



The Last few months have been busy in the Off-road world, with the usual trials and mini Comp safaris organized by the various off-road clubs.

The Scottish Land Rover Owners Club have once again been a leading light in the annual Mud Master Challenge which comprises of 2 days of differing tests ranging from RTV trails to Regularity runs, run in conjunction with the Military to give the services a chance to practice what they have been taught in the classroom and using sites throughout central Scotland. As ever the Scottish Land Club Members did well in the results closing out the top 3 Places.

We have also seen the running of the Scottish Borders Hill Rally, 2 Days of fast paced motorsport action held on the forest tracks of Forrest Estate complex in Dumfries and Galloway. Unfortunately numbers were a little down on the Maximum number of entries but the action was still faced passed and close racing all weekend. The weather was very kind with the competitors saying how well the event was organized and ran throughout the weekend. The eventual winner was Justin Birchall and Mason Kershaw in their Lofthouse Proto M3, 2nd was Phill Bayliss and Lance Murfin in their Land Rover Special and in 3rd was Mark Jacques and Adam Nicholson in their Lofthouse LS3. Of the Scottish Crews we had David Brose and Graeme Morrison came 6th and 1st in their class Alastair Morton and Craig Lindsay finishing 10th and again 1st in Class and George Bryson and Wallace Mckay who finished 12th and again 1st in class.

A date has now been set for next year's Scotia Winch Challenge which will be held in the Same location as last year on the 27th to the 29th March. The organizing team are already looking at the site and the possibilities to run a challenging and successful event.

One topic on the minds of most clubs at this time is the introduction of the new Clubman RS license needed to compete in all forms of trials where previously a club card was sufficient. This is a hot topic of debate within the clubs and the impact that it may have on future access to grassroots motorsport.

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