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A.L.R.C. NATIONAL RALLY 2010

The 2010 A.L.R.C. National Rally is being hosted by Cornwall & Devon Land Rover Club at Newnham Park, near Plymouth over the Spring Bank Holiday weekend 29th- 31st May 2010. Entry forms can be found on their website at www.cornwallanddevon-landroverclub.co.uk and you will also find the Supplementary Regulations, clothing order form, application for trade stands and see the preparations already underway all by clicking on the 2010 NATIONAL tab on the Home page. The clock is ticking on entries and with events filling up your hosts C&D would urge you to get your entries in as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

At the time of writing no Club has yet volunteered to host the 2011 National Rally, if any Club wishes to have any information regarding running a National Rally we would be very happy to answer any questions.

Simone Birch
ALRC Secretary

Countryside Issues

The Recreational sub group of LARA has announced that the Treadlightly! Trust had been formed and registered as a charity in the UK. Funding has been provided by the Welsh Assembly Government and the Countryside Council for Wales for three years and a grant from the Vodaphone Foundation has been obtained to employ a project manager. The Trust was launched at the Motor Bike Trade Expo at the NEC and further promotion will be held at various shows including the British Indoor 4x4 Show 2010 on 21st March at Bingley Hall, Staffs.

Tony Kempster
ALRC Countryside Officer

A.L.R.C. MEETING DATES

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 10.30am. 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.

The next meeting is the Annual General Meeting when amongst other things rule changes will be decided and club nominations for Council and the Scrutineering and Off Road Committee will be announced.

S&ORC – 17th April, 11th September
Council – 12th June, 16th October

AGM / EGM – 20th March (AGM), 10th July, 13th November all 10.30am start.

Gift to Competitive Clubs

Clubs are reminded that they can collect their free gift of 2 weatherwriters at any ALRC meeting and that further weatherwriters can be purchased at £10 each. The weatherwriters are A4 portrait weatherproof writing boards and have proved to be very useful in our inclement weather when clubs are running events. A gift for the non-competitive clubs is still to be sourced.

SCRUTINEERING MATTERS

Just a reminder please that club members seeking advice should initially direct queries to their club scrutineers or local log book scrutineers with further enquiries to Simone Birch or Andrew Flanders, 3 Mortimer Hill, Tring, Herts, HP23 2JJ. 07813085325. andrewflanders@btinternet.com (not as printed in handbook).

There have been a number of changes to Cross Country events as a result of changes in the 2010 Blue Book

Challenge Events - Cross Country regulation clarification

The Motor Sports Association has issued a clarification of Regulation P24.2.1 to confirm that drivers in Challenge Events must hold an MSA competition licence (Clubman Non Race is the minimum)

Regulation P24.2.1 should therefore read:

“At events of National B status and above and all Competitive Safaris, Timed Trials, Team Recovery, Point to Point, Challenge Events and Junior Trials, Drivers must produce a Competition Licence [as detailed in Section H], and Passengers must produce a valid Club Membership Card.”

Release MSA10-011: 3 February 2010 -This communication is for general release and is authorised to hold regulatory value.

Change to MSA Blue Book for 2010 - New Regulation H.7

Competitors: Licences (H). Minimum ages. 7.1 *A competitor shall not take time off school to participate in motorsport without the prior written permission of their school.*

Parents or guardians also need to be reminded that they need to be present throughout any competitive event at which a young person is competing and not just at signing on.

MSA CHANGES - Anti spill Kit

With effect from 1st January 2010; The Common Regulations for Vehicles (Part J of the 2010 MSA Yearbook at page 157) includes a new section;

(J) 5.20.13. It is strongly recommended for all competitors participating in single venue competitions to have available at their paddock base, and for multi venue competitions to carry within their vehicle a self contained spill kit capable of effectively absorbing minor spillages of up to 1.5 litres of all vehicle fluids – oils, fuels, coolants, battery acid. Used spill kits are to be disposed of in accordance with local or National guidelines.

