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Spring Slime is Here



AJ leads the offroad at the MSR. See article and more photos on pages 4-6



2015 Ottawa Valley Land Rovers Birthday Party June 26th-28th, 2015 – reserve the dates now!





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General Information

Ottawa Valley Land Rovers is the oldest and largest Land Rover club in Canada and the second oldest in North America. Membership is open to all Land Rover enthusiasts. Executive meetings are held on the first Monday of every month. Social meetings are held on the third Monday of every month, generally at the Prescott Hotel on Preston Street.

OVLR offers a monthly newsletter and a variety of activities throughout the year, from mechanical seminars and off-road rallies to social events and family oriented outings. Members receive discounts on parts from a number of North American suppliers. Offroad activities come in several categories. The light version, which is usually entertainment during a rally or at one of our family summer events, consists of a little "mud bogging" or tours along country lanes. The heavy stuff, which is usually several days across public lands navigating by compass, topographical maps and aerial photos, involves bridge building, river barging, and driving conditions raging from cedar swamp to rocky hill winching.

Membership: Canadians joining throughout the year pay \$50 CDN per year, Americans and others pay \$50 US per year (discounts available if you receive the newsletter by email). Membership is valid for one year.

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OVLR Newsletter

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May 18, 2015

253rd Monthly Social

Prescott Hotel (Beach & Preston Streets in Ottawa)

TBD - May 2015

Spring TuneUp and Oiler, Pakenham

June 15, 2015

254rd Monthly Social

Prescott Hotel (Beach & Preston Streets in Ottawa)

June 26-28, 2015

2015 Birthday Party - more information to come

July 18, 2015

11th Annual All British Car Day (ABCD)

Britannia Beach Park – Lakeside Gardens, Ottawa www.britishcarday.ca

2015 Birthday Party

The date for the 2015 Birthday Party is June 26-28.

The location will be in and around Silver Lake, so it is safe to book at the Silver Lake campsite if that is your preference.

The Exec have arranged access to the usual main site. Free camping and catered dinner and biffies on site.

Other Friendly & Neighbouring Clubs' Events

July 10-12 2015

Vermont Overland-Rover 2015

Lilly Brook Farm, Rockingham, Vermont (GPS: 43

13 45.6, -72 29 55.9)

Club Affiliation: Vermont Overland

Web: http://www.vermontoverland.com/volr/

July 27-31 2015

National Rally Colorado

Grand Junction Colorado

Club Affiliation: Solihull Society

Web: http://landrovernationalrally.org/land-rover-

national-rally-2015/

September 12-20 2015

British Invasion

Stowe Vermont

Club Affiliation: Independent event (non club

sponsored)

Web: http://britishinvasion.com

October 1-4, 2015

Mid Atlantic Rally (MAR)

100 Hoges Orchard Ln, Pembroke, VA 24136

(37°18'50.8"N 80°35'07.8"W)

Club Affiliation: Rover Owners Association of

Virginia ROAV

Web: http://www.roav.org/#!mar-2015/c1jqm

Note: Other Clubs' events usually require registration or one year membership purchase.

Notice for Chassis orders

A. Jones spoke with Peter Baker at 3Brothers recently, and Peter is coordinating bringing in some chassis as a direct buy from Richards Chassis in the UK. Normal route would be to buy through distributors in the US.

He's convinced he can offer a cheaper option, but needs to secure 6 firm orders to make the project viable in terms of the price and shipping cost that he'll be able to offer. Both Andrew Watkins and ADJ are interested and have "signed up".

Peter is looking for interested parties – both those in need of a chassis, and / or other bulky items that he can add to the container. Timing of the shipment is contingent on securing enough interest to make it a go.

Anyone interested should get in touch either at +1 519 302 3227 or Sales@3BrothersClassicRovers.com

BEST REGARDS - ADJ

President's Message

Hi folks

Welcome to the April newsletter.

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The OVLR event calendar got off to a flying start

on Sunday 19th April, with the Maple Syrup Rally: Hosted as usual by Vern and Linda Fairhead, who once again were the catalysts for what became another superb day out in rural Quebec.

