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EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING SATURDAY 14th MARCH 2020 at THE IBIS HOTEL, DIRFT EAST, PARKLANDS, CRICK, RUGBY, NN6 7EX

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AGENDA

10.00am

1. Reading of the notice convening the meeting.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. Accuracy of Minutes from 16th November 2019.
4. Matters arising from the above minutes.
5. Forward Plan – to discuss the Cross Country Motor Sports Agency
6. Chairman's report.
7. Secretary's report.
8. Treasurer's report.
9. Election of ALRC Council & S&ORC
10. New Club Applications.
11. Rule Change Proposals
12. Section Reports.
 - a. Caravan Secretary
 - b. Overseas Liaison Officer
 - c. Non-competitive Clubs / Show Co-ordinator
 - d. Countryside Access Officer
 - e. National Rally Liaison Officer
 - f. Press & Publicity
 - g. MSA Liaison Officer
 - h. Scrutineering & Off Road Committee Chairman
 - i. CCMSA Coordinator
 - j. ALRC Handbook Editor
 - k. Web Master
 - l. Facebook
 - m. Membership Officer
 - n. Child Protection Officer
13. Any other business.
14. Date & time of next meeting.
15. Close of meeting.

You are reminded that items for inclusion on agendas should be submitted to the Chairman or the Secretary prior to the day of the meeting.
The Scrutineering and Off Road Committee Meeting will take place starting at 13.00.

CLUBS PRESENT – ALRC EGM 16.11.19

	Present	Apologies
ASSOCIATION OF LAND ROVER CLUBS	Simone Birch, Derek Spooner	
ANGLIAN LRC	Andrew Flanders, Murray Wiltshire, Sue Flanders, James Sheen	
AYLESBURY LRFC		
BLACKPOOL & FYLDE LRC		Sue Coe
BRECKLAND LRC	Geoffrey Cooper	
CHELTENHAM & COTSWOLD ROC		
CHESHIRE LRC		
CHILTERN VALE LRC	Stuart Newton, Matthew Fullwood, Tim Linney, Jon Aldridge, Brandon Barnwell, Julian Carter	
CORNWALL & DEVON LRC	Guy Cashmore	Fraser Parish, David Jeffrey
CUMBRIAN ROC	Alex Cowsill	
DISCOVERY OC		Janet New
DORSET LRC		Andy Wilson
EAST NORTHANTS LROC		
ESSEX LRC	Mark Pycraft, Richard & Jack Garwood	Heather Pycraft
HANTS & BERKS LRO	Steph Kirby, Niall & Morgan Banyard	
LANCS & CHESHIRE LROC		
LAND ROVER REGISTER 1948 -53	Andrew Neaves	
LAND ROVER SERIES 1 CLUB	Andrew Cross	
LAND ROVER SERIES II CLUB		
LEICS & RUTLAND LRC	Viv & Mick Wing, Andrew Griffin	
LIGHTWEIGHT LRC	Sue Foster	
LINCS LRC		Richard Blackshaw
MIDLAND ROC	Ruth & Richard Smith Richard Banks, Liz & Kev Welch	
NORFOLK LRC	Gary Wilton, Hannah Jarvis	
NORTH EASTERN ROC	Mark Whaley, Bill Groves, Andy Scarr, Paul Walton	
NORTH WALES LRC		David Mitchell
NOTTINGHAM LRC		
PEAK & DUKERIES LRC	Dennis Wright, Tony Lockwood, Simon Saunt, Declan Hague, John Neep	Martin Ambrey
RED ROSE LRC	Roger Wright, Andrew Akers	
SCOTTISH LROC		
SOMERSET & WILTS LRC	Pete Lugg, Dave Moore	
SOUTH COAST LROC		
SOUTHERN ROC	Debby & Charles Darby, Mark Baitup, Dave Canham, Rod Catt, Terry Buss	
STAFFS & SHROPS LRC	John Walters	Adrian Neaves
THE CAMEL TROPHY CLUB		
WYE & WELSH LRC	Peter Gladman, Archey Barrell, Richard Hannam, Ray Godwin	Mykul Jones
YORKSHIRE LROC	Andrew & Hedley Cope	
TOTAL 37	21	5

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MINUTES OF THE EGM HELD ON THE 16th November 2019 AT THE IBIS HOTEL, DIRFT EAST, PARKLANDS, CRICK, RUGBY, NN6 7EX

1. **Richard Smith opened the meeting at 10.00am**

Good morning everyone and welcome to our meeting venue for AGMs, EGMs and SORC meetings.

