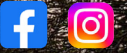




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A BIG WELCOME to the family friendly club for all leaf sprung Land Rovers that leak!!



SPECTACULAR NEWS!!

We now have over **500** national and international members!

As such we have now created a public Facebook group for club members to gather and discuss all things Land Rover Series I, II, III. So click below now to join if you haven't already:

www.facebook.com/groups/landroverseries123club



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We have an exciting and action-packed year ahead of us, with something to appeal to everyone. Key events so far in the 2024 club calendar are:

Thriplow Daffodil Weekend



16th & 17th March



Thriplow SG8 7HZ

Sandringham Pageant of Motoring



26th May



Sandringham Estate PE35 6EN

The Inter-Club International Weekend



28th, 29th & 30th June



Three Counties Showground WR13 6NW

New Forest & Solent Camping Weekend



18th, 19th, 20th & 21st July

Sixpenny Handley, Dorset

Land Rover Series I, II, III Club Rally



1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th August



Wing Hall, Wing LE15 8RY

LRO Show



7th & 8th September



Belvoir Castle, Grantham NG32 1PA

Land Rover Day



29th September



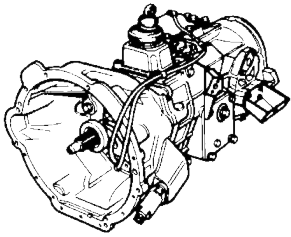
Amberley Museum, Arundel BN18 9LT



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NEWS FROM THE GEARBOX

You'll see on the new Facebook page lots of new area representatives and

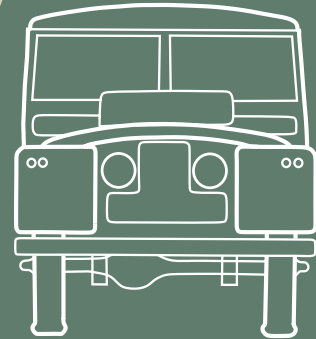
organisers are in place, and we have invested a great deal in club banners and flags to promote the club, along with providing extremely popular club stickers for each area. Don't miss this opportunity to acquire yours if you haven't already done so by joining the club and ordering via the club shop.

www.series123club.co.uk/shop/shop.html

Work is progressing well behind the scenes on club infrastructure; including full insurance cover, setting up the IT, running the memberships and plans are in hand to identify and establish an appropriate legal structure to serve the members' and club's needs into the future.

The Land Rover Series I, II, III Club is firmly on the map and gearing up for a long-term, successful future.

Also in hand are plans for many more exciting events, meets and activities; maybe a newsletter/magazine available both in print and digital versions, and a club calendar based on members' pictures.



MEMBERSHIP

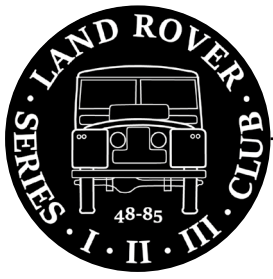
So come and join the fun by contacting membership@series123club.co.uk for more information and to join, especially while the membership is still FREE!

DONATION

The Series I, II, III Club is free to join.

However, if you wish to help contribute to our basic running costs you can donate via our website.

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REMINDER OF CLUB RALLY DATES



1ST - 4TH AUGUST 2024



RUTLAND WATER

Find out more about the first Land Rover Series I, II, III Club rally and download a booking form at:

www.series123club.co.uk/rallies/2024/rally2024.html



CLUB SHOP EXPANDING

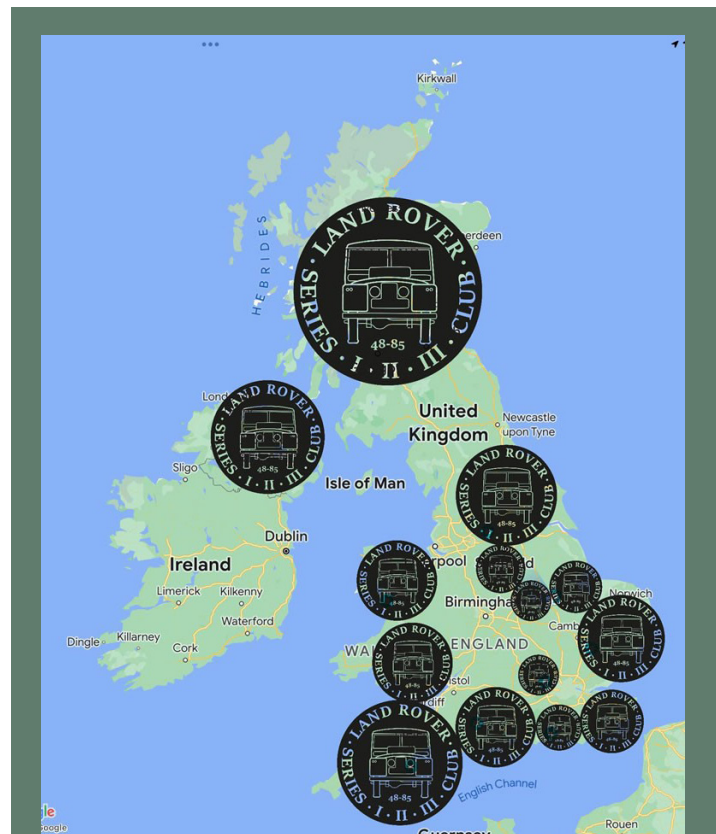
Embroidered items coming soon

The existing shop offers a range of printed t-shirts, hoodies, jumpers and mugs to name but a few.

