



John's J140 OAC
Ambulance

G-WAC Notes

From the
Project Jay Preservation Group

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



William's J463HVK
Ambulance

*Wishing you all a Merry Christmas
and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.*

December 2018

Well that's it for 2018, I hope that you have all made progress with your cars, and that there will be a big turnout for the 30th year of the Discovery next year

We have now been allocated space at the Classic Car and Restoration Show at the NEC in March 2019, and plan to show Charles's prototype, C742HUH, there was a lot of interest in her at the NEC in March this year.

Another Jay saved J28 UTM

Good news, UTM is saved from the breakers yard! The seller's diagnoses of a seized engine was proved wrong. The engine willingly turns over with a socket on the crankshaft pulley nut.

The handbrake was stuck on, so to move her in his yard he was carrying her by the tow ball with his Moffet loader. Once home and with the half shaft drive flange bolts taken out of one side at the back, she rolls freely. Little bit more history learnt from a good poke around her, she was delivered new on 5th December 89 to Lichfield, the town in which the breakers yard is situated. She has spent some time on a rolling road being "fast road" tuned, and aside from the LPG system and some small engine tweaks she is totally unmolested.

Rot wise she is naturally in a fairly poor way, whilst the boot floor has been replaced and the rear arches/inner wings etc are all present and correct, the sills are totally non-existent, and the front end wants replacing. The doors are all good, the roof is solid and other fiddley areas also appear to be good. It does not appear to be beyond the wit of man to repair her, but she would be a daunting prospect to many.

Unfortunately, the seller would not budge on his price no matter how hard I tried, but as the engine was free and she seemed to be the only Disco in the yard he hadn't been picked up by the roof or shunted with the forklift, I gave in.

Over all I'm rather pleased, I think I've overpaid in some form but there was no real choice. I will have to wait for a few days, when I shall be putting a battery on her, giving her some fresh petrol and seeing what she makes of it. Till then, she is 'yard art'.

Archie

Project Jay Preservation Group

I started writing the G-WAC Notes in 2007 about the cars assembled on Plymouth Hoe for the launch of the Discovery to the press and dealers in 1989. As time goes by there does not appear to be any more G-WAC Discoverys coming 'out of the woodwork', or barns.

The factory also registered a number of other Discoverys, Land Rovers and Range Rovers, with G-WAC number plates, and up to now I have noted that 30 are still about.

I will continue to write a few words about the G-WACs, and post them each month on the Project Jay website, www.pjpg.co.uk which is undergoing an update just now.

I therefore welcome stories about your G-WAC for inclusion in the Notes, be it a Land Rover, Discovery or Range Rover, and hope to be able to fill a page or two. So please keep them coming to roy@g-wac.com

There is now a lot interest in the 200 shape Discovery, known by the Land Rover designers at the time as Project Jay. Enthusiasts have formed a club devoted to finding, and hopefully saving a few 'Jays' for the future.

Come January 2019, a new news sheet, called 'Jay News', will be edited and distributed to all members of the PJPJG by their editor Dan Clark. Dan will have an email address press@pjpg.co.uk so that you will be able to send your stories to Dan.

Roy

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Current known owners of launch cars @ December 2018

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

G457WAC	Julian Lamb
G459WAC	(Amphibian. The Dunsfold Collection)
G461WAC	Sold
G463WAC (Camel training hack)	Ian Rawlings
G465WAC	Jack Straw
G469WAC	Jon Chester
G470WAC	Rob Stewart
G477WAC	Martyn Ball
G478WAC & G526WAC	Roy Preston
G480WAC G482WAC, G486WAC & G524WAC.	David Ashburner
G488WAC	Robert Blanchard (USA)
G490WAC	Haddow Hales-Lavercombe
G494WAC (Camel training hack)	Mark Harrow
G496WAC	Rob Ivins
G510WAC	John Davies
G511WAC	Colin Crossley
G531WAC	Ashley Culling
G534WAC	James Brackenbury