As you came in you should have logged your vehicle registration number at the front desk and identified you are attending this meeting which is a site security measure. Fines are in place for those that do not register and it is a separate company to the hotel so they not able to get any charges cancelled.

The corridor to this meeting room provides access to the toilets and a free coffee bar. Booking for lunch can be made before 11.00.

No fire exercises are planned for today so if the alarm should go off then we need to make our way to the front car park please to await further instructions.

As this is my first public meeting I hope you will all bear with me.

Firstly, as many of you will know by now, there have been changes to the Motorsport UK permit costs and new licence proposals. This will be discussed now and explained by Andrew Neaves and then we will carry on with the EGM.

See attachment.

The meeting to discuss Motorsport UK's actions went on until 11.40 and the S&ORC meeting was due to start at 1.00 so a brief summary of what had come in for the EGM was given with full details available in these minutes.

Before the EGM proceeded, Guy Cashmore, Chairman of Cornwall & Devon LRC said he had the very sad news that their secretary Trish White had died on Tuesday, 12th November 2019. Further details will be available shortly.

2. **Apologies for absence – see attendance table.**

3. **Minutes of previous meeting held on 16th November 2019**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 16th November 2019 were proposed as being a true record by Dennis Wright, seconded by Tim Linney and agreed unanimously. Signed by Richard Smith

4. **Matters arising from previous minutes (*unless covered elsewhere*).**

5. **Chairman's Report – Richard Smith**

Ruth and I have attended a few events around the UK this year and have been made very welcome. Although at some events the numbers are a little down, it is still good to see so many enthusiastic clubs willing to put on great interclub competitions.

We visited the new National Rally site at Bilsington in Kent earlier this year - it has so many great trials areas for all disciplines that we are sure you will enjoy this new venue. There is a follow-on rally so that you can make it a longer break than normal and enjoy the local surroundings. The site is about 7 miles from the nearest beach so don't forget your buckets and spades!

We also were invited to the launch of the new Defender and I have to say that we like it very much. Land Rover have taken many of the features from the old model and upgraded them into the new one. I would urge you all to visit your local dealerships around the UK to view them and see what you think.

With the new Defender in mind, we at the ALRC need to be looking at a Forward Plan to allow some of the newer technology that is out there to be used in competition vehicles. To help us in setting this up and moving it on, we are asking you, the members, to put your thoughts in writing to us with your ideas and proposals on how this could happen and what changes you would like to see made.

I believe that the ALRC Council feel now is the time to make these changes. In order to get this moving, we will need your input by the AGM next year with the intention that we will then appoint a small team to look at all suggestions. The information will then be collated with the idea that some proposals will be put in place in place for this time next year, to allow any changes to appear in the next Hand Book.

6. Secretary's Report – Simone Birch

- a. The ALRC EGM and S&ORC meeting minutes have been sent to all club secretaries, S&ORC, log book scrutineers and club delegates who attend the meetings. Details of club events circulated by email.
- b. Nomination sent to Motorsport UK (18.06.19) for Richard Banks to join the 2020 Cross Country Committee. This has been approved by Motorsport UK.
- c. Nottingham LRC are considering charging a single event membership fee but are not sure how this would be received by the ALRC and their own membership (30.07.19). Not a problem for ALRC as it is a Motorsport UK regulation that all membership is for a year plus voting rights and Nottingham LRC are not a competitive club within the ALRC.
- d. Advice given to Blackpool & Fylde LRC (07.08.19) over various membership issues. Some disgruntled members have set up a rival club but Blackpool and Fylde LRC wish to remain in the ALRC and we will continue to support them.
- e. Advice given to NERO (15.08.19) re public liability for non-competitive club events.
- f. Offer of potential funding for individuals or clubs received from Classic & Sports Finance (29.08.19) – not thought applicable by Richard Smith and myself at this time.
- g. Paul Walton, Nero has asked if the ALRC are passing out names and addresses to companies that advertise on the ALRC website as he has received an email from one of the companies (02.07.19). Informed that as his contact details are also on the website this is probably where they have been accessed and have not been passed on by the ALRC.
- h. 2020 Renewal of Motorsport UK registration made (27.09.19). Certificate issued.
- i. Thank you letter sent to Paul Barton for his commitment to the ALRC.
- j. Confirmation sent to Leicestershire & Rutland LRC that their new letterhead is acceptable to use.
- k. Details of Motorsport UK training days in 2020 for club officials and event organisers received (15.11.19).

