



December 2016

# The ENL-ROC SLIDER

Monthly (Sort of) Newsletter of the East Northants Land Rover Owners' Club

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, tra-la-la-la-la la-la-la-la....

So that was 2016!

What a year! Many have asked for it never to be repeated – don't know if I'm one of them though, there were some great times! Motorbikin' through Holland in a blizzard, setting up Land Rover trials with James, touring Portugal and Spain over the summer, Download, Peterborough LRO show, Adventure Overland show and being joined by the Dutch guys, breaking a V8 on the A1 near Doncaster... wrecking a range rover gearbox on the M4 heading for Wales and cancelling the holiday... Brexit... house flooded... Lemmy, David Bowie, Alan Rickman, Victoria Wood, Paul Daniels, Mohammed Ali and Andrew Sachs all dead, (and Bugs Bunny, Daffy Duck and Sylvester the cat!)... Flood repair cost me thousands... Gearbox repair cost me thousands... V8 repair cost me even more thousands... Donald Trump is taking over the world... backed up by Vladimir Putin, Boris Johnson and Nigel Farage(!) and now they reckon we've killed nearly all the giraffes... Oh, and the last ever Land Rover with a separate ladder chassis (the Discovery 4) ended production, as, apparently, did the defender thingy.

Golly, I wonder what 2017 will bring...

Our Last Club Night at:

**The Chequers pub in Yelden - MK44 1AW.**

is the one coming up this Wednesday – December 14<sup>th</sup> (Lisa and Simon are moving away to Bournemouth at short notice).

**But...**

We are having a **Christmas Buffet** at a very reasonable £5 per head. Trophies, raffle, prizes, food, drink, great company... see you there! ☺

Cheers,  
Mark

# Shows News:

Please see the attached 2017 calendar for proposed fixtures, all 17 of 'em!...

Other changes will be the appointment of a 'person on the ground' (POG) for each show when I can't make it, which is something I meant to instigate this year but it drifted past me a bit. The POG will be expected run the on the ground stuff and tackle any queries as the show approaches and generally be a POG for the club and its members. Default POG will be me, I expect, except when it isn't. Then it might be you. POG.

# Trials News:

The next trial is at:

CLIPSTON on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

**Not part of the annual trophy race- it's just for fun!** (They said) Which doesn't make much sense to me because a) Trials are for fun, surely, and b) It's fun anyway!

Unless those are both the same point. In which case it's just a). Or it could be b). You decide.

It's on an open permit, by the way, so rock up in whatever you like and have a go if you think you're adventurous enough. Scrutineering starts at 9.00am prompt!

£20 a driver, cars can have multiple drivers aged 14yrs and over and spectators are free.

And there's a best hat competition with prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>!

That's your Sunday before Xmas sorted then! ☺

In late news Lincolnshire LRC are also holding a trial on Jan 15<sup>th</sup>:

## **THE LINCOLNSHIRE LAND ROVER CLUB PRESENTS THE BARRIE MURDOCH MEMORIAL TRIAL WICKENBY AIRFIELD AND WOODS SUNDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JAN 2017**



**By Kind permission of the Land  
Owners Geoff Hill and Martin Farley**

**Grid ref:** TF102802

**Postcode district:** LN3 5AX

**Lat:** 53:28:24N (53.3068)

**Lon:** 0:02:42W (-0.03451)

Take the B1202 from Wragby or Mkt Rasen to Holton cum Beckering. Turn off onto the B1399 (Fulnetby/Rand) for 1 mile. Entrance is past the site.

**£20 PER ENTRY ALL PROFITS TO AIR AMBULANCE  
Clerks of the Course Jim Bradford and Chris Murdoch**

**Burger van and toilets on site. Camping available (no  
water – please take waste home)**

**\*Scrutineering:- 08:00- 9:15**

**\*Drivers Briefing:- 9:20 am**

**\*First Section:- 9:30 am**

**PLEASE NOTE EARLIER TIMES FOR THIS EVENT**

**THIS EVENT IS INCLUDED IN THE LINCS CHAMPIONSHIP**

**MARSHALS ARE REQUIRED PLEASE**

**The Barrie Murdoch Memorial Trial is coming up once again. Please join us to  
remember our friend in the best way possible and one he would have whole heartedly  
approved of.**

**Members of other ALRC clubs welcome.**

## **A Land Appeal:**

Do you know anyone who has got Land upon we which can Rove? Something lumpy is best, just for trials, not for wrecking. We pay cash and have our own insurance! And we promise to be nice to it. ☺

## **Yarwell Pay 'n' Play:**

Apologies – I'll have to send a separate thing out about this next weekend because I need to get this thing published tonight...

## **Surprise of the Month:**

I'm looking into a club entry for this... up to 8 vehicles and 16 passes, camping is £30 for 2 nights for exhibitor's vehicles and £40 for 3 nights so let me know if you are interested. More nights are more money, Surprise though, eh?

It's the weekend after Kelmarsh. ☺

**BILLING**  
OFF ROAD SHOW

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- LIVE MUSIC
- CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA
- ONSITE CAMPING

# BILLING

## OFF ROAD SHOW

**JULY 28TH-30TH 2017**

**THE ORIGINAL** Billing Land Rover Show is now at  
**The Billing Off Road Experience, NN7 1AL**  
*(adjacent to Billing Aquadrome in Northamptonshire).*

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Organised by The Billing Off Road Experience

**Shop:**

Bit quiet... :/

# True Life Section:



# Good Advice Section:

**Going to save some of you some money this time** – I have just renegotiated my electricity and gas with my existing supplier and saved a projected £350 over the next 20 months and moved to a fixed tariff. It took 15 minutes on a Freephone number. Have a chat with your supplier and save a few quid, but do it soon – everything is changing...

