



Hants & Berks NEWS

1st in the long wheelbase class and 2nd overall for the Hants & Berks squad at this years Charity RTV Weekend.



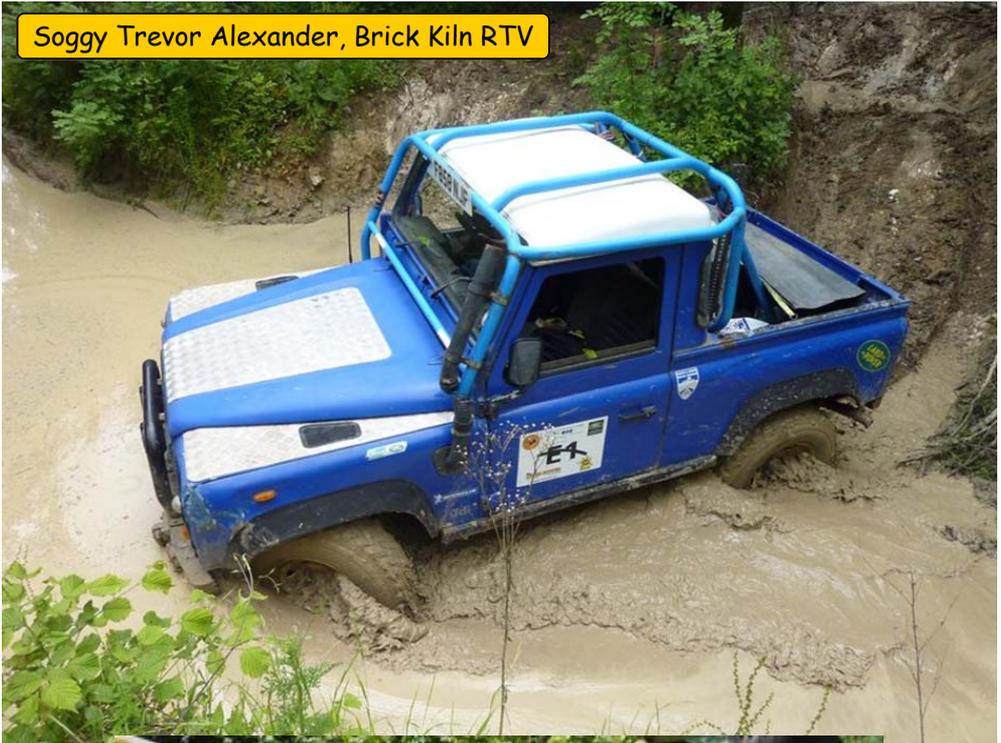
The best of the best ! from left to right:-
Mark Ambler, Matt Hewitt, Hugh Duffett, Alan Braclik, Kevin Wood, Neville Dewdney, Jack Dewdney, Joe Stacey & Garry White .



September /
October 2011



Soggy Trevor Alexander, Brick Kiln RTV



Garry White, Brick Kiln
"non-damaging" RTV.



Officers and Committee Members

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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Editor's bit....

We are going for all colour again with this issue, and will be in all colour now going forward.

The new 2011 ALRC Handbook is still available. Like the previous ones, this will have a two-year life. Ask any of the committee for one.

Deadline for the next issue is October 20th. Don't wait until then, start sending in your contributions now. Articles can be in almost any word processor format but if you have taken

photos but do not wish to write anything, just e-mail the photos to me. Ideally, identify the driver in each case where you know their name. Technical tip here, add the driver's name and the event to the filename of the photo so they can't be mixed up or separated.



Steve Kirby.

Hants & Berks shield stickers at ANY size and ANY colour.

You lucky lucky people... Along with the stock size shield stickers available from the club shop, we are now also able to offer our Hants & Berks shield stickers at ANY size and ANY colour.

Working with a local company (iSigns) owned by new HBLRO member Nick Cowdry, we are able to obtain our infamous Hants & Berks Land Rover Owners 'shield' sticker at ANY size and ANY colour.

All you need to do to get yours is email Steve Aston with the size and colour of the sticker you desire. Remember that the height of the shield is around 1.3 times the width.

As a price guide a shield 77cm high and 59 cm wide (like the one on Steve Aston's bonnet, see picture)

comes in at just £12.50.

iSigns offers limitless options for vinyl stickers and vehicle wraps, if you require something a little more adventurous or need a vinyl solution for almost any application check out their web sites at: www.isignsgraphics.co.uk and www.motovinyl.co.uk.



Steve's Slippery Slope

More slam dunking !

How chuffed am I ! You will recall my pleasure in bringing you the news of our successes at this years ALRC National Rally. Well we have only gone and picked up another two fab results.

As mentioned at the end of my last slippery slope we had nine brave members (3 teams of 3) trek down to Plympton for this years Charity RTV (run by the Cornwall & Devon Land Rover Club). We then had nine members trek back again with 2 teams returning with silverware.

