



Mark's G457WAC

# G-WAC Notes

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



Lee's G524WAC

### March 2010 Notes

There is not a lot to report this month, but for the sake of continuity I will put something together.

Ian mentioned that David Bowers had been in touch with him for some info for an article about the G-WACs, which he will submit to Land Rover Monthly for consideration.

David visited the Ripley Classic Car event last year and took a few pictures, so we look forward to seeing it published. He asked if anyone had done a complete strip down, well he has the right man with Ian as 463 is down to the chassis.

If anyone is considering showing their car at a classic show, do let me know and I can mention it here in the Notes.



Ian's bare chassis for 463

### Leaking sunroof. (Early type)

Following Peter's article in the December issue of the Notes, I bought two new seals from Rimmer Bros. I haven't fitted them yet because there is not enough height in my garage to work from the top, and the weather has not been good enough to work outside.

An ex dealer mechanic gave me a tip that has cured my leak, at least for a while, until I get round to fitting the new seals. Here is what to do.

You will find that when the wheel is turned as tight as you can get it, the glass may not be pulled down fully onto the seal, because the seal will have settled down over the years. When tight, the wheel is at the end of its thread so it will not pull the glass down any further.



You can test this by grabbing the wheel assembly and gently pulling it away from the glass.

If you can pull the wheel assembly away from the glass, you will have pulled the glass tighter onto the seal.

If you then insert some packing between the glass and the wheel assembly, about the thickness of a beer mat, and then let the wheel go back to the packing, you will have a better seal. I have some round plastic washers that just do the job. A beer mat would probably squash.

This will only work if there are no cuts or breaks in the seal, or if the seal is not too hard and will stand a bit more compression.



## LAND ROVER SHOWS 2010

May 2nd Heritage Land Rover Weekend	Gaydon, Warwickshire
May 8th – 9th Land Rover Spring Adventure	Drifffield, East Yorkshire
June 19th – 20th Land Rover World Show	Royal Bath & West Show Ground
July 16th – 18th LRO Show	Billing Aquadrome, Northants.
July 16th – 18th Land Rover Max LRM Show	Newark Showground, Newark
August 15th – 16th Berkshire 4x4 Show	Grazeley, Reading Berkshire
September 11th – 12th LRO Show	Peterborough
September 26th – 27th Abingdon 4x4 Festival	Dalton Barracks, Abingdon
September 26th London to Brighton Run	South London & Surrey LRC
October 16th - 17th Discovery Owners Club. 21st Anniversary of the Discovery.	Plymouth



### The Heritage run, Lode Lane to Gaydon 2nd May

If you want to have a place on the run this year you can download an application form from the Heritage Motor Centre website at [www.heritage-motor-centre.co.uk](http://www.heritage-motor-centre.co.uk)

We hope to have a few G-WACs on the run, and it would be a nice idea if we could all roll into the Heritage Centre in line astern.

To accomplish that we may need to sign on at Lode Lane at the same time on the Sunday morning and get consecutive numbers.

## Current known owners. @ March

B62 COH & C60 JKG	Phill Bashall (The Dunsfold Collection)
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 & G524WAC	Lee Barnett
G470WAC	Frank Elson.
G477WAC	Sold by Dean Steadman to new owner in Wiltshire.
G478WAC & G610WAC	Meghan & Gary Timmins
G486WAC	John Capewell.
G488WAC	Clive Richfield
G482WAC	Nick Davis
G490WAC	Rob Ivins
G510WAC	Nick Prior
G511WAC	Colin Crossley
G534WAC	Zoltan Kittrich
G563WAC	David Spirett
G601WAC	Ben Arnold
G603WAC	Graham Bethell.
G635WAC	Alec Gatherer
G711YRY	Peter Hares
G834FPR	Sue Harvey
G987LKU	Andy Greer
H776POJ	Duncan Campbell
H871EWK	Mark Hardwick

## Severn Valley Leafers. 16th May 2010

Bill, Graham and I had a nice day out with the Severn Valley Leafers last year.



The SVL put on a display of Land Rovers at each of the stations down the line from Bridgenorth to Kidderminster, and Discoverys and Range Rovers had a spot at Bridgenorth.

The Severn Valley Railway offered free tickets to the owners of the displayed cars, and the trip down the line with a steamer pulling the train of coaches was very enjoyable.

If you would like to be at this event, call Bill on 07756 448751, and he will get tickets for you.

[The line up at Bridgenorth last year.](#)

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