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Club Night is the first Thursday of every month
We meet at ***The Greyhound Inn***, 25 Melton Road,
Burton on the Wolds, LE12 5AG.

We meet ***from 7.30pm*** followed by the
Chairman's input at 8.00pm

For further details see the club website www.loughboroughlrc.co.uk
or contact Tim – details on committee members page.



Timmy Talk

Looking Back on 2019

2019 started in a way that none of us would have wanted with the loss of a long standing club member, David Backhouse. David had been both club and committee member and was instrumental in arranging many of our more memorable club stands. The regard in which David was held was obvious from the large numbers of you who turned out to escort him to the church.

This year our normal opening event, Convoy for Heroes, did not take place despite the best efforts of the organisers and the involvement of the club in developing both the event site and a potential route for the convoy. We have continued to remain in contact with the organisers of the event throughout the year so we will be the first, sorry, fifth to know as soon as the final details for 2020 are released. Cancer Research UK events have kept the club busy during the summer with the Race for Life and Pretty Muddy events taking place in Loughborough, Leicester and Prestwold Hall. Once again we have both marshalled and in some cases participated in these events, and I'm pleased to say, survived without any injuries. We have also supported the LOROS Tower Run and Twilight walk, again both marshalling and participating.



Timmy Talk

The team from Wicked Hathern, in common with C4H, have also had a tough year. As always we have supported them with both their big events, Wicked Hathern Fest ended up being a one day event with no camping whilst the Fireworks and Bonfire was a 50/50 event until almost the last minute due to ground conditions. Despite this we still managed to keep the A6 clear and no-one ended up stuck in the carpark, well no one from the general public. Thank you to all of you that were able to support these events.

Finally, the end of the year has seen the club supporting various Remembrance Day parades around the county in conjunction with Leicestershire and Rutland 4x4 Response. Events like this could not take place without your involvement so once again a big 'Thank You' to all involved.

The show calendar for 2019, like many other events, was affected by the weather. The Gaydon show was well attended and, although our pitch was not the best we managed to put together a varied display of trucks. The most notable point being that even with Glenn's attendance it still didn't rain. During the 'summer' months the Billing and Kelmarsh events have again proved difficult to support due to the 3 day nature of the shows. As many of you may know this situation is not likely to improve in 2020 with both shows on the same weekend and essentially at the same venue. One show that could not escape the weather was Beaumanor Hall. Despite being rescheduled the weather intervened but at least we get to keep our 'Best Club-stand' trophy for another twelve months. In addition to these we also had the Cruisers show in Loughborough town centre and our annual trip to Peterborough. I'm sure Andy will cover these in more detail.



Timmy Talk

From a numbers point of view 2019 has been a flat year. Actual membership has remained at 59 yet Facebook membership now exceeds 350.

There have been a few changes to committee roles for 2019. Rachel Barker has stepped down and Maggie Mawby has come on-board. We will go through everyone's roles later on. If you have any issues or ideas which you would like to discuss with the committee you always welcome to attend a meeting with prior arrangement.

2019 has been a mixed year for the club. The weather has not been kind to many events so we have not been as active as we would like, yet our charity involvements have kept us busy never the less. We have dared to take on the challenge of the Christmas meal and, as far as I know, you all lived to tell the tale. We have continued to operate under the key values of bacon and cake but as yet I am not aware of anyone combining the two.

Plans for 2020

2020 see's this club coming of age as we turn 18. In theory this means we should now be sensible and responsible which is something I hope we comprehensively fail to achieve.



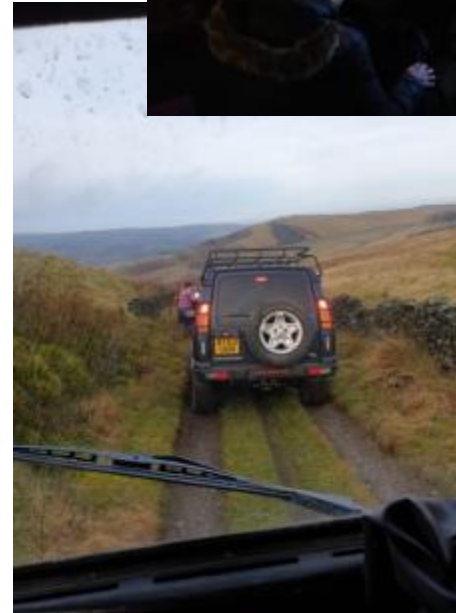
Great Days Out

A group of club members attended the Tash Bash in November at Calke Abbey. They met up, then travelled in convoy to the abbey for a bit of a meet. The convoy home included the usual stop at a pub for refreshments . I am told it was a great day out so it has been added to the club calendar for 2020.



