Talking of Christmas which seems ages ago, we went abroad on a Twixmas hotel break. The Isle of Wight is laid back and a great place to unwind.

I have finally got the exploding caravan water heater repaired by a caravan man in Gosport whose premises remind me of Steptoe & Son (those of you that are old enough will know what I mean, if not, ask your dad). I have yet to fit and test it but am waiting for a bit warmer weather, Southern Softie I hear you shout.

What about the weather? I hope you all enjoyed the recent snow and ice. I didn't being in Southern Softie land. I woke up on Monday morning to two inches of snow but it was gone by midday, I had no time to build a snowman and no where to stick my carrot!

Anyway, I digress, this weekend we are off to a RTV trial at notorious Brick Kiln Farm. It should be interesting as we have two virgins in Martin and Joe setting out on Saturday. I'll let you know how we got on in the next instalment.

By the way, to keep abreast of the goings on, keep an eye on our website which Ian Parker has done a great job revamping.

Bye for now, Hugh

PS The caravan man is Martin Glanville Tel: 02392 602988.

Editor's bit....

Apologies for the lateness of the last issue. I was waiting for some tardy articles. Next time I'll stick to an agreed deadline.

Secondly, if you're wondering where the February issue is, there wasn't one because the last issue didn't get out until January.



I've had some e-mail replies as requested in the last issue (only three replies so far) and I'll report back to the committee.

Steve Kirby, Editor.

Competition Events; General Information

- Events are open to all paid-up HBLRO members. Bring your membership card.
- Entries to be on an official HBLRO entry form whenever possible.
- ALRC rules and HBLRO Supplementary Regulations apply. 2007 ALRC Handbooks (2009 version coming soon) are available to all HBLRO members.
- All HBLRO RTVs are qualifying rounds for the "Red Leader Shield" (standard class Leaf sprung LR's), the "Pilot Trophy" (Standard Range Rover) and the "Performance Trophy" (for 90s)
- When you come to help set out the sections on the day before the competition, please find the Clerk of the Course (or whoever is in charge at the time) and sign on the attendance sheet. The event insurance covers those members setting up the event and is there for your benefit; but it is valid only if you sign to say that you are there.
- Please help to marshal the event. Attend the marshals briefing and then ask an experienced marshal for guidance on how to score and how to assist in the safe running of the event. We'll show you how to score if you've not done it before. A Marshalling Guide booklet is available on request.
- If you are interested in scrutineering, please ask to accompany one of the scrutineers on the day. They'll show you how the checks are done and what to look for. A Scrutineering Guide booklet is available on request.

2009 National Rally Children's Bike Trial.

Anglian Land Rover Owners Club have offered to run the Children's Bike Trial at the 2009 ALRC National Rally - but they would like some help. If you're willing to lend a hand, probably just marshalling on the day, please let me know.

Steve Kirby. ALRC Representative.

HBLRO Stickers

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Small	£1.50	

HBLRO Shields

Large	£4.00	All available in white and yellow
Medium	£3.00	
Small	£2.00	

HBLRO Viking Long Ship

Large	£4.00	Both available in white only
Medium	£3.00	

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Large	£2.00	Available in black in all sizes and in white in medium only
Medium	£1.50	
Small	£1.00	

Solid block stickers

One size	£0.75	Available in gold/black, silver/blue and silver/green
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Long stickers

One size	£0.50
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**Please see a member of the committee
if you wish to purchase any stickers**

Looking Back

I'm sitting in my office while the credit crunch takes effect wondering what to do to earn a crust when after talking to Ian the web master the night before at the pub meet I decided to look at past events and social. There is so much there to look at and reminisce that I wish we could turn the clock back and do it all over again. Try looking at my Chippy Challenge events, for those of you new to the club these were the clubs entry into soft challenge events. In the weeks leading up to the big day I racked my [warped] brain for ideas for silly challenges for the teams of 2-4 cars and crew to attempt to carry out. You scored points against you for getting it wrong. And believe me there was much to get wrong. On the Saturday before the Sunday competition myself and conscripted helpers would have to try out all the challenges to see if they were possible and then I would write them down on cards ready for the [suckers] sorry competitors to attempt. There were only a few winches fitted in those days and every team needed at least one. We had a lot of fun and laughs mainly because our very friendly club had so many characters who put their own stamp on what and how they would do it. It always makes me chuckle when I look back at the pictures.

