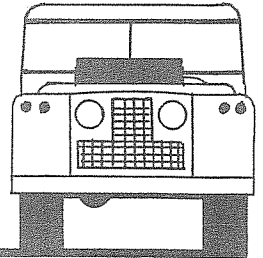


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There's still time to reserve a spot in the September 27 weekend fishing-cum-lying-around-or-touring-back-roads trip. Nine members have already booked into the cozy cabins (a couple are still thinking about tenting but the thought of chilly nights has them worried). Rates are \$25 and \$50 for cabins that sleep four or six bodies. The difference in price has to do with things like indoor plumbing. Coordinator Al Pilgrim is the man to call at 731-2840 (days) or 224-8300 (nights).

By the time you get this newsletter, some of the gang will already have cleaned up the last of the dirty bits in Prez McD's yard as part of the annual purging of used Land Rover parts. Members Jordie Bowen, Stephane Bergeron and Shirley Des Biens volunteered to lend a hand in cleaning, tagging and pricing some of the parts we've collected over the last year. In fact, some of the things have been hiding there for several years. We'll run a list of things to buy cheap in next month's newsletter.

The Exec is busy planning the third annual Christmas party slated for Wednesday, December 10. Location is the same as last year -- upstairs at Leone's Ristorante, 412 Preston Street. McD and events coordinator Al Pilgrim visited the place last week and worked out a menu. Now they're working on a program and a price. Circle December 10 on your calendar and plan to join the fun. More details next newsletter.

The September meeting found us in the Keg restaurant in Bells Corners discussing where to hold this year's frame oiling. We have the bodies, the anti-rust compound and the spray equipment. What we don't have is a place to hold the event. We're looking for a central location, with room to park several Land Rovers. The spray operation, while a little messy for the applicator, is confined to a small area. We place plastic sheets and cardboard under the vehicles so the mess is kept to a minimum. If you can help, please call one of the Exec soon as possible. We'd like to hold it around mid-October.

Treasurer David Johnson missed the meeting but reported \$216 in the club coffers. That's a little below what the Exec feels comfortable with going into the winter season so they're dragging up the old Garage Sale again. The annual sale was shelved earlier this summer when a request for donations went unheeded. However, coordinator Pilgrim has volunteered to try again. He's looking for anything you have lying around the house (not Land Rover stuff) that you can donate to the sale. If each member donated just one item, we'd have 63 things to sell. Last year, the club collected over \$250. Saturday, September 20 in the big day so get your donations into Al now. Call him at 731-2840 (days) or 224-8300 (nights).

A small convoy of OVLR members journeyed to Calabogie Peaks several weeks ago to catch the first annual mud competitions. We watched everything from Jap crap to big bore Chevies skim, swim and blast through a goo-filled ditch to the cheers of several hundred onlookers ... and \$200 in prize money. The event is staged by a local area four-wheel drive club. Rumour has it OVLR may enter a competitor next summer.

OVLR has oil filters for fall tune-ups. Call Prez McD now.

News....Views....Rumour....Lies....Fact....Fiction....and other stuff

OVLR meets the first Tuesday of every month. Call the Exec for location.

- Welcome new members John Sims of Oxford Mills, Ontario, Phil Regan of Don Mills Ontario and Bernard Sherwin of Thornhill, Ontario.
- Al Pilgrim liked the Hidden Valley Campground -- location of the Tweed rally -- so much he headed back for a short vacation. Owners Tish and Roy Hoskin have installed a swimming pool to make the place even more attractive than it was.
- McD and Dave Smithers are off to Vancouver on business and plan to look into the V-6 engine conversion kit offered by a Richmond, B.C. supplier. Full report next newsletter. They'll probably say hello to Harold Huggins too.
- The John Hart rebuild has been put on hold due to a decision by the organizers that volunteer help was insufficient.
- Events coordinator Al Pilgrim and Nova Scotia ALROC member John Cranfield are talking about a rally on John's farm next summer. Al is calling it "East to Heaven in 87". That's as far as his plans have gone to date but be assured you'll be hearing more.
- Jerry Dowell attended the Rovers North-Land Rover Association of USA joint rally and will have slides to show off at the Christmas party.
- Neil Brewer's frame is coming along with front horns done, rear mainframe and crossmembers completed and new outriggers holding up the bulkhead. Now it's footwells then plans for a flip-up front.
- Al Pilgrim celebrated a birthday recently. There was much merriment, food and booze at McD's to mark the occasion. His date was a real dog though.

That's all for now. Don't forget to dig deep for the garage sale.

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