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LROC NEWS

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FOUND - LAND ROVER CLASSIC

Throughout 2023, we've frequently delved into conversations around preserving traditional Land Rovers, revered for their adventurous spirit conquering rugged terrains. Recently, I stumbled upon Land Rover Classic, a Land Rover division dedicated to safeguarding the brand's motoring heritage, offering authentic components, pre-owned classics with warranties, and top-notch servicing at their Classic Works facility.

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LROC NEWS - INTERACTIVE JOURNEY

In this copy of LROC News, we unveil an update to our monthly newsletter. Leveraging technology, we've created a digitally interactive newsletter that seamlessly marries the timeless appeal of newspapers with modern digital convenience. This transformation enhances your reading journey, when using a mobile telephone. Our goal is to make your interaction with Club news informative, intuitive, and enjoyable..

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Email is king... Perception is key... and other interesting Club insights



In August 2023, the Executive Committee initiated a survey with Members to gather essential insights and evaluate key deliverables. This direct communication with our membership base aimed to determine what our members find valuable. The results have been remarkably enlightening, and we're excited to begin sharing some of the insights we've gained from the responses.

feedback to our broader membership base, offering a deeper understanding of the Executive Committee's drive and direction for 2024.

It's truly incredible how opening your mindset toward feedback can permit the reveal of tremendous insights. That's precisely what we've experienced in response to our LROC Member Survey, which was introduced in the August 2023 newsletter.

As some of you may have noticed, the survey remained open a bit longer

than originally intended, extending into October. We're delighted to report that the response exceeded our expectations, which is a testament to the enthusiasm and engagement of our members.

This tremendous response is a significant boon for the Executive Committee of the Land Rover Owners Club of Southern Africa. It means we now have factual insights directly from our membership base, which will serve as a guiding light for our decision-making and planning activities.

The nature of the survey allows for various exercises to construct valuable insights from the gathered data. These insights will play a pivotal role in shaping our 2024 strategy. We aim to improve our strategies and develop new metrics that will help us measure our performance in delivering value to our members.

Beyond strategic planning, the survey also shed light on how our membership perceives the Club's purpose in today's world,

especially in the age of social media. This understanding is crucial, and we are committed to addressing any gaps effectively.

Additionally, we gained insights into our communication platforms and strategies, highlighting certain key deficiencies that we are already taking steps to address.

While ongoing analysis of the responses will continue to provide deeper insights over the next few weeks, certain key indicators allow us to share immediate observations. As part of our commitment to member engagement and inclusion, we are discussing some of these insights here.

Sources of Engagement:

One frequent debate within the executive team revolves around the channels through which members engage with Club information. Although this debate will persist, the results from 2023 provide clear initial insights.

Email remains the primary platform for communication with our members, with the Club's WhatsApp distribution list taking second place, followed by the website. Interestingly, there is evidence of traction with QR Code adoption and positive response rates from some of our newly implemented participative Club WhatsApp groups. The

QR Code was exclusively featured in the Club Newsletter, which garnered a modest response in comparison.

For those who prefer a more analytical approach, here are the numbers:

Email: 121 engagements
WhatsApp Distribution List: 60 engagements

Website: 51 engagements

QR Code (newsletter): 9 engagements

Newsletter: 1 engagement

WhatsApp Members Group: 4 engagements

WhatsApp New Members Group: 3 engagements

WhatsApp Defender Group: 3 engagements

WhatsApp Rangies Group: 1 engagement

WhatsApp Disco Group: 0 engagements

While these results may seem to point in a clear direction at first glance,

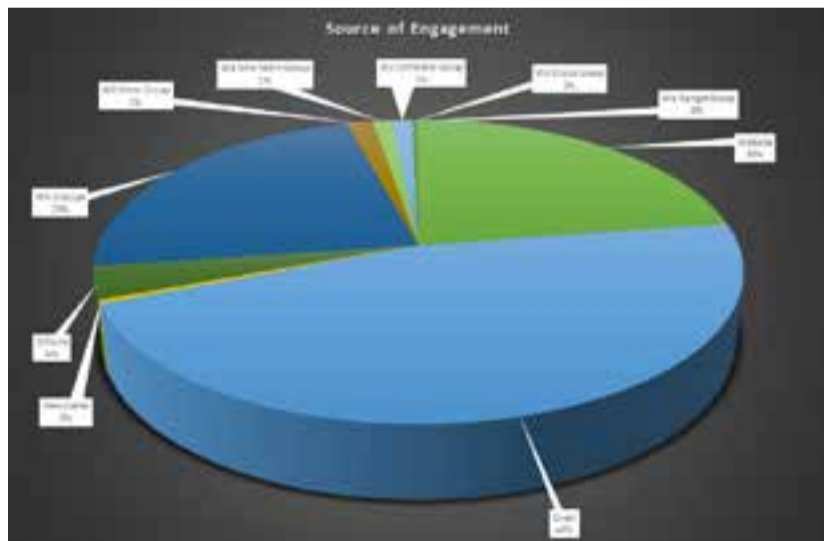


Chart: Sources of engagement



Found - Land Rover Classic

Heartwarming information for those who love the Classics

In the course of this year, I've engaged in numerous discussions regarding the preservation of traditional Land Rovers as time marches on. Undoubtedly, these classic vehicles have become the epitome of adventure, fearlessly conquering the world's most challenging terrains. Who among us can forget the iconic moments of the Camel Trophy, where Land Rovers showcased their remarkable prowess in some of the harshest environments on Earth?

