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March 8/91

IN THE HEADLINES: The annual Maple Sugar Rally is on, LRs make their mark in the Gulf, final plans for the field kitchen, some neat vintage pix and ...start thinking garage sale.

Now the details.

The March meeting got underway at the home of OVLRL prez Jason Wednesday with Treasurer Tom reporting a bank balance of \$1,600. The membership continues to climb after its traditional January "dues due dip" and now stands at 51.

Big item on the regular agenda was the ANNUAL MAPLE SYRUP PARTY. Vern and Linda Fairhead, who have held the sticky event at their Shawville area farm the last several years, recently moved to the Kingston area. Vern however, plans to tap some maples for 'ol times sake' so we're on again this year. The day is Sunday, April 7. We'll rendezvous at 9 am SHARP in the parking lot at Shoppers' City West, Baseline at Pinecrest roads. (Watch out for Daylight Saving Time that weekend) and convoy the 70 odd miles to Vern's farm. Round about noon, chefs Harry and Lyne will serve up an all-you-can-eat mess of french toast, sausages, beans, coffee and buns complete with Vern's freshly-made maple syrup. There'll be a bonfire, helping with sap collecting and boiling and taking in a bunch of fresh spring air... before spring even gets here.

Cost is \$7 for adults, kids 12 and under, \$4. The phone committee will be making the rounds for local calls from Ottawa the week before and would like to gather some "for sure" numbers so we can buy supplies.

The other "big ticket" item at Wednesday's meeting was a decision on a basic plan for our mobile field kitchen. The proposal to build something that would combine a mobile food service facility with storage for our growing inventory of off-road and camping equipment came at the annual meeting. Our major events--the Maple Rally, birthday, US rally and fall oiler all present a serious cooking challenge with upwards of 50 hungry people.

The exec had asked for suggestions from all members but, by the meeting date, only two had been submitted...one from former prez Robin and another from editor McD. On hand to discuss the project, besides the exec, were Lyne Leduc, Gerry Dowell, Robin, McD and Bates. The plan calls for the project to be built in several stages to better manage costs while providing a usable vehicle at each step. This year's target is an eight-by-five foot utility trailer constructed of galvanized steel designed to carry a 1-1/2 ton load. Next year, we'll build the kitchen preparation, cooking and serving facilities. When completed, the unit will carry 50 gallons of fresh water, propane-fired cooking burners, 12 square feet of food preparation counters, coolers and 40 cubic feet of storage space. Budget for stage one: \$900.

WHAT'S NEW...GOSSIP...TRUTHS...FOR SALE...OUTRIGHT LIES...WANTED

*-VP Yves has put together several options for the CPR/first aid course. Next Newsletter will have a full rundown, then we'll make a decision.

*-Joel's ground-up rebuild of his Series 111 is in the last stages having just come back from the paint shop. Jason is making final adjustments and Joel is planning an unveiling soon.

*-Editor McD is visiting the west coast and plans a weekend with former OVL R Prez Neil Brewer and family. Neil is homesteading in the mountains of Agassiz where his 88/2A always wears its canvas coat. (Don'tcha hate that?) Full details and pix next month.

*-Start putting away those useless Christmas gifts. We're gearing up for the club garage sale in May and depend on your donations.

*-Malcolm Reith is responding to the government's call for restraint and has dropped the price for his mint-rebuilt 109 to \$12,000. See last month's newsletter for details of this beauty. Call him at (514) 525--6865.

*-Unevents uncoordinator Al is back from Florida with no apparent diseases but lotsa flea-market/garage sale junk. It was Bates heaven. He reports that Sally, his trusty 107, sprang to life with the first turn of the key upon his return.

*-A delegation from OVL R is making plans to meet this spring with Ron Mowry, US organizer of the 1992 Maritime-to-Alaska tour. We'll be hosting the 50-vehicle group when it passes through the Ottawa area in early July. Activities and actual dates are still in the planning stages.

*-OVL R will be seven years old this summer and we're already planning our annual celebration. It's scheduled for mid-June. Full details next month.

*-Monthly meetings have been moved to the first Tuesday to mesh with the newsletter deadline of the eighth. Call the exec for locations.

*-Robin's Rover Ramblings and his continuing series on welding were not available at press time. Sorry about that.

That's all folks

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THANK TO JOHN MORRISON & LRO



◁ PHOTO A: This 90 belongs to the Armourers of 16/20 Squadron RAF and is towing an "S" type bomb trolley with a Tornado GR1 SKYSHADOW ECM pod and was photographed in an Explosive Storage Area.

