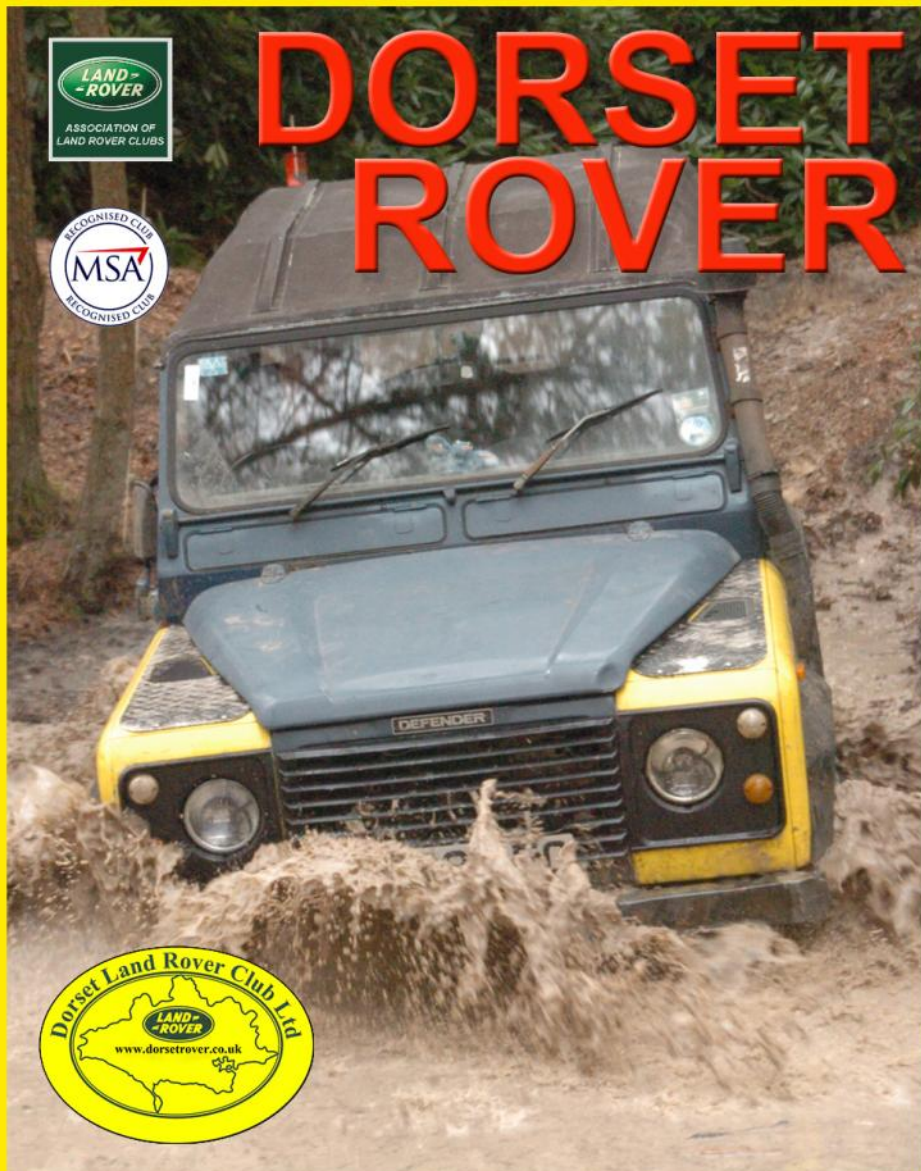




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Monday 14th March 2016

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The Royal Oak, Bere Regis BH20 7HQ

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The Black Dog, Broadmayne, DT2 8ES

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A PLEA FROM THE EDITOR...

Are you bored with reading the same old stuff? Then act **NOW!** I need your contributions! Please e-mail articles, reports, pictures (original jpegs please), jokes, stories etc to **editor@dorsetrover.co.uk** to arrive by the deadline given in the box above. I'd rather have too much than too little! And have you got a 'top' cover picture? It must be in portrait format, and preferably with light tones top and bottom.

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I'm trying out my new technology by typing this on my tablet! My waffle used to be typed on my old steam powered laptop but I really try not to use that anymore. Tech has come a long way since the club was formed. Newsletters used to be typed on a word processor and photocopied, they were black & white with very little in the way of photos. Not only is the club newsletter a great read but our website and Facebook pages offer good accessibility to news, stories, photos and video. Just a few things that make up an interesting club.

