



Mark's G477WAC

G-WAC Notes

From the Project Jay Preservation Group

A News Sheet for those who are interested in the factory registered G-WACs.



Roy's G478WAC

January 2020

Another G-WAC found this month. G72 WAC is a 110 owned by James Davidson, perhaps he will tell us about her next month?

With no more G-WAC Discoverys emerging, the search for the factory registered G-BKV Discoverys goes on.

Two known BKVs are currently being restored/preserved. G580BKV and G601BKV, and a third has just come out of storage to be made a runner this year.

Collected from Devon this month, (guess where she has been hiding?) 628 is a rare Pennine Grey colour and is now under cover ready for the good weather to come to make a start on a full inspection.



Publicity for the PJPG

It was a good move electing a Press and Publicity Officer at the inaugural meeting of the group in 2018.


Dan took on the task from January 2019 and introduced himself to the editors of the Land Rover press. For the first three months he also produced the members-only monthly newsletter, Jay News, but due to work and other commitments, he stood down at the end of March.

Ian then took on the P&PO role but shied away from producing the newsletter.

Since April he has been in touch with the editors of the Classic Car press and has had a number of successes in introducing their readers to the 30-year-old Discovery, as an emerging classic.



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Gear selection on 'Blackie'

Blackie is what I call my winter wheels. A 1993 200Tdi 3-door in black. L680YVV. The runt of the fleet, but still looks good in black alongside my three shinies.

Fitted with Kumho Road Venture MT 205/80R16 tyres for the winter, she is sometimes used by my son for his trips in the forests in connection with his hobby of timekeeping and radio control at car rallies.

Something went wrong with the gear lever as the bias was to the 1st and 2nd side of the gate rather than the 3rd and 4th side. Selecting 1st and 2nd gear was easy but it made selecting 3rd and 4th a bit of a guess. Perhaps one of the bias springs had broken?

Access to the bias springs is from the top of the box but removing the centre console to get there is a fiddly job. Stripping out the radio, the gear lever and handbrake gaiters and the console is not too difficult, but I found that drilling out the 13 pop rivets holding down the large gaiter retainer was not as easy as I expected.



The tops of the rivets drilled off easily enough and the gaiter retainer came away quite easy, but some of the rivets were left in the body because they had squeezed both below and above the body shell. I had to resort to the angle grinder with a thin blade to remove them.



However, on inspection of the bias springs, they were both in place and not broken!! I referred to the workshop manual for help and read that the bias spring plate could be adjusted to set the springs in the correct place. This done, it cured the fault but after a few movements of the lever to check it out, the bias was lost again.

The bias plate, part number FRC9340, was cracked and kept bending away from the spring. With a new plate from my local indie, Maddison 4x4, the job was done.



Rather than pop rivet the large gaiter in place, I decided that some spire nuts and screws would be better than rivets. With my hands now showing signs of age, I have great difficulty squeezing a 3/16 pop rivet anyway!!



The spire of the best size is part number AK608141L, (nut-spring-u type) as used in the boot on the load space cover block, and when screwed through the gaiter retainer with suitable self-tappers it does the job.

Roy.

Some shows for 2020

Patrick, the events co-ordinator for the Project Jay Preservation Group has put together a list of shows for the members to consider. With the spread of members from Newcastle to East Anglia, to Devon and Wales, there is somewhere for all to show their Jay.

A number of shows that are noted in black type have already been selected and the stand organiser nominated. Further shows for consideration are in blue type.

With limited space at the Practical Classics Classic Car & Restoration Show at the NEC in March, the stand is already full and will have on show the stripped down 477, and the fully restored 478 together with two other Jays.

Copies of these Notes and the Discovery Owners Club magazine, Discourse, will be available at all our shows, together with membership application forms.

March

27th-29th PCCC&RS. NEC

April

12th-13th Easter Motor Show. Weston Park, Near Telford, Shropshire
19th Great British Land Rover Show. Newark

May

9th-10th Gaydon
15th-17th Welsh Festival of Land Rovers. Builth Wells. LD2 3SY
24th-25th East of England Festival of Motoring. Peterborough

June

6th-7th Legends, Thruxton Circuit
13th-14th Classic Land Rover Gathering. Grange Farm, Wansford. Stamford.
20th-21st Bristol Classic Car show. Royal Bath & West Showground, BA4 6QN
21st Lakes Classic Car Show. Ambleside
27th-28th Billing Off-Road Show

July

5th Midland Rover Run. Cosford Aero Museum
12th Beaulieu. Simply Land Rover.
25th Festival of the Unexceptional. Grimsthorpe Castle. Bourne
26th Ripon Old Cars

August

7th-9th Purbreck Rally. Wareham, Dorset
16th Northumberland Classic Gathering. Tynedale Park
30th-31st Notts Classic Car Show. Thoresby Park, Ollerton.

