

Lee's G461WAC

G-WAC Notes

From the Project Jay Preservation Group

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



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January 2017

At last I have managed to find some indoor storage space for the two shiny ones. The winter is nearly over, but it does give me the chance to get something else in the garage to do a few jobs on.



The Mpi is currently without MoT, I found a hole in the passenger footwell that needs some attention.

My son, Stephen, bought a new set of tyres for my 1993 Tdi, L680YVV. I call her my 'winter wheels'. The Colway C-TRAX remoulds that were on her still have plenty of tread, but at over 20 years old, they have bad cracks at the beads.

They were originally bought when he was competing in RTV trials with a Range Rover, so he has had some good use out of them.

I am looking forward to the PCCC&R Show at the NEC, 31st March to 2nd April, and hope to see many of our 'Preservation' friends there.

Another G-Reg. for the Notes. G115UKE

I have a couple of racing cars, and originally bought the Disco because the recovery truck I had at the time was so uncomfortable to drive.

A decision was made to get something that could pull a trailer, but at the same time be able to just drive without all of that on the back if needed.

So, I was browsing various sites looking for a Discovery, or similar, and this one popped up for sale with a 'buy it now' price.

It was too good to say no, although being a G reg 3-door I had no idea that it was registered the first year Land Rover made them, May 1990.



She is Foxfire Red (I think that's the colour, but it's still original) Sonar Blue interior, Rover V8 engine on SU carbs, and a manual gearbox

When I drove her back from the seller, she started running hot. The only thing I had to do was fit a new radiator, and that sorted it out

It's been about three years I've owned her now, and have been up and down the country and she has never let me down once.

Graham.





No G-WACs at the NEC this time.

With another surviving pre-pro 5-door found, now in the hands of Julian, and only one G-WAC available to show, I decided to make a feature of the three pre-pro 5-door cars this time.



Julian's Armada Gold Tdi, G266BJU, is currently in China on show for JLR, with the new D5, but should be back for the show.

Graham will take the Pennine Gray LHD V8i, G226EAC.



I will take the Foxfire Red V8i, G513DHP.

The space allocated is 14 x 5 metres, close to our friends at the Birmingham Land Rover Group, and not far from the Freelander Owners Club.

A three day show, this time, Friday to Sunday, 31st March to 2nd April. Patrick will be there to help, so come along and say hello to us.

Roy.



New owner for 461

She had been standing for eight years but started up and ran as sweet as any 200 could do.

A 5-seater LHD Tdi in Caracal (black) with aircon. She is one of the 52 LHD cars that were at the launch in 1989. There were only three black LHD cars at the launch, and she is the only survivor, that we know of.

Although the chassis and the usual rusty bits are in good order, a high-pressure wash revealed body panel corrosion problems and many accident repairs having being carried out. She will need a repaint.

However, the history makes this car a real gem. One owner from new. Full service history in the Service Record book, the first two being carried out by Lode Lane and interestingly the first one dated **30.05.89**, four months before the registration date. The next three services were carried out in Spain by Servico Technico, of Leon, whilst she was at the launch in Spain.





The last service record is by Wadhams, of Ripley, Derbyshire on 23.06.98 at 131,340 kms. The odometer shows 153,201 just now. (About 82,000 miles)

Unfortunately, the original engine, number 67, has a hole in the crankcase and has been replaced by a later engine. I have the broken engine and will save the part of the casting that shows the number, and make an ornament from it.

A full body off, nut and bolt restoration is what she deserves, so I hope to take her to some shows next year. She will then be able to sit alongside G302WAC, which I bought last year.

A large box of brochures from the launch, and the full set of MoT certificates and other memorabilia are with her.

I have some restored Series and Defenders for sale - have a look at my website www.silkstone4x4.co.uk





Show dates 2017

March

19th	Ripon 4x4 Spares Day	Ripon Racecourse, Ripon, North Yorkshire. HG4 1UG
26th	Newbury 4x4 Spares Day	Newbury Showground, Chieveley, Berkshire. RG18 9QZ

31st – 2nd April PCCC& Restoration show NEC Birmingham. B40 1NT

<u>April</u>

23rd Spring Classic Car Show Ripon Racecourse, Ripon, North Yorkshire. HG4 1UG

<u>May</u>

6th-7th Classic Land Rover Show British Motor Museum, Gaydon, Warwickshire. CV35 0BJ.

