



CLUB TORQUE.  
April 2019



*Hello Everybody.*

*We Are Back.*

*Well it's been a while since the last Club magazine we know and hopefully you all understand why, but we are back and ready to go.*

*We intend to give a fresh look to your magazine with some old things, some familiar things, and some new things!*

*This is the bit where you can all help! By giving us stuff to put in the mag, anything really.*

*What have you been up to over the winter months? What are you planning this year? Where did it start for you?*

*The show dates for this year are nearly complete, "Tim's" day at Elham is set, and other special events will be added soon, all of these will be on our professional web site so please check it out.*

*Phil & Jules*

Inside this Issue. Olly's words, John's Blog, Ted's Ramblings, Jules Plea and Phil's Quest.

Dates for your diary. Fish 'N' Chip convey and social – 27<sup>th</sup> April start at the Dog and Duck, Cob Web Rally - 12<sup>th</sup> May Woodchurch Nr Birchington, Convoy Coast into the Country - 19<sup>th</sup> May Start Shoreham West Sussex, Deal Show - 25<sup>th</sup> May Walmer Green Deal. All of these and more on the club web site.

## Chairman Olly.



*One, two, three SMILE!*

Hope everyone has had a productive winter getting all your lovely landys up to scratch? Mine has been a strange turn of events. I sold the yellow 110 bought a really nice 90 sold that bought a disco 11 TD5 commercial sold that bought my lovely wife a disco 11 all singing and dancing so I now have her old one a disco TD5 but it is for sale if anyone is interested.

Can I say our monthly meetings are becoming a real treat with a good atmosphere all round and my fellow committee are the best I have had the pleasure to work with.

Hopefully all the events we are planning for the coming year will float everyone's boat, we are trying to cater for everyone so if you have any ideas give us a shout and we will try and see if it works.

The show season is coming and I hope you will support us as often as you can I always look forward to seeing people at them.

Thank you again for all of your support.

Olly.



Hi Everyone



Thank you to everyone who supported our raffle each month in aid of The Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance. We may be only a small family club but what a fantastic sum to have raised during last year £973. We have supported this worthwhile charity for some years now and every penny goes towards keeping them flying and helping to save lives. Let's try to smash last year's total and go through the £1000 barrier.

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Air Ambulance

**2019 - £1000**

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It's that time of the year again and we need your nominations for the Tim Letley memorial cup. Your votes can be for a member who has done things for the club or perhaps has helped you out with your Landy or in another way. Please fill in a vote slip and pop it into the tub which will be with us at club meetings every month. In July at "Tim's day" at the Elham off road site the cup will be presented to the winner and our family will again provide a buffet lunch for all, this is a free day for you to play and enjoy, thank you Charlie Thorn

As we are getting the mag back up and running again after some time away, we will need your help with your news and your adventures in Landrover world. It's doesn't take a lot of time to do a report, type it, write it or just give Jules your scribbling's and let us do the rest, go on you can do it.

Please let us have your reports so that we can include them in your magazine for others to enjoy, see me after tonight's meeting, email us at [phil.letley@sky.com](mailto:phil.letley@sky.com) or phone Phil on: 07749 771153

YOUR CLUB



**Your Reports to fill spaces like this in your magazine.**

**See you all out there soon Jules.**

## John Clark / John The Drummer

It's that time of year again when my email inbox is bombarded with classic car show invites, and I seem to be adding new events to the website and Facebook page weekly. (On that note, please feel free to check out [www.invictalandroverclub.co.uk](http://www.invictalandroverclub.co.uk)). The weather is improving (as I type the house is being battered by a storm), and I'm checking the diary to find a suitable weekend to polish my truck before show season. However, I seem to face the same problem as many club members – work is getting in the way!

It only seems like last month we were celebrating Christmas ... I remember this very well, as I spent the month drumming for a 48-show panto run at Derby Arena. The following months are always a bit quiet, but we find things to do. For me, that included drumming for a week of 'Legally Blonde' at the Hazlitt Theatre in Maidstone, and a week of 'Hello Dolly' at the Theatre Royal Margate amongst other smaller projects.