Great Days Out

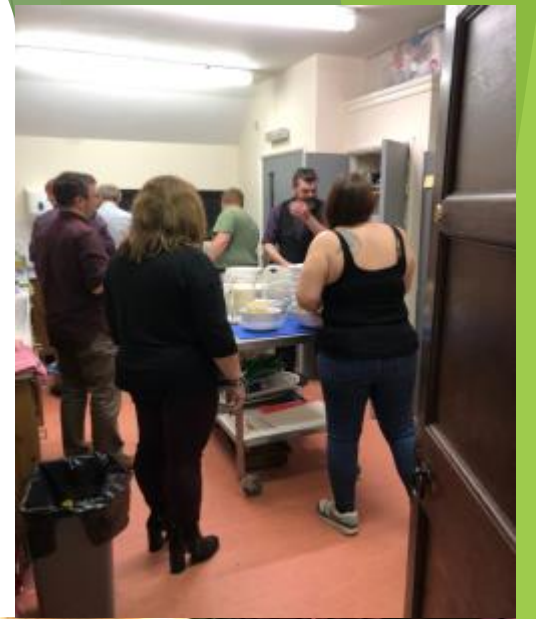
During the Christmas break, Dave Emery organised a spot of green laning in the Peak District, which was very well attended and a great day was had by all. Watch out for further dates on the club website and Facebook page.



Social Events



The club Christmas social turned out to be a great success, mainly due to the fantastic amount of work put in by Catt Castledine and her helpers. While the rest of us enjoyed the evening eating a lovely meal, Catt and Alex were slaving away in a very hot kitchen preparing it all for us. So, Mr and Mrs Castledine, on behalf of everyone who came, please accept our grateful thanks and congratulations for making the evening so enjoyable.



In The Spot Light - The Annual Awards

As most of you will be aware, the club likes to reward its members once a year with some very nice trophies. Having had a member vote at the December meeting, the trophy winners were announced at the January meeting to much laughter and applause.

The first trophy went to Jon Porter, being the award for the **Most Expensive Repair**.



In The Spot Light - The Annual Awards

The award for the **Most Altered Vehicle** was given to Andy Cox, whose 109 featured in the last edition of The Rambler. If you read the article, you will know that this award was richly deserved.



In The Spot Light - The Annual Awards

The award for the **Most Time Off The Road** went (of course) to Dave Emery, whose has had just a few problems with his Disco, well that's probably an understatement. The reference to the J*** is a sticker he has on his truck - yes really.



In The Spot Light - The Annual Awards

The award for the **Most Recovered Vehicle** had a number of contenders, but not us this year thankfully. Andy Cox was the unfortunate recipient although he had some very stiff competition



In The Spot Light - The Annual Awards

The award for the **Dipstick of the Year** also had a number of worthy contenders, with Charlie Francis making an appearance for the battery left on a worktop on its side. But the final count gave Alex Castledine a leap to the top of the pile for his antics with trailers, multiples of them.



In The Spot Light - The Annual Awards

And the final award for the Club Member of the Year, as voted for by the committee only, went to John Johnson. Well done John , richly deserved. And of course Helen got a mention for the seemingly endless supply of sausage rolls and cakes she provides for us and which are very gratefully received.



Mags Mumbles

Well, you may know by now that Sally went off for a bit of pampering in December, with a day out to Alive Tuning in Louth.

Now I know we didn't have to travel "up north" to get a Stage 1 done but we decided it would be a good idea to go to headquarters, especially as we had already met one of the guys based there at one of the shows in the summer.

We had a long chat with them as to what we needed, basically being an engine that is a bit smoother, more power for towing the caravan up hills and generally a nicer drive.

So while they did the job we wandered into Louth for a look round and to find somewhere for a spot of lunch. Shortly after lunch, whilst checking out the Christmas market, Dave was very pleased to get a call asking if we would go back and do a test drive. In fact, he was doubly pleased as it meant my shopping trip was cut short!

So off on a test drive he went with the engineer and he came back really chuffed. His main comment was "so much easier to drive".

Lots of miles since has justified that comment too, and its even obvious to the passenger. Not cheap but definitely worth it.



A large, fluffy dog, possibly a Shetland Sheepdog or Rough Collie, is lying down on a patch of green grass. The dog has white fur on its body and legs, with brown and black markings on its face and neck. It is wearing a black collar with a silver buckle. The dog's head is resting on the grass, and its eyes are closed.