In all we had over 30 attendees, with a lot of old friends, and some new ones: OVLR Newbies Liam Cox (D2 which apparently isn't called Permastuck) and Darren (LR3) arriving en famille, Garth Tourangeau and daughter Caitlin (RR Sport), Michel Gagne, Eric and Wendy Ratcliffe also en famille, and Francois Juneau with the mighty Unimog. JL Morin made a welcome re-appearance – looking forward to seeing his latest LR project: Speaking of which, Terry King arrived in his newly acquired Netherlands-spec D90, which looked great.

I rendezvoused with Dave P, Andrew F and Roy P & Lyn at the Quyon Ferry having spent Saturday getting the 101 ready for its longest trip since getting licensed for the road in October: Checked / refilled all the fluids, fitted the clamps that hold the engine cover down – was disconcerting to have it lift up while driving, replaced some shock absorber bushes, and thought I'd fixed the leaky oil pump: judging from the puddle on the very new and pristine deck of the ferry – evidently not.





Roy and Lyn led our little convoy in the 109. I have to say that 80 kph in the 101 feels quite fast: And judging from some of looks I was getting quite noisy too – I do love the engine note – and whether its lugging along using all the torque, snarling and barking on full bore, or crackling and popping on the over-run – it just sounds wonderful... On paved roads there is also a new undertone – the rumble / whine of the bar-grip tyres – which I well remember from childhood trips to Ulster at the height of "The Troubles". I also discovered that it's quite intolerant of poor road surfaces, typical Spring undulations and pot-holes cause it to hop around a bit, but once we got off the paved surface and onto the dirt roads, it started to feel much more at home.

When we arrived at Vern and Linda's the event chefs, Botulism Pete(r) Gaby, and Andrew (Salmonella) Watkins were preparing to get the breakfast underway: Special thanks are due to Mr. Watkins, as he has become the Keeper of the Albatross – i.e. he gets to haul the club trailer around, and after receiving it from Robin C. at a clandestine meet in Smiths Falls some weeks ago, has housed it and brought it both to and from the MSR: He's also looking after it during the summer event season this year – Many Thanks Sir.

Andrew and Peter made a splendid job of preparing and serving a late breakfast, of sausage, beans, and French toast, all heavily laced with Vern's Special Reserve 2015 syrup.

Although the weather cooperated on the day, we had almost unbroken sunshine and cool temperatures,

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President's Message (continued from page 4)

the 2015 syrup season was a short one: Combining to be too cold and then too hot... But Vern managed to make some maple syrup, and although the volume was less than hoped, the quality was really good – so there was a brisk trade done after breakfast as the event attendees got their annual fix.

Every year that goes by, there is always something new to see at Vern's place. It used to be vintage motorcycles, it's always been historic industrial machinery, and this year, the new attractions included a collection of vintage Bombardier snow machines, and some classic sports cars including Porsches, a Benz, and a 1980's Lotus Esprit – I advised Vern that Lotus is an acronym – Loads Of Trouble Usually Serious, and that he should sell it tout suite....

Vern also confessed that he "needs" a 101: So I advised that he contact Robin C who has a mental map of the Lat. and Long coordinates of every post WWII British military vehicle that has found its way this side of the Atlantic: It's always good to be able to encourage the habit of a fellow addict.

As has become traditional, the event concluded with an excursion along the trails on Vern's property and those of his neighbor. And for the first time I was able to take part. It was great – very similar to the Cedar Hill Classic that I host in October. The trails provided an opportunity to get off-road, with some tricky parts, but with no serious risk of vehicle damage: But Liam's D2 did need to get rescued by Francois and the Unimog a couple of times.

All too soon it was time to head for home, and if the MSR is any form of indicator, then 2015 will be a banner year for the club's event schedule. I had an absolute blast, and judging from the grins, so did everyone else. Thank you once again Vern and Linda, and thank you to all those who helped organize and run the event, especially Botulism and Salmonella. But most of all – thank you to all those people, especially "the OVLR Newbies" who took the trouble to attend, and make the event really special.

My day was made even more satisfying by having proven that the 101 can undertake a 200km trip without anything breaking or falling off. Woo Hoo..!

