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G'day eh.

And Happy New Year. We've got more than \$500 in the bank, membership is growing, suppliers are vying for our favor and we've got a new executive. 1989 looks like it's gonna be a good'un.

A record 28 people showed for the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING January 11 where we re-elected two old executive members for a third term and ushered in a new president and VP.

Robin Craig, who hails from Land Rover's birthplace, was acclaimed OVLR's fourth president. While new to this club, Robin and the Land Rover have been friends a long time. He owns more than 130 of them -- and not one is running. Sound familiar? Well, he's got a good excuse. They're all models. Robin is married to Joan and has three kiddies (which explains the Isuzu longbox he drives).

Acclaimed VP was Walter Saveland, a veteran member of both this club and the Association of Land Rover Owners of Canada. Walter served as ALROC VP and editor of Transfer Box, the national magazine. His biggest claim to fame, however, was his role as the first winner of the now-legendary Lugnut of the Year award. The honor is granted yearly to that member who distinguishes himself by doing something beyond the normal limits of human silliness. Walt won it for not tightening his wheelnuts and having them strip off during a trip deep in the Calabogie Forest. He and Louise can sometimes be seen in his Series II-A/109 station wagon.

Back for a third time is bulletproof treasurer Lyn Leduc. Lyn is the Dr. Christian Barnard of the books and the bane of anyone who doesn't have a receipt for spending club funds. An example of her handiwork is enclosed for your own judgement. In fact, some say the only mistake Lyn ever made was Harry.

He's back again as secretary. Mr. Bligh's strength is not so much in his ability to take notes as in his talent in procuring just about anything the club needs, whether it's aluminum rivets, bright orange traffic vests, 10 feet of galvanized angle iron, a woolly monkey or a skylight for the condo. A strange--but obviously valuable--member, Harry professes love for an 88 in the garage and a 109 in the laneway.

Al Pilgrim, who was not the events coordinator last year, decided to not be the events coordinator again this year. You figure it out.

And Mike McDermott, former OVLR president and newsletter editor, is back at the typewriter after a little rest. Neil Brewer is giving up newsletter duties with his retirement as president.

Recapping the club's successes, Neil said highlights of the year included OVL's contribution to the August rally at Rovers North in Vermont, good turnouts at the June birthday party and a couple of outings in the spring and early fall at Vern Fairhead's near Shawville. There was some discussion on the bulk purchase of parts (the new exec will study it further before making any decision) and the "yellow pages" project designed to list suppliers and services useful to club members. Andre Lalonde is compiling the list and contributors were asked to contact him with their suggestions (819-986-8401). When it's fat, it'll be mailed to members.

Neil thanked Lyn, Harry and Al Pilgrim for their work during the year (no VP was elected in 88). Special thanks went to Audry and Fred Cole, hosts of the annual birthday party, Elizabeth and John Hart, who host the annual frame oiling and Linda and Vern Fairhead, whose home was the site of a fishing derby and maple syrup party.

Incoming president Robin thanked Neil for his leadership in 88 and invited the new and old executives to get together and map out the new year. We'll have full details next newsletter.

Rumors of trouble at ATLANTIC BRITISH PARTS LIMITED, Waterloo, Quebec are not true, according to owner Cliff Cochran. Cliff says he and his US counterparts, Atlantic British Limited, have separated but that he is in the Land Rover parts business to stay. He'll match any price from other suppliers and has extended phone orders beyond regular daytime service to 9 p.m. Monday to Wednesday. Cliff says he can ship overnight by bus to Ottawa for superfast service.

And speaking of suppliers, both Atlantic British Limited in Mechanicville, NY, and Rovers North in Westford, Vermont, publish informative little newspapers full of local and far-off Land Rover tales. The stories are wrapped around sales and promotions members might find interesting. If you're not getting yours, just drop them a line and ask.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS Roger Gunthorpe of Osgoode who owns a Series I/86, David Crocker of Ottawa and his Series II/88 and Murray Jackson of Orleans with his 88 military lightweight.