As well as maintaining the club's website and the events section of the Facebook page, I was also assigned a little project by the committee of making new members cards for the club. Oly had the great idea of an oval shape like the Invicta logo. Little did he realise what a headache this would cause. From not finding a UK supplier of oval cards, to many hours reconstructing the club badge from scratch, only for it to crash ... twice! The US company I used had to change their systems to allow for UK customers, only for the shipping to be the same cost as the printing, and then added customs once at the UK .... Fair to say it was fun and games, but nevertheless, we now have 500 membership cards to give out when members (new and renewing) pay their subs at the April meeting.

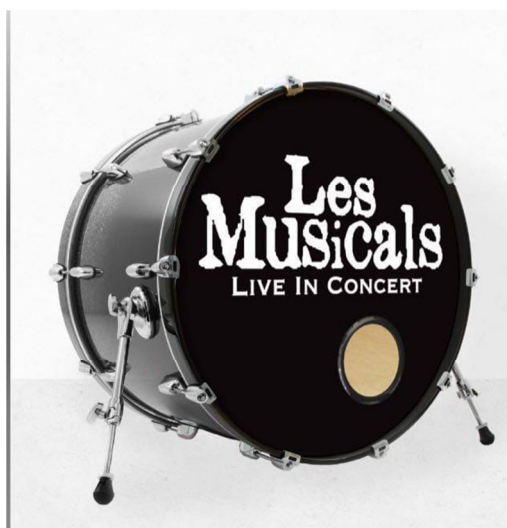
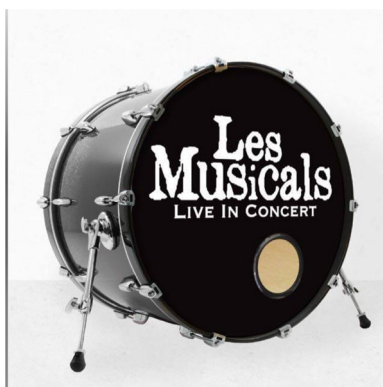
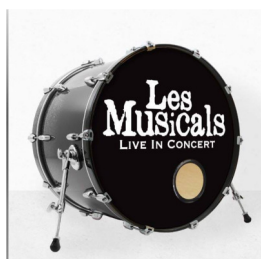
At the March committee meeting, we learned Phil was going to start writing the club mag again (old examples can be found on the website). I thought back to when I used to write little reviews of the car shows we did. I then realised (due to work commitments), how little of the show season I attend now.

When I joined the club nearly 6 years ago, I was attending every show and every meeting without fail. Then in 2015 I went to sea for over 8 months with Royal Caribbean cruise ships, but then returned to the UK theatre scene since 2016 where I could at least attend most of the shows.

That all changed last year when I got a surprise email from the lead singer of G4, Jonathan Ansell. He was asking if I'd be interested in touring with him and Rhydian Roberts around the UK for a theatre cabaret show called 'Les Musicals' ([www.lesmusicals.com](http://www.lesmusicals.com)), where two classical singers (both from X-Factor) sung their favourite show tunes. This took away May and June last year, but was an amazing experience.

I'm pleased to announce I will be touring again this year in May, June and October, with Jonathan Ansell and BGT winner, Jai McDowall. This will see me travel as far as Redruth to Aberdeen, and then including Guernsey and Jersey in October. There won't be a chance to attend many car shows in this time, nor go green laning (in our double-decker touring coach, but I will ask the driver to try), so I hope to attend as many shows as possible when not touring ... and hope to see as many members (new and regular) as possible.

Look after your trucks, look after yourselves and look after the byways.  
See you all again soon.



## OTTO TWANKER.



Hi Guys.

April means one thing!  
Subs are due.

Hi all my fellow landy lovers, it seems ages since I last did a blog but contrary to popular belief I'm still in the land of the living apart from a dose of Sciatica which reduced me to a dribbling wreck but all is well. It's been a funny sort of winter so far but at least we've all been able to get around which is handy. I think chairman Olly is secretly running a kennels! as his family is growing steadily with new addition Bella now sharing the settee with Holly and Shadow, us humans will soon be sitting on the floor with the tortoise and nibbling on his lettuce!

