Chat from the Chair

There is no need for me to tell you what a disastrous year we've all had. It's not just us, it's probably 90% of all small clubs and organisations. As a Committee we've had to make several very difficult decisions based on guidance from many authorities. As you are also aware, no sooner do we have one set of guidelines then the rules change meaning it's been a tough time trying to figure out how we continue going forward.

Operating costs per year for the club run at around £5000 and that only covers our basic insurance and the Newbourne site rent. Along with the funds generated from driving days and trials, your membership fees help us cover this, but as you are no doubt aware, in 2020 our ability to generate revenue from events has been decimated so we have had to look where we can make cuts. As you know, Nooze has been curtailed which saved quite a lot of cash and we discussed with our insurers to defer the renewal until the point that we can confidently re-start events. This gives us some breathing space but as you can imagine, relying on you as members to keep your club going is vital.

We fully appreciate that this is a leap of faith for next year, but it's a collective leap of faith and we have to be positive that at some stage we can start to get back to normal. Some club activities like driving days and competitions will be easier to get back to, but others like shows could suffer through 2021 with the Suffolk Show already postponed until 2022.

We as a club have a long history of more than 20 years and have never faced a challenge such as this. We sincerely hope that we can get back to enjoying each other's company and the capabilities of our vehicles as soon as possible.

Since our Christmas event, the Mince Pie Driving Day and potentially the January Driving Day also will not be going ahead, the opportunity to pay your annual membership at those events, as many of you do, won't be available. Because of this, we would ask if you could please pay your annual membership by BACS/electronic transfer (preferred), direct debit, or by cheque. With this note I have included details of how you can make the required payment and also added a Standing Order Mandate for your bank if you need one!

One final thing, now more than ever, the club is relying on online means of contacting you. If this note came by email to your regular email address that's great, but if you think the club doesn't have an up to date email address for you, please send your up-to-date contact email address to <u>membership@slroc.uk.com</u> or <u>websec@slroc.uk.com</u> and we'll update your details.

Thank you for your continued support through these difficult times and we hope to see you as soon as we possibly can in 2021.

Merry Christmas, have a Happy New Year

Kind regards,

Pat Corps. Club Chair.

SLROC Membership Renewal

Membership is due for renewal on 1st **January** each year. Subscription for the year is just **£30** plus **£10** for additional members living at the same address.

If your renewal is not received by 31st January 2021 unfortunately, your club membership will lapse for 2021.

It's easiest to pay by BACS (electronic transfer)

If you can do this from your electronic banking please make a payment to SLROC with the following details: account number - 03928330; Sort Code - 20-22-67. Please add your membership number(s) in the payment reference so we know who has made the payment!

For payment by cheque, please complete the form below and send it together with your payment to:

SLROC Membership Secretary, 8 Harvest Way, Harleston, Suffolk. IP20 9GD or email membership@slroc.uk.com

Member's Details:		Membership No.:
Title:	First Name:	Surname:
Additional Member's Details:		Membership No.:
Title:	First Name:	Surname:
Please attach details of any further additional members including <u>Juniors</u> with their <u>date of birth.</u>		
Address:		
		Postcode:
Contact Telephone Number:		
Email address:		

Cheques should be made payable to SLROC

I enclose payment for £.....

Signed:Date:

STANDING ORDER MANDATE

To The Manager,
(bank/building society)
(address)
I instruct you to pay by standing order from my account to the Suffolk Land Rover Owners Club account at Barclays, account number 03928330, Sort Code 20-22-67.
The amount to be debited is £
Please debit this sum now , and annually thereafter on 1st January.
Payee Reference
Name:
Address:
Name of Bank/Building Society:
Branch Sort Code:
Bank/Building society account number:
Signature:
Date:
Please hand this form to your bank.

Do NOT send it to the Membership Secretary as SLROC cannot process this form!