Elsewhere, I managed to get the Series 3 109 to a point of being approximately 90% complete. Still a few jobs to do, but the biggest milestone was getting it back on



its feet, and finishing the paint job. NAPA Autoparts (thanks Robin) in Carleton Place were able to match the sand colour, and fill 10 rattle cans for me in less than an hour. Although the paint job wouldn't pass muster at a Jag, MG, or even Triumph club event, I'm really pleased with it as being representative of a typical in-service finish.

So the plan is to have the 109 safetied and licensed by the middle of May – yes the deadline has moved to the right... and to have it at Aquino 2015 in Oshawa, and to have both the 109, and a repainted 101 at the BP.

I'd better stop writing, and go and do some work in the garage...

That's all for now.

Best regards Andrew

New Members Wanted!

Invite your Land Rover obsessed friends to join OVLR!

See page 2 for subscription details.

Drops in the Bucket

PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY WILL FICNER



On the trail with Will F.



Michel G. in his td5 110



Unimog and Darren on a downhill



Terry K. in his D90 "Jager"



AJ, Garth, and Roy's rides

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Photo Caption Contest

Members are encouraged to submit photos and our readers will suggest captions!

This month's photo was submitted by Kevin N. Captions should submitted to: terrycking@rogers.com People are encouraged to submit photos for the coming months.



March Caption Contest Results

ENTRIES FOR MARCH (AS JUDGED BY TK)

The Winners (Tied for first place)

Gabe Pell: Like the way my jacket matches my submarine?

McDermott: Should have spent more time learning river crossing

skills than choosing a matching outfit?



Honourable Mentions

Fred B.: Swimming lessons, anyone?

Ken Fear-Firman: Rural car wash for landrovers only.

Naji M.: Land rovers leak for a reason but that should not encorage people to use them as a submarine;)

newellandscott: Yah, the recovery point is just under the front bumper, thanks for volunteering to help!

Cameron Duff: Toss me the the WD 40 I think my carb is flooded!

Thanks for playing everyone! TK

Drops in the Bucket (continued from page 6)



Garth emerges from the muck

Land Rover Heritage to be Launched at Techno Classica Show

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- New Land Rover
 Heritage division
 to launch at Techno
 Classica in Essen,
 Germany on 15-19
 April, 2015
- Land Rover Heritage forms part of Jaguar
 Land Rover's Special Operations division and
 compliments Jaguar Heritage in supporting
 vehicles 10 years out of production across Land
 Rover's global sales network
- The Land Rover Heritage stand at Essen will feature a stunning example of the Range Rover Classic with selected genuine parts from Land Rover's Heritage Parts range
- New Land Rover Heritage Parts will be created using original tooling methods and will support owners of older Land Rovers by providing genuine parts
- Gradual rollout of Land Rover Heritage activities to include Land Rover Heritage Driving Experience in the UK plus reintroduction of wider range of genuine Heritage Parts

Whitley, UK, 14th April, 2014: Jaguar Land Rover will launch its new Land Rover Heritage division at the Techno Classica show in Essen, Germany between 15-19 April, 2015.

Complementing the recently established Jaguar Heritage division, Land Rover Heritage will offer original Land Rover vehicle parts for a variety of heritage models that have been out of production for longer than a decade.

Body, trim and extended servicing items are available for Range Rover Classic, while for Range Rover P38 and Discovery 1 and 2, Land Rover Heritage supplies salvage and extended service parts to ensure customers' cherished cars are maintained to the highest possible standard.

For Series I, Il and Ill, selected Land Rover Heritage Parts are available and the brand will gradually



reintroduce more original part numbers - all made using original tooling methods and all items supported under warranty*.

Land Rover Heritage forms part of Jaguar Land

Rover's Special Operations division and has been created to support the brand's passion in nurturing and preserving its rich heritage of vehicles and supporting its loyal customer base across Land Rover's global sales network.

With production of current Defender now in its final phase, Land Rover has committed to supply replacement parts for 15 years for this automotive icon. Thereafter, owners of the current Defender will be able to maintain their treasured car by ordering genuine Land Rover Heritage Parts through Land Rover's global network of retailers.