We have a really busy year ahead so thank you for rejoining, I hope you'll come to a few events, they really are good fun.

After a little bit of confusion at the first trial over the new scoring system and Clerk of the Course and marshaling, it seems to be sorted now. I have started adding CoCs to the list of events on the website. If there's a trial site that you'd prefer then you need to comment on the website. Spaces are filling slowly so don't lose out. All of 2016's venues are listed: fingers crossed none will change.4 This awful weather is ruining the club's green lane activities. The traditional New Year's outing was cancelled due to ground conditions. Let's hope it dries up soon.

It's now official that our usual open driving day venue has closed, but we've managed to find an alternative venue at Mannington! It would also be great to get Ladies' Day back on the calendar so if you think you might know of somewhere, let us know.

I have recently driven to Wales to take part in the Wye & Welsh "Who dares Wins " trial. It was horrible weather but spirits weren't dampened and all the guys made me very welcome. Trevor also came to take part and we both had great fun slithering around the very, very muddy site. Despite my distinct disadvantage of less aggressive tyres than everyone else, I didn't do too badly. If I go next year, new tyres will definitely be on the cards. Unfortunately during the drive home my clutch started slipping so I picked one up from AL Services the following Saturday. Once the engine was out it became apparent that the crank seal was leaking and it was now too late to get one anywhere. I put a request onto Facebook in case anyone had one and Andy (owner of ALS) replied to go to his house at 9am the next day. He'd only gone to his workshop to pick one up for me, now that's service!

Jayne 's club night quiz was fairly quiet but good fun. Well done to the technical department on their win. Club nights are moving to a more static and central location in the near future. The Chequers Inn has purchased a skittle alley to lay in their conservatory, it also offers a versatile space for other activities or just a pint or something to eat.

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Last year we teamed up with Hants & Berks LRC to create the Interclub RTV. A mega trial of 12 sections with 12 gates per section. It was them v us & they won! This year is payback time so February will see our best triallers doing their best to win. We'll need helpers please with marshaling and this will be a great opportunity to get close to the action. Call me if you think you can help. Look forward to seeing you soon.

Rog

FROM THE EDITOR...

As alluded to in Chairman's Waffle, we hope to make 2016 a year when as many club members as possible get involved in as many events as possible. And there is an incentive - because we'll be trialling a 'loyalty-card' scheme, where attending lots of events will mean discounted renewal in 2017!

URGENT ANNOUNCEMENT - Please note that the **Open Driving Day** scheduled for 20th March will now take place at the site at Mannington. Hopefully lots of you will want to come along to play = and you can 'preview' the potential of the site by coming to the Inter-Club RTV on Valentine's Day! The Open Driving day will also feature a TYRO Trial event.

If you are at an event - whether trialling, laning or just chilling, don't forget that I'd love to get some details and photographs (especially if you remember to take the camera that you brought out of the truck!) Articles don't have to be hugely long - 200-400 words is fine; pictures should be jpegs - ideal size is 7"x5" @200ppi.

Andy Wilson, Editor

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Darren Eades - Stoford
Stephen West - Totton
Ian Rawlings - Bourton
Craig Mellor Jnr - Swanage
Matthew Hallows - Upton
Toby Cutler - Blandford Forum
Millie Webster - Winterborne Kingston

CALENDAR CHANGES AND ADDITIONS

One piece of good news is that in spite of the demise of Matchams as a venue, we are still going to hold the planned Open Driving Day on 20th March - but we are going to be using the site at Mannington instead. It's excellent value for a day playing around on some very varied terrain, and an ideal introduction to off-road driving for some newer members. Hopefully lots of you will come along to support the venture, and as there will also be a TYRO Trial event running on the day, it will give would-be triallists a chance to sample the sport!!

All the venues for this season's RTVs have now been confirmed - although do bear in mind that the vagaries of the weather, and land-owners requirements might cause them to change, so please keep an eye on the website!

Once the currently arranged club nights have come and gone (The Royal Oak , Bere Regis in February and The Black Dog, Broadmayne in March), as mentioned in Chairman's Waffle, we've decided to revert to the old system of a semi-permanent home (except for special events that require specific venues) so in April we hope to establish a more permanent home at The Chequers in Lytchett Matravers.

