Drive in the name of Dunsfold



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or the past seven years a smattering of Land Rovers have congregated in the South of England in early summer. They have then crossed the English Channel and into continental Europe in a bid to raise money for a particular charity.

This year, that particular charity is the Dunsfold Collection. No charity could be quite as important to the heritage and history of the Green Oval as this 128-strong assortment of Solihull's finest.

The 2016 Charity Land Rover Runwill once again be setting off from the Battle of Britain Memorial at Capel le Ferne, near Dover in Kent, on Friday 3 June. Along the way, over 40 classic Land Rovers produced between 1948 and 1975 will venture through Ardres, St Omer and Cassel, before reaching their destination in Ypres, Belgium.

On the Saturday, the collection of classic Landies will scatter into the Flanders countryside as they take time out to explore the region, before the usual events dinner at the end of the day. The dinner features a handful of awards for, for instance, the Most Original Land Rover.

For the Sunday, Ypres will play host to a charity auction where those who attend the trip get the chance to put their money where their mouth is and raise funds for the cause. As this year the run is supporting a charity at the epicentre of Land Rover's decorated history, we're not surprised they're hoping to raise more money than ever before.

To date, the Charity Land Rover Run event has raised in excess of £36,000 for registered charities and, in their seventh year, the organisers are hoping to surpass the £40,000 landmark.

Event organiser Peter Wales, said: 'This year we are raising money for a charity close to the hearts of all Land Rover enthusiasts, The Dunsfold Collection. Help us preserve this important collection, which is part of our heritage and the history of the British motor industry, for future generations. Please make a donation to show your support.'

If you would like to show your support to the event and towards the superb Dunsfold Collection, then please visit the URL below and click through to the Virgin Money Giving page.

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