For over seven decades, Land Rover has crafted vehicles that have triumphed over the toughest landscapes and ventured into the farthest

reaches of the globe. While these older Landys may be showing their age, their unmatched capabilities remain unquestionable. For many of us, this means continuing to employ them as the conquerors they were born to be. However, this comes with its own set of challenges, particularly as Land Rover pivots towards more modern iterations that must adhere to the various legislative requirements of the contemporary world.

As I was preparing last month's newsletter article on Land Rover and its involvement in the Rugby World Cup, I embarked on a digital quest for information and stumbled upon the Land Rover Classic website. For those of you, like myself, who were unaware of its

existence, I am delighted to introduce it to you right now.

Land Rover Classic is an arm of Land Rover wholly dedicated to safeguarding and restoring the motoring heritage of this beloved brand, ensuring it endures for future generations to savor and revere. Land Rover Classic offers a plethora of services and products for the owners and devotees of classic Land Rovers, including:

Classic Genuine Parts: Land Rover Classic provides authentic components to countless customers globally, delivering precision-crafted products

Picture Perfect
CUSTOM MUGS
with LROC

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Capture Your Land Rover Memories on Custom Mugs
Order Now!

Customize your Land Rover experience with our exclusive personalized mugs! Share your cherished Land Rover moments by featuring your own photos on mugs with LROC. Sip your favorite drink while reliving your unforgettable adventures. Order your unique keepsake today and celebrate your love for Land Rover with every sip! Order at admin@lroc.org.za.



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LROC News - interactive journey

Unveiling a New Era of Interactivity in our Newsletter

As we usher in the dawn of 2023, the Land Rover Owners Club of Southern Africa is proud to introduce a transformative update to our monthly newsletter that is set to redefine your reading experience. We've harnessed the power of technology to bring you a digitally interactive newsletter that seamlessly blends the timeless charm of newspapers with the convenience of modern digital access.

At the core of this evolution lies a deliberate choice to draw inspiration from the principles of a newspaper.

Our newsletter now boasts a structured column layout and embraces the concept of multiple page combinations. This change is not merely aesthetic; it's a homage to the rich history of our Club, serving as a record of our journey, just like the annals of a newspaper archive.

One of the inherent advantages of this newspaper-inspired philosophy is the way it enhances your reading experience. As you delve into an article, you'll naturally find yourself drawn to explore other captivating stories and news pieces within the same issue. The flow of information becomes seamless, encouraging you

to discover more about the world of Land Rovers and our Club.

In recognizing the realities of the modern world, where mobile devices have become our constant companions, we acknowledge that tracking article flow and location on smaller screens can be a tad challenging. To bridge this gap and elevate your reading experience, we've introduced digital interactivity to our newsletter.

Our digitally interactive newsletter now seamlessly connects you to a world of resources and information.

factoring in the total number of active members on each channel paints a different picture, with the WhatsApp groups achieved a higher response rate per channel active member. We anticipate that as we continue to evolve and enhance both our newer and older communication channels, member engagement rates will increase significantly. These results also provide insights into where further effort is required to maximize the engagement potential of a particular channel. We look forward to delivering on this critical insight and

observing its long-term impact.

Magazine Insights:

In addition to evaluating communication channels, we inquired about member perceptions of our Club magazine. We were pleased to receive a positive response from members, which bolsters the Executive Committee's desire to reinstate the Club's magazine, LandRoving. The magazine has not been

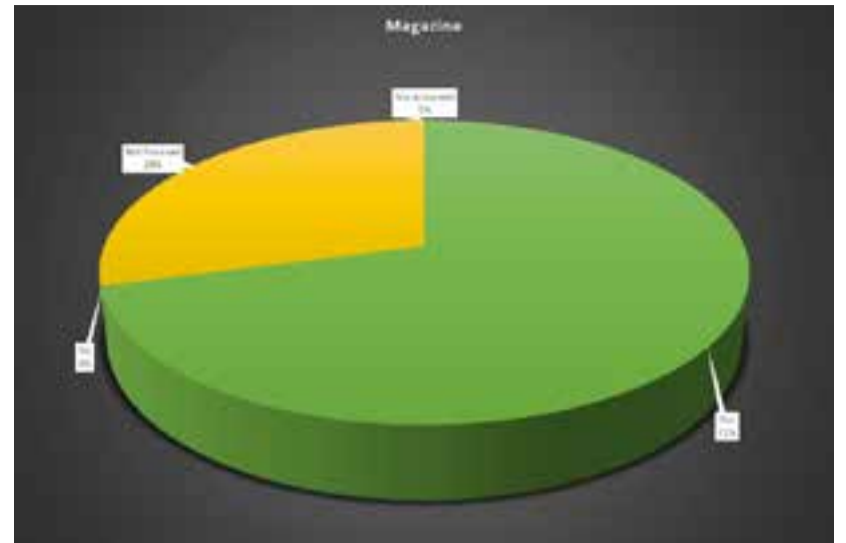


Chart: Magazine Insights

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designed specifically for older vehicles. Be it a Series I, II, or III, a Defender, a Range Rover Classic, or a Discovery, Land Rover Classic has the parts required to maintain their performance and authenticity.

Works Legends: Land Rover Classic meticulously sources and sells a curated selection of pre-owned classic vehicles that have received the seal of approval from our skilled technicians. These vehicles undergo a comprehensive health assessment and benefit from a 12-month unlimited mileage warranty. Works Legends offers a unique opportunity to own a piece of Land Rover history.