If you've looked at the website recently, you'll be aware that **all** club greenlaning trips are suspended until further notice. The ground is not getting any drier and it's certainly bad PR for groups of 4x4s to be seen out and about, although if it freezes hard and snows we might do something then, especially if others need assistance that we can offer.

The more observant amongst the readership might have noticed that two dates were given for Quay for my Car in the summer – this has now been confirmed as taking place in the evening of 22nd July on Poole Quay.



Those of you who went on the fairly recent Halloween Green Lane Trip and Barbecue Extravaganza will recall that donations from the evening were sent to support the work of Julia's House. The committee thought you'd like to see their reply:

Dear Caroline,

Thank you for your latest donation of £160 from the Dorset Land Rover Club to Julia's House. This is another great amount, and we are really grateful for your ongoing support. I have popped a thank you card in the post for you, but thought I would send an email as well so you can have something for your magazine. You may be interested to know that £160 is the cost of a typical community care session, with 2 carers visiting a child in their home. This is an essential part of our service, particularly for children who are too sick to travel to the hospice, or whose parents live too far away to visit the hospice regularly. Please pass on our thanks and warmest regards to everyone in the Dorset Land Rover Club.

Kind regards,

Mary Stovold

Julia's House

Community Fundraising

Assistant



Julia's House

The Dorset & Wiltshire Children's Hospices

COMMITTEE MATTERS

Amongst other things, at the last Committee Meeting, the committee discussed, clarified and ratified the changes to the trials scoring system and organisation floated at the AGM. The final version is as follows:

TRIALS POINTS SYSTEM CLARIFICATION AND CHANGE.

To qualify for the RTV championship, drivers are required to be a Clerk of the Course once per season. For this you will be awarded **10** points. Any additional help setting up will gain **1** point per trial you help with. This gives a maximum **19** points available over 10 trials (1 CoC per season, + 9 setting up points). There will now be **2** CoCs per trial (1 per group). CoC duties include helping set out the RTV courses (normally the day before); this is to ensure that you know where the courses go in case of problems on the day. You will be a clipboard marshal on the day, in charge of scoring your group and any decisions regarding the courses.

There will be no points available for marshaling although we'd still appreciate the help. These additional points will be added to the yearly scores starting from the last trial.

THE SOCIAL CIRCLE

By the time you read this, the Christmas festivities will be all over for another year so I hope you all had a great time and are looking forward to the events which have been lined up for 2016.

A quick thank you to everyone who supported the skittles evening for our December meeting and for those who attended January's Quiz Night. As I write, I am still preparing the quiz questions so I will need to pass comment on the evening in next month's magazine!

I have tried to vary the social events as much as possible for 2016 and where possible include an activity (drinking at the pub doesn't count!) for every other club meeting where possible. I have included not only the odd quiz (although not so odd that no one wins!) and more map reading but other activities will be announced nearer the time. Speaking of quizzes though, I would be grateful to hear from anyone who would be happy to host a quiz and be quizmaster so I can participate at a future event – please let me know if you would be up for the challenge. I am also happy to receive ideas for club night activities too so if there is something you would like included then please let me know.

I believe it is really important to continue to socialise as a club and Ian and I have made some great friends since we have been part of the club and that is all down to attending different activities and of course the fantastic Green Lane trips organised by Rob. I hope that as many of you as possible will continue to support the social calendar and more importantly enjoy what has been line up.

Please feel free to contact me regarding any of the events or if you have any ideas then I will always be happy to consider any ideas you have.

Jayne Simmons
Social Secretary



Happy diners at the Annual Awards Dinner

LANE CLEARING – Sunday 13th December

Notwithstanding the hard work which was involved with the lane clearing, the day was really enjoyable and turned into a really nice social event.

What amazed me was the sheer amount of clearing we achieved with just five of us! It certainly makes me think how much could be achieved with a few more people getting involved.

The up keep of lanes is not only good from a green lane perspective but as a great publicity exercise to demonstrate that we are responsible and able to give something back to the community.

There are several more lanes which need attention so please help if you can – despite the hard work it really can be a lot of fun!

Jayne Simmons



ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER

It seems ages ago – what with all the feasting and festivities between times – but the memory of the Annual Awards Dinner is still very fresh, thanks of course to the very convivial company and the excellent food.

The experiment to hold the dinner before Christmas seems to have been successful – certainly those who attended the function were generally in agreement that it was a great way to finish off the club as well the chronological year, and whilst numbers were more or less the same as last year's event, the consensus was that it was worth changing.