Club Secretary / Council member / Scrutineering Change of address:

Cornwall & Devon LRC – Emma White, 3 Sunnysdale Close, Ivybridge, Devon, PL21 9FZ. 07873 112240. Emmajwhite18@gmail.com

Yorkshire LROC – Cath Binns, 72 Avondale Road, Shipley, West Yorkshire, BD18 4QX. secretary@ylroc.co.uk

Scrutineer:

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Privilege Event Permits applied for in 2019 from the following clubs (Maximum allowed 8). The definition of a Privilege Event Permit is one is issued per Motorsport UK permit issued.

Anglian LRC (7), Breckland LRC (1), Chiltern Vale LRC (8), Cornwall & Devon LRC (6), Cumbria ROC (2), Midland ROC (1), North Wales LRC (2), Peak & Dukeries LRC (8), Somerset & Wilts LRC (1), Southern ROC (3), Staffs & Shrops LRC (8).

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Somerset & Wilts LRC (1)

7. Treasurers Report – Richard Smith

A separate account has been set up to run for the National Rally. Deposits have been paid for various services. 7 entries have already been received.

8. New Club Applications - None received

9. Rule Change Proposals

a. Proposal to amend the Rule change process.

The Rule Change Proposal process was to have been discussed further at this meeting taking into account the discussions previously circulated

The current worded proposal was voted For 3, Against 6 at the last EGM and Dave Canham was to look at the wording and carry out changes

It is not a rule change proposal but how the process is actually conducted.

Revised wording has been received on 15.11.2019. See below.

As there is now not time to discuss this here today it will be referred to the ALRC Council for their February meeting.

The rationale

The ALRC has a rule change process to manage the way in which proposals for changes to the ALRC Competition Vehicle Regulations are democratically considered by the ALRC Council, the ALRC Scrutineering and Off-Road Committee and by ALRC member clubs before being accepted, incorporated into the Regulations and implemented.

To try and avoid some of the recent difficulties whereby proposals have come forward which have presented practical difficulties across the various competitions and vehicle classes, it is now proposed that the rule change process be amended to make it more transparent.

Once received by the ALRC Secretary, a vehicle rule change proposal needs to pass through the initial stages of the ALRC Scrutineering & Off-Road Committee and then the Council before it goes out to the clubs for voting. However, it is perceived by some that a proposal that passes these stages has effectively been endorsed by S&ORC and Council when in fact it has not.

Currently missing from the existing process is clarity about how the proposal is considered by SORC or indeed ALRC Council

It is suggested that SORC applies tests to the proposal;

Is it necessary? What lies behind the proposal?

What is the impact on competitors?

Is safety enhanced?

Is it practicable across all ALRC competitions and vehicle types or should it be restricted?

Is there any conflict with the existing regulations?

Does it compromise the ALRC's historic approach of trying to keep regulations simple?

Would it be practicable for clubs and their scrutineers to implement?

Using these tests S&ORC should be able to find a proposal acceptable or unacceptable

To this end it is being proposed to amend the process so that any recommendation from the S&ORC and Council are published along with the proposal. The following refers to page 144 of the current 2019 ALRC Handbook.

Proposal

Current wording: -

f) A proposed vehicle regulation change shall be submitted and then considered at the July meeting of the ALRC S&ORC and at the next meeting the proposal shall be determined either as acceptable or non-acceptable. Following this determination, it shall then be considered by the next meeting of the ALRC Council. If acceptable it shall be notified to the Member Competitive clubs who shall vote on it at the next AGM.

New wording: -

f) A proposed vehicle regulation change shall be considered at the July meeting of the ALRC S&ORC and at the next meeting the proposal shall be determined either as acceptable or non-acceptable. *If deemed acceptable the vote from the S&ORC will be recorded with the proposal, along with any comment / recommendation the S&ORC may wish to make regarding the proposal.* ~~Following this determination, it~~ It shall then be considered by the next meeting of the ALRC Council. If acceptable it shall be notified to the Member Competitive clubs, *along with the S&ORC comments*, who shall vote on it at the next AGM.