The following supplier is able to supply an individual spill kit for £6.95 inclusive of VAT & P&P
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Would member Clubs please note that for bulk orders of 10 or more sent to one address, we can do for £6.25 each. Our contact details are below. We accept credit cards or cheques with order.

Richard Smith (ALRC Member of MROC), SPE Ltd, 10 Kingfisher Business Park, Lakeside, Redditch, Worcs, B98 8LG Tel: 01527 529809, Fax 01527 524980 or info@spe.ltd.uk or www.spe.ltd.uk

Would inter club competitors please note as from January 2010, Staffs & Shrops LRC has added to their supplementary regulations the need for a spill kit to be carried in all vehicles for RTV, CCV and Comp Safari.

The exact wording for the requirement is:-

"Competitors will be required to carry a minimum of 7.5 litre spill kit, secured within the vehicle at all times".

S&S have made this decision as there are sensitive areas on the grounds that we use, and do not feel that the 1.5 litre spill kit that the MSA recommend is enough to cope with any potential oil spills.

There is a link on the S&S website www.saslr.com on the Scrutineering News page and the May Day Interclub page, where a 15 litre kit can be bought and split between two competitors.

Non Competitive clubs & shows.

I have now booked the ALRC stand into this year's magazine shows and the dates and/or venues may be different from those published in the last ALRC news.

Here is the new list;

May 1/3 – Gaydon Heritage Run weekend. Warwickshire.
 May 8/9 – LRO show, Driffeld showground, Yorkshire
 June 19/20 – LRO show, Bath & West showground, Shepton Mallet
 July 16/18 – LRO show, Billing Aquadrome, Northampton
 August 28/30 – LR Max show, Stoneleigh showground, Coventry.
 August 28/30 – Manby 4x4 show, Manby Motorplex, Lincolnshire
 September 11/12 – LRO show, Peterborough showground, Peterborough.

I would ideally like to have one or two competition motors at a couple of the shows to help promote the motor sport side of the ALRC. If anyone would like to display their vehicle at the above shows please contact me on 01204 396449 or email, secretary@lightweightlandroverclub.org.

Sue Foster
 Non Competitive Clubs, Shows and Displays

NEWS FROM NFU

LAND ROVER DEAL

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Sunday April 25 will be Drive It Day 2010 and such is the level of interest already that we have published a dedicated page on our website just for member clubs to advertise DID activities. Please do use this facility to promote your club's DID event - plus any other events throughout the year on the main events listing page – and please don't forget to make sure that your club listing is up to date on our Club Directory. Just go to www.fbhvc.co.uk and follow the links.

ALRC MEMBER CLUBS - Address changes for Clubs

Aylesbury LRFC – Rachel Taylor, 32 Landford Gardens, Bicester, Oxon, OX26 2NA. 01869 244894. taylorfamily3@sky.com

Hants & Berks LRO – Elton Jonsonn. Elton.Jonsonn@HBRO.co.uk

Red Rose LRC - Sue Maynard, 29 Highfield Road, Darwen, Lancs, BB3 2DN 01254 619567 / 0796 2268653. sueandsteveham@yahoo.co.uk

Somerset & Wilts LRC – George Swallowell, 60 High Street, Rode, Somerset, BA11 6PB. 01373 831437 / 07966888108. comp.sec.rtv@swlrc.co.uk

South Coast LRC – Ian Cosham, 54 Hawkins Crescent, Shoreham by Sea, West Sussex, TN21 8AU
Peak & Dukeries LRC change of URL to www.panddlrc.co.uk

A.L.R.C. MEMBER CLUB INTER CLUB EVENTS FOR 2010

ESSEX EASTER INTER CLUB 2nd/6th APRIL 2010

ESSEX LRC's interclub features a TYRO, RTV, CCV, Winch challenge, Team Recovery, Bike Trial and Comp Safari over the Easter weekend.

