



Richard's G601WAC

G-WAC Notes

A News sheet for those who are interested in the early Land Rover Discoverys



Ian's G480WAC

August 2010 Notes

I seem to get later and later with these notes each month, but the gardening and hedge trimming will soon be over so that I can keep on top of my hobby.

Roy

Car show at Mount Edgcombe Estate.

August 1st

Six DOC Discoverys attended this one day show. Very good by all accounts, despite the rather inclement weather.

The Discos generated a lot of interest, with several people unaware that there was an Owners Club.

I handed out plenty of 21st Birthday flyers to interested Discovery owners.

Many thanks to all who came along to make the day.



Ian Williams.

Plymouth weekend mentioned in the Land Rover press

Party for the Disco

by Ian Williams

THE LAND Rover Discovery Owners Club are holding a celebration weekend to commemorate 21 years of the iconic Discovery.

The original Press Launch was held on Plymouth Hoe, back in October 1989, and we have permission from Plymouth City Council to return this year on 16-17 October, 2010.

Mount Edgcombe Country Estate, South Devon Steam Railway and The Two Bridges Hotel on Dartmoor were also visited during the 1989 weekend, and we are returning to those venues during the weekend as well.

You don't have to be a Club member, just own a Discovery. What's more, the whole

weekend is free.

For more information, call Ian on 07771 882622 days or 01579 384968 evenings and weekends. www.discoveryownersclub.org



LRM August issue page 214 has given nearly half a page to Ian William's flyer for the Plymouth weekend.

On page 258 Ian Rawlings gets a mention by Frank Elson. Frank owns G470WAC.

LRO advertises the Plymouth weekend on page 150

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Well what can I say about my G-WAC... I bought her off e-bay for £550, not sure what I was buying as I was looking for a workhorse, which she is.

You would not believe what I have put in/on/ and around her (*I think we would. ed*) including towing anything, horses, cars, boats. If anyone needs something moved they seem to come to me!



Her name is now 'the G-Wacker', a nickname introduced by my friend 'Spud' and now said by everyone (Richard Edwards, a Land Rover man through & through). She was in a bad way; rust inner and outer sills, boot floor, inner wings and all the usual things for an old Disco.

I went out and bought myself a welder and went to work. Two weeks later and a lot of burns and dirty fingernails I took her down to the MOT station. All went well and I got a pass certificate (just) with a few recommendations!

All I would say is that it is a shame the way I treat her, so I am now looking for a Defender 110 and maybe will take her off the road and bring her back to her former glory.

Richard Haynes

Land Rover Max Show at Stoneleigh 28th – 29th August

This is a new venue, as far as I know, and I will be there with 526 and the Discovery Owners Club will have the 5 door pre-pro G226EAC on display.

Roy

Plymouth.16th –17th October

With only a few weeks to go, laid out below is the expected programme for the Celebration Weekend:

Saturday 16th October

Meet on The Hoe, Plymouth, PL1 2NZ, at 9.00-9.30am.

Register your name and address and park as instructed.

Depart around 12.30pm. Travel via the Torpoint Ferry, to Mount Edgcombe Estate, PL10 1HZ. Expected arrival time 2.00pm.

Depart Mount Edgcombe, approx 4.30pm

Social Evening at The Holland Inn, Callington Road, Hatt, Saltash. PL12 6PJ. 7.00 for 7.30pm.

Sunday 17th October

Meet at the Tesco Superstore, Lee Mill, Plymouth, PL21 9PE. 9.00-9.30am. Depart 10.00am sharp.

Expected arrival time at South Devon Steam Railway, TQ11 0DZ. 10.00-10.30am.

Depart approx 1.00-1.30pm.

Travel via Dartmoor scenic drive to Two Bridges Hotel, Princetown, PL20 6SW. Expected arrival time 3.00pm. Depart at your leisure.

The above is correct at this present time. Alterations may be made if required. Route directions and basic maps will be printed out and distributed on the morning of both days.

If you need any more information, call me on 01579 384968 or 07771 882622.

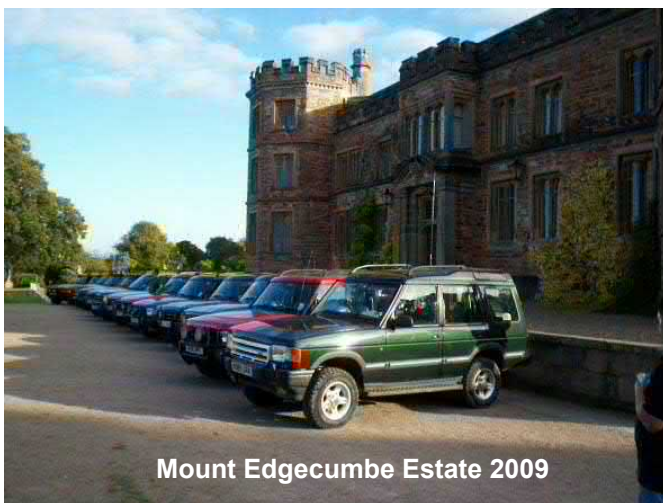
Saturday 16th Buffet/Social

We have 30 confirmed guests for this event and the venue (Holland Inn) is now booked. It is intended to hold a raffle for a couple of charities during this evening and tickets will be on sale all day.