Mark Ambler, Joe Stacey and Garry White winning 1st place in the long wheelbase category with Hugh Duffett, Jack Dewdney and Alan Braclik finishing in a brilliant 2nd place overall. Well done to you all and again I am sure that I speak for all of our club members when I say congratulations.

My only regret is that I was not able to join you in what I hear was a superb weekend. I understand from speaking to several members that you worked as a team to bring home the bacon with various members assisting others when mechanical difficulties manifested themselves. Well what ever you did was reflected in the awards and it seemed to have warmed the hearts of all the participating members. Well done to you all again.

Garry White has put pen to paper

with his recollections of the event in an article titled "What's the point of Facebook" (?) which you will find a little later in the mag.

Just as a thought... Mark Ambler seems to be having another terrific year, 2 class wins at the Nationals, part of the winning long wheelbase team Charity event... with the Mendips and the Majors only round the corner is this the year for the grand slam? I am so excited for him that I can hardly breathe!

Anyhow, on with the show. It was with great excitement that we attended Hampage Farm (Winchester) over the weekend of 16th & 17th of July for our very first RTV at this new site. And what a venue! The area offered forms part of a sizeable estate spread across both sides of the A31 just a few miles out of Winchester. The site comes as a result of Richard Salter's hard work in both finding the site then forging a good relationship with the land owner. Finally we were granted permission to use the venue. Arriving on the Saturday to set up the RTV I found Richard already there with the club trailer. Not long after we were joined by Trevor Alexander, Matt Hewitt, Niall Banyard, Elton (and Arnie) Jonsson and believe it or not Russell Vare. We were soon at work splitting into two teams entering the site.

As we had not used the site

before it took us a little while to get our bearings. The wooded area that we were to use had a small track around the perimeter which was pretty lucky as we were able to use this to transit from one section to the next. As none of the site had ever been driven before once we turned off the perimeter track we had to push our way through brambles, stingers and ferns to get to the desired land feature. Once at the feature we then had to clear the undergrowth and locate any other hazards such as holes, soft ground and the numerous tree stumps. This was hard work. (Later in the day Russ soon fell foul of a sizeable stump wrecking his steering and rendering his red 90 useless). Section one (in a large bomb hole) soon came together well and encouraged us all to get stuck in. Then the rain started, from around 10am to approx. 1pm the heavens opened and all present took a right good soaking.

It was about then that I finally came to the conclusion that I needed some decent waterproofs. To date I have been a bit of a tight git and have always tried to save a bit of dosh buying waterproofs at the cheaper end of the market. This meaning that either the rain gets in or I get almost as wet from sweat as I would from the rain as nothing I have is breathable. I took a bit of a lesson from those members present who had seen this all before and had the right

kit in place to keep dry. More about this later in the article.

Finally by around half three we were done. The site looked great, some of the sections looked a little tricky however were confident that 'on the day' all would be well. So off home for tea, a bit of shut eye then back the next morning.

Sunday soon came and whilst a little overcast no sign of rain. I was pretty pleased to see that there was already a goodly amount of drivers at the site when I arrived. Along with the usual chaps was first timer Martin Carter in his 90 shod with an enormous set of Kumo's. Before I knew it Richard Salter called the drivers briefing and we were off. We made our way to the first section. The terrain dropped steeply from the 12 to the 11 gate followed by a very bumpy route over a section of berms then a short sharp scramble up a steep slope twisting to the right for the 3, 2 and 1 gates. I got really lucky and cleared the section which put me in a very positive mood for the day ahead.

As the sections passed by it soon became clear that whilst there had been no rain since the start of the event over night the site had taken a lot of water as a couple of the sections 12, 11 and 10 gates were very tricky. It was while at one of these sections that the rain came very hard for around 10 minutes. Lucky for me I was sat in the Disco at the time with

a cigarette on the go all nice and dry whilst just about every one else took a soaking.

It was good to see Henry Cox come along and spend a little time at the event. As you will know Henry was injured in a car accident and has had to undergo a number of procedures in hospital recently. However, he was looking pretty damn good and I do hope that he comes back into the fold in the not to distant future.

Lunch time soon came and we stayed out on the site taking a short break between sections. After lunch came section 5, Dave Lindsey will remember this one for a while as he became well and truly stuck in a very muddy hole on the way to the 3 gate (needing to be recovered by Joe in his Disco). Hugh will also remember this section as he pretty much tore off his front off-side wing on a tree at the 1 gate and I did yet another rear side window. We all thought that the section was to tough until Garry White drove his Rangie round without a care in the world, not hitting a thing and clearing the section.. how annoying!!

As the day drew to an end we came to sections 7 and 8. I had been waiting for these all day as I had seen them under construction the day before. Section 7 was a bit of a body slammer, around a number of trees with a very aggressive short sharp climb toward the finish. Section 8 looked almost impossible. Tight

between trees, a very sharp drop off, cross axles, tree stumps, it had the lot. I put in a pretty good drive on both sections scoring a 2 on section 7 and a 1 on section 8. Overall in fact I had a pretty good day and was very eager for another gold shield in class 5.