▽ PHOTO B: Range Rover TACR2 on standby with Tornado GR1s behind on the operating pans.



△ PHOTO C: Left hand drive One Tonne Rapier tractor belonging to 126 Squadron, RAF Regiment. Their Rovers are painted sand and green as they are operating in an area with vegetation. Note the winch pulley, front towing jaws and SA80 rifle in clip on dashboard.



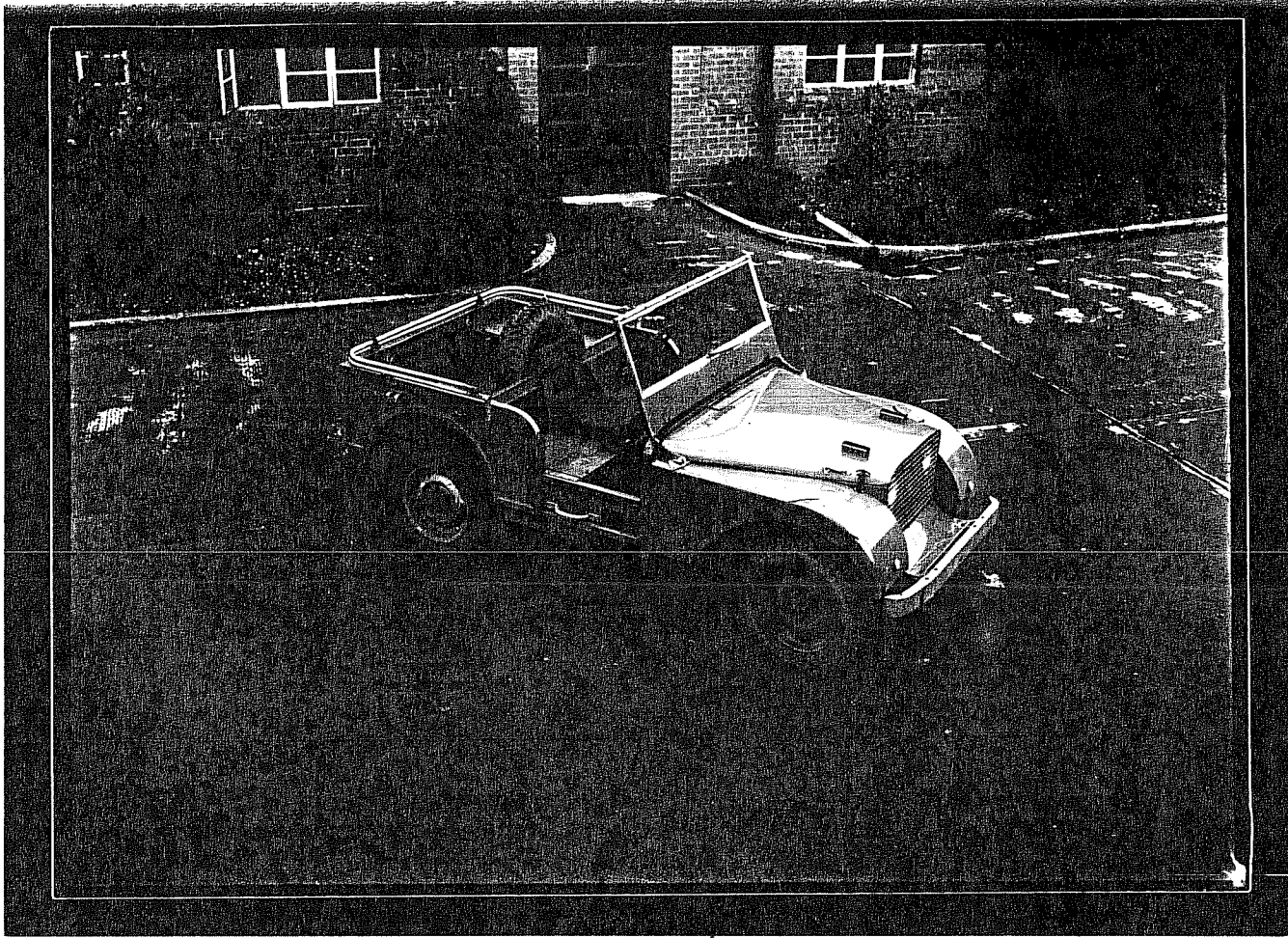
△ PHOTO D: As mentioned last month, the Red Crescent is now being applied to medical vehicles as well as the Red Cross.



◁ PHOTO E: This Recce Rover One-Ten belonging to an armoured regiment operating up front has already been fitted with sand tread tyres — probably Bridgestones.