Then there was the 2002 alpine tour holiday, we took 13 land rovers to the French alps for a holiday of a lifetime and I wish that we could go back and do it all again. Two weeks driving through the mountains cold camping in our tents and guided by our host guide Mr. Haliday. We drove up and down some very narrow tracks glued to the edge of mountains, floated down some very choppy rivers in big inflatable rafts, jumped off some very tall mountains while strapped to Frenchman and pulled on very big elastic bands while trying to reach a can of beer. I know that this all sounds very strange but if you were there then you have the right to laugh. If you weren't well have a look at the memories and try to pick out who was there and ask them about what happened. They will surely smile.

Yes there's still more, Nicks Navigational Nightmare's, what was all that about. Well I and Hue Northey would set about trying to run the entered members round in circles while trying to follow map references and find clues laid out the day before. Again much pre-planning and driving around the lanes and roads of Hampshire to set the clues and routes ready for the entrants on the day. It might have helped if you had a GPS but being able to read a map was essential [I learnt while in the army cadets] even longer ago.

As long as you got back to the start in the allotted time you were in with a chance of winning. Then we had a BAR B Q and a good laugh about where it all went wrong.

If your wondering well this is where the post of Special Events Officer came from a non committee post for which I held for many years until it was time to step down and let someone else have a go at making people get involved and having fun, After all is this not why we join a club in the first place. It would be nice if someone else might like to stand up and be counted and come up with some ideas for having fun in the field with Land rovers.

Nick Woodage Special Events.

Cornwall & Devon LRC Charity Event 2009

As some of you may know C & D regularly hold a charity event and last year HBLRO attended the event with three teams of three vehicles and had an enjoyable weekend's trialing as well as socializing with other Clubs – a mini Nationals really.

The event is taking place again this year on 27 and 28 June at Newnham Park, Plymouth. This is a two day RTV event. All ARLC Clubs are invited to enter teams of three vehicles to participate in this event and all proceeds go to charity.

Each Club can enter as many teams as they wish, each team being made up of three vehicles which are to ALRC RTV standard.

So, once again, if you are interested in participating in this event and would like to put your own team together or be part of a team please let me know. I already have a list of names and this year it would be nice to enter a ladies team.

If you fancy having a go, let me know!!

Sarah Duffett
Treasurer

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.

HBLRO accepts no liability for the accuracy of the descriptions or the serviceability or suitability of items or services advertised in this section.

Bits & pieces

- 4 off Discovery 2 / Range Rover, Steel wheels with worn tyres, Ideal to fit off road tyres. £100 Lot. Classic Range Rover heavy duty rear bumper (for off road) £25. Southampton 07748636355 Paul Webb (MAR09)



CORNWALL AND DEVON LAND ROVER CLUB Ltd.



Invite entries to the

NEWNHAM CHARITY ROAD TAXED VEHICLE TRIAL 2009

This is a charity event with all proceeds going to St. Lukes Hospice. Sponsorship is being sought in order to maximise the percentage of your entry fee that goes to this charity.

The event will be held over the weekend of 27th & 28th June 2009 at Newnham Park and Hemerdon Mine, located within 5 minutes of each other by public road. The trial will run over 2 days and consist of 20 sections, 10 sections at each site. It will be run in accordance with ALRC Competition Regulations and the Supplementary Regulations attached to this Entry Form.

This is a team event for groups of 3 vehicles/drivers, with no more than 1 vehicle from the ARC Modified classes permitted in any one team. Modified vehicles may not be double driven. Prizes will be awarded for the lowest total team score added together over the 2 days, the highest placed ladies team and the highest placed team consisting of all long-wheelbase vehicles.

The Entry Fee for each Team has been held at £120.00 due to the credit crunch and the Closing Date for Entries will be 31st May 2009.

We hope that all our previous entrants and some new ones can make it again this year. We promise another weekend full of fun and look forward to seeing you in the summer.

Send your Entries to:

Mr. T Powell
168 Keyham Road
Plymouth
Devon
PL2 1RB

Telephone 01752 310772 - No later than 9.00 P.M.
e-mail - tony_powell56@hotmail.co.uk

Camping is available in Newnham Park at £5 per night. A follow on Rally is available until 12 noon on Friday 3rd July.

Provisional Timetable:

Friday 26 th June	Campsite opens	12 Noon
	Signing on opens	12 Noon
	Scrutineering open	5.00 P.M. - 8.30 P.M.
Saturday 27 th June	Scrutineering and signing on open	7.15 A.M. - 9.00 A.M.
	Trial starts	9.15 A.M.
Sunday 28 th June	Trial starts	9.15 A.M.

