



Dan's G601BKV

G-WAC Notes

**From the
Project Jay Preservation Group**

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



Patrick's G580BKV

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We believe that we have found all the G-WAC registered Discoverys that have survived the scrap man's clutches, so our search goes on for the G-BKV registered cars that Land Rover registered in 1990.

So far, we have located seven of the 20 that appear on the DVLA website, but our spotters are always on the lookout for anymore.

Seven G-WACs on Plymouth Hoe, 18th – 20th October 2019

The annual Discovery Birthday Party organised by the Devon and Cornwall Section of the Discovery Owners Club got off to a good start on Friday when a scenic run and some gentle green lanes were organised. Gentle for the well-equipped off roader, but still not easy for the big shiniest.



For the line-up on the Hoe at 10 am Saturday morning, 88 Discoverys were present this year to celebrate 30 years of Discovery. It was good to see seven of the factory G-WAC registered cars looking resplendent.

At 1 pm the convoy to Mount Edgcombe Estate took the route taken at the launch in 1989 over the Tamar bridge and followed the coast road at Freathy.

A photo stop was taken at a large car park on the coast at Whitsand Bay before arriving at the Maker Church entrance to the estate deer park, where the route took us through to the coast overlooking Drake's Island.



After a stop by the sea it was time to head off to the excellent party venue on the coast at the Whitsand Bay Fort holiday site. Many families were camped at the site and were ready for the evening in the spacious club room for the carvery and auction.

A total of £5,650.00 was raised for the two chosen charities, Marie Curie and Horizons. The Birthday Party Team are very grateful to the suppliers of the auction and raffle prizes, which made the fund-raising efforts a success.

On Sunday morning there was a photo shoot at the Jaguar and Land Rover showroom of Roger Young of Saltash. From there the next stop was to meet more partygoers at the Tesco Lee Mills superstore, and over Dartmoor to the Two Bridges Hotel, where cream teas were laid on in a reception room.

It was then time for a fond farewell for the partygoers, who said that they would be back next year.

Roy



I have for sale my Ambulance. J140 OAC

The 1991 pre-production 116" stretched Land Rover Discovery was originally built with standard height roof, but later converted to a high roof version by Land Rover Special Vehicles. Last used as an ambulance by St. John's.

With less than 39,000 miles, MOT until August 2020. All I have needed to do since I bought it was to have the inner sills welded and replaced a rear hub oil seal. Had new HD springs and new shock absorbers in 2011 and done next to no mileage since. Engine and gearbox really good, not at all notchy. Drives well (I love driving it).



The front passenger seat will swivel to face backwards. There are two spare wheels, 3rd seat for attendant (not fixed). Twin batteries with a split-charge system. All interior and exterior lights work as do the 'Blues'. Two-tones disconnected but shouldn't be much of a job to re-connect.

Last MOT produced advisories as follows: -

- 1 - Nearside front wheel bearing has slight play.
- 2 - Offside front wheel bearing has slight play.
- 3 - Exhaust noisy rear tail pipe missing.

Gutters need attention, and they have been replaced in the past and are now rusty.

The windscreen leaks, fan doesn't work, rear door unlocks with central locking but not the key, headlamp flash doesn't work.

Battery needs to be disconnected if left for a few days otherwise it goes flat.

One of the frosted side windows has a crack (fortunately not the one with the Land Rover logo). N/S passenger window will only go half-way down.



This is a genuine vehicle of historic interest for the Jay or Ambulance enthusiast, and I don't really want to put it on eBay where a new owner may convert it to a camper.

