



Sunday 3rd October is the date for this year's UK Rhino Charge. Once again the event is to be held in East Sussex at beautiful, 1,500 acre Pippingford Park, near Wych Cross.

As in previous years the Charge itself is open to any 4x4 while there will be harder Tiger Lines for those who do not mind a few scratches and dents on their pride and joy. In previous years competing vehicles have ranged from a 1950 80 Series One Land Rover, via a 1958 Hotchkiss Jeep and an Auto Union Munga through various Range Rovers, Discoverys and other Land Rovers and hybrids to Suzukis, Land Cruisers and Pajeros. Good teamwork and concentration can be as important as pure off road ability in this competition, in which the many and varied tasks set out by Brain Hartley of Club Off Road help to give everyone a chance of success.

As before loan vehicles will be available should prospective entrants not possess a vehicle of their own and if they are prepared to add to the coffers in return. Past teams have included the usual individuals plus groups from 4x4 specialists, offices and clubs who have got together to raise the necessary sponsorship and enjoyed a very different day out competing in a unique and highly enjoyable event. There is even the threat of a few journalists joining in!

The event raises funds for Rhino Ark, a small, efficient, direct action charity funding the building and maintenance of a 400km conservation fence right round the Aberdare Mountain National Park in Kenya.

Further details can be found on www.rhinoark.org or you can phone UK Rhino Charge coordinator John Bowden on 01444 241457 in working hours.