

SLROC NOOZE LETTER

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Aldeburgh, Suffolk Photo By Charlotte Field

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COMING UP...

(All events are subject to confirmation by club committee)

31st May 1st June – Suffolk Show Trinity Park

10th June – Marshall Training & Camp Over

11th June – Tyro Winch Trial

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Chat from the Chair...

There's always a better way

Once upon a time.....back in March (was it only March? Hell it seems longer), I promised to expand on what we, as a club are doing, and how we are looking to evolve. I also need to make you aware of a couple of changes.

For those that actually read these ramblings hopefully you will see a theme with each month following on from the previous. If you don't read them and stop here, I can't really help that!

The easy bit – A change

From this month on the committee meeting minutes will not be included within 'Nooze'. Here you will fall into one of two camps; a) the why not camp or b) the couldn't care less camp. Well for those that are interested in the why not, the rationale behind this is simple. Nooze is the club's public facing newsletter and as a result this would allow Members privy information to be public – to say this is far from ideal is an understatement. For that reason, the minutes will be sent as a separate attachment, either to the Nooze email or as a separate email depending on time constraints – Nooze will not be held up for the sake of minutes! Equally, we won't delay in circulating minutes.

The observant amongst you will note that the June driving day, is not a driving day but a trial. The exact details of this are yet to be established and whether any part of the courses will be open for regular driving is dependent on the number of Marshals available.....Read on.

The could be challenging bit – Requests for support and help

Marshals are essential in the running of our events, be it regular club days or off-site activities and as many of you are aware there is a mandatory set of requirements from an IOPD / MSA (our governing bodies) and our insurers. *There are others on the committee that know more about this than I do 😊*.

What I do know is, it's not optional and in order to continue being able to run the events we MUST meet certain criterion. One of these criteria is for our marshals is to actively participate in a number of events in a given 12-month period in order to remain 'current. Further, there have been several events where we've barely had sufficient marshals to run. We've managed so far but please understand we've been close to having to postpone / cancel some events due to insufficient marshals.

Matt is organising a marshal training session in June, please make every effort to attend this, and the subsequent driving day. We are trying something different as attendance to driving day events has typically been low but I'm keen to make sure no-one is

excluded and as such there is something available for everyone. We will communicate further post the Suffolk Show.

Shows are an integral part of the club and typically our shows are 'active' which as many of you know take an inordinate amount of effort from all those that volunteer. These shows are great for the raising of our charity funds but do little for the increasing of our membership and even today, after the club has been around for 29 years we hear – "didn't know you existed" from local fellow land rover enthusiasts.

That, combined with there being a new opportunity for a Static Display at Stonham Barns Land Rover Show later in the year got us thinking about Static Shows and whether we should attend in order to 'promote' the club, both from a charity perspective and with a view to gaining additional members.

That said, we need volunteers for this. James Prentice is taking charge of the Stonham event and establishing a 'Static set-up' to fit in a boot so we don't have to cart the show trailer around.

However, we need volunteers to attend the Framlingham (August) and Henham (Sept) events. Without volunteers we'll have to eat humble pie and say no we can no longer attend. If you are interested, willing and able please get in touch with me directly ASAP.

I think I explained in my first chat – we are all here for a common reason, different varieties of that reason and frankly if we want the club to survive, we have to do something, perhaps many things different.....What that something different is we haven't fully worked out yet, let's not try and solve that just now.

If you've got here, well done, keep reading.....

The Hard bit – What next / timeline

There are two immediate items that affect what the club looks like and how the club operates;

1) The Site

In respect of the site, thank you again to all the members that helped tidy, clear and fettle the site, it truly is a vast improvement and if we look back it probably wasn't given the attention it deserved in the past. That said, we can make sure we keep on top of such works going forwards.

The next step here is to have the follow up meeting with our landlords towards the end July / beginning of August. We will be sure to keep you updated post this meeting.

2) Club finances

You will be aware that as a club we have two significant primary costs before we get into the day to day running costs, that of the site rent and our insurance.

Today, our membership subscriptions do not cover our baseline costs and as a result we rely on 'event income' to top-up the accounts.

We are looking closely at the 'year-on-year' costs and you will see we've put a finance review in for July to establish our position in terms of predicted finances for the year and whether the forecast for the financial year looks sustainable.

You will remember last month I spoke about reviewing and renewing our insurance, this did result in a saving of approx. £250 by taking out 'unused events'. The way the insurance works is simple – each event has a cost associated with it. As a VERY rough guide if we half the events, we half the insurance (excluding broker fees and tax etc).....Ummm, brain ticking over here.