Owner Services: Land Rover

Classic extends its expertise to servicing, restoring, and maintaining classic vehicles at its state-of-the-art Classic Works facility. This facility boasts cutting-edge testing equipment, historical archives, and a showroom displaying iconic vehicles. Owner Services also organizes exclusive events and experiences for classic vehicle owners and enthusiasts.

Notably, Land Rover Classic has recently unveiled a limited edition of 30 classic Defenders, re-engineered with a 5.0-liter V8 engine, producing a commanding 405PS and 515Nm of torque. The Works V8 Islay Edition pays homage to the Scottish island where the original Defender prototype underwent trials in 1947.

These vehicles feature bespoke design elements, including Islay Blue paintwork, Recaro seats, and an engraved plaque.

While I understand that geographical constraints can sometimes limit accessibility, it's heartening to know that our classic vehicles have a dedicated institutional support structure committed to their care, even long after they've ceased production. From the Series 1 to the 2016 Defender, Discovery 3, Freelander, and various Range Rovers, Land Rover Classic provides a comprehensive resource for genuine care, offering everything from genuine

Welcome to our Newest Members...

As the Chairperson of our Club, it gives me great pleasure to extend a warm welcome to our newest members. We are thrilled to have you join our community of passionate Land Rover enthusiasts who share a common love for adventure, exploration, and camaraderie.

I was recently reminded of the profound impact that our Club can have on our lives by Paul Foster, the Chairperson of the LROC PE Chapter, who stated, "I am never leaving the Club, you never know who is joining next and you never know... they might very well be your next best friend." These words truly resonated with me as they highlight the power of connection and friendship that lies at the heart of our Club.

Although our Club has been in existence for over 63 years and has matured as an organization, we recognize that we are never too old

to make new friends and embrace new experiences. We are excited to have you as part of our community, and we look forward to creating new memories and sharing many adventures together.

I invite you to take advantage of the numerous events and activities that we offer and to fully immerse yourselves in the Land Rover Owners Club of Southern Africa. It is through your participation and enthusiasm that we will continue to thrive and grow as a community.

Once again, welcome to our Club. I hope you enjoy being a part of it as much as I do, and I look forward to seeing you soon and sharing the joy of Land Rover ownership with you.

Clint Mason
Chairperson

O Dear... it would seem that there were no new membership registrations in October 2023

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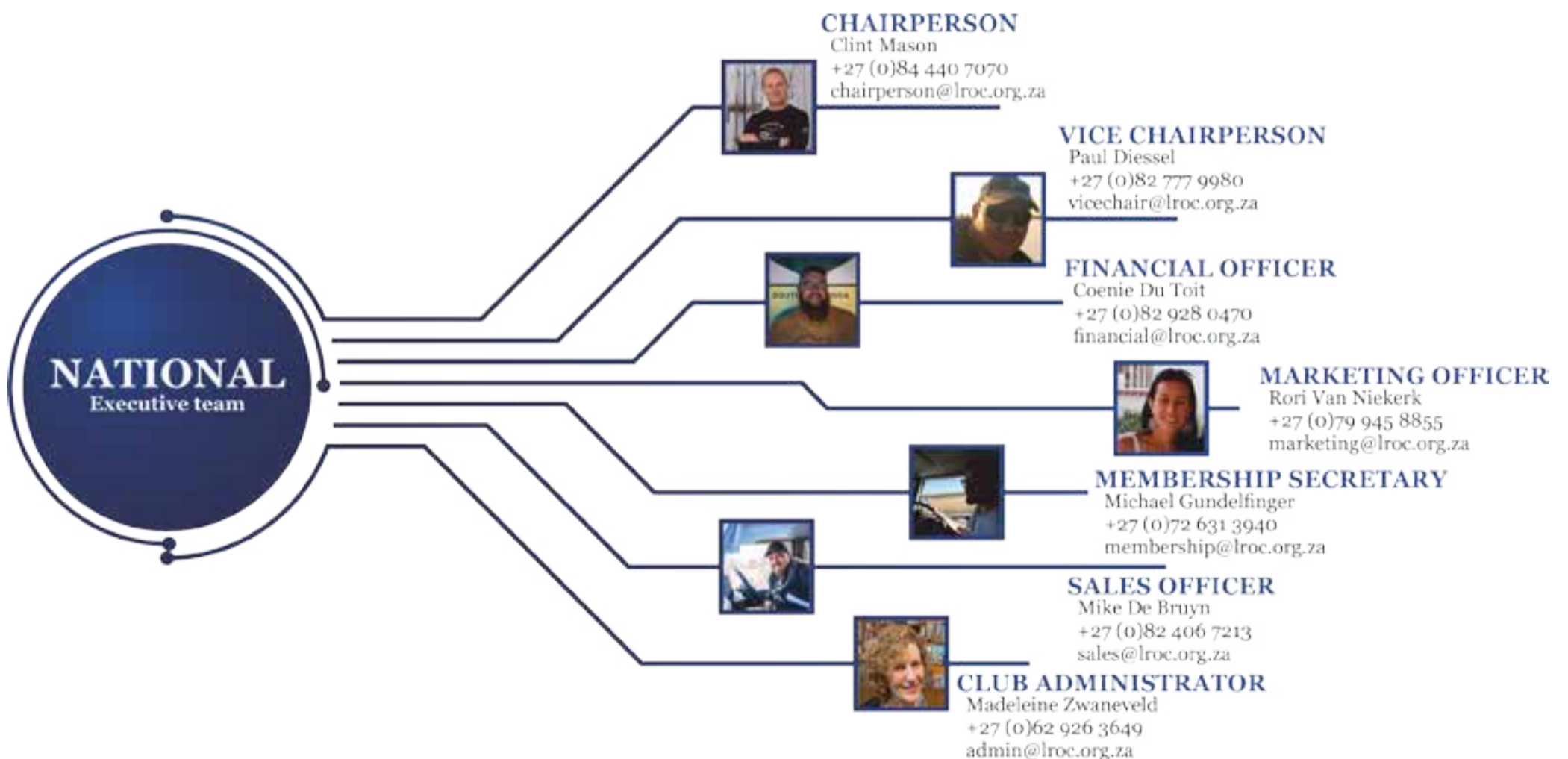