NEWS, GOSSIP, LIES, TALL TALES, ET AL.....

- Neil has "loaner" VHS copies of last summer's Rovers North rally and the December Xmas party awards. Call him at 830-1458.
- Robin reports the public library has the latest edition of "Workhorse of the World".
- Harry Bligh is looking for recessed headlight panels and pods for a Series III. Call him at 774-2395.
- Mike McDermott has a brand new Series I, semi-floating, long rear halfshaft for sale at cost. Mark Letorney at Rovers North did a first class job tracking down the rare part fast only to have United Parcel Service lose it for 28 days. By the time it arrived, the stranded McD had opted for a major rebuild with Series II axles. RN has given him a credit but would rather find a buyer than send it back to England. Call McD at 224-8300.

- Jason Dowell cleaning up a military lightweight frame purchased complete with springs and running gear from Bob Wood's supplies. He's rebuilding the 2.25 litre and will have the Series III body on by spring. Jason also expects to have his Land Rover military trailer looking like new by summer.
- Stephane Bergeron is recovering from a sore back after trying to lift the spare tire into his Land Rover. Stephane, who looks like Hulk Hogan but perhaps should be renamed Stephanie, is probably being repaid for trying to freeze to death friend Natalie's granny. The dear lady needed a lift to the hospital and was silly enough to go in Steph's 88. It quit twice and she ended up trudging through the snow.
- Richard Owen's rebuild of his Series II-A/109 wagon is well underway. Front frame and running gear is done, firewall fixed and the six cylinder Volvo powerplant is almost together.
- John Lewis has sold his Series III/88.
- Al Pilgrim got an early start in the race for this year's Lugnut award on a recent outing to Jerry Dowell's Quebec property. In charge of the meal, Al had compiled an exotic dinner complete with coffee, liqueurs and cigars. Too bad he forgot the camp stove.
- The January edition of Four Wheeler magazine has an interesting little story with pix on Land Rover and the Camel Trophy.

For date and location of NEXT MEETING, call president Robin at 738-7880.

And remember ... if you're writing us a letter, check our new address at the top of page 1.

That's all for now.....editor Mike.....224-8300.

OTTAWA VALLEY LAND ROVERS

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

For the year ended December 31, 1988

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENSES</u>	
Memberships - renewals	\$ 530.00	Postage	\$ 306.58
- new members	53.52	Letterhead & bus. cards	160.18
- initiation	<u>72.03</u>	Long distance calls	<u>173.66</u>
	655.55		640.42
Events - Larose Forest	40.00	Larose Forest	13.89
- Maple Sugar run	184.50	Maple Sugar run	146.43
- Garage sale	144.30		
- Birthday party	282.00	Birthday party	273.80
- Shawville fishing derby	107.00	Shawville fishing derby	82.09
- Oiler	230.00	Oiler	160.63
- Christmas party	<u>538.93</u>	Christmas party	<u>484.04</u>
	1,526.73		1,160.88
Other - Green T-shirts	248.50	Green T-shirt	199.26
- Anniversary T-shirt	450.18	Anniversary T-shirts	354.80
- Decals	52.61	Decals	30.24
- Postage	<u>18.04</u>		
	769.33		584.30
Bank interest	12.92	Bank charges	25.50
		Assets:	
		Tree protector & carrying box	202.99
		Camp stove & connector	129.42
		Party-potty	<u>91.79</u>
			424.20
Inventory Jan. 1/88	201.28	Inventory:	
		Green T-shirts	127.02
		Anniversary T-shirts	39.40
		Decals	<u>142.13</u>
			308.55
		Fireworks	51.00
Cash on hand & bank Jan. 1/88	<u>588.69</u>	Cash on hand & bank Dec. 31/88	<u>559.65</u>
	\$3,754.50		\$3,754.50