ASSOCIATION OF LAND ROVER CLUBS

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Dear All

Retired Chairman and President – Denis Bourne

It is with great sadness that I have to announce the death of Denis on 31st December 2023 following his battle with illness. I know many of you will have fond memories of Denis over his many years competing at events as a member of Southern ROC where he was a committee member and Chairman for many years, always helped by Sandra and the rest of the family. Denis also helped to build the ALRC into what it is today during his years as a member of the Council and ten years as Chairman. As President he continued to provide support and advice when asked for and he will be greatly missed.

Denis's private funeral was held on the 9th February 2024 but there is a tribute link https://denisbourne.muchloved.com/ where you can leave your memories and messages for the family. There were family flowers only with a collection made for Blood Cancer UK or St Christophers Hospice.

Association of Land Rover Clubs Annual General Meeting

This year's ALRC AGM will take place at 10.00am on the 16th March 2024 in person at the Mercure Daventry Court Hotel, Sedgemoor Way, Daventry, NN11 0SG.

Coffee and food is available to purchase at the hotel or you can bring your own. Please remember to register your vehicle at the hotel reception when you arrive to avoid any car parking charges.

A S&ORC meeting will also take place in the afternoon, starting at 1.00pm.

Copies of the ALRC annual accounts for 2023 will be available there as they are currently at the accountants being collated.

The following members of the Council are due for re-election under the one third rotation at the ALRC AGM: Simone Birch, Andrew Flanders, Fallowe Kirby, Richard Smith, Derek Spooner.

Simone Birch, Andrew Flanders and Derek Spooner are seeking re-election.

Fallowe Kirby, Richard Smith and Mark Whaley are to stand down from the ALRC Council at the AGM.

Rob McCausland has been co-opted onto the ALRC Council (10th June 2023) to take up the position of no portfolio and will seek election at the ALRC AGM on 16th March 2024.

Mike Stone has been co-opted onto the ALRC Council (10th June 2023) to take up the position of no portfolio and will seek election at the ALRC AGM on 16th March 2024.

Debby Darby has been co-opted onto the ALRC Council (8th February 2024) to take up the position of Treasurer and Membership and will seek election at the ALRC AGM on 16th March 2024.

There are the following outstanding the positions on the Council that still need filling – ALRC Handbook Editor, Non-Competitive Clubs / Show & Display Co-ordinator

The following members of The Scrutineering & Off Road Committee are also due to stand down under the three year rotation system: David Jeffrey, Fraser Parish, Matthew Fullwood, Fallowe Kirby

David Jeffrey, Fallowe Kirby, Fraser Parish wish to stand down from the S&ORC, as does Mark Whaley.

Fallowe Kirby also wishes to stand as a log book scrutineer with David Jeffrey, Fraser Parish and Mark Whaley continuing in that role.

Any further nominations for either committee need to be received at the above address by the 15th March 2024.

Members are reminded that to be elected on to either committee means a commitment to attend the meetings held three times a year.

Council meetings are held in February, June and October via Zoom on a Thursday evening, General and S&ORC meetings are held in March, July and November with the AGM in March being in person. If you require any further information, then please contact me.

Please circulate meeting details to your club members as general and scrutineering meetings are open to any members who wishes to attend and contribute to any discussions. It is the voting that is only accepted from club secretaries or official delegates.

Each general meeting lasts about two hours while the scrutineering meetings are dependent on the topics necessary to discuss on the day. Previous meeting minutes are available on the ALRC website or available from myself on request.

Ratification of Amendments to the ALRC Competition Regulations as printed in the 2023 ALRC Handbook

After a query received regarding the National Rally Additional Supplementary Regulations for the Team Recovery the following rule change to the ALRC Competition Regulations was proposed at the Council meeting held on the 8th February 2024 and ratified by the ALRC Council for immediate implementation as a Safety issue.

Section I – Point to Point & Team Recovery-Specific Technical Regulations
Existing Regulation
I.5 Seat and Seat Belts
I.5.1 ~~In Point to Points a minimum of a 3 point fixing safety belt with two shoulder straps and one abdominal strap to be worn by all occupants whilst the vehicle is in motion.~~ DELETED

New Regulation
I.5.1 A minimum of a three point harness is required by all occupants.
(A three point is defined as comprising of two merged shoulder and one lap strap with three anchorage points on the chassis / body shell or roll over bar of the vehicle on either side and to the rear of the drivers seat). Four, five and six point harnesses are acceptable alternatives.

As some regulations are reiterated in the National Rally Regulations to highlight or modify them,
the following has also been ratified for this years National Rally Regulations.

National Rally ASR Team Recovery
Existing Regulation:
~~Article TR16 Competitors must wear a minimum of a lap belt whenever the vehicle is in motion.~~ DELETED

New Regulation:
Article TR16 A minimum of a three point harness is required by all occupants.
(A three point is defined as comprising of two merged shoulder and one lap strap with three anchorage points on the chassis / body shell or roll over bar of the vehicle on either side and to the rear of the drivers seat). Four, five and six point harnesses are acceptable alternatives.

I would be grateful if you could make the information included in this letter available to your members and I look forward to seeing you or any of your club members at the meetings.

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Yours sincerely

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Secretary
For and on behalf of The Association of Land Rover Clubs.

Cc: Post to Club Secretaries
Email to: ALRC Council, All member club secretaries & delegates, S&ORC / Log Book Scrutineers.