Huge thanks must of course go to Mark Wainwright and all his staff at The Chequers in Lytchett Matravers. We were looked after superbly, and we were able to have the conservatory area to ourselves (with no competing disco next door!), so there was plenty of room to circulate and make oneself heard. The food was absolutely brilliant – lots of diners thought it was even better than the

previous year, and at the same price was not merely delicious, but also excellent value.

At the end of an extremely pleasant meal, presentations took place and just for the record, the main awards were as follows:

LWB Trophy – Trev Harmer

SWB Trophy – Martin Dover

Leaf Trophy – Rob Shadbolt

Modified Trophy – Mike Webster

Top Lady Driver – Caz Hart

Newbie of the Year – Roger Lapworth

There were two special awards as well: the first one was made to Jim Welch who has recently stepped down from the committee; Jim has done so much over the years to further the interests of the club and its members, so it was nice to say thank you. The other special award could not be made on the night, as its recipient wasn't able to be present. The Chequers Trophy for the Member of the Year – generously provided by Mark Wainwright – was later presented to Graham Glover during a green lane run.

Thanks must also go to newly elected Social Secretary Jayne Simmons for getting everything sorted out, and to all the people who very generously donated all the raffle prizes – especially Andy Lanham of AL Services.

So a great evening was had by all to round off another great year for The Dorset Land Rover Club.



Pic above - Graham Glover receives Member of the Year Award from GL Officer Rob Elliott

Pic below: Award winners at the dinner



....and see the
centre colour
picture spread
for more
Awards Dinner
pictures...

Dinky Toys and Land Rovers

Readers will be aware that I collect all sorts of Land Rover ephemera – especially models of our favourite vehicle. I thought for this article I'd look at one particular strain of collecting – the Dinky toy.

For toy collectors, the name Frank Hornby is almost legendary. Amongst other ranges, he created Hornby trains, which were announced in 1920. To accompany his railways, he launched various accessories under the name of *Modelled Miniatures*. The range also included vehicles. However, sales were not great because of the name, so for a short time *Meccano Miniatures* was tried until 1934 when Dinky Toys appeared. From 1934, Dinky Toys remained unchallenged in the UK until the 1950s when Corgi appeared. Faced with the requirements of competition, the company did little. Dinky's answer to Corgi's innovations was to produce two-tone toys. The company was very slow to adapt resulting in the company ending up in a position where it was ripe for take-over. The Lines brothers (of Tri-Ang) took over the company and in 1971 the company went into receivership and the Meccano line was sold to Airfix. This was not enough to save the company and it went into bankruptcy in 1979 and the plant in Liverpool was closed down. More recently, the name has been acquired by Mattel and new versions are being made in China.

Dinky's association with Land Rovers began in 1954. Design number 27d was a Land Rover with an original price of 3/- (equivalent to 60p, but allowing for inflation, considerably more than that!) and it had a steering wheel, tinplate screen, driver, spare tire behind the driver, a hook for towing a trailer and other Dinky farm equipment. It was renumbered 340 later in 1954. Initially produced with grey wheels, three versions of the model of the 80" pick up were made in orange, green and red. In 1955/56, the model was updated with the addition of a tow bar and clip, and two spare wheels. It was renumbered 341 and in the mid 1950s was produced in olive drab. The next model to appear was number 202, a customized Land Rover in yellow.

The earliest Dinky in my possession is a rather battered design number 255 Mersey Tunnel police van (first issued in 1955), which was very kindly donated to my collection by Mike Webster. Thanks Mike!

In production terms, this was followed by the 277 Police Land Rover in dark blue and white – this time a 109 with full length top, alpine windows but no side windows. Other early emergency vehicles included the 282 Land Rover fire appliance, the 442 Land Rover breakdown crane with red bonnet and doors, white body and the very rare 604 Land Rover bomb disposal unit (issued 1976-77) coloured olive with orange panels. This was produced in 1/42 scale and was a 109 station wagon and came complete with a plastic tracked robot. My search for these goes on!

As always, I'll conclude this article by mentioning that anyone who is decluttering and has any ephemera they'd like to donate to my collection, I'd be very grateful!

Andy Wilson



Design number 255 Mersey Tunnel police van (first issued in 1955),

EDITOR'S INDULGENCE!