Special thanks to Vincent Hammersley of Land Rover



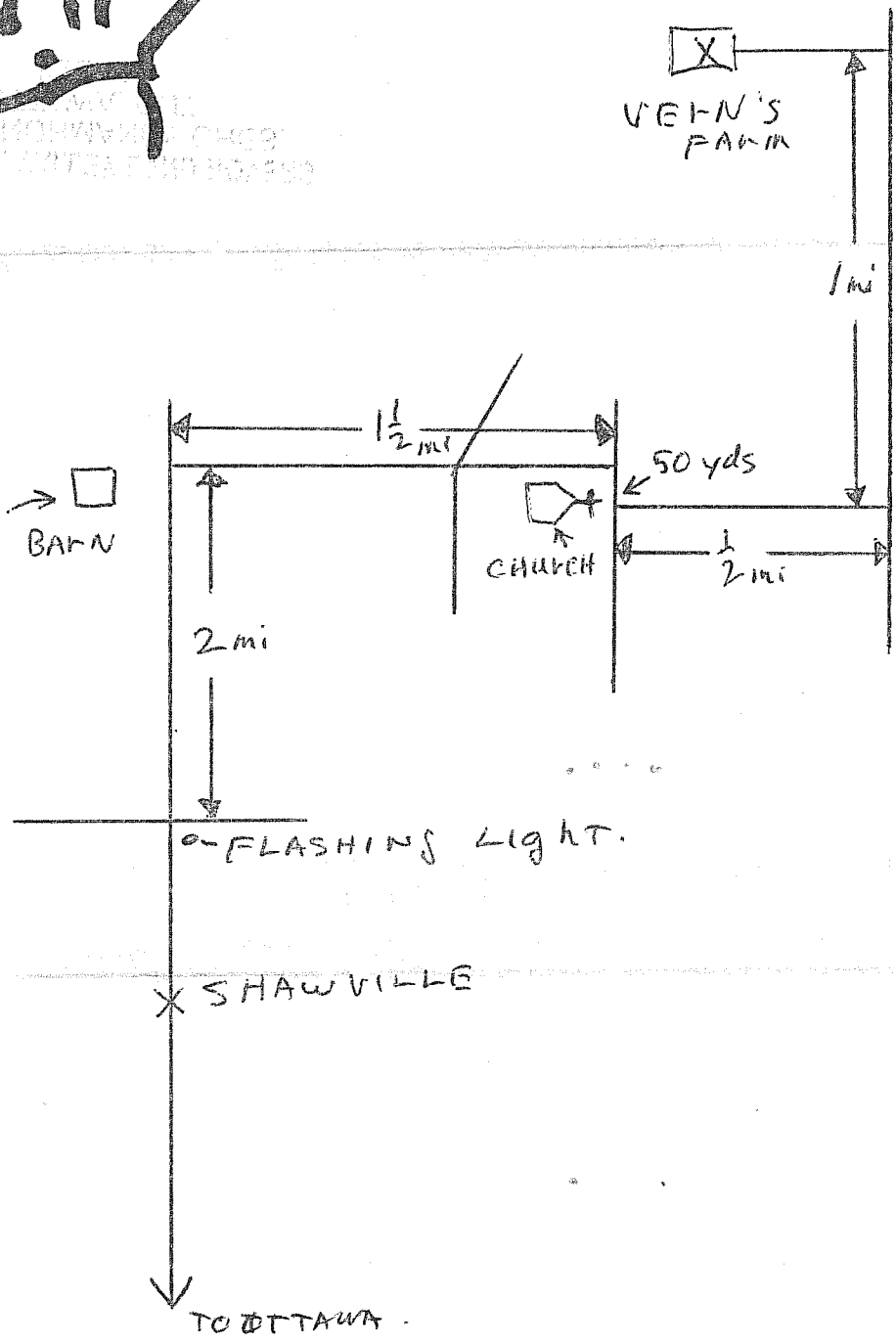
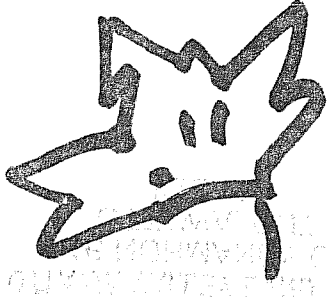
Early development Land Rover with centre steering.



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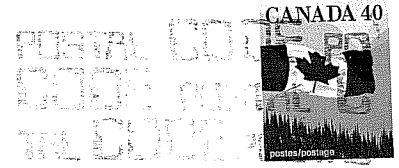
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Inevitably, their affair ended: Howard worried excessively about what the pack would think, and Agnes simply ate the flowers.