TYRO & Team Recovery - Friday 2nd April
CCV Trial & Winch Trial - Saturday 3rd April
RTV Trial & Bike Trial - Sunday 4th April
Comp Safari & JTV - Monday 5th April

This is the 9th Easter interclub weekend. This year it is solely promoted by Essex Land Rover Club.

The event is intended to provide a long weekend of enjoyable off road motorsport over a variety of events running throughout the Easter weekend. With events for the novice, hardened trialler and Comp Safari driver it is intended to be a relaxed event to kick starts the season and a means to prepare for the National. The event has been opened to all Land Rover and 4x4 clubs in the East of England to share resources, including both ARC and non ARC clubs.

With camping available we hope the social activity will provide as much entertainment as the motorsport. It is hoped that there will be barbeques and food available in the camping area, and a marquee will be erected as a social centre and meeting place.

For the children, there will be a bike trial one evening and a Junior Trial arranged on site – more details will be in the event programme. There will also be an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday morning and craft activities on Saturday.

The event is being staged at the Secret Nuclear Bunker in Kelvedon Hatch near Brentwood, Essex. This is a rural site so there will be limited toilets available; the more self sufficient you are the better. Details of local amenities will be provided in the welcome pack on site.

Marshals are always needed so please make yourself known if you would like to get involved. Enthusiasm is more important than experience! Contact the event organisers (see the contacts page) to volunteer.

For those of you with internet access you can view the event details and book on-line at www.elrc.info/

CORNWALL AND DEVON LRC 2 DAY CHARITY EVENT – TO BE RUN BY WYE AND WESH LAND ROVER CLUB WEEKEND 26th/27th June 2010

Wye and Welsh have kindly agreed to run the 2 day charity trial normally run by Cornwall and Devon Land Rover Club in recognition that the National falls just 4 weeks before the annual charity 2 day trial. The venue will be Maesllech Farm in Radyr South Wales. W&W wish everyone to be clear that they hosting this for C&D LRC on the basis it will be in the same format and the SR's will remain the same. W&W also want to make it clear that this is the C&D event and do not wish to take any credit for the idea which has raised such much for charity over recent years.

For the last few years, the Cornwall and Devon Land Rover Club have organised a very popular and successful 2 day Charity RTV trial, held traditionally on the last weekend in June at Newnham Park, Plymouth. This novel idea came about in an attempt to raise funds for some of their favourite charities. The event is run over two days and the rule is that teams of three drivers compete against teams from other clubs, promoting 'Standard' ALRC class vehicles and this format has attracted entries from all over the country. In 2010, C & D LRC are hosting the ALRC National Rally at Newnham Park, which will be held in May, just 4 weeks prior to their normal charity trial. Understandably, they had considered cancelling the charity trial due to the high workload and efforts of their members in running the National Event.

After they mentioned this at this year's charity trial, we from the Wye and Welsh LRC, volunteered to host the 2010 Charity 2 day RTV trial on their behalf, at a venue in South Wales. The idea was to maintain the momentum and success that C & D have attained and keeps the ball rolling in readiness for them to receive the event back in 2011.

After lots of discussion and negotiation we have now arranged to host the event at Maesllech Farm in Radyr, a couple miles north of Cardiff on Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th June 2010. Radyr is about the only venue that we'll be able to set out 20 sections apart from Clyro, which we'd like to reserve for the Basky in August. The concept and idea of the trial will remain part of C & D's contribution to the ALRC calendar, so, the date will remain the same, the format will remain the same, and the SR's will remain the same.

From the campsite, C & D usually run the event over two venues, half the competitors trial at one venue on the Saturday and then travel a couple of miles down the road to the second venue on the Sunday and compete over another ten sections. Meanwhile, the other half competes at the alternative site. All the team members' points are totalled up and the winning team is the one with the least penalties. To promote the idea that it should be a Standard RTV trial, the vehicles will comply with any ALRC Standard class from 1 to 5, although one motor may be from the Modified classes. Team members may double or triple drive, but it must be in a Standard vehicle, so if one of the motors breaks down, they are not allowed to share the Modified one.