We are continuing to review the charity event running costs which can be accurately and justifiably apportioned to the charity monies raised in order to ensure members are not 'propping up' the charity events. This has to be auditable and justifiable for obvious reasons. Equally, we cannot use charity funds to 'top-up' and fund the clubs site rent unless of course we happen to hold a specific event at the site for the benefit of our charities.....brain going into overdrive now!!

Herein, is the immediate timeline which along with the two key items above (which drive what happens next), starts to show what happens behind the scenes and hence we need volunteers, we need members to come forward, show interest, attend events and help.

We'll continue to evolve this going forwards. With that said, it's been another one of those days where I now need to catch up with the day's work!!

Oh hang on, nearly forgot there's just a little forthcoming show to deal with.....I might see you there.

Finally, we are delighted to have Hammonds Recovery as our show sponsor for the next 3 years whom have provided some very nice orange polo-shirts. More on this next month.

As always, please do reach out with any comments / thoughts.

Jeremy



Marshal Training Day

June 10th at Newbourne

At the very heart of the Suffolk Land Rover Owners club are our experienced and invaluable Marshals who enable us to continue to run events safely – simply put, without Marshals our events do NOT run!

To ensure that we can continue to run events, and have adequate coverage over the whole year, we need to increase the number of qualified Marshals that we have in the club.

To that end, we are holding a **Marshal Training Course** on **10th June** and would invite both members who have been Marshals before (*but qualification has lapsed*), and members who have never taken the step to learn what it's all about!

The Marshal course covers many aspects of our club operation and also Driving and Safety, including safe Winch use - key topics covered are:

- Roles of the Marshal & Clerk of Course
- Safety inspection of vehicles (scrutineering)
- Recovery equipment and procedures
- Winch operation and safety overview for recoveries
- Driver education - Off-road driving techniques

The course covers some great theory items in the form of classroom/presentation work, and then the main bulk of the day is practical - putting into action everything covered in the classroom, including undertaking safe recoveries, and performing some driving on the courses.

The course will run from **10:00** to around **15:00**, and if you're camping over, you will have the opportunity to use your newly learned skills the following day.

There will be **NO** charge for this training, and as others can testify from previous courses held, there is a lot of valuable things to learn during the day, so it's well worth while – you're guaranteed to learn something new and useful!

Please drop me a short email to safety@slroc.uk.com to express your interest in attending this course.

Many thanks

Matt

Fairwell 'Ol Friend'

For newer members this tired poor old thing of a Rangy is just a scrapper (it is to be frank!)

But To Some other members this old rotten shell of what was once a Range Rover has so many good memories.

Fond memories of winching & training events, pulling it, pushing it, rolling it and generally abusing it. It was indeed a faithful servant.

But sadly her time has come to be put to rest in that scrap yard in the sky. Fair well ole friend.

Big thanks to Tony & Tom for organising the departure of our ol friend and the remaining scrap.



Events Calendar

Key:	Club Event	Competition*	Club Show	Other
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Event		CoC
May 31 st	Suffolk Show	Pat Corps
June 1 st		
Jun 10 th	Marshal Training & camp over	Matt Hurst
Jun 11 th	Tyro winch trial	Mark French
July 8 th	Heveningham Show	Pat Corps
July 9 th		
July 15 th	Maintenance Day & camp over	
July 16 th	Club Driving Day	
July 22 nd	Set up and Camp over (Allen Brickworks)	Tim Dyer
July 23 rd	CCVT, Punch Hunt (Allen Brickworks)	Mark French
Aug 5 th	Festival of wheels	Pat Corps
Aug 6 th		
Aug 12 th	Set up and Camp over (Newbourne)	
Aug 13 th	Tyro RTV (Road Taxed Vehicles)	Mark French
Aug 19 th /20 th	Framlingham country show (static)	TBD
Sept 2 nd	Marshal Training & camp over	Matt Hurst
Sept 3 rd	Club Driving Day	
Sept 14 th	75 th Anniversary of Land Rover	
Sept 16/17 th	Grand Henham Steam Rally (Static)	TBD
Sept 23 rd	Set up and camp over (Allen Brickworks)	
Sept 24 th	Winch Trial (Allen Brickworks)	Mark French
Oct 7 th / 8 th	Stonham Barns Land Rover Show	TBD
Oct 21 st	Camp over & social	
Oct 22 nd	Club Driving Day	



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SUFFOLK SHOW

Wednesday May 31st – Thursday 1st June



Please see Latest Email for more details or contact Jeremy / Pat for further info.