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LROC National team



parts to custom indoor and outdoor car covers.

For those eager to learn more about Land Rover Classic, I wholeheartedly encourage you to explore their website at <https://www.landrover.com/explore-land-rover/land-rover-classic/index.html> where you can delve into a treasure trove of information and discover the full spectrum of services and offerings they provide. Enjoy your adventures in the Best 4x4xFAR!



Websites, email addresses, and document hyperlinks within the newsletter can be easily clicked, taking you directly to the source of the information or additional Club resources.

With this new interactivity technology seamlessly woven into our newsletter, we aim to make your interaction with our Club's updates not only informative but also intuitive and easy to navigate. Whether you're exploring articles, seeking contact details, or diving into Club documents, our digitally interactive newsletter is your gateway to a world of Land Rover enthusiasts and resources.

As we embark on this exciting journey of digital interactivity, we invite you to explore, click, and immerse yourself in the wealth of information and experiences that our newsletter now offers. We believe that this innovative approach will enhance your connection with the Land Rover Owners Club of Southern Africa and make your membership experience more engaging than ever before. Welcome to the future of our newsletter, where every click opens a new adventure.

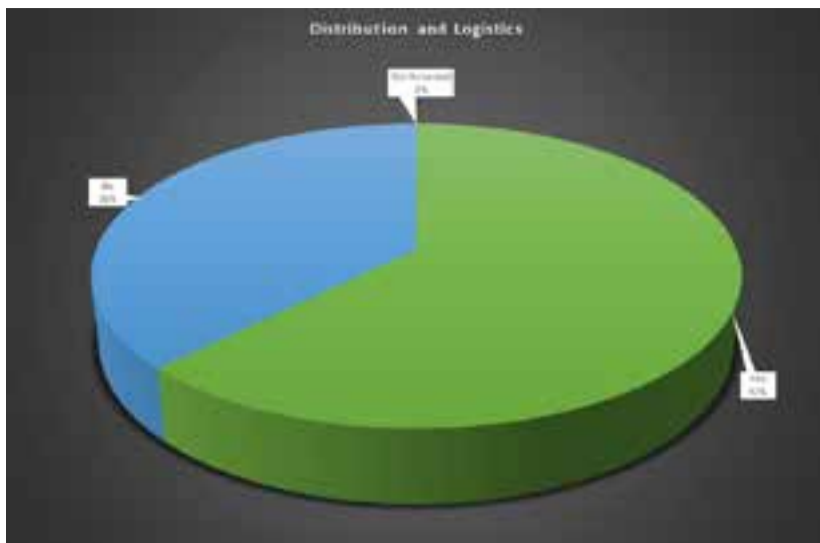


Chart: Distribution and Logistics insights

produced since Edition 130 in 2019, and its revival will require considerable effort and consideration. Nonetheless, the results clearly indicate the need to focus attention on this project.

Distribution and Logistics:

Unfortunately, it appears that logistics and the delivery of certain membership assets, such as calendars, stickers, and membership cards, continue to be a challenge for the Club. This has been a recurring concern for both the current and past Executive Committees. While some committee members believe the results reflect an improvement, with 38% of members indicating that they have not received certain assets, addressing this issue

remains a high priority for 2024. Ensuring that the benefits of membership, both sentimental and practical, are received by our loyal members is crucial. The Executive Committee remains committed to finding a solution that addresses both cost and reliability concerns.

Calendar vs. Wall Planner:

One of the more intriguing debates in 2023 revolved around member preference between the calendar and wall planner formats. To settle this debate, we asked for direct feedback. The results were surprisingly balanced, with 23% preferring calendars, 29% favouring wall planners, and 25% indicating that they liked both formats. While the wall planner has a slight edge statistically, some