I just wanted to share this picture with you, which – whilst it doesn't actually feature a Land Rover as such – shows just how delighted my seven week old grandson Sam was when he found out that there was going to be more to life than just feeding and sleeping! His mother says she's more than happy for the picture to appear in DR – it'll be another cutting for the baby scrap-book. The only question I've got as Sam's grandfather is what the replacement for the Defender will look like when Sam is old enough to drive one – although of course, mine should still be going strong!

Andy Wilson



Just a spare picture from the RTV at Bransgore in November 2015 - and Rob Shadbolt won the Leafer's trophy!

MORE HISTORY EMERGES

Just when I thought that there wasn't much more to discover about the early years of the club (as featured in the now fully sold-out *DLRC—The First 25 Years*) some more pictures and information have emerged. Bob Richmond-Jones, who was a very early member of the club and served as Chairman for a while, has unearthed a few battered envelopes of prints for me to scan and so here are a couple of pictures - included here because they contain someone who you might recognise....



Pictures apparently taken at an ARC event in September 1992



NEW FOREST CREAM TEA RUN

You'll see from the calendar that on Sunday May 22nd there are two events listed: The Beaulieu Spring Autojumble Land Rover Rummage, and the New Forest Cream Tea Run. The idea is that you will have a choice of going independently to the Beaulieu Autojumble or joining in a scenic road-based tour of the New Forest, with everyone who wants to do so meeting up at The Old Station Tea Rooms at Holmsley (near Burley BH24 4HY) for a splendid Cream Tea (doubtless with lashings of ginger beer for the Blytonesque...).

The Land Rover Rummage is a trading corner of Spring Autojumble and is dedicated to enthusiasts and owners of the great British Land Rover. Taking place on the Sunday of Spring Autojumble and included in the Spring Autojumble ticket, Land Rover Rummage aims to ensure you get the bits you need in one convenient area. It's the perfect opportunity to empty your garage of parts collecting dust (and to fill it with new bits!)

Obviously you don't have to book in advance to go to the Autojumble – just turn up and pay the admission! However, the sooner we have an idea of numbers wanting to have a cream tea, the sooner we can put in a group booking (and get a group price!). If you think you might be interested in meeting at Holmsley for the cream tea part of the day, please drop an e-mail to me at social@dorsetrover.co.uk and I'll put you on the mailing list for more details and booking arrangements!

As far as the drive around the New Forest is concerned, a recommended route will be devised and will be made available – it's just booking the cream tea element of the day that is the current priority.

Looking forward to hearing from you

Jayne Simmons

Social Secretary



LAND ROVER 'DEFENDER 2,000,000' SELLS FOR £400,000 AT CHARITY AUCTION

Encouraging news for anyone who thinks that a Land Rover Defender might be a good investment....The one-of-a-kind Land Rover 'Defender 2,000,000' sold for £400,000 at a well attended charity auction at Bonhams in London.

The 'Defender 2,000,000' is the two-millionth of the iconic Series Land Rover and Defender models to be manufactured at Land Rover's Solihull plant, and was assembled earlier in 2015 by an all-star cast of brand ambassadors and people from Land Rover's history including Bear Grylls, Virginia McKenna OBE and Stephen and Nick Wilks, sons of the founders of Land Rover.

Built as part of a year of celebrations for the much loved 4x4 (which begs the question that if it is so 'loved' why is it being discontinued?... but no matter), it features lots of distinctive and bespoke finishing touches including an engraved map of Red Wharf Bay - where the design for the original Land Rover was first (and possibly mythologically) drawn in the sand - and a unique 'no 2,000,000' badge. A specially made aluminium plaque, signed by everyone who helped to assemble the vehicle, is fitted to the driver's seat.

All proceeds from the sale will be donated to Land Rover's humanitarian and conservation partners, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), who will use the donation towards its work in Nepal, and the Born Free Foundation, who will use the funds raised to support the 'Project Lion Rover' conservation initiative in Meru National Park, Kenya.

So the only questions that remain to be answered are whether the buyer is a member of DLRC and will he/she be using it at the next RTV?

Handmade by members of the glitterati and with a special number plate - but is it really worth £400.000?



LANE CLEARING EXPEDITION IN DECEMBER 2015







ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER 2015



Club chairman Rog Pardy, with, clockwise from top left: Caz Hart (Top Lady Driver); Rob Shadbolt (Leaf Sprung Champion); Martin Dover (Winner SWB); Jim Welch (Special Award); Roger Lapworth (Newbie of the Year); Mike Webster (Winner - Modified Class)



New member Darren Eades getting down and dirty at Bovington



MEDIA WATCH

Always nice to get coverage in the national magazines as well as at local level. Many thanks to Louise Limb at 4x4 magazine for using the material so prominently!