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Coast to Coast

What do you get if you put 320 miles, some land rovers, 4am wake up calls and a LOT of mud together?! You get a weekend of laughs, lanes (a few questionable) and beautiful scenery.

Coast to Coast 2023 saw a few of us drive from Swaffham up to Hunstanton, then back down again, finishing off at on day two on the beach at Aldeburgh.

The trip included a nights camping at the Whitwell and Reepham station with of course the obligatory rain! The food was good, alcohol better but unless you wanted a cold shower it was definitely a wet wipe weekender! Some of the lanes are a tad on the narrow side and slightly overgrown so if you're after a new zebra paint job they are definitely the place to go as James disco displays!

Day one even had some landscaping thrown in clearing a fallen tree from the lane so we could continue on and for others. On a bit more of serious note, unfortunately a couple of the lanes on day two weren't great due to late night idiots churning them up, these lanes are now in the process of being reported to the Greenlane Association.

Apart from those two lanes the other lanes were great, there's even a bit of beach driving thrown in too. It's a great weekend with plenty of lanes to enjoy, a few fords to cross and even a private garden to drive through just for good measure! Definitely one to add to the list to do :)

Charlotte Field



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Call Jay on 07734928363



NON CLUB EVENTS

Dear All,

I am writing to invite members of the SLROC to bring their Land Rovers to a Steam Railway Day with a difference. The date is Sunday 2nd July. The owners can bring their pride and joy for an outing to Brockford Station, Wetheringsett.

Exhibitors are entitled to free entry to the museum and rides on the trains. There will be teas and coffee provided.

The museum has a Tea Room, shop and Real Ale bar.

Those who wish to exhibit their Land Rover need to register on the link below as space is somewhat limited.

<https://www.mslr.org.uk/land-rover-day/>



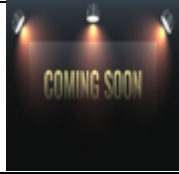







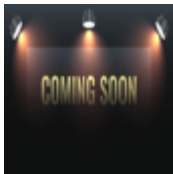
More about the museum can be found on our website <https://www.mslr.org.uk/>

I do hope that some of the members can come and enjoy a day of nostalgia at Suffolk's only Standard Gauge Heritage Railway.

Best regards,

Ian Meigh

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Please note: Some of the committee members have requested that details of their addresses are not published within the newsletter for personal reasons. Please do not let this put you off contacting any of the committee, they will be only too glad to receive phone calls (as long as they are at a reasonable time of day, say no later than 2130).

The committee respects the privacy of each and every club member, and to that end, we do not give out details of club members to any other organisation.

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NEXT NOOZE ENTRIES IN BY 15TH OF JUNE

Club Shop

SLROC CLUB SHOP Clothing, Stickers, etc. All clothing is available to order in a range of sizes and colours, just ask! Prices are correct at time of going to print but may be subject to change.



- T-Shirt £16.00**
- Polo Shirt £18.00**
- Sweatshirt £20.00**
- Hoodie £22.00**
- Contrast Hoodie £24.00**
- Grizzly Fleece £32.00**
- Chunky Zoodie £33.00**
- Onesie £33.00**
- Contrast Onesie £33.00**
- Children's T-Shirt £11.00**
- Children's Polo Shirt £14.00**
- Children's Fleece £21.00**
- Children's Hoodie £17.00**
- Children's Hi-Viz Vest £4.00**
- Cuffed Beanie £11.00**
- 5-Panel Cap £11.00**
- Door / Panel Sticker £4.00**
- Small Sticker £1.00**
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- 2M Bridle Price on Application**
- 5M Rope Price on Application**
- 7M Rope Price on Application**
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The Club Shop is at most events, and items are also available from:
Spencer White: - Email: clubshop@slroc.uk.com
Please get in touch if you wish to collect items from a Show.

The Newbourne Club Site

The club has its very own off-road driving site which we use monthly for weekend events, and competitions.

The site is situated to the east of Ipswich, near to the village of Newbourne and can be found with the post code **IP12 4PA**.

What Three Words (WTW): cupboards.dribble.scrubber

Strict rules must be adhered to when using the site, to protect the safety of all users. Please keep your speed down around the village, and especially on the access track which has a 5mph limit.

See you there!