Green Laning - Salisbury Plain 3rd January 2009 by Sean Comber

The New Year dawned bright and clear, Joe and I packed our hot drinks in the Disco and set off towards Andover for our first green laning trip of 2009. A hard frost had enveloped the south of England and trundling down through the Newbury Downs on the A34 was a very pleasant wintry scene and added to the excited anticipation of a day on Salisbury Plain. The roads were deserted and we were first to arrive at Neil's house to take advantage of the bacon butties kindly prepared by Neil and Alison.

Between 9.00 and 9.30 fellow Land Rover owners arrived in dribs and drabs. Arne & Elton, Kevin & Anne, Sean and a new member + son (sorry I didn't get your names) driving a red Landy, making a total of 6 vehicles, 5 Defenders and our Disco. With the sun peeping over the horizon we set off, a convoy of large well prepared Land Rovers pulling out of Neil's *cul de sac* presented a rather incongruous sight set against sleepy suburbia just awak-





ing to scuttle off to Tesco's for their Saturday shop. Within minutes though we were in Land Rover country.

With Neil stopping off to pick up fuel we all rendezvoused just outside Ludgershall on a wide track used by tanks before taking off on a gentle slightly potholed track, before joining a byway skirting round the iron-age hill fort of Sidbury Hill heading west across the Plain. Once on the Plain, it is very difficult to keep your bearings without keeping a very careful eye on the map and so after trying to keep up with where we were, I gave up and enjoyed the view. The byways were relatively dry, the odd depression in the terrain allowing an accumulation of watery mud that we splashed through breaking inch thick ice as we went. After an hour of so we parked up Netheravon for a cup of tea up on a plateau, disturbing a small group of deer which bounded off through a copse and across the open land. We enjoyed a bracing cup of tea looking out over the stark landscape with miles of nothingness spread out before us, whilst listening to Neil described the noise and scale of some of the munitions testing which goes on across the

Plain - fascinating stuff.

We mounted up and set back across the Plain towards a lunch stop in the village of Tilshead where a variety of snacks, light ales, coffees and more substantial meals were enjoyed. Directly after lunch we headed onto Copehill Down where the rolling down land was interspersed by some more muddy vales where options existed is either go through or go round. Having gone through a couple of mud holes unscathed, Neil tried one too many and immersed his defender to half way up the doors. We all felt (quite) sorry for him as he fished around amongst the iced water to unhitch the winch rope to allow extraction, still it made good photography! Anchoring his defender to two other 90's safely parked on the other side of the mud, Neil was slowly winched to safety. After that entertainment we set off once more and before re-joining the tarmac we got to choose to go through one more mud hole, Neil, now taking a cautionary approach skirted, but the red 90 gathered up the courage and plunged in. Bouncing and rocking over the submerged ruts the Defender struggled, but ultimately hauled its way through to safety. Having seen the other 2 Defenders in front of us take the dry line, we were left to decide if it was 'do-able' in the Disco. Being supremely confident in the ability of Solihull's finest we engaged 3rd low and gave it some welly. With stinking mud slopping around the top of the bonnet and oozing through the doors we gritted our teeth and as she grappled for grip, prayed we would not get stuck but safely negotiated the goo.

The next lane was a similar scenario with another muddy patch but sensibly we all dodged the temptation. Unfortunately it was at this point that some goon in a monster truck was looning around repeatedly chewing up the byway as well as thrashing around off piste just for the fun of it. Neil pointed out the error of his ways and how his stupidity was threatening the pleasure of all and we moved on. We moved to higher ground and the terrain changed from hard chalk/rock to more softer ruts and as usual as the ruts deepened, our diffs in the Disco started to plough a furrow in the centre of the lane and finally the wheels lost contact with the ground and we lost traction. Given the fact that the ruts got deeper a bit further on, we were unceremoniously pulled backwards back to less rutted terrain and took the less rutted route. As we headed back towards the Bustard Inn we stopped to allow the red Defender to cool down, a by-product of ingress of mud, now blocking the radiator and encouraging over heating. Large lumps of ice were strategically placed around the engine bay over hot pipes to bring the tem-

perature down. It was at this point, with time ticking on towards sundown that both us and Kevin & Anne left the group to finish of a couple more byways to head home, past Stonehenge lit up against the last vestiges of weak winter sun as we proceeded east along the A303.

Joe and I would like to thank Neil for a fantastic day out, we must have covered over 30 miles of byways, rarely setting tyre on tarmac, enjoying the reassuring presence of big butch Defenders to look after our Disco. What a great way to start the New Year - exploring the last wilderness of the south.