As the results were called Garry and I had the same number of points however as I cleared a section first victory was mine (all mine). Having said that Matt Hewitt, Hugh Duffett and Kevin Wood had had an even better day finishing 1st, 2nd and 3rd (in that order) overall. Well driven chaps. As a foot note, it does transpire however that there was human/electronic point counting misjudgement when my score was calculated and in fact I came in a point behind Garry and will now have to give him the gold shield. Bo-hoo!

So I mentioned my poor choice in waterproof clothing a little earlier. Following the utter drenching at Winchester I had to get myself some proper waterproof gear sorted out. After chatting with a number of members and other mates some of the military Gore-Tex kit looks to be the way forward. I had a good surf on the interweb and the Army DPM Gore-Tex jackets look to be the biz, so off to my local army surplus store in Basingstoke (quick plug: Camouflage Corner at 1 Church Street) and around £40 later I was sporting a spot on waterproof/breathable

jacket. Now for some trousers. It is with regret that the old wallet would not stretch to a pair of trousers from the same shop however I jumped on the t'interweb found a seller on fleebay dumping a load of old stock and offering some Gore-Tex desert DPM trousers for a stonking price of £5 each, brand new (thistle garments). These arrived around a day or so later completing my new water proof look. I then took great pleasure in taking a walk in the pouring rain one evening last week to test the kit out. I must have looked like some confused squaddie romping through the fields of Basingstoke in the rain however, everything seems to work and I was bone dry when I got home = result.

In terms of work on the Disco its been pretty un-eventful. Short of replacing the broken window from the Winchester RTV the only thing I have had to do is the tracking. I have messed around with this before and found the best method is to centre the steering and use string to run down the sides of the front tyres, down the length of the vehicle and across the face of the rear tyres to check the alignment. Whist this is a pretty good way to get an idea of what is going on if any of you out there have a better system (short of parting with a load of dosh down at my local tyre garage) I am all ears.

Over the last weekend I helped out Kevin Wood with a little welding on

his engine hoist project. Kevin is very mechanically minded and put himself to task to construct a hoist capable of being used to lift engines and transmissions in and out of Lindys. He had spent a considerable amount of time thinking about the design and finally come up to mine on Saturday with a bunch of scaffold poles,



clamps and lengths of angle iron. Just about everything was cut to length and pre-built, just requiring me to weld the angle onto the ends of the poles (for the cross member to sit) and to brace the cross member its self with some more angle iron. I must admit to being a little nervous as to date I have only welded my own projects and to weld for someone else was a little daunting. However I had been practising and had all the settings on my MIG welder spot on. Finishing just before the rain came we were both pretty pleased with the final result. A very well engineered piece of kit. Two 'A' frames to each side with a very sturdy cross member running between the top of the 'A' frames. The morning of the next day I received a call from Kevin, oh no I thought, something must be wrong with the hoist. It was clear that Kevin was a little pushed for time as he just said to me "check your emails". On opening his message I was astounded to find attached a picture of the hoist in action. The shot shows Kev's 90 slung under the device with the whole front of the car lifted off the ground by a few inches. Fantastic I thought. I was so pleased that I have put the picture in this mag for your viewing pleasure.

By the time you read this our Summer Rally will have come and gone. As I write preparations for the event are in full swing with a number of our members involved in the setting up and running of the event. Neil Tomlinson

has designed the treasure hunt on the Saturday afternoon, I will be running the push bike trial Saturday evening, we have the RTV on Sunday and a sports day and driving fun events on the Monday. We have put a fair bit of effort into the summer rally this year and I hope that in my next slippery slope I can let you know how sunny the event was and what fun we all had!!

Following on from the summer rally we have been asked to assist with marshals at the Hampshire Horse Watch Charity ride again on September the 4th. We have a team attending the Majors Memorial trial in Gloucester over the 16th to 18th of September (good luck to you all). We are back to Chichester Quarry for the final RTV of this years summer series (25th September) and then off to the Mendips Challenge (see add in this mag) on 8th and 9th of October. On the 16th of October we have our Slab Common drive around day and RTV (assistance will be required) and rounding off October we have our AGM at the Crown Hotel in Alton (remember: your club needs you).

Its going to be a busy time over the next few weeks.

So its good night from me, have a great rest of the summer and as my old dad used to say, you get the funnel and I'll get the hot water.

Steve Aston.



Green Laning Salisbury Plain in July.



What's the point in Facebook...?

Well it all started at the Nationals Kev and Anne talked us into entering the Cornwall and Devon two day charity event on the 25th & 26th of June. As we hadn't trashed the Rangy at the King's Lynn Nationals in early June I decided to enter the RTV on the 12th to practice, having blown two head gaskets on the way back from the Nationals and not wanting to travel to Plymouth without trying it first with it being 2 weeks before the charity event.