To become effective immediately.

A version of the above rationale should also be included as an introduction to the process so members understands the tests that the S&ORC will apply to any proposal. An example introduction is below:-

“The ALRC has a rule change process to manage the way in which proposals for changes to the ALRC Competition Vehicle Regulations are democratically considered by the ALRC Council, the ALRC Scrutineering & Off-Road Committee and by ALRC member clubs before being accepted, incorporated into the Regulations and implemented.

Once received by the ALRC Secretary, a vehicle rule change proposal needs to pass through the initial stages of the ALRC Scrutineering & Off- Road Committee and then the Council before it goes out to the clubs for voting. Should a proposal pass these stages, this does not mean either the Council or S&ORC are endorsing or recommending the proposal. However, should a proposal warrant recommendation or comment, it can be duly given.

The Scrutineering & Off-Road Committee will apply the following tests: -

- Is it necessary? What lies behind the proposal?*
- What is the impact on competitors?*
- Is safety enhanced?*
- Is it practicable across all ALRC competitions and vehicle types or should it be restricted?*
- Is there any conflict with the existing regulations?*
- Does it complicate existing regulations? Is it workable?*
- Would it be practicable for clubs and their scrutineers to implement?*

Upon due consideration the S&ORC should determine if the proposal is acceptable or unacceptable and pass their decision to the Council for ratification, along with any recommendations / comments. Any acceptable

proposal will be sent out to the clubs for voting on, along with any recommendations / comments the S&ORC or Council may wish to make. The formal process is below:-...

Proposed on behalf of Southern Rover Owners Club by Dave Canham
Seconded on behalf of Southern Rover Owners Club by Mark Baitup

b. Proposed amendment to Rule B.19.1 Recovery Points – See previous circulated attachment from Al Reaney & Simon Saunt (S&ORC), Peak & Dukeries LRC.

Copies of this will be available for further discussion at the S&ORC meeting held this afternoon.

c. Proposed new rule for further discussion at the S&ORC meeting. This is not planned for voting at the AGM 2020 as it was received after the cut-off date.

C.6.3. Dampers are free including Coil-over dampers and Air-shocks. If coil-over dampers or air shocks are fitted the factory coil springs and the associated brackets may be removed. The new coilover mounting points must be adequate to transmit the suspension loads into the chassis.

A coil-over damper or Air-shock is an automobile suspension device which in the case of a Coil-over consist of a damper with a coil spring encircling it and in the case of an Air-shock a damper with a large piston rod, typically 1 1/4" and a Nitrogen gas charge that is the spring. Air shocks are fitted to a few of the current CCV motors albeit with a very light spring in the normal coil spring position to comply with the current regulations. A MacPherson strut is a type of coil over first fitted to a Land Rover in 1997 and fitted to many current models.

There are a few advantages in using coil-over and air shocks which are :- with air shocks the ride height can be adjusted with nitrogen pressure, so adjusting ride height is very easy and with coil over's the ride height can be adjusted by turning a threaded spring seat on the shock body.

On my current car the ride height is ok, however to change ride height I have to change the springs which affects spring frequency and free length so complete new spring specs need to be calculated. The other option is to move the spring seat on the chassis which is a lot of work. Also on my car I have had to have duel rate springs made so that I have the correct ride height the desired frequency at ride height and a free length that retains the spring on it's seat at full droop. This is the same for everybody building a competition vehicle if they want to reduce pitching. With coil over's there are a wide range of springs available of the shelf so getting the correct springs is relatively easy compared to having several sets of springs custom made.

C.6.2. states that "damper mounts are free" so suitable Coil-over or Air-shock mount can be fabricated under the current rule.

As for loadings on the mountings, springs used on CCV and Comp safari motors generally range between 100lbs in to 175lbs in with a 12" travel, so at full bump with 17 lbs in springs and 12" travel 2100lbs would be the load + the damper load which on a high speed wheel movement such as hitting a square edged bump at speed is hard to calculate with any accuracy, most shock absorber dynamometers only go up to about 40 inches per second and shock speeds in off-road racing can easily exceed this figure. However working on a figure of 15g seems to be a reasonable figure with a built in safety factor. Given that BS 1387 tube has a yield strength of 195N/mm² a suitable mounting bracket is relatively easy to fabricate.