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Don't forget to visit our Web site at www.hbro.co.uk
Also see the Association of Land Rover Clubs Ltd at www.alrc.co.uk

ALRC NEWS

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STEERING COLUMN

ALRC Handbook 2009 Edition: - Hopefully you will have received your copy of the 2009 Handbook. These were delivered to your club secretaries during the second week in January. Thanks to everybody involved with the production of this edition, I am sure that you agree it is a very professional publication. A special thanks to our Editor Steve Kirby and to Bruce Skivington of Land Rover Enthusiast with the printing and publication. If you respond to any adverts in the Handbook please mention where you saw it.

What sad news to hear of the recent death of Ted Ivory. Ted was a man who enjoyed life. A great part of that life was taken up with Land Rovers, Motor Sport and Cornwall and Devon Land Rover Club. Together with his wife Sylvia, Ted has contributed not only to his club and this association but also to the sport in general by promoting our pastime with their good natured approach to life and encouraging new members and especially the youngsters to join in. It was always a pleasure to meet and talk with Ted; he will be missed by many.

You will notice elsewhere in this newsletter an item relating to the Transport for London Low Emission Zone. As one of those that would have been affected by this legislation I can only thank Boris for his timely intervention.

Could I remind the current holders of the perpetual trophies from the 2008 A.L.R.C. National Rally to arrange for their return, duly engraved and cleaned to our AGM to be held on Saturday 14th March 2009.

Unfortunately due to the recurrence of a previous illness, Steve Kirby has found it necessary to take a well deserved rest. For the time being any enquiries regarding the Scrutineering and Off Road Committee should be addressed to our Secretary Simone Birch. I am aware that many of the competitors and vehicle builders amongst you have contacted Steve by e-mail in the past regarding vehicle compliance, could I ask that in the future your initial enquiry is addressed to your own club scrutineer and if he cannot answer your query then ask that he contact the S&ORC.

Denis Bourne
ALRC Chairman.

A.L.R.C. NATIONAL RALLY 2009

Entries are now coming in steadily with the both the R.T.V. Trial and C.C.V. Trial two-thirds full and the competitive safari over half full, so please get your entries in as soon as possible to guarantee your place.

The Bike Trial will now take place on Sunday 24th May after the Team Recovery, it has been necessary to change this event due to the lack of volunteers to run it.

If you a member of a non-competitive Club or just do not wish to participate in off road sport there is always the Concours event – your vehicle does not have to be in pristine condition to enter this event, there are numerous trophies available i.e. there are classes for working vehicles, most original condition everyday working vehicles, Series II or Ila normal control Land Rovers, Ex-Military Land Rovers etc. full listings of the trophies are on page 131 of the 2009 Handbook.

The campsite is flat so why not come along and enjoy a weekend away and meet up with other likeminded enthusiasts. Any Clubs wishing to have a Club Stand to display their vehicles and club information should contact me.

Once again we are being supported by N.F.U. Mutual and at the time of writing Rimmer Bros have agreed to sponsor the R.T.V. Trial. We are actively seeking more sponsors and traders, so if you know of anybody wishing to sponsor an event or just have a trade stand, all the necessary information is on our website. Remember the traders do not have to be just selling Land Rover bits and pieces; it would be nice to see something more interesting for the other members of the family.

Keep an eye on the website for the most up to date news on the entry numbers, traders, sponsors and any special offers.

Sandra Bourne
National Rally Liaison Officer

LAND ROVER NEWS

British International Motor Show

Are you ready for the ultimate experience?

It's time to get your heart racing and your adrenaline pumping. Experience all that Land Rover has to offer at the British International Motor Show - the biggest automotive exhibition in the country. The British International Motor Show is a must-see event for anyone from passionate car enthusiasts to families looking for an exciting and fun-filled day out. The 2008 show will be held at ExCeL Exhibition Centre in London's Docklands from 23rd July to 3rd August. And with over 60 vehicle marques, 600 cars to view, global premiers, interactive features, supercar displays and a Kidz Car zone to keep the drivers of tomorrow amused, it promises to be one of the most spectacular shows to date.

See Land Rover from a different angle

This year Land Rover's contribution to the event is not for the faint hearted. Our 'Ultimate Experience' allows you to be driven by an instructor up a 10 metre high mountain - a real taste of what a Land Rover is capable of. You can also put our off-road capabilities to the test on one of our specially constructed courses, complete with hill descents and climbs. There'll also be the chance to see all our new 2009 models and the pioneering LRX - Land Rover's concept car of the future - which needs to be seen to be believed.

Take advantage of a 20% discount off adult tickets with Land Rover - that's just £10 for weekdays and £14 for weekends - or three adult tickets for the price of two.

To claim your discount, enter the unique codes shown below when you buy tickets from the Motor Show website, or quote your code if you buy tickets by phone on 0871 230 5588.