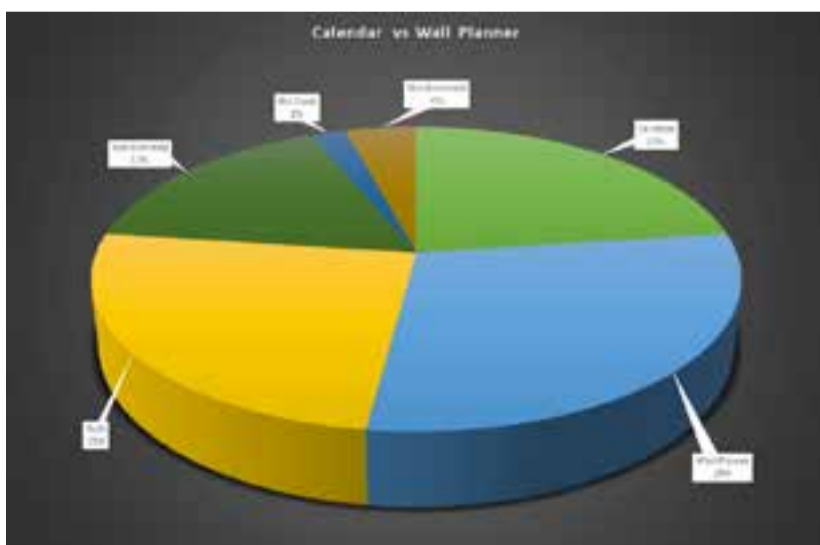


Chart: Calendar vs Wall Planner

comments suggested that it doesn't effectively showcase the Landy lifestyle. We're committed to finding a harmonious solution, and we've scheduled a feedback session for the start of 2024 to explore options that appeal to both camps. We eagerly await the results and look forward to sharing these renewed insights with our members.

Meaningful feedback:

With all these stats, one might be forgiven for believing that it was all yes-no questions, which couldn't be further from the truth. Tremendous value was also achieved through purposeful feedback received from members, which assists in identifying not only the statistical relevance of key deliverables but also a member's impression of the Club. There is a tremendous volume of objective and necessary information to disseminate, but one comment caught our attention.

"I have yet to meet anyone within 5 years of my age (being 23) and those that are younger members seem to have a very different view and approach to off-roading and Land Rovers, most seem to have the mindset of using it like a playtoy in the mud until it breaks and not using them for remote traveling and overlanding."

This comment caught our attention because it highlights our sentiment that it is mission-critical that we, as an executive committee, gain improved understanding of what our members believe. Each person has a unique perspective on value, and it is necessary that, as best as possible, the Club provides a balanced approach to ensure that our members do not become disillusioned or disappointed in the Club's delivery. The Club is, after all, about the Members and not the Exco.

Your Feedback Matters:

While deeper analysis of the survey data will continue, we want to emphasize the importance of ongoing communication with the Executive Committee. Aligning our efforts with the expectations of our members is crucial for the Club's success. The Land Rover Owners Club of Southern Africa exists as a non-profit organization mandated to enhance the adventurous spirit and camaraderie among people who own and love Land Rovers and all the majestic experiences these amazing vehicles offer.

The Executive Committee Team would like to express our sincere gratitude to all those who participated in the 2023 LROC Members Survey. We anticipate a fantastic year of Club lifestyle and spirit in 2024, and your valuable insights will play a pivotal role in guiding us on this journey.

To all Members, thank you for being an essential part of our vibrant Land Rover community. Your passion fuels our shared adventures, and your opinions and feedback are invaluable. We want to ensure that you find value in the time, effort, and love you invest in this Club.

Let's embark on this journey together, learn, understand, and grow as a community. The future of the Land Rover Owners Club of Southern Africa belongs to all of us, and together we will continue to be a haven for Land Rover enthusiasts—a place where memories are etched in the sand, and friendships mature under the expansive African sky.

At its core, the Land Rover Owners Club of Southern Africa is not just about the vehicle; it's about the people, the connections, the shared experiences, and our united love for the Landy Lifestyle.

Thank you for being part of our journey.

Event Reports

Because owning a Land Rover means we are always doing something worth writing about!



Landys and Lattes October 2023

1 October 2023
Okes Coffee Shop, Modderfontein
By Jonathan Diessel

On a warm morning of October 1st in Founders Hill, Modderfontein, we gathered at Okes Coffee Shop. This special event brought together a large crowd, including many new club members who joined us to celebrate our shared love for coffee and Land Rovers.

The scorching sun encouraged most of us to choose refreshing milkshakes and freezos, seeking shelter from the intense heat in this pet-friendly coffee shop. It was a morning filled with camaraderie, as three tables were creatively merged to accommodate the growing number of attendees, fostering a sense of togetherness and unity.

One of the highlights of our time at Okes Coffee Shop was the extensive breakfast menu, offering a wide variety of delicious options to satisfy all tastes. The food was not only scrumptious but also beautifully presented, enhancing our

overall experience.

The presence of our furry friends added an extra layer of charm to the gathering, making it even more inclusive and enjoyable. Pet owners and their four-legged companions were welcomed with open arms.

In conclusion, our morning at Okes Coffee Shop in Modderfontein was a delightful experience, proving that even under the scorching sun, we could enjoy the company of fellow coffee enthusiasts and relish delicious food in a pet-friendly atmosphere. As our club continues to grow, Landys and Lattes will remain an enjoyable experience, a testament to the power of coffee and community, where warm mornings turn into unforgettable memories.



LROC Treasure Hunt October 2023

14 October 2023
Modderfontein Nature Reserve
By Jason Diessel

Early on the crisp morning of October 14th, the excitement was palpable as Land Rover enthusiasts gathered at the Bedfordview Land Rover dealership. The occasion? The LROC Treasure Hunt, an event designed to put their navigation and observation skills to the test.

The journey took them through the charming suburbs of the East Rand, challenging participants to decipher clues and answer questions along the way. As they made their way to the final destination, a picturesque vista on Munro Drive provided the perfect backdrop for teams to capture their Land Rovers in all their glory. These

moments were not just for memory's sake; they would soon adorn mugs as cherished keepsakes.

The adventure continued with twists and turns through Edenvale, and a pit stop at Kota Joe's for refreshing milkshakes. The teams' family photos, now printed on mugs, added a personal touch to the day's experience. But the thrill was far from over.