Mail Order 4x4 and Tamar 4x4 are in the process of donating items; I have contacted Land Rover to see if they are interested in coming along or even donating a prize

Roger Young's, the local Land Rover Dealership has donated two Land Rover umbrellas and (the icing on the cake): - A voucher for a Half Day's Land Rover Experience, venue of your choice for two

Ian



480 for sale

I have listed 480 on Ebay, the reserve on there is £3495, not that I expect it to go, but again it will test the waters on the value of our cars.

She really could go and if anyone wants to make me a sensible offer then she could be a nice Christmas present for you.

Other than that I'll tuck her away for the winter in her nice cosy garage.

Ian

Current known owners. @ August

B62 COH & C60 JKG	Phill Bashall (The Dunsfold Collection)
C742HUH	Charles Whitaker.
G41 VHA	Simon Tinkler
G67 RYJ	Peter King
G226EAC	Discovery Owners Club
G279WAC	Neal
G302WAC	Sandy Andrews
G310WAC	Mark Simpson
G311WAC	Ivor Ramsden
G316WAC	David Cox
G406WAC	Andy Baker.
G410WAC	Robin Jeffery
G457WAC	Mark Wheatley
G463WAC & G480WAC	Ian Rawlings.
G465WAC & G526WAC	Roy Preston.
G469WAC & G524WAC	Lee Barnett
G470WAC	Frank Elson.
G477WAC	Sold by Dean Steadman to new owner in Wiltshire.
G478WAC & G610WAC	Meghan & Gary Timmins
G482WAC	Jeremy Jackson
G486WAC	John Capewell.
G488WAC	Clive Richfield
G490WAC	Rob Ivins
G510WAC	Nick Prior
G511WAC	Colin Crossley
G534WAC	Nicholas Webb
G563WAC	David Spirett
G601WAC	Richard Haynes
G603WAC	Ian Redfern.
G635WAC	Alec Gatherer
G711YRY	Peter Hares
G834FPR	Sue Harvey
G987LKU	Andy Greer
H776POJ	Duncan Campbell
H871EWK	Mark Hardwick
3656 TW 24	Keith S L Daffern. (France)

Other known cars

G401WAC, G466WAC, G496WAC, G521WAC, G525WAC, G602WAC, G640WAC



G-WAC Notes on website

Brian Radford of Northmead 4x4 is keeping up to date with his copy of the Notes on his website.

All the back issues are there from the start in May 2007.

He also has another website to advertise Classic Rallies and shows.

Have a look at the sites

www.northmead4x4.co.uk/gwac_discoverys.htm

www.classicrallies.co.uk/index.htm

406 on a mission of mercy in 1990

I was going through some outstanding papers for my neighbour Bob, and came across a newspaper cutting about a Citroen car that he was interested in. The paper was neatly cut round the article but as I turned it over to see if the date was visible I came across a picture of 406.



The newspaper was Auto Express dated 27th February 1990, just after the overthrow of Nicolae Ceausescu, Romania's communist leader, and it described a 2,000-mile journey to Romania by a team from Auto Express who were taking medical supplies to the Oranesc General Hospital a hundred-mile trip from Bucharest up the mountains.

There may be more pictures of 406 in the article, but because the cutting was for the Citroen article on the other side of the page, this picture is all I have. Perhaps back copies of the paper can be obtained

Janet Smart

603 at the Chilli Farm Country Fair

603 and the family attended our second show, this being the Chilli Farm Country Fair in Coldred, Dover on July 31st - August 1st.

A great day and much interest being shown. We had a prominent spot and many people came over and had a chat.



Both The Kent Land Rover Club and the Invicta Land Rover Club were in attendance and showed off some winching skills in the arena.

Like the last show we did there were many classic cars, lorries, tractors and steam. The kids were kept amused with horse and cart rides and funfair.

There was the only remaining Rover Maestro AA van left in the country on show, and from what the owner says it may well be going to the AA's Heritage Collection because they don't even own one! Less than 20 years ago there were hundreds on the road.

Ian Redfern

French Discovery 3656 TW 24

I read your G-WAC Notes with interest. I have a Discovery LHD Chassis No. SALLJGBF8GA423480, which I bought at the Auction at Measham in 1991. It was entered by Land Rover with less than 300 km on the clock.



There was some damage to the right hand front wing that had been very professionally replaced, in fact the whole vehicle was as new, and the instruction manual etc was in Spanish.

I bought it through my son's company in November 1991 and still have a copy of the invoice, which shows the registration number as G5321 DHP

It has now covered 348,000 km and is still in very good condition, with the exception of the Steering Box and Power Steering Pump.

I bought a LHD because we came to live in France in December 1991. If you ever come to this area, come and see us.

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