20% discount code: LAND02, 3 for 2 code: LAND03

Terms and Conditions for ticket offers:

Customer 20% discount offer

Customers who quote the code LAND02 when booking will be entitled to a 20% discount on the full ticket price. Adult weekday tickets will cost £8 (normal price £10) and weekend tickets will cost £11.20 (normal price £14). Ticket offer not valid in conjunction with any other offer. Offer valid on tickets booked before 23 July 2008. Offer valid on adult tickets (excluding Press Day on 22 July and VIP Preview day on 23 July). Not valid on Child Rate, Family, Live Action Arena, Music Festival or King Tut Combo tickets. Tickets do not include entry to the Live Action Arena or to the Music Festival. Tickets are subject to a 60p booking fee per ticket and a transaction fee of £2 per order.

Customer 3 for 2 offer

Customers who quote the code LAND03 when booking will be entitled to 3 adult tickets for the price of 2. Adult weekday tickets will cost £20 for 3 (normal price £30) and weekend tickets will cost £28.00 (normal price £42). Ticket offer not valid in conjunction with any other offer. Offer valid on tickets booked before 23 July 2008. Offer valid on adult tickets (excluding Press Day on 22 July and VIP Preview day on 23 July). Not valid on Child Rate, Family, Live Action Arena, Music Festival or King Tut Combo tickets. Tickets do not include entry to the Live Action Arena or to the Music Festival. Tickets are subject to a 60p booking fee per ticket and a transaction fee of £2 per order.

A.L.R.C. MEETING DATES FOR 2009

A.L.R.C. meetings take place at NFU Mutual Tiddington Road, Tiddington, Stratford-upon-Avon – all A.L.R.C. members are welcome to attend EGM and the AGM meetings which are open to any member of A.L.R.C. EGM and AGM meetings start at 10.00am. Please note that A.L.R.C. Council meetings and Scrutineering and Off Road Committee meetings are open only to elected representatives or their guests.

ALRC Meeting Dates for 2009

S&ORC - 25th April and 12th September Please note date changes to previously advertised Council – 6th June and 17th October.
AGM / EGM – 14th March (AGM), 11th July and 14th November (10.30am start).

SCRUTINEERING MATTERS

Following a request to find someone to take on his role as chairman of the S&ORC from Steve Kirby who is currently unwell Andrew Flanders was elected as the chairman of the S&ORC with Frank Champion to act as vice chairman. Steve will continue to remain a member of the S&ORC. Members should initially direct queries to their club scrutineers or local log book scrutineers with further enquiries to Simone or Andrew Flanders, 3 Mortimer Hill, Tring, Herts, HP23 2JJ. 07813085325. andrewflanders@btinternet.com (not as printed in handbook).

NON-COMPETITIVE CLUBS NEWS

As the Non Competitive clubs coordinator I have also taken on the job of Shows & Events. In this capacity, I have booked stands at the following shows on behalf of the ALRC.

9/10th May - Live Promotion event at Drifffield, Yorkshire

6/7th June - LRW's show at Eastnor, Hereford

17/19th July - LRM's show at Newark showground, Newark and Live Promotions event at Billing Aquadrome

29/31st August - Stoneleigh Park Country Festival, Warwickshire

12/13th September - Live promotions event at the Peterborough showground.

I will receive a limited number of vehicle passes for these shows so if you are interested in displaying your vehicle can you please send me a S.A.E with the name of the show you wish to attend written on it. If possible, I would like a couple of competitive motors on display i.e. Trials motor, comp motor and/or one used for RTV. I think it is important to put across to the public the responsible and safe use of land that the ALRC competitive clubs have. As with my own club all I ask is that, you make yourself available to talk to the public at intervals during the show.

Other dates for your diary's are:

2/3rd May - Gaydon Heritage weekend
23/25th May - ALRC National event, Manby Motorplex
26/28th June - Manby Land Rover show, Manby Motorplex
22/26th July - War & Peace show at Beltring, Kent

If there are any more shows that you think I should know about or book a stand for please ring me on 01204 396449, Email em_sue55@yahoo.co.uk or write to Sue Foster, 31, Slimbridge Close, Brightmet, Bolton, BL2 5NT Hope to see you during the year.

The Heritage Motor Centre will be the new venue for a Land Rover Auto Jumble on the 2nd May 2009 followed by the Heritage Land Rover show on the 3rd May 2009

Camping will be available all three nights (Friday thru to Monday) back on the Meadow

Many more details to follow but please see the link below:

<http://www.landroverclearout.co.uk/>

Remember you can get the Heritage run forms and more details on the Show from our website:

<http://www.hlrw.co.uk/>

Sue Foster, Non Competitive Clubs/ Shows and Displays Co-ordinator

Low emission Zone in London suspended

Reprieve for small businesses as Mayor suspends phase three of Low Emission Zone

The Mayor of London, Boris Johnson, has announced his intention to suspend the third phase of the Low Emission Zone because of the detrimental impact it would have on London's small businesses. He outlined how, whilst entirely committed to improving air quality, improvements can be achieved through other measures.