Many Comp Safari cars outside of the ALRC have been using coilover shocks for many years without issue and indeed the new Range Rover Velar if spec'd with steel springs has them fitted, also there are Land Rover based Comp Safari cars out there

with coilover shocks fitted so why not adapt the rules and make room for them in the ALRC and let existing ALRC competitors that want to use coilover or Airshocks use them.

10. Section Reports

a. Caravan Secretary – Heather Pycraft

85 permits have been issued for 2019 with no issues reported from any of them. This is a reduced number from 2018.

b. Overseas Liaison – Derek Spooner

There is a big event in Norway in 13th – 19th July 2020 for their 45th anniversary. ALRC members have a 25% discount on the entry fee.

c. Non Competitive Clubs & Shows Co-ordinator – Sue Foster

We have had our last show of 2019 and my thanks to Janet and her Team for once again putting on a great display at Peterborough. The weather held for the weekend, we were on the same pitches as last year that work for us and there was plenty of interest shown on both stands.

The new way of booking for stands at shows may cause problems in the future as Live Promotions and the Billing Off Road Show want payment up front for display vehicles which this year was £10 per person. With Live you have to submit vehicle/people details and pay for them up front but then if for any reason they are unable to attend the show you won't get a refund and they won't allow you to transfer that payment to another vehicle, so to fill that space you are paying twice. Billing Off Road require a deposit of £100, £50 of which is non-refundable the rest is then deducted from the number of display vehicles attending. They said this is because Clubs were booking a stand and then not turning up which left empty spaces and genuine clubs not able to attend. As far as the Association is concerned and so as not to lose money, I think Peterborough will be the only show that is viable along with Gaydon as this is run on traditional lines so won't affect having a stand.

You may know that during the Peterborough show it was announced that Live Promotions were going back to Billing Aquadrome next year and they have chosen the same weekend as the Billing Off Road Show. This has not gone down well with Clubs and Traders as they feel Live is trying to dominate the Off Road/Land Rover scene and the people we have spoken to are supporting [as we are] Richard & Sarah at the Off-Road show.

I wait to see what the shows come up with next year.

Request sent by Diana Tigwell asking if the ALRC could display at the 4x4 Expo Show – Sent to Richard Smith, Andrew Flanders and Simone Birch. Andrew has sent a reply saying he will be in touch after this meeting.

d. Countryside Access – Roger Wright

There has been very little activity between LARA and government bodies since March 2018, and actually earlier, owing to DEFRA staff being entirely focussed on Brexit issues. Concerns remain about S.33 issues with Derbyshire and Powys County Councils and the level of authorisations for events that cross or use public rights of way. LARA has produced guidance on S33.

The issues regarding two lanes in the Little Langdale area of the Lake District National Park are progressing well with supportive input from the officers. A Management Group of local interests and users is being set up involving all parties, to address management. These issues were largely caused by one commercial operator who used the lanes in all conditions and who left relationships with local residents leaving a lot to be desired."

Strata Florida in mid-Wales has a TRO on until April 2020. This is a popular route so should be highlighted to members.

LARA have updated their good practice guide to Motor Sport Events in the Countryside.

e. National Rally Liaison Officer – Janet New. Charles Darby spoke at the meeting

2020 - Bilsington Priory Estate, Priory Road, Bilsington, Ashford, TN25 7AU.

The online and paper forms were ready to go live on 1st November 2019 and this was done. No SR's will be available until after the permits have been applied for from Motorsport UK. This was done eventually on the 12th November 2019 (having been told on the 4th November that it was not possible to apply for any permits) with a revision to include the requirement for a Motorsport UK RS Clubmans licence but there is a holdup with receiving the permits as we also found out on the 15th November 2019 the Motorsport UK references have been revised in the new Yearbook. The ASR's will be reissued to Motorsport UK on Monday with the one reference in Article 19 removed (only added for complete clarity and not a necessity) and we will publish the ASR's when the permits are received. They are similar to last years.

Following the announcement of the increase in fees from Motorsport UK the booking system was closed to give the organisers time to consider the costings.

This year the ALRC levy was increased for the first time in many years to £5 so it has been agreed that this will be used to offset the increase in costs for the permits. The discounted booking fees will run until the 13th March and then the full price will apply – competitive events increase by £5 and camping by £10 so please encourage your members to book early.

