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The exec is making final notes of things to talk about at the General Meeting coming up Wednesday, October 30. High on the agenda is a discussion on the ins and outs of bulk purchases from merry olde England. We've been talking about it for years. Now we want to finalize plans and start bringing in those hard-to-get pieces at prices we can all afford. We're looking for advice from members who have dealt with overseas suppliers. Bob Wood will give us a rundown on avenues open to us and Walt Saveland will fill us in on customs problems.

Also on the agenda are issues relating to the club's growing pains ... things like the need for legal protection in the event of accidents on club-sponsored trips or work projects, input from members on executive meetings and club purchases and activities. Things get under at 7 pm in a room at the National News building, 2655 Lancaster Road (several hundred yards past the health club). Enter by the parking lot door.

The October monthly meeting saw us tucking into Italian food at a Preston Street eatery while we finalized plans for the rebuild program. Project coordinator Bob Hussey discussed several jobs with the exec and the meeting worked out a practical approach to dealing with members' needs. The rebuild program promotes high-quality repairs to frames, drive and running gear and offers experienced help in dealing with problems essential to the safe operation of your Land Rover. Full details are available from Bob.

Events coordinator Al Pilgrim wants to know who's interested in getting together some Tuesday night for a showing of "The Gods Must Be Crazy" ... the Australian movie starring a Series I Land Rover. Al has worked out a deal with Capital Square at Bank and Queen on Tuesday, November 12 for members to attend for \$2.50 ... that's half price.

He's also arranged for members to attend a Rough Riders football game ... free. End zone seats only on Saturday, October 26. Anyone interested in either should call Al at 731-2840 (days) or 731-6616 (nights) as soon as possible.

Christmas wouldn't be the same without the OVLR Xmas bash. So, once again the exec is working out a deal to fill us with good food, a little of the grape and a few laughs. It's scheduled for Wednesday, December 11 at Leone's, 412 Preston Street. We'll have more details next newsletter.

Gossip....facts....fiction....rumour....tall tales....omens....and other stuff

- -Bruce Ricker awaiting the return of his mint 109 military frame from a Montreal galvanizing dip. ALROC prez Mark Pankhurst sent a firewall for treatment.
- -Welcome to new OVLR member Kevin Burton of Mount Pearl, Nfld. Kevin owns a 109 and an 88 and, together with a rash of brothers and buddies, he's up to his armpits in Land Rovers.

- -OVLR prez McD and Dave Smithers are heading for Newfoundland on government business in mid-November ... it's just a coincidence eh ... and have been invited to spend a day with Kevin and his cronies seeing a little of The Rock. We'll have full details next newsletter.
- -Hon. Harold Huggins and the Roverlanders will soon be watching Ottawa area members on videotape. Earlier this year we put together a 20-minute video of some of our activities for Ron Low and the Island Rovers on Vancouver Island. Harold wrote us the other day asking to borrow our epic film documenting the three-year struggle to conquer Jim's Lake but the exec, fearing Canada Post's reputation for losing valuables, decided it was too risky. Harold will borrow the tape from Ron for showing to the mainland BC club. OVLR is having the film transferred to tape so it will be available to everyone.
- -"Sally", Al Pilgrim's 107, is waiting for Canada Customs to find a CB brake cylinder sent September 30 from the States. Al is also trying to shoehorn a Kodiak heater into his tiny cab before he freezes.
- -OVLR sec-treas David Johnson back from England with news about overseas purchases. You'll hear him at the October 30 meeting.
- -Prez McD has his 86 back on the road after a month-long struggle with nit-picking electrics. He replaced his aging two-litre engine with a  $2\frac{1}{4}$ . It's a nice fit.
- -"Sparky" Van Dusen, sometime partner on our bush trips, is worried about the hair growing out of his ears. Ah, the problems of working for television.
- -George Hurry ran into trouble while hunting near Fort Coulonge recently. His 109 snapped a rear half shaft, then the front diff went away. George and his Datsun-riding partner found a 12-ton skidder and towed his crippled old friend out of the baddies. At press time George was availing himself of OVLR half shafts and a differential and mounting a rescue mission.
- -And the brothers Dowell still chipping away at their fleet. The 86 and the 88 await while Jerry's 109 wagon continues to gag and Jason's 88 just broke a rear shaft.

## Ads....Ads....Ads....wanted....for sale....Ads....Ads....Ads....wanted....for sale

- -A 1962 or 64 (don't ya love that kinda info) 109, three-door for sale. All we know is this LR was once owned by Robert Prescott and was sold to the present owner for far too much money. We haven't seen it but suspect it's strictly for parts. If interested, call Rolly at 234-8243 (days) or 722-3185 (nights).
- -McD has a brand new, stainless muffler for an 88. Price is \$127. You save postage.
- -Michel Gagne has two "hardly used" 88 mufflers for sale.
- -OVLR keeps a stock of NEW parts for emergencies. We have half shafts, flexible brake hoses, spring bushes, hub seals, ball joints, motor mounts, dist. caps, oil filters and EP 90 gear oil. The club also has a bunch of used bits like diffs, springs, body bits and the like at low, low prices.

That's all for now....

Prez Mike

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