

Woolbridge Motor Club

4x4 Trial

16th October 2016

The first trial of the season started with a bad omen. The weather was in our favour, heavy rain the night before and sun the day of the trial, bet that won't happen again!

Ten drivers turned out for the event mainly rtv drivers. Six sections were laid out at Hogcliff with three hard sections, and the other three were even harder. Most of the jap vehicles drove them on three wheels, the Land Rovers just drove round with no drama.

It didn't take long before the first retirement, as Greames Suzuki Jimny dropped its transfer box. I can remember that problem 15 years ago when I could still fit in a Suzuki. Obviously Suzuki have not sorted that issue over the years. Greame and Julie driving the Suzuki x9 were the only two in the ccv class. Julie has soon learnt how to drive the little Suzuki much to Greames disgust ,cause he gets ribbed every time she got further than him. Very similar to the abuse throw my direction when Sarah beats me on a section.

Alan was putting in some good scores until as usual his sat nav had issues and drove the wrong way round the sections! Marcus drove the massive one ten round the sections best he could, but the sheer size of the vehicle stopped him, but he still had a good fun day, which is why we do it,

The six sections were run twice during the day. The second run was drier, but the steep finishes on a couple of the sections stopped clear runs. As usual Paul Jonston drove his Land Rover wasspot on each section where he found the right line and won first over all well done to him,

I just managed to beat Sarah to the top spot in the rtv class, she was only five points behind, followed by Garry Morris who started collecting 10s on the last few sections. Greame wills won the ccv class. So the start of the new season started well, with everyone helped clearing up.

J Kirby	rtv	26pts	1 st in class
G Morris	rtv	42 pts	3 rd in class
S Kirby	rtv	31 pts	2 nd in class
G Forsey	rtv		retired
A Lee	rtv	52 pts	
M Jubb	rtv	71 pts	
P Jonston	rtv	12 pts	1 st over all
G Wills	ccv	40 pts	1 st in class
J Pringle	ccv	87 pts	

Hopefully everyone enjoyed the technical sections and thanks for Sharon for score keeping and Garry Arnold for his photos.

See you all at the next event.

John Kirby