However three things went wrong:

It was actually on the 19th not the 12th.

I drove to Nellie's when I should have gone to Brick Kiln on the 19th (to win the spanner man!)

I bent the track rod, steering damper, ripped out the NSR light from the wing and pulled the bumper off the back.

Anyway we won class 5 and went home to repair the car for Friday. I would like to note that I'm very pleased that Paul Homewood making his RTV come back after many years chose to drive our Dad Chris's 90 because he won outright and in his day driving his Range Rover I had only managed to beat him on a few

occasions and they were normally after the night before had struck.

I digress, car repaired navigator sorted (Danni) and off we set caravan in tow. 170 miles flew by arriving to set up and get scrutinised by the man who tried to rip my wheel off, followed by a damp evening under the gazebo supplied by Matt warming up by Marks wood burning rocket complete with tractor exhaust chimney. The following day we were on the start line at 9.30 so we were off to the quarry down the road for 10 sections, first section saw a tricky climb that took out Marks OSF indicator and when we drove the section the Rangy wouldn't pull properly only to find out after that I had left the auto in high range after the 3 mile drive from the campsite (we still got a three though!) Next section I managed to cross axle and wondered if I should have stayed in high ratio. The fog in the quarry meant sometimes it was a job to see the marshals and gates but a long good day was had by the LWB team although Joe had bust his diff on section three and doubled with Mark in his manual 300 TDi.

Cakes and cream teas arrived by Land Rovers for tea and Anne

made sure I got a choc brownie for Danni (for when she woke up..) so Matt and I did our best with the fruit cake. Saturday evening saw us (mainly Phil) repairing Joes disco (after Mark sourced a diff from Somerset and Wilts). Whilst reminiscing I asked the Facebook question and got no results. Fire-starter AKA Nev our last minute sub kept the wood burner alight and the "disco" played the Wurzles - "Joes got a brand new differential and we're going to win tomorrow" to Hugh's amusement. Eventually the oldies gave up and left the kids (Jack, Alan etc.) to it.

Up with the lark at 7.30 Sunday for an 8.45 start only to find out Hugh was having a laugh it was a 9.30 start HAHA. Main site

trailing and the second section saw me start first and at the speed they insisted we scampered round the sections all was manic. We completed the 10 sections by 1.15pm with no real damage to the LWB team. Joe & I packed up the vans and headed off at 3 just after the second group returned complete with Kev & Nev who had lightly touched the 90's N/S door and kinking the NSF wheel rim. We left Mark to pick up the LWB honours we joked...

Well done to all three teams.

And the point of Facebook Is.....? to make sure you go to the correct site on the right day and to check the scores after the event (cheers Jack!)

Garry & Danni White



So who is the chap in the yellow waterproof ?
First correct email reply to the Chairman wins a pot Noodle .

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Russel Vare at the Winchester RTV



Martin Carter at the Winchester RTV



A BRAND NEW VENUE
SET IN SPECTACULAR SCENERY
THE ALRC NATIONAL RALLY 2012



Peak and Dukeries Land Rover Club and Lincolnshire Land Rover Club are jointly holding the 2012 ALRC National Rally in the renowned Belvoir Castle grounds near to Grantham.

The National Rally will be held on the Whitsun Bank Holiday weekend 1st to 4th June 2012. You can find out more information by going to our website: www.alrc2012.co.uk The website will be regularly updated with new information including an on line booking form. If you haven't got the internet and friends and family are unable to access this web site for you, the local library or internet cafes can assist you to find out more.

We look forward to hosting you in 2012!
Paul Smith. Press and Publicity Officer
ALRC National Rally 2012



Somerset & Wiltshire Land Rover Club



Would like to invite you to the Mendip Challenge 8th - 9th Oct 2011

At Lambs Leer, West Harptree, Somerset

8th – RTV (10 sections of bomb holes, trees and mud)

9th – CCV (same as RTV, just harder!!)

Camping is available (site opens 12:00 Friday 7th), food can be laid on (at your own expense) at a local hostelry, with transport (small fee to cover costs).

The following facilities will also be available:



Burger Bar

Toilets

Water

(from a tap and not just from the sky)

Waste skip



Sorry, no elsan points

Daily raffle in aid of “Make A Wish”



If you fancy giving the Mendip Challenge a try, please complete the entry form on the reverse and post to:

Comp Sec RTV
60 High Street
Rode
Somerset
BA11 6PB

Please make cheques payable to SWLRC Ltd.

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No matter what you drive, as long as it's a 4x4 you are welcome
to come and Join the

Hants & Berks Land Rover Owners

At their October drive around day

Slab Common, Near Bordon, Hampshire

On Sunday 16th October 2011

10am to 3pm

Slab offers a wide variety of terrain to suit all levels of off road ability.

A perfect introduction to off roading for novice drivers through to some more tricky bits for the more experienced driver.