OPEN DRIVING DAY

Organised by The Dorset Land Rover Club
to be held at the Mannington site on Sunday
20th March 2016
10.00am - 4.00pm



Acres of trails, plenty of mud, woodland and open sections.
A great opportunity to drive your 4x4 in a safe environment.
Suitable for experienced and novice drivers. DLRC members
on hand to offer advice and marshals to make sure every-
thing runs smoothly and safely. Suitable terrain for shiny as
well as not-so-shiny vehicles.

Free recovery, and plenty of wide, non-scratchy tracks.

DLRC members - £20 per driver

Non-members - £25 per driver

Additional driver - £5

No need to book - turn up, sign on and drive!

Join the DLRC on the day and pay the members' rate.

All vehicles must be road-legal, but can be trailered to the
venue

For more information, visit the club website
www.dorsetrover.co.uk

*There will also be a TYRO TRIAL EVENT held
during the day, to give non-trialists a gentle and
safe introduction to trialling*



If you're using a SatNav, BH21 7JX gets
you more or less to where Burt's Lane
meets Horton Road. The entrance to the
venue is on the other side of this cross-
roads.



WHO DARES WINS

After doing a few of the national events last year, I've found myself on a few notifications on Facebook of some more. One that was advertised just before Christmas aroused my interest because of its name! *Who Dares Wins* was organised by the Wye & Welsh LRC and had an interesting concept of scoring. The canes bore no relevance to the score: instead, each section was scored on its difficulty. Hard sections were worth 10 points while easy were 3 points and instead of stopping if you hit a cane or stopped moving, you lost 1 point but carried on until the section was worth nothing. With a bit of luck, you'd finish the section with points left!

Unfortunately it was a horrible day, the rain barely stopped all day and the site was so muddy. I slithered around all day trying my best just to finish. The sections were fairly hard but I like it like that. Because I was really struggling for traction, I decided to save my joker for a 3 point section. The joker doubled your score for that section BUT, you had to clear it! I couldn't see clearing anything so figured 3 points would be the less to lose. It was a cunning plan, others used their jokers on high points and most lost them.

It was a great fun day and I didn't disgrace myself. Trevor was the only other club member that ventured out and he did ok too but broke a diff on the penultimate section.

This is one event I'll keep an eye out for next year.

Rog Pardy



Possibly the last outing? - at Crossways in December 2015

RTV RESULTS

With the changes in the scoring system (to introduce extra points derived from CoC and setting up), the results from the trial at Crossways and Bransgore have yet to be amended to reflect the additions. Rather than leave them hanging around - even in their 'raw' state - for another a couple of months, here they are (and the Bransgore results aren't even sorted into classes, as the event actually took place after the print deadline so there was no time to tabulate and sort them properly!)

LWB	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL
Brian Strong	3	0	9	4	8	3	3	4	5	5	44
Dave Barton	7	1	9	9	8	5	8	6	0	1	54
Trev Harmer	6	4	7	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	87
SWB											
Martin Dover	5	0	1	4	7	1	0	1	0	1	20
Ron Hogg	5	0	5	0	0	1	2	0	6	1	20
Rog Pardy	0	0	5	1	8	0	0	3	0	1	18
Nigel Carter	5	1	5	5	8	2	2	1	0	1	30
Rich Parfitt	7	5	5	1	6	3	2	1	6	1	37
LEAF											
Rob Shadbolt	7	0	5	4	8	5	3	1	6	1	40
Rob Jenkins	5	1	8	7	8	5	3	8	6	1	52
James Gray	7	6	8	4	8	2	7	3	6	8	59
MODIFIED											
Mike Webster	0	5	9	4	7	0	0	1	0	1	27
Andy Palmer	5	1	5	0	8	2	2	3	6	1	33
Milly Webster	7	2	7	2	8	1	0	2	7	5	41