Bookings will now re-open. If once the ASR's are released those that have pre-booked without seeing them will be able to cancel their booking if they so wish.

The ASR's will only be issued once they have been approved by Motorsport UK and include the permit numbers. No draft copies will be issued prior to that.

The booking system has been tried and tested and Debby is happy that she can get the necessary information to organise the trophies etc for the events.

PayPal is available for the online booking.

Event Director – Charles Darby has organised all the infrastructure which is nearly complete ready for the event. This is not a traditional event being run by a club but many club members from various clubs have come forward and offered their assistance when asked to by Charles. Finance is being coordinated by the ALRC. Any share of profit will be considered depending on amounts after the 40 / 60 split with the landowner.

Land secured and deposit paid by the ALRC.

Rally can start on the Wednesday though no rally control till Thursday. Pink Ladies team from Southern ROC

Comp Safari - Southern Counties Off Road Club. They are not an ALRC club but it is their land that Southern ROC has started to use. This is not seen as an issue as it will also free up Southern ROC members to enter. It will not be a Southern Counties event with their members entering.

Radio control – Steve Odham. Radios booked by Derek Spooner. A repeater is available should it be required.

RTVT - Essex LRC. Mark Pycraft is C-o-C

CCVT – Mick & George Chick

Tyro - Stephen Greenwood,

Bike Trial – Dave Ball

Concours d'Elegance – Andrew Cross. Series One Club

Marking the field out and water fitted by scrutineering team from Southern ROC

Scrutineering headed up by Richard Banks and the same team as this year. Charles Darby will sign on to cover Motorsport UK role

Simone as Event Secretary and signing on team some volunteers already. Tracy McCartney etc

Stewards Antony Birch, Andrew Neaves and Richard Smith

Bookings and Results potentially covered with back up booking by Debby Darby, Tracy and Penny Garwood.

Pre event marshal liaison to confirm and thank Charlotte Davis, on the day the chief marshal is appointed by individual C-o-C so they know who they are working with. This is how Southern ROC operate their events with the C-o-C finding their own marshals etc.

Marshals are always needed to run the events so please volunteer to help if you can. A scenic drive may be possible in the wood over the road depending on how much track can be cleared. This is currently being assessed.

Talks have taken place between Charles Darby and Barretts Land Rover who have agreed sponsorship of the event. They may bring vehicles to display.

More sponsorship is being discussed with Bearmach and Britpart are usually supportive of the event.

Richard and Ruth visited the site with Simone and Antony at the end of July whilst Southern Counties ORC were holding an event and met with Libby Lawson, the landowner. She is happy to provide the catering and bar facilities for the event and we were able to speak to the caterers and sample their food. They are aware of what is required with regard to breakfasts, evening meals and marshal lunches and of the pricing needed.

The marquee, table & chairs, generator, toilets & showers and storage have all been booked and deposits paid. All with Four Jays Group.

Signing on tent and scrutineering tent will be the same as this year. The layout worked very well for liaising as necessary.

First Aid cover has been arranged.

Safety Plan – Paul Barton had said he is happy to do this.

Richard Blackshaw wishes to enter the comp so alternative timing is being arranged.

A logo has been designed by Ruth Smith and agreed to be used. There is a square one and long one which can be used as appropriate.

Clothing to be available in light & dark grey for polos and T-shirts and sweatshirts in charcoal & garnet.

Other items are also to be available – shirts, gilets etc. See booking form online

Enviro metal mugs are also being priced – similar to the Majors Memorial ones as they are felt to be very useful. Also looking at smaller ones as well.

Liz Welch, Midland ROC is organising the clothing and has contacts for the stainless cups that are being considered. These will be given for marshals etc and also available to buy as they proved very popular at the Majors trial.

It is planned to hold the CCVT & Tyro on the Saturday, RTVT, Bike Trial & Concours on the Sunday and Comp on the Monday.

Trials will start at 8.30.

Unfortunately there is not the land to use to hold a Team Recovery as it is thought that too much damage would be done that would take too long to recover and would leave a visible scar on the land which is not wanted there. We would like to return to the site and do not want to wreck the ground on the first visit.

The question was asked if there could be a Timed Trial instead – not thought to have the time available for such an event. This could perhaps be considered in lieu of a comp safari at future events.

Bookings – Easter is late next year – 12th April 2020.