Motor Show and Family Fun Day.
 27-28th
 Scottish Land Rover Show
 Royal Highland Centre, Edinburgh. EH28 8NB
 Lakeland Classic Car Show
 Hutton-in-the-Forrest, Penrith, Cumbria. CA11 9TH

29th Classic Car and Land Rover Display Ripley Castle, Harrogate, North Yorkshire. HG3 3AY

<u>June</u>

3rd – 4th Malvern Land Rover Show Three Counties Showground, Worcestershire. WR13 6NW 18th Classic Car show. Raby Castle, Staindrop, Co. Durham. DL2 318th AH 18th Lions Charity Classic Show Grasmere, Cumbria.

<u>July</u>

1stMG Northumbria Car Show.Tynedale Park, Corbridge, Northumbria. NE45 5AY2ndClassic Car Show.Leighton Hall, Carnforth, Lancashire. LA5 9ST27-28-29thLand Rover Show.Kellmarsh Hall, Northamptonshire. NN6 9LY30thClassic Car & Bike ShowLytham Hall, Lancashire. FY8 4JX

<u>August</u>

13th Classic Car show. Raby Castle, Staindrop, Co. Durham. DL2 3AH
27th Autumn Classic Car Show Ripon Racecourse, Ripon, North Yorkshire. HG4 1UG

September

16th – 17th LRO Show. East of England Showground, Peterborough. PE2 6HE

October

1st Newbury 4x4 Spares Day Newbury Showground, Chieveley, Berkshire. RG18 9QZ 14th – 15th DOC Birthday Party. Plymouth Hoe. Ripon 4x4 Spares Day Ripon Racecourse, Ripon, North Yorkshire. HG4 1UG

If anyone has any dates for a local show that you may attend, please let me know and I will add them to the list.





Current known owners of launch cars. @ January 2017

G457WAC Julian Lamb

G459WAC (Amphibian. The Dunsfold Collection)
G461WAC Lee Haywood

G463WAC (Camel training hack)
G465WAC
G469WAC & G490WAC
G470WAC
G478WAC & G526WAC

G480WAC, G482WAC, G486WAC & G524WAC.

G488WAC

Robert Blanchard (USA)

G496WAC (Camel training hack)
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G496WAC Rob Ivins
G510WAC Mark Dixon
G511WAC Colin Crossley
G531WAC Ashley Culling
G534WAC James Brackenbury

There were 86 cars registered on 01.10.89 from G451WAC to G537WAC, with the exception of G500WAC.

Other pre-production, and G-WACs

Some other factory registered cars.

G580BKV	Patrick Berry	L479YAC	Stuart Laird
G601BKV	Roy Preston	L489WAC	Mark Harrow
G628BKV	Alan Young	L490WAC	Mark Harrow
L470WAC	Mark Lamb	P647KAC	Patrick Berry

Other early cars

G28 RMW	Glyn Jones	G577GTY	Craig Pusey
G39 WJD	Bob Jolleys	G580PNU	lan Řawlings
G41 VHA	Simon Tinkler	G711YRY	Derek Henman
G43 KWO	Victor Mitchell	G757SGX	Paul Bishop
G67 RYJ	Alan Mitchell	G834FPR	Sue Virgin
G101GEL	Robert Hoskins	G843FPR	Jon Isacc
G115UKE	Graham Wollerton	G892VPM	Mike E Hall
G203DPF	?	G907VYT	Alan Young
G229TDV	Wesley Beynon	G923PUE	Nigel Burland
G234CBG	Dan Hunter	G942UTT	Keith Taylor
G253RFL	Lee Haywood, Silkstone Land Rover	G950CAF	Elvet Price
G272WDL	Andrew Maclean	G987LKU	Andy Greer
G374UYR	Jack Straw	H83 YYN	Richard Llewellin
G412FSJ	Andrew Cameron	H95 DBK	Dave Dorling
G436GUY	Andy Jones	H367OBE	Dave Mummery
G441WPX	Mark Harrow	H743VAB	Ted Andrews
G442AJM	Scott Seacombe	H776POJ	Duncan Campbell
G456AVT	A Burchel	J463HVK Ambulance	William Wallace
G462AVT	Archie Cursham	AZ-829-TJ	Raymond Bechetoille (France

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