September

12th-13th Peterborough LRO Show

October

17th-18th Birthday party Plymouth
27th Stoneleigh Restoration Show

November

7th-8th Bristol CC & Restoration Show. Royal Bath & West Showground BA4 6QN
13th-15th Lancaster Classic Motor Show. NEC
23rd Great British Land Rover Show. Stoneleigh

If you would like to show your Jay on our stand at one of the shows, come and join the PJPJG at <https://www.pjpg.co.uk/join-pjpg>



Current known owners of G-WAC registered Land Rovers. January 2020

For the launch or the Discovery there were 86 cars registered on 01.10.89 from G451WAC to G537WAC, with the exception of G500WAC. Only 22 are known to survive

G457WAC	Tdi	GA382997	Corallin red	Richard Varrall
G459WAC	V8	GA383001	Davos white	(The Dunsfold Collection)
G461WAC	Tdi	GA381742	Caracal black	Sold
G463WAC	Tdi	GA381744	Davos white	Ian Rawlings. (Camel training Hack)
G465WAC	Tdi	GA381747	Marseilles blue	Jack Straw
G469WAC	V8	GA381755	Windjammer blue	Jon Chester
G470WAC	V8	GA381740	Windjammer blue	Rob Stewart
G477WAC	Tdi	GA385690	Zanzibar silver	Mark Harrow
G478WAC	V8	GA385691	Foxfire red	Roy Preston
G480WAC	V8	GA385693	Davos white	David Ashburner
G482WAC	V8	GA385695	Davos white	David Ashburner
G486WAC	V8	GA385699	Caracal black	David Ashburner
G488WAC	V8	GA385703	Davos white	Robert Blanchard (USA)
G490WAC	V8	GA381737	Mistrale blue	Haddow Hales-Lavercombe
G494WAC	V8	GA387686	Mistrale blue	Mark Harrow. (Camel training Hack)
G496WAC	Tdi	GA387688	Mistrale blue	Rob Ivins
G510WAC	V8	GA387692	Arken grey	John Davies
G511WAC	Tdi	GA389225	Arken grey	Colin Crossley
G524WAC.	Tdi	GA389241	Marseilles blue	David Ashburner
G526WAC	Tdi	GA389243	Marseilles blue	Roy Preston
G531WAC	Tdi	GA393354	Davos white	Ashley Culling
G534WAC	V8	GA393359	Zanzibar silver	James Brackenbury

Other Land Rover models with the G-WAC registration numbers

G72 WAC (LR110)	Tdi	Green	James Davidson
G84 WAC (LR90)	Tdi	White	Mike Smallbone
G87 WAC (LR90)	Tdi	Green	Chris Sims
G93 WAC (LR90)	V8	Grey	Steve Hattersley
G97 WAC (LR90)	Tdi	Green	Ted Billington
G175WAC (RR)	Tdi	Green	Julian Lamb
G179WAC (RR)	V8	Silver	Roger Fell
G180WAC (RR)	V8	Red	Guy Butler-Henderson
G247WAC (LR110)	Tdi	Green	Owner unknown
G302WAC (D)	V8	Blue	Sold
G308WAC (D)	V8	Blue	Robin Gray
G310WAC (D)	V8	Blue	Mark Simpson
G311WAC (D)	V8	Blue	Ivor Ramsden
G312WAC (D)	V8	Blue	Jochen Baldamus
G314WAC (D)	V8	Red	Owner unknown
G316WAC (D)	V8	Silver	David Maingot
G323WAC (D)	V8	Blue	Colin Crookston
G347WAC (LR110)	Tdi	Brown	Ron Boston
G361WAC (RR)	V8	Blue	Julian Lamb
G395WAC (D)	Tdi	Green	Sean Coleman
G405WAC (D)	Tdi	Blue	Harry Harrison
G406WAC (D)	Tdi	White	Keith Britton
G410WAC (D)	V8	Blue	Alan Young
G553WAC (LR90)	Tdi	Red	Gary Smallbone
G563WAC (D)	Tdi	Red	David Spirrett
G584WAC (RR)	V8	Blue	Sharon Paige
G592WAC (RR)	V8	Black	Alex G Cameron
G601WAC (D)	Tdi	Silver	Julian Lamb
G603WAC (D)	Tdi	Beige	Ian Redfern
G607WAC (LR90)	Tdi	Black	Richard Satchwell
G610WAC (D)	Tdi	Blue	Stephen Preston
G611WAC (D)	Tdi	Green	Jon-Luke Masters
G617WAC (LR90)	Tdi	Grey	Gary Bryans
G618WAC (D)	Tdi	Black	Steve Ducker
G635WAC (D)	Tdi	White	Tim Lavercombe

An addition this month. G72 WAC owned by James Davidson.

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