Also, if you are married and one half earns less than 8K and the other less than 40K there is money to be made back on your tax to the tune of £220 a year because the low earner can give some of their tax allowance to their spouse. **The low earner has to apply**, best done online at the .gov.uk website thingy and it took Trish 2 minutes to do. It can be backdated for last year as well, so that's another £400 quid-odd saved. 3 million eligible taxpayers aren't claiming it! Make sure you aren't one of them.

# Kev's Beer Weekend Section:

## **BEER BREAK!**

**OCTOBER 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>**

### **BATEMAN'S BREWERY, WAINFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE**

On arrival at the brewery site we booked in and found a camping pitch and promptly set up the caravan whilst the kettle boiled and waiting for Rose and Colin to arrive, with Nic and Mark arriving that evening.

The Friday evening meal was obtained from the local chip shop in the town and Saturday morning most people walked into town to look at the shops and reserve a table for evening meal.

Saturday afternoon was taken up with a tour of the brewery with a free half pint in the bar afterwards, as there was five of us and five different beers we had half pint of each and did our own tasting session.

Saturday evening was spent at the local hotel/pub for a meal and drink - very nice - followed by the walk back to campsite (approx 6 minutes unless train due at station).

Sunday was pack away and take photographs of the buildings and display in the courtyard before Rose and Colin left for home. The rest of us stayed for Sunday lunch [carvery] very nice could not do desert [stuffed]!

camping costs per night  
tent from £8  
caravan/motorhome £10  
electric hook up £2.50

looking at doing this again in 2017 - more info nearer the time! ☺

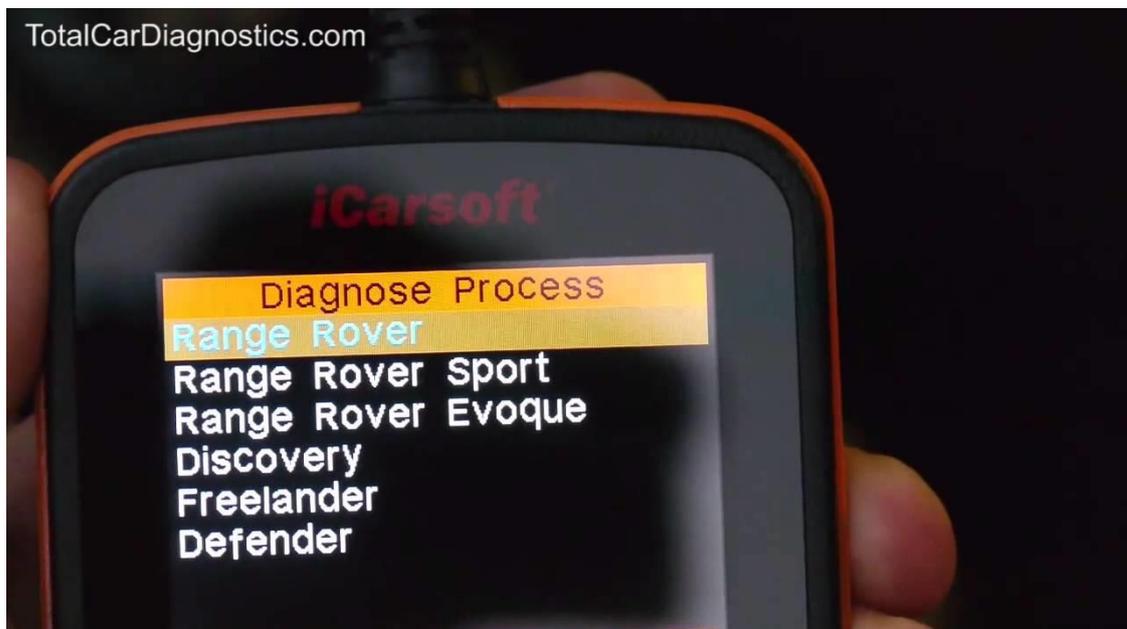
# By Royal Appointment Section:

Check out the driver.... Yes it is!



## Good Kit Section:

I have bought one of these – it'll diagnose and clear fault codes on all 1998 – 2015 Land Rovers from P38 to D4 and all others in between including TD5 onwards Defenders, and it works! Gimme a shout if you need anything finding or switching off... ©





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**iCarsoft i930. Affordable Jaguar and Land Rover Diagnostics**

## **Gail's Land Rover Craft Studio Calendars and Thingys:**

Gail is making thingys with Land Rovers on them!

Calendars, note books, stationary and moving! (when you move them).

Get in touch with Gail for your thingys now!

They're personalised. 😊

## **Newsletter Supplement:**

Next week. Too much to get in here this month, so watch out for the Not the January Newsletter – available in your email inboxes in about seven to ten days! 😊

# Committee Contacts:

Committee members should only be contacted between 9:00am-9:00pm for club business, please, and we would be grateful if you would not pass on these contact details to people outside ENLROC without first asking permission from the individual in question.

All contact details are due for an ENLROC website/email update, however, and will probably change shortly, so there is no point in memorising them at the moment. I'll tell you when you can though...

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