I'm looking for offers around £5,000

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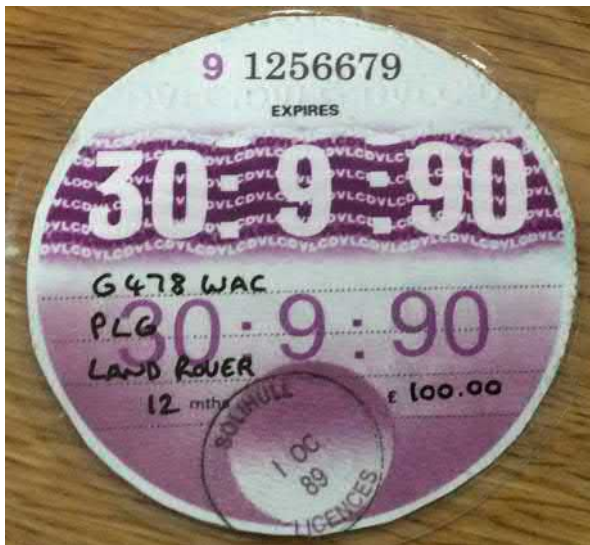
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G478WAC back on the road again

Taxed on 1st October 2019, exactly 30years since she was first taxed by Land Rover Ltd. and she was ready for the Discovery Birthday Party on Plymouth Hoe.



I collected her from Mark's place for her first journey to Plymouth on 17th October and she drove very smoothly, just as a V8 always does.



Unfortunately, gremlins got into the ignition system in the form of a failed rotor arm and she FTMP (failed to make progress) on the trip out on Sunday. The stalwarts of the Devon and Cornwall Section of the Discovery Owners Club towed her to the start of the event for the day at the Tesco Lee Mills superstore. Mark was visibly upset at the failure but soon had her fixed and running smoothly again.



This was her first trip in 10 years and not many new parts had been fitted in the rebuild, apart from a lot of new sheet metal, welding wire and paint.

I am now looking to kit her up ready for the Lancaster Insurance Classic Motor show, with Discovery, at the NEC next month. I need items similar to those that I have for G526WAC, over carpets, padded arm rests, padded head rests and a roller blind for the rear compartment,

The Lancaster Insurance Classic Motor Show, with Discovery. 8th – 10th November

Having exhibited at the Practical Classics Classic Car & Restoration Show for a number of years in March, the Project Jay Preservation Group have been successful with their application for a stand at the November show this year, which is a major achievement because stand spaces are extremely sought after.



Project Jay Preservation Group stand at the PCCC&RS March 2019

The Land Rover Series One Club, the Series 2 Club and the Range Rover Register will also be there.

On the stand will be Charles Whitaker with his prototype C742HUH alongside cars from Ted Andrews, Jack Wright, Pam Arthur and I will be showing my recently restored G478WAC.

Visit the Project Jay Preservation Group on stand 8-140.

The regular show attendees, Ian Phillips and Patrick Berry, will be there too. Patrick has kindly agreed to be taxi driver ferrying me, Daphne and himself to and from our hotel each day.

The Lancaster Insurance Classic Motor Show, with Discovery, is the event not to be missed for any classic car owner, enthusiast, car club member or anyone with a passion for classic cars.

The show brings together the world's largest gathering of 300 car and motorcycle clubs with over 3000 classic and vintage cars and motorbikes on display across seven halls at Birmingham's NEC.

When admiring these amazing vehicles, there will be the opportunity to shop from the UK's largest indoor autojumble and specialist traders to source parts and tools for all maintenance and restoration needs.

Buy your very own classic car from the outstanding range of dealers,. Enjoy the spectacle of live auctions. There will be talks from motoring celebrities, restoration demonstrations and much more.

Exclusive club discount available for members on adult and family tickets on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Use the code CC7168 when booking your tickets.

www.necclassicmotorshow.com/club-tickets

Roy



Current known owners of G-WAC registered Land Rovers. October 2019

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	???
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

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 Crooktson
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	Mark Harrow
G617WAC (LR90)	Tdi	Grey	Gary Bryans
G618WAC (D)	Tdi	Black	Steve Ducker
G635WAC (D)	Tdi	White	Tim Lavercombe

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