The journey culminated at the serene Modderfontein Nature Reserve, where teams reunited for a delightful braai, sharing stories of their adventure-filled day. In the end, it was Simon Meanwell and his team who emerged victorious, their hard-earned win a testament to

their skills and teamwork.

The Land Rover Adventure Rally wasn't just a test of navigation; it was a day of bonding, surprises, and the joy of discovery. Participants reveled in the opportunity to create lasting memories with loved ones while exploring the world of Land Rovers.

As the sun dipped below the horizon, marking the end of an unforgettable day, participants left with their hearts full of camaraderie and a renewed passion for the Land Rover lifestyle. We look forward to the next adventure and the memories yet to be made.



What's on the horizon

Because owning a Land Rover means that there is always adventure just in front of us!

LROC Event

Night Trail - De Wildt



Postponed:

Whoops we are postponing as we unfortunately didn't make our numbers. We understand that October has been a difficult month to think anything other than the Springboks. Unfortunately, the nature of the event necessitated special permissions and arrangements be made with the venue and this meant achieving a minimum number. Not to worry though, we will be rescheduling this event for those who wanted to join.

From:

Sat, 04 Nov 2023 12:00

To:

Sun, 05 Nov 2023 12:00

Hosted By:

Clint Mason

Costs:

TBA

Venue:

De Wildt

Website:

<https://www.lroc.org.za/events/night-trail-de-wildt-oct-2023/>

Prepare to embark on an exhilarating journey that will redefine your passion for off-roading – introducing the electrifying “Night Trial, De Wild 4x4” event!

Imagine a world where the night sky is your guiding light, and your Land Rover is your trusted companion through the shadows. As the sun sets, the wilderness awakens under the enchanting glow of the moon. “Night Trial, De Wild 4x4” is your invitation to experience off-roading in a whole new dimension – where the thrill is amplified, and the challenges are as captivating as they are formidable.

Navigating off-road trails

after sunset is a journey like no other. The darkness adds an aura of both wonder and challenge, reshaping the way you perceive the terrain. Obstacles come to life under the moon's gaze, and your skills are put to the ultimate test.

Strap in and prepare to be captivated as you navigate treacherous landscapes with your Land Rover as your ally. The true mark of an adventurer is facing the unknown, and our “Night Trial, De Wild 4x4” event is the ultimate proving ground. Only the boldest will dare to embrace the thrill of nighttime off-roading, where every twist and turn unveils a new test of courage.

Witness nature's beauty as you've never seen it before. The moon's gentle radiance casts an enchanting spell, creating dramatic silhouettes across rocky terrains. The landscapes you thought you knew by day become mystical realms of wonder after nightfall. Off-roading under the night sky requires more than just courage – it demands focus, strategy, and lightning-fast reflexes. Conquer steep inclines, navigate through muddy challenges, and overcome obstacles that only reveal themselves in the moon's glow. With every triumphant conquest, you'll experience the exhilaration of mastering the art of nighttime off-roading.

Whether you're a seasoned trailblazer or a newcomer seeking an adrenaline-infused escapade, the allure of off-roading at night is irresistible. Push your boundaries, dive into the unknown, and etch your legacy on trails that come alive under the cover of darkness.

Let the thrill of nighttime off-roading awaken the explorer within you. Join us for the unforgettable “Night Trial, De Wild 4x4” event, where darkness becomes your canvas and adventure knows no bounds.

Secure your spot today and prepare to make memories that shine as brightly as the stars above.

LROC Event

Landys and Lattes - Nov 23



From:

Sat, 18 Nov 2023 09:00

To:

Sat, 18 Nov 2023 12:00

Hosted By:

Simon and Rori Meanwell

Venue:

Coffee on Rose

Website:

<https://www.lroc.org.za/events/landys-and-lattes-november-2023/>



Calling all Land Rover enthusiasts and coffee Fans! Get ready to rev up your engines and savor a steaming cup of joe at the Land Rover Owners Club of Southern Africa's (LROC) monthly Landys and Lattes gathering. This delightful event, open to both members and non-members, offers the perfect opportunity to mingle with fellow Landy fans in a casual and friendly atmosphere.

Join us on Saturday, November 18, 2023, at Coffee on Rose, a charming and cozy coffee shop nestled in the heart of Midrand, Gauteng. As you sip your favorite brew, surrounded by fellow Land Rover enthusiasts, you'll find yourself in good company with plenty of spirited conversation about your

beloved Land Rover.

Coffee on Rose, located within Riversands Farm Village, is more than just a coffee shop; it's a haven for foodies and coffee lovers alike. Their menu boasts an array of delectable drinks and snacks, all prepared with the freshest and finest ingredients. Whether you're in the mood for a perfectly brewed coffee, a soothing tea, a refreshing smoothie, or a delightful snack, Coffee on Rose has you covered.

The coffeeshop offers a warm and inviting ambiance, with comfortable seating options and a serene garden area for those who prefer the great outdoors. Plus, its strategic location near major roads and highways ensures easy access for visitors from all corners of Gauteng.

Riversands Farm Village itself is a treasure trove of activities and history. With roots dating back to the 1940s as a free-range chicken farm founded by the Rose family, it has since evolved into one of Johannesburg's most beloved outdoor venues. Hosting music festivals and sporting events since 2001, this venue is a vibrant hub of entertainment.