John Edwards, Managing Director of Jaguar Land Rover Special Operations, said: "We are delighted to launch Land Rover Heritage, which perfectly complements the recent introduction of Jaguar Heritage. It is estimated that 70% of all Land Rovers manufactured since 1948 are still in existence so there is a large and very passionate owner base to support through Land Rover Heritage."

The centrepiece for Land Rover at Techno Classica will be an iconic first-generation Range Rover Classic, featuring a selected range of Land Rover Heritage Parts created using original Land Rover tooling.

The steady rollout of the Land Rover Heritage business will also expand to include Land Rover Heritage Drives - launching this summer. This will give participants the unique opportunity to drive models from Land Rover's heritage collection at a special 200-acre testing facility in Warwickshire.

*Warranty terms may vary. Please consult the nearest Land Rover retailer in your market for specific Terms & Conditions.

Executive Decisions

As returning officer for OVLR it is incumbent upon the position to ensure that there is an orderly transition of responsibility from one year to the next. Nominations were solicited, the nominated individuals contacted to see if they would stand for the position, a number declined leaving me with no nominations for President and Events Co-ordinator, Kevin Newell as Off-Road Co-ordinator and four individuals for the position of Executive-at-Large (Andrew Watkins; Andrew Jones; William Ficner; and Paul Davids).

Unfortunately, for a number of reasons outside the Executive's span of control the Annual General Meeting has been delayed for a number of good reasons as well as conflicts. For continuity, it is necessary that an erudite and considered group of individuals be given the task of running the club for this year. Elections at this time, given the existing delays, would cripple any new executive. With that in mind, I have considered two options:

The first is simply to declare to the membership that the delays give me no choice but to declare the current executive incumbent for another year.

The second is to declare all four of the candidates for Executive-at-Large as elected as a committee, and with our esteemed off-road co-ordinator, shall provide a committee of the whole to manage the affairs of the club until the next AGM, scheduled for January 2016.

Both options have positives and negatives which I have discussed with a selection of club members, both new and those whom have been in the club for decades. I have also discussed this with the current Executive. One aspect weighing against the first option is that Frank Ashworth, who has been doing an excellent job as Events Co-ordinator, is no longer able to fulfill the duties of the position given other conflicts. Another is that our esteemed President is also on the nomination list for Executive-at-Large, and thus would remain in both options.

An aspect in favour of the second is the introduction of two new members to the executive, expanding the base upon which the club relies for organisational excellence. Furthermore, given that this august group includes Mr. Jones, the "past president" at that point, as well as the seasoned Mr. Newell, and Watkins, I feel this is a very viable option.

Thus, in those nebulous powers invested in me by the Executive, I am happy to announce that for the balance of this calendar year, the Executive shall consist of: Kevin Newell; Andrew Watkins; Andrew Jones; William Ficner; and Paul Davids. This new group will be meeting in the near future to select a chairman and confirm the nominations of individuals for the number of appointed positions: David Pell as Secretary-Treasurer; Terry King as Newsletter Editor; Ben Smith as Archivist et cetera. ¹

RESPECTFULLY, DIXON KENNER

1. All three have accepted their nominations into these positions. The Executive with handle the balance.

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Rovers & Parts For Sale

FOR SALE

Viscous fan clutch, brand new for 4.0 V8 ('98 Disco). Also, many and various '98 Disco parts from our beloved 'Big Blue'

Ted Matthews matthewsted@aol.com Feb2015

WANTED

109 station wagon chassis in good condition, for Series II A project.

Andrew Watkins email awatkinsottawa@sympatico.ca Reb2015

WANTED

I am looking for a Series 3 windshield wiper dash cover piece, and the steering column upper cover (the plastic one) as well as an alternator bracket for the same. Any questions please email Sean McGuire at oldguns@rogers.com

Jan2015

LAND ROVER PARTS: SOME FOR SALE AND SOME ARE FREE

Clearing out Rover parts collected over the years and have no further use for.