‘Normal’ Rattle Stuff

Dates for the Dairy
Merchandise Price List
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Dates For The Diary 2020

EVENTS 2020	Location	Date	Type
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	9th January	AGM & Awards
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	6th February	Meet
Club social evening	Tree Tops Indoor Golf, Leicester	15th February	Social
4x4 Expo	Stafford Showground	23rd Feb	Show
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	5th March	Meet
Loros Tower Run	St Georges Tower, Leicester	14th March	Charity event
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	2nd April	Meet
Newbury Spares Day	Newbury showground	5th April	Show
Loros Twilight 10k Walk	Leicester city centre	18th April	Charity event
Great british Land Rover Show	Newarke Showground	19th April	Show
Convey For Heroes	TBC	12th April	Charity Event
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	7th May	Meet
Gaydon Land Rover Show	British Motor Museum, Gaydon	9th/10th May	Show with Stand
Pretty Set up 12:00-20:00	Prestwold Hall	16th May	Charity Event
Pretty Muddy 5k	Prestwold Hall	17th May	Charity Event
Green Laning & Social Weekend	TBC	23/25 May	Green Laning
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	4th June	Meet
Land Rover Legends	Thrupton Circuit	6th/7th June	Show
CRUK Loughborough	Loughborough Town Centre	14th June	Charity event
Classic Land Rover Gathering	Wansford	14th June	Meet/Show
Loros Walk - Rothley	Rothley	16th June	Marshalling
Charnwood Cruisers Show	Loughborough Town Centre	21st June	Show with Stand
Billing Land Rover Show	Billing Aquadrome	26th-28th June	Show
The Real Billing Off Road Show	Fishpond Cottage, Northampton	27th/28th June	Off Road Course/Show
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	2nd July	Meet
BOTW Village Fayre	Burton-on-the-Wolds	5th July	Show with Stand
CRUK Leicester	Vicky Park	12th July	Charity Event
Simply Land Rover	Beaulieu	12th July	Show
Beaumanor Hall	Woodhouse Eves	26th July	Show with Stand
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	6th August	Meet
Party in the Park	Ellistown	9th August	Car Parking
Ibstock Country Fair	Ibstock Rec	23rd August	Show with Stand
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	3rd September	Meet
Peterborough	Peterborough Showground	12th/13th September	Show with Stand
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	1st october	Meet
Newburt Spares Day	Newbury showground	4th october	Show
CRUK Shine Walk	Leicester city centre	24th October	Charity event
Malvern 4x4 Spares Day	Three Counties Showground	25th October	Show
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	5th November	Meet
Hathern Fireworks	Hathern	7th November	Car Parking
Great British Land Rover Show	Stoneleigh Park	22nd November	Show
Tash Bash	Calke Abbey	End November	Social Meet/Show
Loughborough Santa Fun Run	Loughborough Town Centre	End November	Marshalling
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	3rd December	Meet
Christmas Dinner	LLRC Christmas Dinner	5th December	Social
Christmas Green Lane outing	TBC	Between XMAS and NY	Green Laning
Club Night	Burton-on-the-Wolds	7th January 2021	AGM & Awards

Throughout the year there will also be some green laning days, if you would like to attend a green laning day please watch out for updates on Facebook or speak to Dave Emery, Green Laning Rep.



Merchandise Price List

Description	Available Sizes	Page Number	Item Code	Price (£)
Mens T-Shirt	S - 5XL	109	GD001	£ 6.00
Ladies T-Shirt	S - 2XL	109	GD072	£ 6.00
Childrens T-Shirt	XS - XL	451	GD05B/GD01B	£ 5.00
Mens Polo Shirt	S - 2XL	2	GD038	£ 9.50
Ladies Polo Shirt	S - 2XL	2	GD047	£ 9.50
Childrens Polo Shirt	S - XL	451	GD40B	£ 6.50
Adult Hooded Sweatshirt	S - 2XL	181	JH003	£ 15.00
Childrens Hooded Sweatshirt	26" - 34"	421	JH03J	£ 12.50
Unisex Waterproof Fleece	S - 3XL	710	RG112	£ 40.00
Mens Full Zip Fleece	S - 4XL	712	RG188	£ 18.00
Ladies Full Zip Fleece	10 - 20	712	RG190	£ 18.00
Half Zip Fleece	S - 3XL	714	RG120	£ 18.00
Mens Fleece Body Warmer	S - 2XL	714	RG182	£ 18.00
Ladies Fleece Body Warmer	10 - 20	714	RG184	£ 18.00
Mens Dover Jacket	XXS - 5XL	802	RG045	£ 27.00
Womens Dover Jacket	8 - 20	803	RG345	£ 27.00
Mens Soft Shell Jacket	S - 5XL	732	RG150	£ 32.50
Womens Soft Shell Jacket	6 - 22	732	RG151	£ 32.50
Knitted Thinsulate Hat	One Size	857	RC31X	£ 5.00
Grand Prix Cap	One Size	846	BC159	£ 6.50

Many other products are also available so if you are looking for something specific, or just a little different, please just ask to view the catalogue. All orders will need to be paid for in full prior to orders being placed

Please note only merchandise ordered through the club from the catalogue provided may bear the official Loughborough Land Rover logo



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