CROSSWAYS RTV - 13th December 2015

Bransgore RTV 17th January 2016

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL
Rog Pardy	2	6	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	0	13
Nigel	2	7	10	10	6	9	9	7	7	7	68
Caz Hart	2	7	7	8	3	4	5	1	1	0	38
Jason MacDonald	0	7	0	1	3	0	6	7	0	0	24
Alex Moore (guest)	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	7
Rob Shadbolt	0	6	2	8	6	5	9	7	3	6	52
James Gray	8	7	6	8	7	1	9	7	6	6	65
Ron Hogg	0	4	0	0	1	0	6	1	1	1	14
Dave Moore (guest)	1	6	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	1	15
Toby Carter	3	7	6	3	0	0	5	7	7	1	39
Rob Jenkins	2	7	8	3	5	5	9	7	7	5	58
Gary Kenworthy	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	5
Bryan Strong	2	9	5	10	4	4	5	7	6	3	55
Claire Kenworthy	2	4	1	1	1	0	8	7	0	0	24
Rich Parfitt	2	5	0	4	5	0	6	1	1	0	24
Mike Webster	5	6	2	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	19
Nigel Carter	0	5	0	3	1	4	5	0	1	5	29
Millie Webster	3	4	7	3	2	4	8	5	6	7	49
Andy Palmer	1	7	6	5	5	0	2	7	1	7	36

RULE CHANGES

Every year, the Committee reviews the club rules in the light of any changes that might be required to update existing policies or to reflect legislative changes in the wider world. The latest version of the Club Rules and the club's Health & Safety Policy are published on the club website, but here are the changes that came into force following the 2015 AGM:

CONSTITUTION & RULES - UPDATE wef January 2016

These amendments or additions to the club rules should be read in conjunction with the existing Club Rules Issue 4 v02

Page 2 - COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Please see the listing in The Dorset Rover for current committee details.

Page 4 - MANAGEMENT

To the last paragraph, the following sentence should be added: As required by the Articles of Association, the Club shall appoint two Directors.

Page 5 - SUBSCRIPTION

a) The annual subscription shall be £30 (£25 e-members) There will no longer be a joining fee. **Existing** members may renew at the 2015 rate (ie £25/£20) provided they do so by the published deadline of 15th January 2015. Failure to renew by the deadline will result in the new rate being implemented. Increased membership fees will apply to **all** renewals from January 2017.

Payment of Subscription

Subscriptions shall be payable on the 1st January each year, or on a renewal date that shall be published, whichever is the later.

Nonpayment

Delete the first sentence and replace with: Members shall be notified by the secretary or treasurer 2 months before the renewal of subscription is due; any member of the club who has not paid their subscription by the published deadline, unless sufficient reason be shown to the satisfaction of the Committee, shall be taken off the Register of Members forthwith.

DLRC CALENDAR 2016



5th February
14th February
20th-21st February
4th March



20th March
25th-28th March
1st April



3rd April
10th April
17th April
22nd-24th April
29th April – 2nd May



6th May
7th-8th May
15th May
22nd May



3rd June
3rd-5th June
3rd-5th June
12th June
18th-19th June



1st July
2nd-3rd July
9th-10th July



10th July
15th-17th July
15th-17th July



22nd July
23rd July
5th August
5th-7th August
7th August
12th-14th August



21st August
31st August – 4th September



2nd September
9th Sep – 11th Sep
18th September

Club Night – Royal Oak, Bere Regis
Inter-Club RTV at Mannington
Wales Green Lane Trip
Club Night – Black Dog Broadmayne
Open Driving Day – at Mannington
Easter Camping Weekend
Club Night
Newbury 4x4 Autojumble
RTV Crossways
BPCC New Forest Road Run
Convoy for Heroes
Abbey Hill Steam Fair
Club Night – Green Lanes & Maps (Bryanston?)
Exmoor Trip (prov)
RTV Portesham
New Forest Cream Tea Run
Beaulieu Autojumble
Club night
Bournemouth Wheels
Malvern 4x4 Show
RTV Shillingstone
Newnham Charity RTV
Club Night
Chickerell Steam Fair
Stevens Farm event (prov)
RTV Knitson
Langport
Transport & Heritage Wimborne
Quay for my Car
Wareham Carnival
Club Night @ Purbeck Rally
Purbeck Rally
Beaulieu – Simply LR
Gala Camping Weekend
RTV Portesham
Great Dorset Steam Fair
Club Night – Barbecue – Kimmeridge (prov)
Harmans Cross Show
RTV Crossways

1 st – 2 nd October	L2B
1 st – 2 nd October	Mendips RTV
7 th October	Club AGM – venue TBA
16 th October	Open Driving Day
29 th October	Halloween Night Lane Trip
4 th November	Club night
13 th November	RTV Bransgore
26 th November	Annual Awards Dinner
2 nd December	Club night
11 th December	RTV (prov) venue tba

We hope that there will be something for everyone here! Remember to look out for further details of how to obtain free passes to the shows! Remember you can come along to the RTV events as a spectator! Please try and come along to support club nights.