Other pre-production, and G-WACs

B62COH & C60JGG	Philip Bashall (The Dunsfold Collection)	G316WAC	David Maingot
C742HUH	Charles Whitaker	G323WAC	Colin Crookston
G226EAC (5-dr)	Graham Bethell	G347WAC (LR110)	Ron Boston
G266BJU (5-dr)	Andrew Liu	G361WAC (RR)	Julian Lamb
G513DHP (5-dr)	Roy Preston	G395WAC	Sean Coleman
G84 WAC (LR90)	Mike Smallbone	G405WAC	Harry Harrison
G93 WAC..(LR90)	Steve Hattersley	G406WAC	Keith Britton
G97 WAC (LR90)	Ted Billington	G410WAC	Alan Young
G175WAC (RR)	Julian Lamb	G553WAC (LR90)	Gary Smallbone
G179WAC (RR)	Roger Fell	G563WAC (Camel hack)	David Spirrett
G180WAC (RR)	Guy Butler-Henderson	G584WAC (RR)	Sharon Paige
G247WAC..(LR)	?	G601WAC	Julian Lamb
G279WAC	Neal	G603WAC	Ian Redfern
G302WAC	Sold	G607WAC..(LR90)	Richard Satchwell
G308WAC	Robin Gray	G610WAC	Kevin Bond
G310WAC	Mark Simpson	G611WAC	Mark Harrow
G311WAC	Ivor Ramsden	G617WAC (LR90)	Gary Bryans
G312WAC	Jochen Baldamus	G618WAC	Steve Ducker
G314WAC	Owner not known	G635WAC	Paul Ridley

Some other factory registered cars

G580BKV	Patrick Berry	L489WAC	Tim Lavercombe
G601BKV	Dan Clarke	L490WAC	Mark Harrow
G628BKV	Roy Preston	L564YAC	Mark Harrow
L470WAC	Jacob Lamb	L580WAC	Mark Harrow
L479YAC	Stuart Laird	P647KAC	Patrick Berry

Other 'Jays'

G28 RMW	Glyn Jones	G950CAF	Elvet Price
G28 UTM	Archie Cursham	G956RKM	Martin Smith
G892VP	Mike E Hall	G978KOF	Ian Rawlings
G39 WD	Bob Jolleys	G987LKU	Andy Greer
G41 VHA	Simon Tinkler	G989ELJ	Oliver Tebbutt
G43 KWO	Victor Mitchell	H83 YYN	Richard Llewellyn
G101GEL	Robert Hoskins	H95 DBK	Dave Dorling
G115UKE	Graham Wollerton	H236UYD	Andrew Maclean
G130KWO	Ian Phillips	H256PEV	Dion Johns
G214RKN	Jim Shep	H353DJA	Peter Boardman
G229TDV	Wesley Beynon	H367OBE	Dave Mummer
G234CBG	Dan Hunter	H436FPL	Mark Harrow
G253RFL	Ian Phillips	H743VAB	Ted Andrews
G272WDL	Peter Baxter	H776POJ	Duncan Campbell
G374UYR	Jack Straw	H994BUU	Richard Mahoney
G412FSJ	Andrew Cameron	J108RPK	Dion Johns
G425OWB	Chris	J139TRO	Leon Toon
G436GUY	Andy Jones	J140OAC 116" Ambulance	John Francis
G441WPX	Mark Harrow	J234LEM	Peter Vincent
G442AJM	Scott Seacombe	J348FGT	Nicholas Web
G456AVT	A Burchel	J396OAC	Mark Harrow
G462AVT	?	J463HVK 116" Ambulance	William Wallace
G463HMK	Peter Murphy	J828ANK	Chris Hill
G553OWD	J Herod	K565GKV	Aidan Bloomfield
G560EDY	Julian Lamb	K554GKV	John Poulson
G577TGY	Gary Pusey	K924GCL	Barry Collett
G580PNU	Ian Rawlings	K941PAB	Josh Cooke
G599ELG	Luke Petch	L151LBV 116" Ambulance	Richard Beddall
G656RYB	Graham Welch	L270MCF Honda Crossroad	Roy Preston
G711YRY	Derek Henman	L373VAC	Helen Pippin
G739BPV	Jim Shep	L374UEU	Simon Andrews
G757SGX	Paul Bishop	L573CTY Honda Crossroad	Roy Preston
G787CLJ	Mark Harrow	L576LRD 116" Limousine	Richard Beddall
G834FPR	Sue Virgin	L580DPE	Simon Andrews
G890UTT	Archie Cursham	L617HRX Mpi	Richard Beddall
G843FPR	Jon Isacc	L637LRX Mpi	Roy Preston
G901BJB	Andrew Maclean	L838CPM	Simon Andrews (USA)
G892VPM	Mike E Hall	AZ-829-TJ	Raymond Bechetoille (France)
G923PUE	Nigel Burland	3656 TW 24	Keith S L Daffern (France)
G942UTT	Keith Taylor	Formerly G531DHP	
		LA DC 502	Dr. Hofmann (Germany)

Land Rover Legends. Tickets now on sale.