The club has been going through some minor changes here and there with admin etc. but is definitely looking good to me with new members joining us so welcome to you all, we hope you enjoy the various activities we are planning this year.

For those of you who fancy some off road playing we have the Happy Valley site at Elham which holds events every month on a Sunday and is run by our good friend and club member Charlie Thorn and marshalled by fellow member Mike and Simon Charlie's right hand man and you are most welcome to join them for a very reasonable sum.

We have a few events coming up, the fish and chip run on Sat 27th April and a quiz night at the pub on Sat 15th June which should be fun plus very soon the show season will start which I hope you will all come and enjoy.

I have recently purchased a 1970's record player which brings back days of my spotty youth playing in my wreck of a bedroom oh happy days, but of course I had no Vinyl so I've become that shady character in the corner of my local charity shops rummaging away! We would love to have your input in our magazine on anything landy related or other interests you may have so why not give it a go if I can do it anyone can.

Well I'll sign off now any ideas you have are always most welcome for club events. I'm just off to do the first job of the day cleaning the conservatory roof, who says us retards (retired) do sod all!

Happy Landying my friends. OTTO TWANKER.

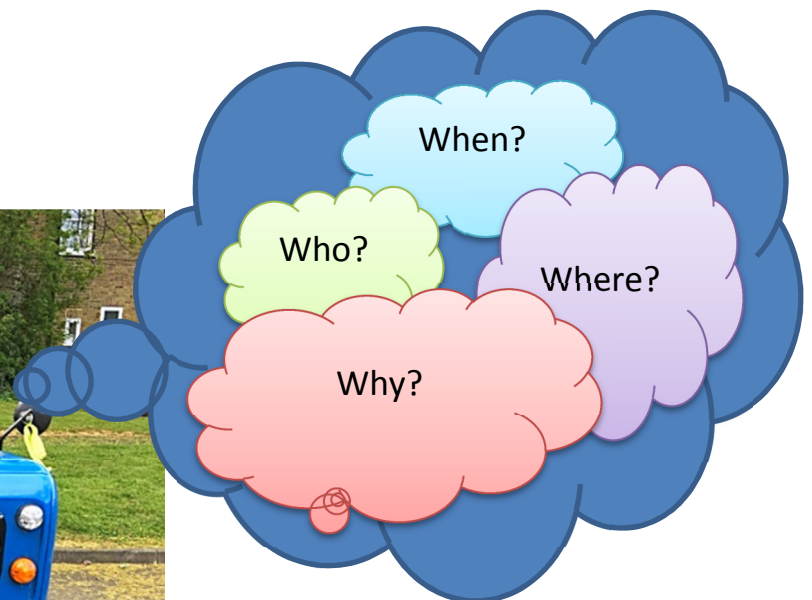
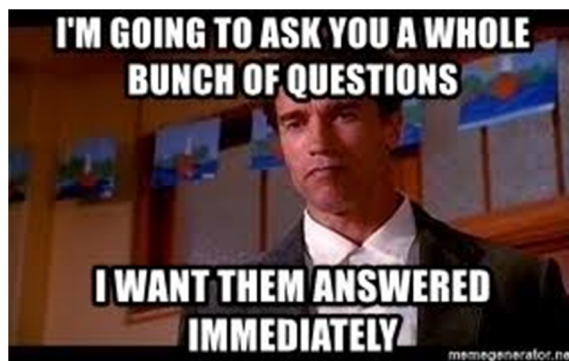
## The Four W's of Landrover Life.

Everybody you talk to seems to have a Landrover story inside them, even if they do not actually own one. Each story is personal and therefore unique. What is your story? And how did it start?

For something new in the mag I will be asking four simple questions which should explain your story. OK number four is a two part question.

- 1. **When:** Was your first encounter with a Landrover.
- 2. **Who:** Got you started with the Landrover bug.
- 3. **Why:** Did you choose Landrover.
- 4. **What:** Was you first Landrover and what do you drive now.

Please share your story with others. Who's going to go first? I will be asking you!



Phil V-Chair.