In addition to Coffee on Rose, Riversands Farm Village features a craft village with cafes and arts and crafts stalls, as well as a weekly market every Sunday. Here, you can discover handmade treasures and indulge in delicious food offerings. For the more adventurous souls, the village offers thrilling experiences like ziplining, treetop adventures, and close encounters with animals.

Eezy Car Wash, located at Riversands Farm Village, offers the perfect solution for those who wish to give their Land Rovers a little extra TLC. From washing and waxing to interior cleaning and detailing, Eezy Car Wash has a range of services to pamper your vehicle. Thanks to our hosts, Simon and Rori,

special arrangements have been made with Eezy Car Wash in anticipation of a convoy of Landys covered in adventure.

At Landys and Lattes, your furry friends are also welcome to join in the fun. While enjoying the event with your four-legged companions, please remember to keep them on a leash and be responsible for cleaning up after them. Respect for the rules and regulations of Riversands Farm Village ensures a harmonious experience for all.

Join us for the next Landys and Lattes event at Coffee on Rose, on Saturday, November 18, 2023, anytime between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm. No registration or fees are required; simply show up and enjoy the day. To stay updated and connected, be sure to join our event WhatsApp group by scanning or clicking on the QR Code. We look forward to sharing the joy of Land Rovers and lattes with you!

LROC Event

Loskop Weekend Away



From:

Fri, 10 Nov 2023 12:00

To:

Sun, 12 Nov 2023 12:00

Hosted By:

Attie Smit

Costs:

- 3 x 2-bed bungalows @ R500.00 per night (fridge but no bedding)

- Camping @ R250.00 per night for a campsite for 4 plus R50.00 pppn for an additional person(s) with a maximum of 6 per campsite

- Fees payable for Diepkloof will be announced in final e-mail

Venue:

Seekoeigat

Website:

<https://www.lroc.org.za/events/loskop-weekend-away-nov23/>



LROC WhatsApp Group

Embrace the rhythm of nature and the allure of adventure as we invite you to the highly anticipated Loskop Weekend Away Event, hosted by the ever-enthusiastic Attie Smit. Get ready for a family camping weekend that blends off-roading with the magic of the great outdoors.

This year, we heed the call of the majestic big tree at Diepkloof, which has stood resilient after earthworks a few years back. Its shade beckons us, and we are all set to answer that call. Prepare for scenic mountain drives that cater to all vehicles, weather permitting. While the drives are relaxed, remember to pack your recovery gear – for in the world of exploration, preparedness is key.

Our journey begins at 08:00 in convoy, with an option to bring a picnic basket for a leisurely lunch break. By 15:30, we'll return to camp, but feel free to set your own pace on the way back. For those looking to switch gears, the nearby Loskop Nature Reserve is a delightful option, or simply bask in the camp's abundant facilities.

Sunday unveils a canvas of leisure, allowing you to craft your day as you see fit. As we camp by the Elephants River, be mindful of protective measures against our buzzing companions, the mosquitoes.

Camping fees will be collected by the venue's owner upon arrival, with

mountain drive fees payable upon departure on Saturday morning. If you're feeling philanthropic, consider making a donation, but remember, camping fees are not to be paid to LROC.

Stay tuned for a final email containing gate codes and essential details for those who've secured their spot. One last note – our campsite resides on the Western bank of the river, so let your compass guide you rightly.

Let's embrace the spirit of unity, nature, and discovery, as we embark on the Loskop Weekend Away, a journey that promises memories to treasure.

LROC Event

Christmas Party and Kiddies trial



From:

Sat, 02 Dec 2023 09:00

To:

Sun, 03 Dec 2023 16:00

Hosted By:

Paul Diessel

Costs:

- Chalet 1-5: R1,070 per night
- Zebra/Giraffe Cottage: R2,130 per night
- Guinea Fowl Cottage: R3,410 per night
- Wildebeest Cottage: R3,080 per night
- Rhino Cottage: R3,550 per night
- Luxury Tent: R800 per night
- Caravan Site: R655 per night
- Rust De Winter: R50 per vehicle

Website:

<https://www.lroc.org.za/events/christmas-party-and-kiddies-trial-2023/>

It's that wonderful time of year again when we gather to celebrate the spirit of Christmas. This year, the Land Rover Owners Club of Southern Africa (LROC)

is thrilled to present an unforgettable experience at a brand new venue. As 2023 draws to a close, join us for a festive celebration filled with fun, family, and Land Rover adventures.

Our Christmas party this year will be held at the charming Wagon Drift Lodge. We carefully selected this venue to cater to all our members, including those who prefer alternatives to camping. Wagon Drift Lodge offers a variety of accommodation options, whether you fancy chalets, cottages, luxury tents, or traditional camping. There's something to suit everyone's preferences.

Kick off your weekend with Saturday morning adventures at the venue. Whether you're an outdoor enthusiast or simply want to soak in the natural beauty of the surroundings, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Saturday afternoon promises a special visit from the one and only Father Christmas himself. It's a magical moment that both the young and young at heart won't want to miss. Later in the evening, we'll come together for our traditional community braai, and the Club is delighted to sponsor the meat packs. It's the perfect opportunity to relax, connect with fellow Land Rover enthusiasts, and savour the delicious flavours of a South African braai.

Saturday afternoon promises a special visit from the one and only Father Christmas himself. It's a magical moment that both the young and young at heart won't want to miss. Later in the evening, we'll come together for our traditional community braai, and the Club is delighted to sponsor the meat packs. It's the perfect opportunity to relax, connect with fellow Land Rover enthusiasts, and savor the delicious flavors of a South African braai.