Series 3 / 2A / 2 Transmissions. The 2A is of a 6 cylinder with 6 cylinder bell housing. All have transfer cases. Used diffs from series L/R 2 Range Rover Diffs.

1 Complete Range Rover front axle assy. (with hubs @ diff) R/R Gas tank. A 2A L/R Gas tank.

A 100 litre gas tank made to fit on the floor of Land Rover. At the time, diesel was hard to find so had tank made up.

Home made Series tailgate.

2 1/4 lit L/R engine. Free for the taking. Needs rebuild.

1991 Range Rover electricals. (Free)

 $1\ set$ of wheel chains fit $7/50\ 16"$ tires.

6 1991 R/R wheels with tires mounted.

4 L/R 16" rims 2 with tires from a 2A. 2 of a S1. no tires. 4 Land Rover Workshop Manuals. Book 1 & Book 2 for Series 2 & 2A

1 Parts book for the 2& 2A. One other 2/2A manual.

1 Range Rover Workshop Manual. Publication # WM US A01. This manual comes in a 4 ring binder. It's a big book, around 1 1/2 " thick.

Assorted Land/Rover books. Would send a list if interested.

Contact: Peter Thomson PH 519 9221536.

Email: typan_2@yahoo.com

Oct2014

FOR SALE

Large Brownchurch roof rack for sale - fits D1 and D2s. I have a Disco 2 and bought it for a trip. Used it once. Gathering dust. Do you know anyone who might be interested? May be a good base for a roof tent...? See http://www.roversnorth.com/ProductDesc.aspx?code=LD91NL&type=3&eq=&key=it for pictures/info. Asking \$600

Pete – Tel: 416-436-2087
Sept 2014

FOR SALE

'61 series II engine and trans. Have drive shafts (front and rear) as well as front and rear Diffs. Engine and trans are complete with header and carb. Also have a few misc steering parts and master cylinders; also have radiator no leaks. All parts are original.

Contact: Retcho, Joe (US) Joe.Retcho@ralphlauren.com

FOR SALE

I have a complete engine, transmission, transfer case for an early series truck. It's a 2.25 petrol and the engine was running fine when removed from the vehicle. Looking for \$200 or so.

Also have a short block from an early V8 which I got for a project that changed direction. Condition unknown. Email for details.

Rob Ferguson rgferg@gmail.com Aug2014

FOR SALE

ARB Safari snorkel kit for Disco II (model SS395HF). Complete with all parts and cutting template. Never installed, new condition. Asking \$300 obo. Genuine LR OEM rail grabber (roof cross bars) for Disco II (2000-2003). Like new and comes in original nylon storage bag, part STC50175. ASKING \$220 obo. Genuine LR OEM roof cross bars for late model Range Rover (absolutely doesn't work for a LR3: (. Like new in storage bag with 4 keys. Part VUB503330. Asking \$200 obo.

Contact Liam at tlcox@pacificcoast.net or 613.831.7106

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Rovers & Parts for Sale (continued from page 14)

FOR SALE

I have a restored 1987 Defender 90 2.5 diesel 5 speed RHD ex-MoD 83,000 miles fully restored in OD with many extras. I have close to \$20,000 into the vehicle and I am asking \$12,000.

Photos can be supplied, if there is any interest. The vehicle is currently at the Ferret Club (Ontario Regiment Museum) in Oshawa.

David Sewell

David.Sewell@europac.ca

Aug2014

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FOR SALE - ROOF RACK FROM 110

It's a full size rock of half-inch galvanized steel. The sidewalls are about 8 inches tall. It has a ladder, hi lift Jack mounts, and an 8 foot roll down awning inside of an aluminum case. It also has a small low power solar panel and the back end of the rack is cut out to accommodate a fold out rooftop tent. I have the cut out key which can be reattached with hinges or welded back on.

I'm asking \$1000 firm for everything. Pick up only, located in Don Mills.

Rick Firth <rfirth@rogers.com>
Sept2014

Friends' Acquisitions

SUBMITTED BY TED M.





Sportz 84000 SUV Tent



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Napier Outdoors has made a donation of two tents for the Auction... the tents will be displayed at the All British Car Day and the Birthday Party.