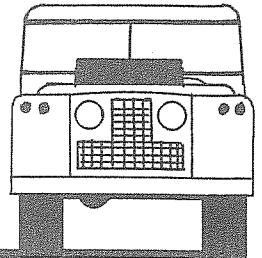


# OTTAWA VALLEY LAND ROVERS



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We warned you '86 was going to be a busy year for OVL. In case you've forgotten, here's a look at what's coming up this spring/summer: May 10 - tuneup day, May 17-19 - Waterloo trip, June 22 - club anniversary party, sometime in July - garage sale, August 2-4 - Tweed rally, August 29 - September 1 - Labor Day bush trip. Mark your calendar now and plan to attend.

Congratulations to the new ALROC executive elected at the annual meeting March 17. President for 1986 is Harold Huggins, founder of the national association and now living in White Rock, B.C. Harold is a member of the Roverlanders of B.C. Re-elected for a second term as vice president is Ron Low of Island Rovers, located on Vancouver Island, B.C. Ron Reid of the Roverlanders club is secretary and OVL's own Andy Graham, who has been ALROC treasurer since its inception, was re-elected for another term. Responsibility for publishing Transfer Box has been moved out west but members wishing to make use of TB's pages will still use the Ottawa postal address: Box 5197, Station F, K2C 3H4.

Slide night '86 saw a smaller turnout than usual but just as many red faces when members were confronted with photographic proof of their faux pas during the past year. Prizes for the ice races were awarded, with Jason "the weasel" Dowell winning a plaque for fastest time. (He runs the course regularly with an Ottawa auto club.) Elizabeth Johnson took top honors for the slowest time. Seems she forgot to engage four-wheel drive and went slip-sliding away.

OVL HAS JUST PURCHASED A SUPPLY OF CASTROL BRAKE FLUID FOR THOSE SPRING OVERHAUL JOBS. IT'S AVAILABLE TO OVL MEMBERS AT \$3.50 A BOTTLE. SAME ITEM IS \$4.19 AT CTC.

The April OVL meeting saw us at the Hayloft steak house where, between bites, we set a May 1 deadline for members going on the Waterloo trip to notify prez McD if they wanted hotel accommodations reserved. Bobby Cochrane informs us that bed and breakfast inns are available for \$25 double per day. No problem if you plan to camp out.

The May 1 deadline will also apply to members wishing to attend the May 10 tuneup. Because of time constraints this year, the exec is trying to determine how many members are coming. If we only get a couple, it'll be held at McD's. If we get a lot, it'll be held at Shopper's City east. Don't go anywhere until you phone McD first (224-8300). Do it by May 1.

In other business, the exec was informed OVLr's popularity may be contrary to its mandate as a local chapter of ALROC. Currently 16 of OVLr's 54 members live outside the Ottawa Valley, some as far away as Newfoundland and Victoria. The chapter program was formed to provide Land Rover activities and support on a local basis. Members were intended to be local. It was suggested that by accepting members from outside the local area, OVLr was undermining ALROC's plan of establishing other local clubs. Instead of belonging to the Ottawa chapter for example, Sudbury Land Rover owners should be encouraged to establish their own local chapter.

There are other potential problems for a local chapter with widespread membership. It's feasible that a member from outside the Ottawa Valley could be elected to the executive. That would make it extremely difficult for him to participate in the planning and organization of a highly active club like OVLr. The result could be to the detriment of the club. While OVLr must abide by ALROC's guidelines to maintain its chapter status, it still belongs to the membership. The exec would like to hear from members on this issue.

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OVLr meets the first Monday of each month for food, fun and biz. Call the exec for the location.

- \*Welcome to new OVLr members James Dowell (father of you-know-who) and his Series III-88. Also to Sharon Spangaro of Kanata (we think she has a diesel 109 but she hasn't returned her fact card yet), Bernard Burton (brother of famed underwater Land Rover driver Kevin) and Dave Scott of Newfoundland and long-time ALROC contributor Sharon Cregier of Charlottetown, PEI.
- \*Prez McD assisted LR owners from Dryden and Moosonee this month. OVLr's fame is spreading.
- \*VP Neil Brewer is the proud new owner of a Series 2A-88 after he, lady Julie, daughter Ashley, McD and Al Pilgrim journeyed to Deep Rover. The OVLr towbar made its debut when McD towed Neil's newest acquisition home behind his 2½ equipped Series I. Neil will sell off the good bits from his 109 wagon.
- \*Fred Barrett deep in the middle of a complete brake job on his 2A-88.
- \*Pilgrim and McD replaced the clutch on Al's 107 - after only 10 months on the road. Al says it's cheap parts. McD says he'll rivet Al's left foot to the floorboards if he continues to ride the clutch.
- \*Speaking of Al, the OVLr events coordinator met on the weekend with Roger Youle-White of the Toronto and Area Land Rovers Club (TALR) to start planning for the Tweed rally on August 2-4. It's gonna be a goodie. We'll keep you posted.
- \*OVLr has expanded its stock of new parts for emergency repairs. We now have a full set of brake cylinders for all models, flex hoses, rad hoses, hub seals, oil filters, U-joints, track rod ends, hubnut lockers and some bearings. Call prez McD if you need something.
- \*Member John de Veth in Civic Hospital with heart problems. Get well soon, John.
- \*Derrick Hammond address change: now at 95 Murray St., Apt. 1, K1N 5M5 (237-4604).
- \*Rebuild program needs a kick to get it moving. Exec is looking for suggestions.

That's all for now.

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