£25 gets you entry to the venue and all the off roading you can handle!
If you are not a member of an MSA affiliated 4x4 club you will need to join ours (for insurance purposes) this can be done on the day for an additional fee of £5

The event is open to all types/makes of road legal 4x4 vehicles up to a max gross weight of 3.5 tonnes (sorry no quads). A recovery point on the rear of your vehicle is a must (a tow bar is sufficient) and a front recovery point is helpful but not a requirement.

More details about driving days in general can be found on our web site at:
<http://www.hbro.co.uk/Drvdays/Drvday.html>

Directions to the venue can be found at: <http://www.hbro.co.uk/calender.htm>

September / October Caption Competition.

What is being said by whom and about whom? Send in your suggestions.



July / August Caption Competition Winner.

"Zulus!
Fahsands of 'em"

"You threw
the stick,
you go get
the stick"

I am delighted to announce that this month's winning caption comes from our club secretary; all round good egg and snappy dresser, Mr Elton Jonsson.

Hants & Berks Land Rover Owners

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

22 October 2011 - 7.30pm

Crown Hotel, Alton

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Chairman's Report – Steve Aston
4. Treasurer's Report – Sarah Duffett
5. Secretary's Report – Elton Jónsson
6. Membership Secretary's Report – Kevin Wood
7. Competition Secretary's Report – Mark Ambler
8. Rights of Way Officer's Report – Julian Mallard
9. Newsletter Editor's Report – Steve Kirby
10. Social and Camping Secretary's Report – Hugh Duffett
11. ALRC Liaison Representative's Report – Steve Kirby
12. Child Protection Officer's Report – Anne Wood
13. Resignation of Committee
14. Vote in New Committee
15. Limited Company Directors
16. Any Other Business

HBLRO Committee and Officers Roles

As you will be aware our Annual General Meeting will be held again in October this year. Detailed below is a description of duties for each position.

If you feel that you would like to fulfil one (or more) of these roles please put yourself forward at the AGM. The current team are willing to show you what is involved with their roles, or you could ask one of the team to be invited to one of the Committee meetings held monthly to find out more.

Committee Responsibilities:

Chairman (Director of Limited Company)

- Act as main contact point within the club.
- Chair monthly committee meetings.
- Chair any general/special meetings as necessary.
- Delegate duties amongst the committee and officers as required.
- Make annual trophy presentations.
- Produce a monthly article for the club newsletter.

Treasurer

- Maintain club accounts.
- Deal with all cash and cheque income.
- Pay invoices and maintain petty cash.
- Responsible for bank account and ensuring correct signatories for club are within committee.
- Send permits to MSA with correct fee after an event.
- Attend monthly committee meetings, reporting an up to date financial position.
- Maintain club's asset register.
- Maintain club's insurance policies and renewals.
- Organize year-end audit.
- Provide year-end financial statements for submission to Companies House.

Secretary

- Act as main contact point outside of club.
- Organize and attend monthly committee meetings.
- Produce minutes and circulate to committee for approval.
- Maintain records of all minutes for at least three years.
- Organize any general/special meetings as required, produce minutes and circulate as required.
- Deal with any correspondence received for the club and maintain records for at least two years.
- In conjunction with Competition Secretary maintain club's trophy register and update annually.
- In conjunction with Chairman maintain club's rules and regulations.

Membership Secretary

- Maintain a database of all club's members.
- Maintain files of completed applications/renewal letters for at least two years.
- Ensure renewal letters and reminders are sent out each month as required.
- Ensure renewals are processed in a timely manner.
- Send information packs to prospective new members on enquiry.
- Ensure the committee approves applications for membership and renewals.
- Ensure all new/renewing members are sent the latest information packs.

- Ensure a list of club members is sent to Newsletter Distributor in time for posting newsletters.
- Attend monthly committee meetings.

Competition Secretary

- Co-ordinate and maintain club calendar in agreement with committee.
- Organize competitive events as required by the club calendar.
- To approach landowners and obtain verbal consent to use their land.
- Obtain permits from ALRC and MSA as required for land use and camping permits.
- Obtain "section 33" permits from local councils if event crosses public footpath.
- Produce monthly article for club newsletter about past/future events.
- Ensure competition trailer and necessary documentation is available for each event.
- Ensure necessary officials are in place for each event and they know what is expected of them.
- Ensure other resources are booked for events as required, i.e. toilets, catering, first aid, etc.
- Maintain basic knowledge of ALRC/MSA rules and regulations and keep up to date with new regulations as and when issued.
- Maintain club's supplementary regulations.
- Retain copies of scorecards and official paperwork for at least two years.
- Produce scoring summary from competitive events for publications in club newsletter and website.
- Maintain record of scores for annual trophies
- Attend monthly committee meetings.

Rights of Way Officer

- Organize green laning trips for club members and ensure they are posted on the club calendar.
- Act as contact point for council liaison regarding rights of way issues, etc.
- Produce regular articles for the club newsletter about past/future events.
- Bring relevant issues about land/lane access to the committee's attention.
- Attend monthly committee meetings.