Advance discounted tickets are available now for Land Rover Legends 2019 (25/26 May) at Bicester Heritage and they make rather good Christmas presents for any Land Rover fan!

Full event details and tickets available at www.landroverlegends.com See below for a quick reminder of the 2019 highlights already announced..

'Star Cars' celebrate major anniversaries

The 2019 event will celebrate four important Land Rover anniversaries:

- The 50th anniversary of the entry into service of the Series IIa SAS Pink Panther
- The 40th anniversary of the 100-inch prototypes
- The 30th anniversary of the launch of the Discovery
- The 25th anniversary of the launch of the second-generation Range Rover. P38A

Each anniversary will be represented by a 'Star Car' which will be the centrepiece of a panel discussion in the main hangar on both the Saturday and the Sunday, when Mark Evans will interview people closely associated with each of the models, either as development engineers, designers, owners, enthusiasts or preservationists. The anniversaries will also be marked by daily vehicle parades

On-site camping, evening entertainment - and dogs allowed!

Introduced for 2019 is weekend camping on site at Bicester Heritage and evening entertainment on the Saturday, allowing Land Rover fans to make a family weekend of it. As Land Rovers and our four-legged friends seem to have a natural affinity for each other, well-behaved dogs on leads will be welcome!

The National Awards

Owners who would like to nominate their cherished Land Rovers for the 2019 National Awards will be able to submit their applications online in January.

All Land Rovers welcome

Every Land Rover attending will have a dedicated forward parking area for all visitors arriving in a Land Rover, and Land Rover clubs are invited to display their vehicles in a dedicated area on the airfield perimeter.

We have been allocated a stand, which Ian Phillips is organising. **If you would like to have your Jay on the stand, please get in touch with him ASAP. Secretary@pjpg.co.uk**

Patrick



25-26 MAY 2019
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Tickets for the NEC Show 22nd – 24th March 2019

Tickets are now on sale for the PCCC&R Show at a discounted price for our club members.

Use the code on the banner to obtain a discount. C5060RS19

Patrick



Practical Classics Classic Car & Restoration

Show with Discovery 22nd – 24th March 2019

Once again we have been offered stand space at this prestigious show at the NEC.

This show is just the right place to kick off the show season for the 30th anniversary of the launch of the Discovery.

Space on the stand will be limited, but if you wish your Jay to be considered for exhibiting, then give me a call.

The theme of the show is restoration, therefore a car that is in the process of being preserved or restored, will make a good example of our work.

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Another Jay in the Land Rover press. H158NJM

In the February Issue of Land Rover Owner International, an article titled 'Buying Disco 1 Diesel', gives a very good overview of what to look for when buying one.

John Wright of Jake Wright Ltd, the established independent Land Rover specialist of Burley in Wharfedale, West Yorkshire, describes the points to look for when considering a purchase.

Peter Skilton, the writer, acknowledges that the 200 shape is now difficult to find. Rust, and the scrappage scheme a few years ago had a lot to do with the fall in numbers on the road.

The white 3-door illustrated in the article is owned by Luke Petch, who says that it will not be sold, but kept for the foreseeable future.

Currently taxed and has covered over 112,000 miles. Only had minor rust advisories were reported at the last MoT in July.

Land Rover Shows 2019

May

11th - 12th Gaydon
25th – 26th Land Rover Legends
 Bicester Heritage
25th – 26th Spring Adventure.
 Driffield.

June

29th - 30th Billing Off Road Show

July

27th - 28th Kelmarsh

September

14th -15th Peterborough LRO Show

October

19th -20th Birthday Party Plymouth

We will be showing at some Classic Car shows too in 2019, so keep an eye on the Notes.

Patrick

Land Rover Monthly, winter 2019 issue

Patrick Cruywagen, the editor, has given the group a good plug on page 67 of the issue, with a quarter page of publicity.

It is part of a story written by Alisdair Cusack about the Honda Crossroad.



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