BUT we have a new clothing supplier who will soon be coming on board, which will allow us to extend the club shop to offer an embroidered version of our logo on many new high-quality garments. Watch this space!!!

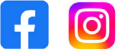
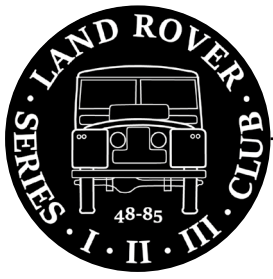
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MEMBERSHIP STILL GROWING

Since sending out the last newsletter, membership and areas covered is again on the increase, extending across the UK and around the world. Please continue to spread the word.



SURREY & SUSSEX

Report from Eddie Grinsead | Surrey & Sussex AR

ROVER SOCIAL SUNDAY

Congratulations go to Surrey & Sussex member Chris Benson for winning January's prestigious Rover Social Sunday best award. Chris is a regular attendee, and active supporter of the Series I, II, III Club, Rover social and Goodwood events, and the Sunday best award is thoroughly deserved.



THAMES & CHILTERN

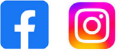
Report from Brian Deacon | Thames & Chiltern AR

CHRISTMAS AND CHARITY TRACTOR RUN

Below are some pictures of recent events. Our Christmas Meal at the Magpies, well attended and great food.

Some of us at the Princes Risborough Young Farmers charity tractor run. An annual event and this year opened to Land Rovers so we were glad to support it. The picture with the grey Fergie was at Sarrett Green Boxing Day classic meet. The Fergie belongs to Mike one of our local members. He did say it took longer to get there than it would have done in his Series! A great day out with quite a few club members and a few potential ones.





NEW FOREST & SOLENT

Report from James Williams | New Forest & Solent AR

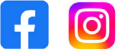
SALISBURY PLAIN DRIVES

This years New Year's run onto Salisbury Plain was well attended by local members as well as several members travelling from Thames & Chilterns, Surrey & Sussex, and South West Areas. Due to numbers, it was decided to split the group into 2 and inject a 15-20 minute time delay to ensure we did not bunch up. This seemed to work well. It had recently rained quite heavily, so the puddles were extra deep this time, which made for extra fun, and wet feet for some! The keen members of the group were obviously sent through first, while others were able to drive around some of the obstacles. This is one of the great things about Salisbury Plain. It is an excellent place for someone new to Land Rovers and four-wheel drive to practice. As there is good variety of terrain, and more importantly, if you are not sure, you can drive round 95% of obstacles.

We were lucky with the weather, although it was rather chilly and exposed to be out the cars for too long. Thankfully I shared a lift with Ian from Devon this time round, and his 88" has a diesel heater in it, so no problems there! I do not think we lost anybody, and I gather everyone made it home, with varying amounts of WD40 used.

Recently a number of us took part in some night time greenlaning on Salisbury Plain, which made for a fun evening! It was VERY sticky in places, and as usual the best lane was the last. For a minute I was concerned that all 3 of us would be stuck at the same time. Special thanks to Toby and his carvery beforehand.

We have a scenic drive planned for 17th March around the New Forest. Details are on the website. Hopefully you can join us!



THE FENS

Report from Vicky Turner | The Fens AR

WINTER CAMP OUT

Eleven foolhardy Land Rover nuts turned up to the inaugural Fens Area Winter Camp Out in a campsite behind a village pub in Lincolnshire. The pub was chosen as it provided accommodation flexibility in case camping wasn't popular, but in the end all did despite minus 4 and frost on the tents.

The bar would have been a great bolt hole if it had rained but the weather was dry so communal food was cooked over camp fires and a few beers consumed as folk caught up and poked about in each others 'set-ups'.

Sunday morning was a leisurely affair marked by a glorious East England sunrise, coffee and a fry up. Once thawed and fed, the hardy souls arranged themselves into only 5 Land Rovers (taking on board GLASS advice and using Trailwise 2) that set off along the county's ancient byways (mostly along old Roman roads) and enjoyed a 3 hour trip to the International Bomber Command Centre - a brilliant destination with spectacular views over the city of Lincoln and a phenomenal Sunday lunch offering.