Closing date to be Sunday 3rd May 2020 – As the Bank holiday has been moved to Friday 8th May and not Monday 4th May as would be usual and we cannot accommodate a later cut-off date to be able to organise competition numbers etc. Not sure how clubs will be organising their usual May Day events but it is not possible to wait until after the later Bank Holiday weekend.

Prices for events pre-booked by Friday 13th March 2020 – Tyro Trial - £20, CCVT & RTVT - £35, Comp Safari - £75, Camping £50 (Wed – Tuesday midday), Follow on rally - £20 (Tues – Saturday midday).

After that date prices will increase by £5 for competitions and £10 camping to try and encourage early bookings - Tyro Trial - £25, CCVT & RTVT - £40, Comp Safari - £80, Camping £60 (Wed – Tuesday midday), Follow on rally - £25 (Tues – Saturday midday).

As the site is open from Wednesday 20th May to 30th May 2020 this is a perfect venue, close to the coast for a family holiday with lots to see and do in the area. For a follow on rally there are a lot of attractions in the locality which are already being advertised on the website. Close to the Channel tunnel as well for trips to France.

f. Press & Publicity – Ruth Smith

No report as new to post today.

g. Motorsport UK Liaison – Andrew Flanders

News already covered

h. S&ORC – Richard Banks

All ongoing topics will be covered in this afternoons meeting.

i. Cross Country Motor Sports Agency Co-ordinator – Andrew Neaves

No permits issued since last meeting.

j. Handbook – Stevie Kirby

Ongoing updates are done as necessary. The brand of Land Rover is to be left as such and not changed to Jaguar Land Rover.

Several updates have been received from Andrew Cross and actioned in the Dropbox files and website as appropriate.

k. Webmaster – Ruth Smith

The website appears to be being used more and more as a central point of information for members. I have received quite a lot of event notifications for the 2020 calendar which is already looking quite populated, so thanks to everyone for sending me the info. When it has been an event 'of note' I have also added this to the News Update page, as well as mentioning it on our Facebook page.

Since the AGM, we have generated £500 income from five more companies being added to the Marketplace area.

Over the last month the most visited pages, in order, were the Home page, News Update page, 2020 National Rally pages, Marketplace and Calendar pages.

The National Rally Bookings Officer, Debby Darby and I have been working on an e-commerce bookings form for next year's event, which takes payment via debit/credit card or PayPal account and puts it directly into the ALRC's PayPal account. The form generates confirmation emails which go to both the customer and also Debby. I would like to thank Jonathan Jones of MROC for helping me with the credit card integration facility. Hopefully this system will help with both making and taking bookings, and dramatically cut down on the paperwork and chasing up of missing

details that Debbie currently has to do. The booking facility was launched on 1st November however, due to the MSUK increase in charges; it has been temporarily suspended until we know what is happening there.

I am also currently working on a merchandise form so that National Rally clothing orders can be made and paid for online too. This should be launched in the next week or so, just in time to get your Christmas orders in, so keep your eyes peeled!

I. Facebook – Adrian Neaves

m. Membership Officer – Murray Wiltshire

So far 7 returns have been made by clubs following the request for subscription numbers. If none received then the previous years numbers are used. Requests were made by post and there are no increase in the 2019 fees for 2020.

n. Child Protection – Simone Birch.

The 2020 Motorsport UK Safeguarding Officer license application has been submitted for renewal.

Following a query from the Land Rover Series 2 Club it is pointed out that the ALRC Child Protection Policy and Safeguarding Code of Conduct also applies to people with disabilities and other vulnerable adults - not just children.

11. Any Other Business.

a. Cane tops – New sets are now in stock at a cost of £50 per set of 12 sections of cane tops and section markers.

12. Date of Next Meeting – 14th March 2020

Meetings are to combine the EGM and S&ORC on the same day. EGM – am, S&ORC – pm.

All meetings take place at the Ibis Hotel, Crick, Rugby, NN6 7EX.

Please make sure you register your vehicle details at the hotel reception under “Conference” to avoid a parking fine.

There is ample parking and food available if required although you are able to eat your own food in the meeting room. Free coffee is also available.

Meeting dates for 2020:

Council: 8th February, 13th June, 10th October,

AGM / EGM / S&ORC: 14th March, 4th July, 14th November.

13. Close of Meeting at 12.00