The move is part of the Mayor's agenda to aid businesses during the economic downturn, and complements his £3bn Economic Recovery package to get London back on track. The Mayor has extended half price bus fares to Londoners on Job Seekers Allowance, introduced the 24 hour Freedom Pass and free travel for war veterans, and has frozen the Council Tax precept for the first time.

The Low Emission Zone currently targets the most polluting lorries over 3.5 tonnes, buses and coaches, and the Mayor is 100 per cent committed to the existing phases 1 and 2 of the scheme, which have proved effective. Phase three of the scheme, planned by the previous Mayoral administration, was scheduled to start in October 2010 and would have affected much smaller vehicles, including vans and minibuses, and even family camper vans. Without these changes many of the owners of the 90,000 non-compliant vehicles that use the zone each year would have faced a bill of up to £2000 for abatement equipment, or £15,000 for a new vehicle. Phase three was due to start on 4 October 2010 affecting light goods vehicles and vans up to 3.5 tonnes, minibuses under 5 tonnes, and specialist vehicles including motor caravans and horseboxes between 2.5 - 3.5 tonnes. They would have alternatively faced £100 daily charges or fines of £500 for each day they entered Greater London.

SCRUTINEERING AND VEHICLE REGULATION NEWS

Rule Change Proposals.

A rule change proposal has been submitted by Paul Finney and Arthur Wilson from Peak & Dukeries LRC. The proposed rule reads:-

B.7.1 any brand / make of steel wheels are allowed but they must be of adequate strength, have A

diameter matching that of factory fitted wheels for that model and have an offset between the outer flat of the nave plate and the external face of the bead area (not the outermost turned-out flange of the rim) of 4" / 102mm or less. Also any Land Rover produced / manufactured alloy wheel and matching wheel nuts may be used when suitable hubs for that wheel are fitted.

The ALRC Scrutineering and Off Road Committee accepted this as being compatible with ALRC philosophy. The only clarification suggested would be the insertion of "aluminum" before alloy in the interests of accuracy; because steel is an alloy which the proposers have accepted. This will be voted on at the AGM in March and if accepted the ALRC Council will meet at the conclusion of the meeting to ratify it so that entrants to the ALRC National 2009 can use the new rule.

Other changes to be introduced by the MSA:

Challenge Event regulations and tyre regulations are to be discussed by ALRC SORC.

Roll Cage Mountings - revised regulation 293, effectively an MSA/FIA cage required in vehicles with separate chassis and body but with internal superstructure of steel pressings from 1st January 2009.

Mud flaps – in competitive safaris, hill rallies and point to point - all road wheels must be fitted with a flexible mud flap of material not less than 5mm thick extending a minimum of 4cm each side of the tyre tread and a maximum of 10cm above the ground- recommended from 1st January 2009 mandatory from 1st January 2010.

A.L.R.C. MEMBER CLUB EVENTS FOR 2009

STAFFS AND SHROPSHIRE LRC MAY DAY EVENT

This years S&S LRC May Day Interclub will be held at a new venue Red Hall Farm, Halmer End, Near Newcastle, Staffordshire which extends to about 450 acres.

As usual we have a RTV and bike comp on the Saturday, a CCVT on the Sunday and an Open Comp Safari on the Bank Holiday Monday. Entry numbers for all events have been capped at a maximum of 50 each in order to ensure a good day of competition is had by all. Therefore it is a **PRE-BOOK ONLY EVENT** for competition entries. Camping/caravanning can be paid on the day, but at an additional cost.

SO BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT - see www.saslr.co.uk or call Ann Cooper on 01785 841575 for a booking form. Please note that Staffs & Shrops LRC will be implementing a pre-booking system for all their club events this year. This is to ensure all events are viable. Details of the pre-booking system can be found on the news page of our club website www.saslr.co.uk together with pre-booking slips.

Pre-booking closes one week before the event date and notification of whether the event will go ahead or is cancelled will be shown on the front page of the website on the Monday morning before the event is due to take place. This is to prevent wasted journeys.

