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Desert crossings will mark 50 years of the LROCV

OZ MARKS 50 YEARS OF VICTORIAN LAND ROVERS

The Land Rover Owners' Club of Victoria is gearing up for a calendar of events to mark its 50th anniversary.

The actual date is Friday, September 13, and the Australian club's big party will be held that weekend at Forest Edge Camp, Noojee.

Other celebrations until the end of the year will include:

August: Simpson Desert Circumnavigation. Starting from Birdsville, drive up the Hay River, through Alice Springs, down to Dalhousie Springs and across the Simpson; and Leaf Springs Simpson Desert Crossing. This is for Series Land Rovers, ending with a dinner at Birdsville.

November: Wonnangatta Base Camp, including a range of routes for different driver skill levels.

December: A big party to wrap things up. To find out more, visit lrocv.com.au or email lrocv50thmedia@lrocv.com.au.

CLUB OF THE MONTH

LAND ROVER G4 CHALLENGE OWNERS' CLUB



Get adventurous: join the G4 Challenge Owners' Club

How did the club get started?

The G4 Challenge Owners' Club was formed in May 2007, with 18 members attending its first show and committee meeting at the Heritage Land Rover Show, Gaydon.

Must members own a competition vehicle?

Not at all. Membership is open to any G4 Challenge enthusiast whether or not they own a G4. We cater for all G4 Challenge vehicles from the 2003 and 2006 events and the cancelled 2009 event, and for the G4 Edition versions (Defender 90, 110 and Discovery 2) from 2003.

The Limited Edition G4s make a welcome sight on the club's show stand in their yellow, black and silver colours instead of the competition vehicles' Tangiers Orange.

Any overseas members?

Membership spans the

globe, with members in the US, South Africa, New Zealand, Russia and Brazil.

What membership activities are there?

The club attends all national Land Rover events and smaller regional events such as the Coventry Festival of Motoring and Cars in the Park. Our show presence has developed from three or four vehicles on bare grass to a stand with plenty of visual impact from the vehicles and props such as the G4 tents, kayaks, clothing, and the 1:10-scale G4 Challenge course. We regularly have 10-12 owners wishing to display their vehicles at each show.

The club organises camping, caravanning and kayaking weekends throughout the year in areas such as the Peak and Lake Districts. Several members also arrange local meets.



Club members display their G4s at national and local shows

CLUB FACTS

When formed May 2007
No of full members 41
Affiliations MSA
Membership cost £25 EU, \$25 rest of world
4x4 response group No
Club mag Not yet, but in progress

EVENTS

Activities National Land Rover shows, camping, kayaking
Local shows Cars in the Park, Coventry Festival of Motoring
Greenlaning Locally organised among members

CONTACTS

■ g4ownersclub.com
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How can readers find out more information and get involved?

Our website has details about membership, information on challenge events and an active forum. See g4ownersclub.com.

Membership gives additional access to the forum, vehicle histories and photographs, club merchandise – including clothing – original G4 Challenge equipment, and access to club events and shows. **LRO**



Novice navigator Gail and her improvised windmill

GAIL-FORCE WINDMILL

In May, Tom Hyde and Colin Batchelor of Beds, Herts & Cambs Land Rover Club (bhclrc.co.uk) held a fun treasure hunt in Hertfordshire as part of Mac 4x4 Team Chaos' fundraising in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support (writes **Hayley Brown**).

My navigator, Gail Parfitt, had learned how to map-read from a website the previous night, so we faced quite a challenge when in the morning we had to answer cryptic questions about things we should have seen en route.

The afternoon session was simpler: we had to find a list of objects and take snaps of them. One was a pink windmill, which we missed – so Gail made one from pencils, pink paper and elastic bands. It was a fun event and we came fourth, so I've forgiven her.

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