Newsletter Editor

- Produce bi-monthly newsletter from information/articles supplied by committee and other club members.
- Format newsletter for printing and send to printers.
- Attend monthly committee meetings.

Social & Camping Secretary

- Organize social events throughout the year as determined by the club calendar.
- Collect monies from social events and camping events and pass to Treasurer for banking.
- Produce articles for newsletter about past/future events.
- Maintain club's camping regulations.
- Attend monthly committee meetings.

ALRC Liaison Representative

- Liaise with the ALRC.
- Attend ALRC council meetings.
- Inform the Chairman and committee of any ALRC related issues.

Officer Responsibilities:

Child Protection Officer

- Apply for Child Protection Licence.
- Undergo a CRB check.
- Maintain child protection policy.
- Liaise with MSA regarding child protection issues.
- Report any issues to the Chairman and committee.

Tyro Competition Secretary

- Liaise with Competition Secretary with regards to Tyro events.
- In conjunction with Permits Officer approach landowners and obtain verbal consent to use their land.
- Organize Tyro events as required by the club calendar.
- Ensure competition trailer and necessary documentation is available for each event.
- Ensure necessary officials are in place for each event and they know what is expected of them.
- Ensure other resources are booked for events as required, i.e. toilets, catering, first aid, etc.
- Produce articles for club newsletter about past/future events.

Challenge Events/Driving Days Competition Secretary

- Liaise with Competition Secretary.
- In conjunction with Permits Officer approach landowners and obtain verbal consent to use their land.
- Organize events as required by the club calendar.
- Ensure competition trailer and necessary documentation is available for each event.
- Ensure necessary officials are in place for each event and they know what is expected of them.
- Ensure other resources are booked for events as required, i.e. toilets, catering, first aid, etc.
- Produce articles for club newsletter about past/future events.

CCV Competition Secretary

- Liaise with Competition Secretary with regards to CCV events.
- In conjunction with Permits Officer approach landowners and obtain verbal consent to use their land.
- Organize CCV events as required by the club calendar.
- Ensure competition trailer and necessary documentation is available for each event.
- Ensure necessary officials are in place for each event and they know what is expected of them.
- Ensure other resources are booked for events as required, i.e. toilets, catering, first aid, etc.
- Produce articles for club newsletter about past/future events.

Special Events Secretary (BAFMA)

- Liaise with BAFMA Representatives.
- In conjunction with Permits Officer approach landowners and obtain verbal consent to use their land.
- Ensure competition trailer and necessary documentation is available for each event.
- Ensure necessary officials are in place for each event and they know what is

expected of them.

- Ensure other resources are booked for events as required, i.e. toilets, catering, first aid, etc.

Newsletter Distribution

- Ensure club newsletter is distributed to all club ordinary members in a timely manner.

Health & Safety Officer

- Liaise with Chairman and committee regarding all health and safety issues.
- Maintain club's risk assessments.

Web Editor

- Maintain club's official website.

Club Shop

- Purchase items for the club shop from suppliers approved by the committee.
- Maintain receipts and invoices and pass to Treasurer for processing/payment.
- Promote and sell products via website and at events.

ACSMC Representative

- Liaise with ACSMC and attend meetings.
- Report any issues to the Chairman and committee.

Training Officer

- Organize training for club members in conjunction with the committee.

Auditors

- Audit club accounts after year-end.
- Liaise with Treasurer.

AGM Proposal

It is proposed that from 1st January 2012 that the entry fee for RTV events be increased by £1 to £17.00 per driver and the club membership fee (for ordinary members) be increased by £1 to £29 per year.



Your club needs you !

Hants & Berks LRO

Annual General Meeting
(AGM)

Saturday 22nd October 2011
The Crown Hotel, Alton, 7.30pm start

Followed by a buffet

It's that time of year again when the club looks towards its members to fill both committee and officer posts

It you have been involved in running the club previously and want to get involved again, OR you have not done your turn then get yourselves along to the AGM and step up !

The role of a Passenger/Navigator - a day out in Langrish

Meeting people new to the role of navigating in RTV's at the Nationals last weekend in Norfolk, reminded me of a couple of hours excursion Kevin and I made earlier in the year.

We had seen advertised in an MSA magazine "The President's Cup Sporting Trial" to be held at Langrish on the A272 near Petersfield. Curious as to what a sporting trial was, we set out early one bright sunny Sunday morning in late March to find out. The event hosted by a friendly informative Southsea Motor Club, consisted of 9 sections to be driven by each driver 3 times during the course of the day. Drivers move on between sections at their own pace. Each short section was made up of 12 pairs of gates using red and yellow coloured broom handles, with some being set wide to allow for a choice of driving line. Cambers and U-turns around trees were used to encourage skilful use of fiddle brakes. The site we were at was very wooded and had some steep gradients that would have been quite challenging for a Land Rover.

