



Mark's G457WAC

G-WAC Notes

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



Ian's G463WAC

January 2010 Notes

A Happy New Year to you all and I believe that we will have a few more cars out and about this year.

Please keep the notes coming and if you have any technical articles for me, they will be very welcome.

Roy

488 bought

I have just bought 488 from Paul Sutton and it joins my other two cars, a version one MGF and an ex French Army Hotchkiss Willys jeep.

The G-WAC is replacing my Discovery 300Tdi, a 1998 with 220,000 miles on the clock. It's been a fantastic bus, but I am replacing it with something more interesting.

G524 WAC For Sale.

Reluctantly I am putting 524 up for sale. A fair amount of repair work is needed if she is to be saved, and I am not currently in a position to afford the work to be carried out professionally, or rent long term under cover storage.

The biggest job is the front of the roof directly above the windscreen, due to severe rust across the full width. It needs either plating or cutting away and renewing, I have been quoted between £400 to over a £1,000 for this. Other work will be needed to the sills for another MOT.

She is currently taxed and tested until April so I would like to find a new owner by then if possible.

If you think you might be interested and would like further information please contact me on 01386 761448 or 07756 448751. If you wish to view, I am in Worcestershire.



488 needs a little work to bring it up to my standard. It's been fitted with side steps but I don't know at this stage if I am going to keep them, although my wife thinks they help her getting in and out.



Offers in the region of £500. I have a selection of spares such as headlights, a rear door etc, which could be included in any offer made.

Bill Jones



It's a longer-term project that involves the body cosmetics and the running gear.

Clive.

At last we know where 457 is.

457 has been on the "Other known cars" list since October 2007 when I wrote this about it: -

'Away from home on my travels in Cornwall, I spotted 457, a red 3 door parked in a driveway. It was not there on another day and looks like it is in daily use. It appears that it is Corallin red, SVD79, RHD, Tdi and was featured in LRO January 1990.

Darren from Yorkshire has a copy of an early Caravan Club magazine, Enroute, dating from December 1990 – January 1991, which includes a road test. 457 was sporting a factory fitted bull bar with both driving and fog lamps fitted'

I had an email from Mark and this is what he said: -

'It was bought about six months ago with the view to using it until the MOT runs out and then undertaking a full restoration. I am attempting to find as much information about the car before taking a very deep breath and embarking on the restoration.

I understand that it was used as a tow car by the caravan club in the early 90's and was featured in their magazine; although to date I have been unable to locate a copy!

Considering the 160k miles travelled it in very fair condition underneath, but the roof is pretty bad and will need extensive welding to repair. I am using it daily for my commute to work!

It will be tidied up in time for the show season, and I will be attending the Heritage Land Rover show at Gaydon in May, because I am from Oxfordshire and it is my "local" show. Mark'



So another "restoration" or tidying up job, and a red one at last, well done Mark and we look forward to seeing it at Gaydon

Graham.
(aid-memoir, must get some space booked for us at Gaydon)



Current known owners. @ January

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	Lee Barnett
G470WAC	Frank Elson.
G477WAC	Sold by Dean Steadman to new owner in Wiltshire.
G478WAC & G610WAC	Meghan & Gary Timmins
G482WAC	Nick Davis
G486WAC	John Capewell.
G488WAC	Clive Richfield
G490WAC	Rob Ivins
G510WAC	Nick Prior
G511WAC	Colin Crossley
G524WAC	Bill Jones
G534WAC	Zoltan Kittrich
G563WAC	David Spirett
G601WAC	Ben Arnold
G603WAC	Graham Bethell.
G635WAC	Alec Gatherer
G711YRY	Peter Hares
G987LKU	Andy Greer
H776POJ	Duncan Campbell
H871EWK	Mark Hardwick

Other known cars

G401WAC, G482WAC, G496WAC, G521WAC, G525WAC, G602WAC, G640WAC

601 surfaces

Ben emailed this to me: -

'I have just been looking at your g-wac website, if it is of any interest to you I have just purchased G601 WAC, a silver 3 door Discovery.

It is pretty much the same as in your picture at the moment apart from it has later wheels, needs a bit of love, but I intend to get it back up to spec (and better) in the next couple of months....

Do you have any information on this car? What it was used for originally etc? Ben'

It certainly is of interest; we do seem to be finding them now. Keep up the good work folks.

(aide-mémoire, 2. Must get my g-wac website up to date) Graham.

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