And please also remember that if you would like to organise an event - or would like help to organise something different/new - you should contact a member of the committee. Details are at the front of the magazine.

The venues for club nights have not all been decided yet - look out for details in future magazines and on the website. Similarly, not all RTV venues have been confirmed yet - further details will be published in due course. And inevitably there will be changes and additions - so watch these pages in future editions!

Not yet listed are the club's regular green lane trips. These will be added in due course and will be published in the Green Lane section on the website. They can't be organised too far in advance because of the need to observe possible TROs and also short-term climate-induced factors!



Please be aware that dates and venues could be changed dependent on weather and ground conditions, and availability of venues. For up to date information, including any changes, please see the website!

PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE BEFORE TRAVELLING!

14th February (Inter-Club event) at Mannington	
20th March	Open Driving Day - Mannington
10th April	Crossways
15th May	Portesham
12th June	Shillingstone
10th July	Knitson
21st August	Portesham
18th September	Crossways
16th October	Open Driving Day
13th November	Bransgore
11th December	(prov/reserve date)



Site Directions

For a list of current site directions and up-to-date event information, please visit the club website: www.dorsetrover.co.uk, or contact a committee member.

If you want to access StreetMap to find the venues, go to the club website, then go to categories > trial results > trial site list and click on the appropriate link.

14th February (Inter-Club event) at Mannington

A very popular site, with a great variety of terrain. A good one to attend if it's your first 'outing'. Can have some 'interesting' watery sections! If you're using a Sat-Nav, **BH21 7JX** gets you more or less to where Burt's Lane meets Horton Road. The entrance to the venue is on the other side of this crossroads.

20th March Open Driving Day— now confirmed at Mannington

See above for directions!

RTV INFORMATION

Important information for competitors

If you wish to take part in events please take note of the following points:

1. Vehicles must have front and rear recovery points
2. Seatbelts
3. The battery must be secured
4. Any load must be securely tied down
5. The hand brake must work
6. No passengers under 14 years (except for Tyros)
7. MOT or photocopy of your MOT must be shown (if an MOT is required for your vehicle)
8. An additional return spring is required on mechanical throttles
9. Steering linkages will be checked
10. Rear springs on coil-sprung trucks to be jubilee clipped (or similar) to prevent springs dislocating
11. Wheel spacers are not to be used
12. A 24mm, 3 strand, 8 ton tow-rope in nylon or polypropylene and suitable shackle to be carried for recovery user
13. Fire extinguishers are advised but not essential



THESE THINGS WILL BE CHECKED

**Will vehicles please be at the site by 9.15am for scrutineering
Anyone arriving after 10.00am will NOT be allowed to compete**

You are reminded that you should check by phone before arriving at an event. If you arrive and there are no club officials then the event has been cancelled and no attempt should be made to drive round the site.



SPECTATORS

It's never really mentioned that much, but the committee would like to remind you all that spectators are always welcome at any event. Feel free to bring along any friends or family to help make the trials an even better day out. Children are welcome at all sites and dogs at most, so long as they are kept under control. Please be aware that at most events people will be taking photographs which could be used in web or paper-based publications.



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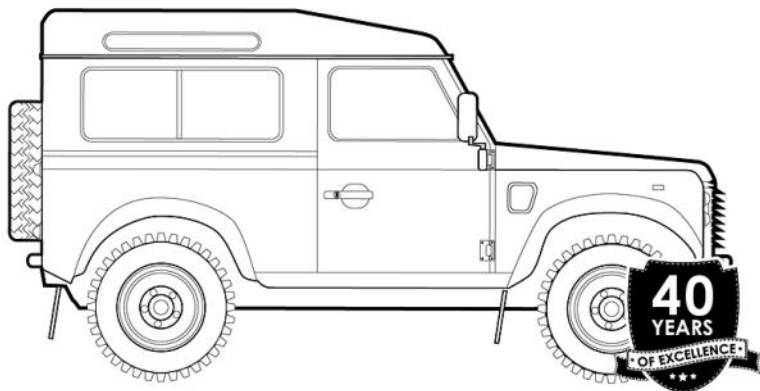
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