The aim of the trials is much like our RTV and is not about speed, but to drive as far as you can over a

laid out section. They do accept that the cars may come to a standstill, albeit with wheels spinning whilst trying to get traction, and they permit a 3 second stop with the marshal counting time as the passenger bounced up and down on the suspension, for them to either continue movement or fail and collect a score on the section. At the driver's briefing the competitors are instructed as to the minimum permitted tyre pressures, which on our visit this was set at 10 psi. After the lunch break, a change is made to the set tyre pressure to bring in another variable to the trial. The specialist vehicles are very small and low slung, using rear wheel drive from 1340cc 8 valve Honda or Suzuki engines with modified (or even additional) gearboxes and are mostly only made by 2 companies in the UK. The front wheels and disc brakes are very small and looked like they had been taken off a bicycle!

The important presence of the passenger was obvious, as they actively threw themselves around inside and sometimes hanging outside the vehicles to shift the balance and weight to give grip to

the rear wheels, sometimes having to sit up on the rear of the car so that tight turns could be made. This was unlike some of the newbie passengers at the Nationals, who were there for the ride, scenery, company (including the fun of camping in the rain) and beer. We were witness to one roll over with both stuck under the car, although no one was hurt despite no roll cage or protective car body. People rushed to man handle the car back onto four wheels and they were soon off to the next section.

I don't think you will find me converting to Sporting Trials yet and I think I will stick to the

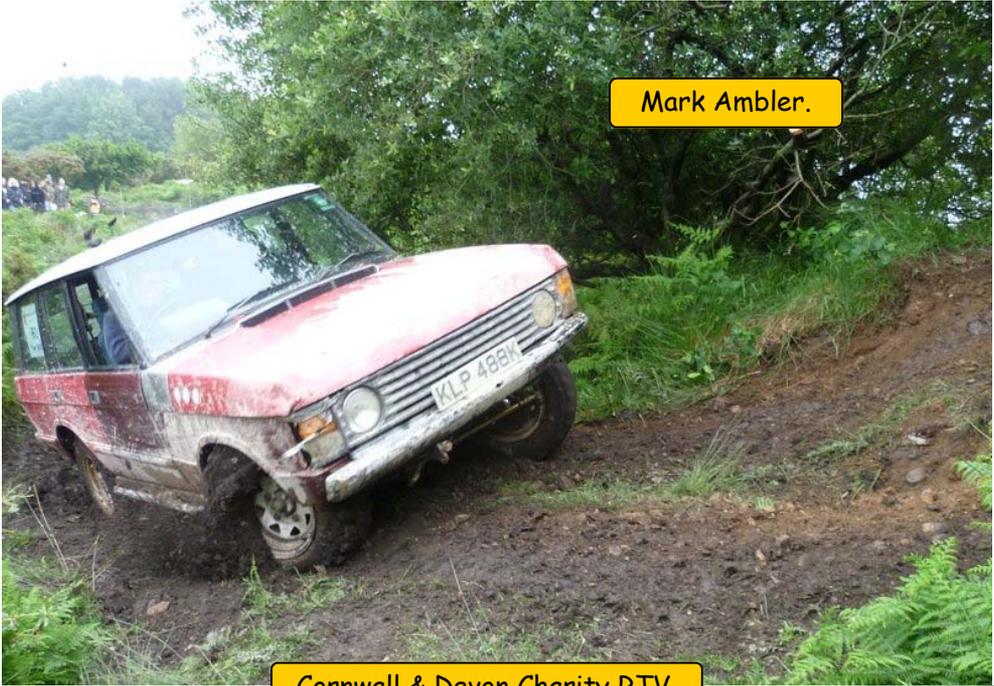
comfort(?), warmth (?) and protection a 90 has to offer, although the open vehicles allow you to appreciate the countryside more, with the smell the wild garlic will remind me of a sunny morning in Langrish.

"The President's Cup Sporting Trial" is one of a series of national trials held throughout the year, this one attracted a starting list of about 30 competitors from as far away as Cornwall.

If you are interested in finding out more or seeing a trial visit <http://www.sportingtrials.com>

Anne Wood





Cornwall & Devon Charity RTV.

Garry White.



June 2011 - Cornwall & Devon Charity RTV

1st placed team in the long wheelbase class:

Mark Ambler, Joe Stacey & Garry White

2nd place team 'overall'

Hugh Duffett, Jack Dewdney & Alan Braclik

July 2011 - Hants & Berks RTV - Winchester

Overall event winner	Matt Hewitt			
Class 4	1 st	Hugh Duffett	2 nd	Kevin Wood
Class 5	1 st	Garry White	2 nd	Steve Aston
Class 10	1 st	Jack Dewdney	2 nd	Phil Jones

Spanner man: Steve Aston (not another window!!)