The Wye & Welsh LRC maintain that this is Cornwall & Devon's event and do not want any credit for the idea or concept of the event that has proved so successful in raising funds for good causes, it's their baby and we would like to hand it back still intact! We're just helping them out of a tight spot. We know that the Wye & Welsh can set tough and challenging RTV trials that are popular with members of other clubs, so this is a great opportunity for W&W to host a further Inter-Club event in 2010, which means that we are looking for volunteers to lay out two separate RTV trials at Radyr for this Charity event and still allow a team to concentrate on the Basky in August.

Please consider offering your time and abilities to your Competition Secretary, Richard Hannam so that he can

plan both events to be successful and challenging.
Richard & Murray

The Charity Event booking form can be found at:
<http://www.wyeandwelshlrc.co.uk>

RED ROSE LAND ROVER CLUB WAR OF THE ROSES 2010 2/3/4th JULY 2010

A flyer advertising this event and giving booking details has been circulated recently to secretaries of member clubs

SOUTHERN ROC 2 DAY CCV TRIAL – AUGUST 7th/8th & COMP SAFARI OCTOBER 2010

The Southern Rover Owners Club is planning to hold their annual 2 day CCV trial and a Comp Safari in 2010, and would like to invite all ALRC member clubs.

The SROC annual two-day trial will be open to all ALRC competitive clubs, and will be ALRC only. It is to be held at Knowle Farm, Broadoak, Heathfield, East Sussex, again and will take place on 7th and 8th August 2010

The Comp Safari will be on 24th October 2010 at: Monkings Farm, Northiam, East Sussex
The Comp will be open to all ALRC competitive clubs, and also SCOR and Anglian Rover Owners Club.

Camping will be available at both events.

The SRs will be posted on the club web site (www.sroc.co.uk) prior to the events and will include an entry form as part of the SRs.

MIDLAND ROC

11th Majors Memorial Trial 2010 – 18th/19th September 2010 – Eastnor Deer Park, Eastnor. Booking forms and further details will be available in due course on the MROC website at www.mroc.co.uk

WYE AND WELSH LRC BASKERVILLE CHALLENGE 2010

Wye and Welsh LRC Baskerville Challenge 2010 at Baskerville Hall Hotel, Clyro Court, Clyro, nr Hay-on-Wye August 27th – 30th

Site is Approx. a 15 miles West of Hereford on the A438.

Noon Friday - Camp site opens, booking in.
Saturday – CCVT, TYRO and *Entertainment*
Sunday – RTV, TYRO and *Entertainment*
Monday – TYRO, TIME TRIAL.

The Baskerville Challenge booking form can be found at
<http://www.wyeandwelshlrc.co.uk/Baskerville%20Challenge%202010.pdf>

Also available over the weekend: **on site catering 7.00am to 8.00pm**
Swimming Pool available at times stated in The B C Brochure Entries & Camping are limited to ALRC member Clubs. Individual entries are welcome.

Caravan and camping site available, or stay in the Baskerville Hall Hotel Clyro Court for the weekend.
Bookings for Thursday & Monday Night camping / caravanning must be made on this form only to the

Wye & Welsh LRC. Booking forms are available from: - Peter Gladman, 7 Almond Drive, Cardiff, CF23 8HD
Returned by 20.08.10. If you would like confirmation of your booking, please include an SAE with your application form.

The hotel has Double Rooms, Twin Rooms, Family Rooms and Dormitories; Single Supplement. Please contact the hotel direct on 01497 820033 Fax 01497 820596 Web site: www.baskervillehall.co.uk E-mail info@baskervillehall.co.uk

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