CORNWALL AND DEVON LRC

June 27th – 28th Charity Two Day RTVT, Cornwall & Devon LRC

This is the 4TH CHARITY RTV EVENT AT NEWNHAM PARK 27th -28th JUNE 2009

Let's Go Yellow Again for Charity St Lukes Hospice Our chosen charity St Lukes Hospice is again going yellow for 2009. After the fantastic show of support last year "Can you go one better?" 2008's Best Yellow Theme award went to Midland Rover Owners Club. What theme will your club come up with this year? The wackier the better!! Cornwall & Devon LRC look forward to welcoming you again

For a fun filled weekend with two whole day's trialling in support of St Lukes Hospice. See you soon. See C&D Website for forms at <http://www.cornwallanddevon-landroverclub.co.uk/>

SOUTHERN ROC

There is an invitation to all ALRC competitive clubs from the Southern Rover Owners Club who are planning to hold their annual 2 day CCV trial and 4 Comp Safaris in 2009

The two-day trial will be open to all ALRC competitive clubs, and will be ALRC only.

It is to be held at Knowle Farm, Broad Oak, Heathfield, East Sussex and will take place on 1/8/09 & 2/8/09

The 3 Comp Safaris are as follows:

12/7/09 – Venue TBA

16/8/09 – Darwell Beech Farm, Netherfield, East Sussex

27/9/09 – Monkings Farm, Northiam, East Sussex

The Comps will be open to all ALRC competitive clubs, and also SCOR and Anglian Rover Owners Club.

The SRs will be posted on the Southern ROC web site prior to the events and will include a an entry form as part of the SRs

MIDLAND ROC

Majors Memorial Trial 2009 – 19th/21st September 2009 – Eastnor Deer Park. More details to follow

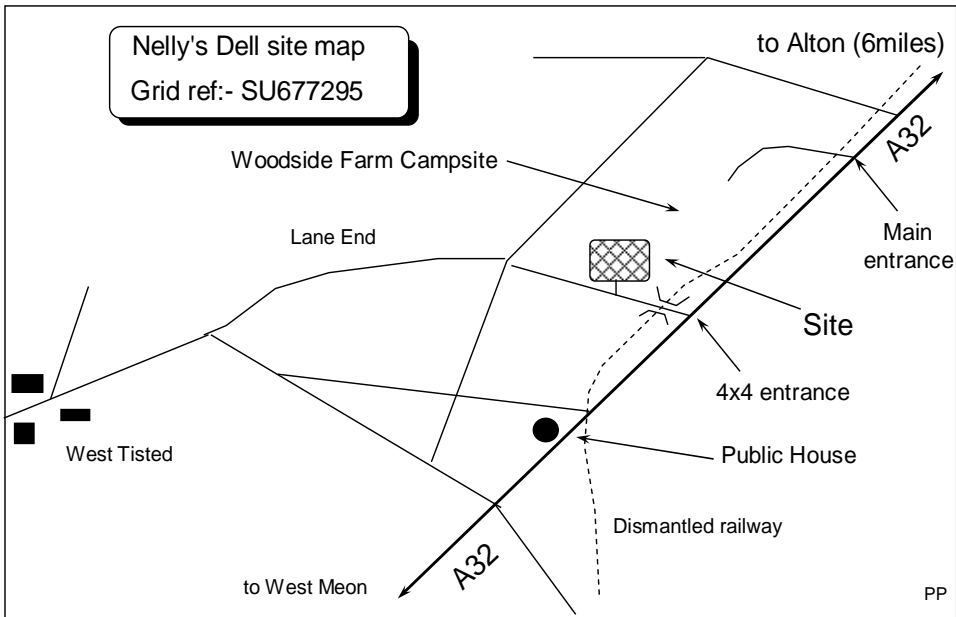
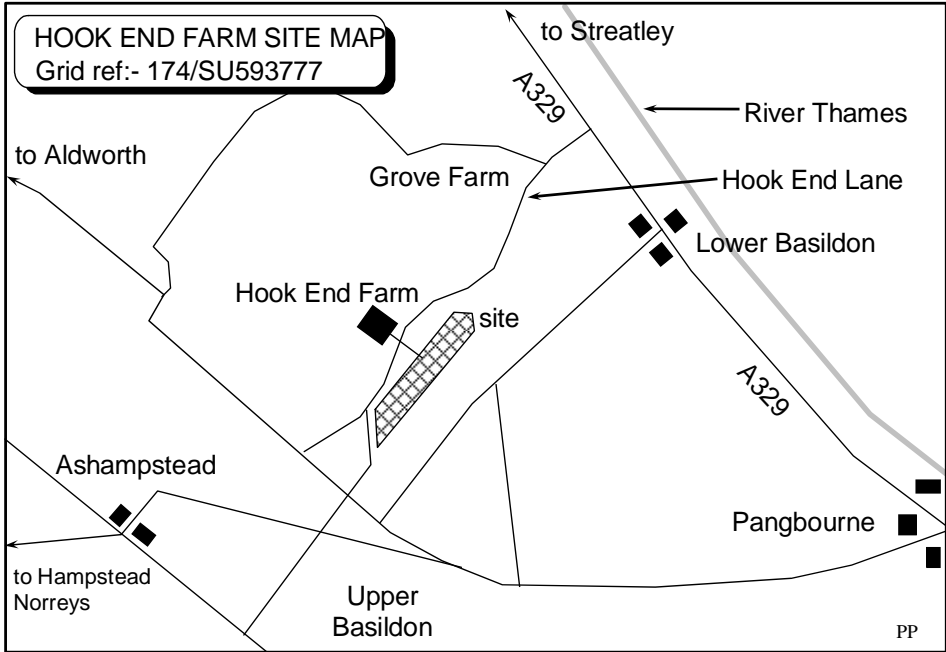
OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