Setting Out - Richard Salter, Steve Aston, Trevor Alexander, Matt Hewitt, Russell Vare, Naill Banyard, Elton (and Arnie) Jonsson

Officials - Som - Ian Parker, CoC - Richard Salter, Chief Marshal - Elton Jonsson, Scrutineer -Neil Tomlinson, Marshals - Paul Webb, Ian Parker, Tim Whishaw, Josh Folkes

CORE Chichester Off Roading Experience



ALRC National Rally 2011 Results

Hosted by the Breckland Land Rover Club held at the National Construction College, Bircham Newton, Norfolk.

What a fab weekend up in Norfolk, a mixture of rain and sun accompanied three great days of eventing. Well done to all of our competing members and it was nice to see a number of our social members in attendance also.

RTV

Dave Lindsey:	5 points finishing 14th in class 4
Trevor Alexander:	6 points finishing 16th in class 4
Hugh Duffett:	8 points finishing 28th in class 4
Matt Hewitt:	8 points finishing 7th in class 9
Mark Ambler:	9 points finishing 1st in class 5
Garry White:	14 points finishing 4th in class 5
Joe Stacey:	17 points finishing 9th in class 5
Steve Aston:	19 points finishing 12th in class 5
Kevin Wood:	21 points finishing 44th in class 4
Richard Aston:	23 points finishing 15th in class 5
Russell Vare:	47 points finishing 14th in class 10

CCV

Mark Furnell:	71 points finishing 28th in class 9
Matt Hewitt:	76 points finishing 39th in class 9
Tim Wishaw:	79 points finishing 42nd in class 9
Mark Ambler:	94 points finishing 1st in class 5
Richard Salter:	96 finishing 59th in class 9

COMP SAFARI

Hugh Duffett:	1st in class
Mark Ambler:	2nd in class
Mark Furnell:	12th in class

BICYCLE TRIAL

Lewis Alexander: 14 points finishing 9th in the 6 - 11 year age group

A very big **well done** to Mark Ambler for finishing 1st in class in both the RTV and CCV and for also winning the Michen Industries Trophy for the lowest scoring Range Rover in the CCV and also for winning the Off Roader Sports Shield for the best result in the CCV, RTV and Comp Safari in a standard class vehicle.

Also a big well done to Hugh Duffett for finishing 1st in class in the Comp Safari.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2011

Events in *italics* are provisional so please check for updates
and maps on our website:-

<http://www.hbro.co.uk/calender.htm>

Date	Site	Event
Sept 10	Bramley.	BAMA Event. Autumn Rally. For more info, contact Neil Tomlinson.
Sept 16	Eastnor Deer Park.	Majors Memorial Trial
Sep 25	Chichester Quarry. Venue at the CORE site. Map page 26.	RTV. (Summer Series 6)
Oct 8th - 9th	Lambs Leer, West Harptree, Somerset	Mendip Challenge Charity RTV (run by the Somerset & Wilts LRC)
Oct 9th	Dorking area, For more info please contact Julian Mallard.	Green Laning
Oct 16	MOD Site Slab Common, Bordon, Hants.	RTV (Winter Series 1) and Drive Around day.
Oct 22	The Crown Hotel, Alton 7.30 start (including buffet)	AGM
Nov 12	Longmoor – 10 phases including trials.	BAMA Event: Roadmaster . plan to hold BAMA Dinner evening at this event. For more information please contact Neil Tomlinson
<i>Nov 19</i>	<i>Location to be confirmed.</i>	<i>Green Lane Trip. For more info, please contact Julian Mallard.</i>
Nov 20	Brick Kiln Farm. Map page 26.	RTV (Winter series 2)
Nov 27	Chichester Quarry. Venue at the CORE site. Map page 26.	The Mike Wolfe Challenge (incorporating the Hants & Berks ALRC Challenge Trophy)
<i>Dec 18</i>	<i>Location to be confirmed.</i>	<i>RTV (Winter series 3)</i>

Event Timings

Competitor Sign-on - 08:30am - 09:30 am

Scrutineering - 08:30 - 09:30 am

Driver & Marshals briefing - 09:45 am

Event start - 10:00 am

Entry fee: £16.00 per driver

Driving Days Site opens to public - 10:00 am Site closes - 15:00 pm

Regular Events

- * Southern Pub Meet - Last Wednesday of each month, Noggin & Natter at The Hampshire Hog, London Road, Clanfield, Hampshire, PO8 0QD
- * Northern Pub meet - First Wednesday of each month. The venue will be the Lord Derby Pub located between Hook and Odiham, just of Junction 5 of the M3, from 7.30 onwards . Full address is The Lord Derby Inn & Stocks Restaurant, Bartley Heath, North Warnborough, Hook, Hampshire. RG29 1HD Tel 01256 702283
- * 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**.

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



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Lunch time at the Cornwall & Devon Charity Event



Kevin Wood at the Cornwall & Devon Charity Event.



Alan Braclik at the Cornwall & Devon Charity RTV