Sunday brings an exciting opportunity for the kids to showcase their skills at

the Kiddie Trial, located just down the road at the Rust De Winter 4x4 ATV club. It's a chance for our young Land Rover fans to experience the thrill of off-roading in a safe and controlled environment. And for the adults who can't resist some 4x4 action, we offer access to the Gymkana area. Depending on the number of participants, we could even arrange some additional driving activities if desired.

Gifts from Santa

No Christmas celebration would be complete without gifts, and we've prepared something special. Our budget allows for R250 per gift per child, with LROC sponsoring R100 per gift for children under 12. Parents are invited to contribute R150 per gift per child, and for youngsters aged 13 and older, parents can include them by contributing R250. Please ensure your contributions are made before the event, so we can arrange presents for all the children. Send your proof of payment with your surname and 'Christmas' as the payment reference to admin@lroc.org.za.

Accommodation Options

1. Chalet 1-5: R1,070.00 per night (Accommodates 2)
2. Zebra/Giraffe Cottage: R2,130.00 per night (Accommodates 4)
3. Guinea Fowl Cottage: R3,410.00 per night (Accommodates 6-8)
4. Wildebeest Cottage: R3,080.00 per night (Accommodates 6-8)
5. Rhino Cottage: R3,550.00 per night (Accommodates 8-10)
6. Luxury Tent: R800.00 per night (Accommodates 2)
7. Caravan Site: R655.00 per night (Accommodates 4 people with 2 caravans)

Remember, bookings are essential, so secure your spot early to ensure you don't miss out on this festive Land Rover celebration. Join us for a memorable Christmas gathering with your LROC family.

LROC Event

Kosi Bay Turtle Experience



Notice:

This event has proven to be very popular and is already fully booked. Plans are already underway for 2025 to make sure that more of our members get to participate in this unforgettable experience.

From:

Wed, 10 Jan 2024 15:00

To:

Sun, 14 Jan 2024 12:00

Hosted By:

Paul Diessel

Costs:

- R6900 per person, 4 nights of fully catered accommodation, Fish kraals Eco trail + Boat trip, Snorkeling + 4x4 excursion, Raffia palm forest Eco trail, Turtle evening Eco trail (includes all permits and guide fees)

Venue:

Kosi - Private lakeside camp / Bhanga nek

Website:

<https://www.lroc.org.za/events/kosi-bay-turtle-experience/>

We extend a special invitation to embark on an unforgettable adventure at one of South Africa's most pristine destinations - Kosi Bay. Tucked away within the 'iSimangaliso World Heritage Marine Reserve' in Northern KwaZulu-Natal, Kosi Bay is a place of pristine beaches, crystal-clear warm waters, and lush

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tropical forests.

Kosi Bay is a haven of rustic luxury and natural wonders. Our lakeside private camp, situated within the 'iSimangaliso World Heritage Marine Reserve,' offers 2 sleeper reeded rondavels and Sahara tents tucked away in the coastal forest, providing an exclusive retreat experience. Here, you'll relish fully catered meals prepared over open fires while taking in panoramic views of the lake and the Indian Ocean. Pristine Turtle sanctuary beaches beckon for exploration, and unique Eco trails offer immersion in the ancient African paradise of Kosi Bay.

During your stay, immerse yourself in an array of activities. Hiking, snorkeling, kayaking, and boating await your adventurous spirit. Explore hidden pathways to the lake, venture to Bhanga nek beach, and reconnect with nature while crafting indelible memories that will rejuvenate your mind, body, and soul.

At Kosi Bay, we encourage you to embrace both adventure and relaxation. So, slip off your shoes and savor the liberating feeling of going barefoot in this extraordinary destination.

The 4-Night All-Inclusive Package includes all accommodation, fully catered meals, Eco trails, guide fees, permits, tea, coffee, fruit juices, and water. Alcoholic beverages, soft drinks, gratuities, transport to and from the destination, and anything not specified in the itinerary are excluded.

Itinerary:

Day 1: Check-In, Late Afternoon Sundowners, Dinner & Fireside Gathering
Day 2: Snorkelling Eco Trail, Coastal Dune Hike, Sunset Dinner
Day 3: Raffia Palm Forest Eco Trail, Kayaking, Turtle Eco Trail at Night
Day 4: Tsonga Fishkraals Eco Trail, Boat Trip

across the Lake, Cultural Experience, Sundowners, and a Final Dinner by the Fireside

Day 5: Check-Out, Depart with Unforgettable Memories

Our base camp, nestled on the shores of Bhanga nek beach, features 4 reeded 2 sleeper rondavels and 3 Sahara 2 sleeper tents set amidst the coastal forest, offering an exclusive retreat surrounded by abundant birdlife and the wonders of nature.

To fully enjoy your adventure, remember to pack sunblock and swimwear, a light rucksack (daypack), 2 or 3 refillable water bottles, light-weight all-weather clothing, a rain jacket or parka, hiking boots or good walking shoes, and sandals, optional hiking sticks, camera, torch, charger, and adapter, medication and toiletries, including mosquito repellent, warm clothing for chilly evenings, alcoholic beverages of your choice, and snacks for your hikes.

Don't miss this opportunity to experience the paradise of Kosi Bay like never before. Book now, as availability is on a first-come-first-serve basis, and secure your spot with a 50% deposit. We eagerly anticipate sharing this incredible journey with you.

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