DUNSFOLD COLLECTION WEEKEND 20th/22nd JUNE 2009-02-16

This show is again being held at the popular Springbok Estate. There is ample car parking on site. As usual, we are being supported by **Land Rover** and **Land Rover Driving Experience** who will be giving demonstration rides around the on-site off-road course. There will be several **Club Stands, Trade Stands, Arena Events** and an **Auto Jumble**. Also on site, there will be a **bar and catering facilities**, with **evening entertainment** on the Saturday night. A **special event** of interest on the Sunday will be the '**Coast into the Country**' Land Rover run, which is organised by the **South Coast Land Rover Owners Club**. The run, usually consisting of around 70 vehicles, should start arriving at around midday. See their web site for details www.southcoastlandroverownersclub.co.uk

The Springbok Estate (GU6 8EX) is just down the road from the Dunsfold DLR premises. See the Dunsfold website for details of how to book at <http://www.dunsfold.com/Events/events.htm>

END



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2009

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 (Events in italics are provisional)

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Date	Site	Event
March		
<i>21st / 22nd</i>	<i>Aldermaston</i>	<i>RTV, Camping</i>
April		
<i>10th/11th/ 12th/13th</i>	<i>Hook End Farm,</i>	<i>Easter Rally. RTV & Tyro - Sun, Gymkhana - Mon.</i>
May		
<i>2nd/3rd</i>	<i>Nelly's Dell</i>	<i>Camping</i>
<i>3rd</i>	<i>Nelly's Dell</i>	<i>RTV/Tyro</i>
<i>22nd/23rd/24th/25th</i>	<i>Manby, Lincs.</i>	<i>ALRC National Rally</i>
June		
<i>5th/6th/7th</i>	<i>Eastnor Deer Park</i>	<i>LRW Show</i>
<i>12th/13th/14th</i>	<i>Ingrams Green</i>	<i>Clearance and winch practice</i>
<i>26th/27th/28th</i>	<i>Newnham Park</i>	<i>2 day Charity RTV</i>
July		
<i>19th</i>	<i>Aldermaston</i>	<i>RTV / Tyro</i>
August		
<i>1st / 2nd</i>	<i>Ingrams Green</i>	<i>Fun winch / RTV</i>
<i>14th/15th/16th</i>		<i>West Berkshire Show</i>
<i>28th/29th/30th/31st</i>	<i>Nelly's Dell</i>	<i>RTV / Tyro / JTV</i>
September		
<i>11th/12th/13th</i>	<i>Eastnor Deer Park</i>	<i>Majors</i>
<i>25th/26th/27th</i>	<i>Nellies Dell</i>	<i>RTV / Tyro</i>
October		
<i>9th/10th/11th</i>	<i>Lambs Lair</i>	<i>Mendips</i>
<i>25th</i>		<i>Green Lane Clearance</i>
<i>30th/31st/1st November</i>	<i>Hook End Farm</i>	<i>RTV (X)</i>
<i>31 Oct/1st November</i>	<i>Military</i>	<i>DRD/RTV (Proposed Change)</i>

Those with internet access can go straight to the events calendar at:-
<http://www.hbro.co.uk/calender.htm>

Regular Events

- * Last Wednesday of each month, Noggin & Natter at The Hogs Lodge, Gravel Hill, Clanfield, Petersfield, Hants. PO8 0QD just off the A3, grid ref. SU714174 approx (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 on the previous page, 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. Will be highlighted in **bold text**.

WS = Winter Series. SS = Summer Series.

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



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Nellies Dell RTV 25th January 2009



Green Lane trip, 3rd Jan 2009



Nellies Dell RTV 25th January 2009