Sometimes less is more when it comes to organised club events. It was deliberately a loosely 'planned' weekend that could be adapted depending on who turned up, what the weather did and how people felt on the day. Can't have been too shabby as apparently it's now an annual event!

Maybe see you next year?





RUTLAND

Report from John Stokes | Rutland AR

THANKSGIVING FOR LAND ROVERS

On a sunny but cold day in late November, 34 Series Land Rovers came along for the annual 'Thanksgiving for Land Rovers' scenic drive/green-laning hosted by Rutland Land Rovers, some travelling from as far as Yorkshire and Kent.

The weekend began with a curry night in Oakham, before all met up for breakfast at the Hungry Hogs Cafe. The group split into 6 small groups, staggering start-times to navigate the 60-mile route before safely returning almost 3 hours later to a pot-luck lunch.

PEAK DISTRICT

Report from Phill Hallows | Peak District AR

NEW PUB MEET GAINING TRACTION

The monthly pub meet held every Saturday at The New Broom, Uttoxeter Road, Stoke-on-Trent continues to go from strength to strength. Please excuse the picture, this was taken last year when the sun was out! The second picture was taken at the first club meet in January this year.

Pub meet details are on the club website.

Please contact Phill Hallows on: peaks@series123club.co.uk and keep an eye on the Peak District Area Facebook group for upcoming events!



YORKSHIRE

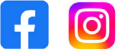
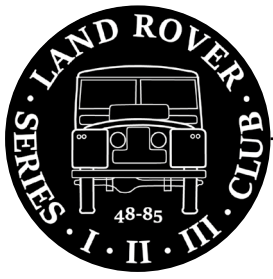
Report from Ian Garner | Yorkshire AR

BREAKFAST AND GREENLANING

Phil Hallows (Peak District AR) and I have been discussing a joint greenlaning trip and visit to the Oil Can Café for a while now, so it was great that on the 17th February we were able to make it happen. The Oil Can Café (AKA The Carding Shed) is like an American Dinner inside, with lots of automotive memorabilia to look at. They also do classic car restorations and have a modest selection of classic and interesting vehicles on display inside.

Based on the outskirts of Holmfirth is it literally on the doorstep of some of the Holme Valley's wonderful green lanes. With around 30 people for a joint breakfast (the food was excellent), we then split into 3 groups of Land Rovers to drive the routes. Mainly Series Land Rovers, we also had a couple of Defenders, a couple of Freelanders and even a Discovery 5 Commercial join us. A huge thank you must go to Phil / Michaela & Ann / Richard for being group leaders for the other two groups. The first lane starts only ½ a mile from the oil can and takes you on the edge of the valley with great views. Following the track, you end up at Ramsden Road, a very well-known local track and a very technical one! Washed out over the years, it has a 25-degree side slope / axle twister followed by a rocky descent to Riding wood reservoir. Great fun indeed, if a little daunting for the driver of the Freelander 2! A 25-minute road route through Holmfirth, famous for the old sit com Last of the Summer Wine (For those old enough to remember!) took us to the start of the next lane, a short run up to Castle Hill (Huddersfield) A basic lane with a tricky axle twister at the end that caught out a few people that had disengaged their hubs! We met up in the car park of Castle Hill for a chat and catch up about the day before departing home. It was a great day out and so nice to catch up with old friends and new members alike!





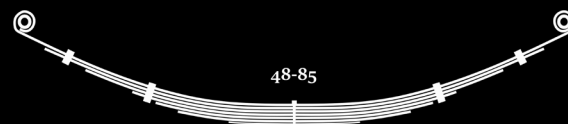
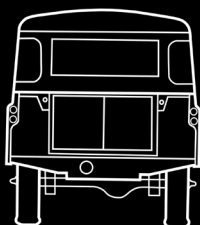
YORKSHIRE continued

VISIT TO NEWARK AIR MUSEUM

For our first official meet on Sunday 10th December, the Yorkshire area did a joint meet up with the Rutland and Fens group for a visit to Newark Air Museum. We had a modest turnout, but all were enthusiastic about the museum. If you have never been, it is a great place to spend some time looking at the different exhibits. The staff were very accommodating for our group and took time to walk us round various parts of the hangers. We were also allowed VIP parking in the main Museum! Whilst having a coffee and a catch up in the café afterwards, Chelsea and Adam suggested a group Sunday lunch at their local pub a mere 10 minutes away! What a perfect ending to a great day out!

FUTURE EVENTS

We are currently planning our next Greenlaning session in April (North Yorkshire) – So please look out for more details. We are also planning another group activity with the Peak District area (All club members welcome) on the weekend of 7th June in Derbyshire. Camping / BBQ /Greenlaning exploring the lane of the Peak District! Again, more details to follow in the next few weeks! It's been a great few months as Yorkshire AR and I look forward to seeing more of you out and about in 2024!



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