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Red leaves, woodsmoke on the wind, the search for a windshield scraper...it can only mean one thing: Fall is here and with it, the annual frame oiler. Things get underway at 9am Saturday, Nov 4 at the home of John Hart RR 1, Harwood Lane, Kanata (see map) The Dowell brothers have again donated their air compressor, the club is bringing a new can of Texaco's undercoating, ramps and cleanup stuff and Lyne and Harry are dishing up a mess of meatballs and french bread. Cost is \$25 per vehicle again this year so bring your grubbies, get down and spray your heart out. First come, first served. Land Rovers get priority but your Japanese rustbucket is welcome too. It's a good idea to do a little prep work like scraping the gunge off and flushing out the frame. Rain date is Sunday, Nov. 5.

Think steaming roast turkey with sausage filling. Ponder cranberries, whipped potatoes with golden butter and rich, thick gravy. Visualize succulent roast pork, green beans and turnips. Dream of hot soup, crisp salad and a huge Land Rover cake. Sound yummy? That's the menu to choose from at this year's Christmas party Saturday, Dec. 9 at the Coffee Lodge Resturant on Lancaster Road near the Museum of Science and Technology. The exec is still fine tuning the price but it'll be worth it.

Besides the good grub, we'll have the regular spate of games of chance, prizes, the slide show (always embarrassing to someone) and the awards ceremony. Highlight, of course, is the unveiling of the Lugnut of the Year for 1989. The award goes to the member who has exhibited a level of stupidity beyond the normal limits of humankind.

Last year's winner was Dr John Wooten who, having just completed (he thought) repairs on his 88, went for a test drive in sub-zero temperatures without winter clothing. Naturally, the Land Rover quit. Dr John didn't thaw out until May.

All is fair in this award so, if you know of a member who might fill the bill, please write to the club address with details.

Last month's newsletter included nomination forms for election of the 1990 executive. All OVLR members in good standing who reside within the Ottawa Valley may vote and hold office. The valley, as defined by the club, is the area within the following boundaries: The Ontario-Quebec border between Pointe Fortune and the St Lawrence river, along the St Lawrence to Brockville, from Brockville in a straight line to Barry's Bay, from Barry's Bay in a straight line to Deep River, from Deep River in a straight line to Pointe Fortune.

We're electing a president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary for a one-year term. Mail your nominations to the club address by Nov 30 so we can run them in the December newsletter. Election is by mail or in person at the annual general meeting Jan 10. The new exec will also be looking for volunteers to handle special events, projects and the newsletter.

President Robin and Treasurer Lyne announced at the October exec meeting they wouldn't be seeking re-election. That was the bad news. The good news is that our bankroll is bulging with \$1,284, thanks to this year's fundraisers. Our affluence means dues will remain the same for next year. The \$12 annual fee, which guarantees the monthly arrival of your newsletter, is due Jan 10. After that, you'll have to pay the additional \$5 initiation fee. Membership lists go to our suppliers so they'll know who qualifies for club discounts. Late arrivals mean extra paperwork for the exec and the suppliers.

Speaking of membership lists, you'll find one enclosed with this newsletter. It's accurate to Oct 1 and was put together by Al Pilgrim.

NEWS....VIEWS....GOSSIP....WANT ADS....RUMOUR....FOR SALE....OTHER STUFF..

* A "Well done" to Harry Bligh, recovering after a jobsite fall put him in the hospital for several days. Our beloved secretary and general purpose scrounger was airborne a few seconds during an unexpected downward flight from one roof to another. Fortunately, he's going to be all right. Unfortunately he can still talk. ...and talk..and talk...

* George Charron (692-0967) has some Series 11 fenders, 88 box and sundry parts for sale. Also on the block is a snowplow complete with LR harness, ram and pump.

* Peter Whitworth has so much stuff for sale, he has included his own list (attached). He's looking for a Series 111 grill fascia. Peter also contributed the attached clipping on the Land Rover four wheel drive manual and the article on switching from positive to negative ground.

* Welcome to new member Dale Desprey, 432 Mansfield Ave., Ottawa (729-8530) owner of a 73/Series 111.

* Tony Fowler is doing something with a diesel 88.

* The Hammonds-Tom and Derrick-have moved their LR collection to Ottawa in anticipation of major rebuilds. The club towbar was instrumental in bringing the 88 from Pembroke and the 109 from Norway Bay.

* Brian Jones of Waterloo, Ont (519-884-3983) is looking for a 109 station wagon. He's got lotsa LR stuff for sale.

* Yves Fortin back on the road after getting a frame rebuild, new footwells, rear crossmember. electrics and box floor.

* Editor McD has completed the switch to Series 111 running gear under his Series 1/86. Lack of Series 1 axles prompted the changover.

*-Al Pilgrim's 107 "Sally" is back in the spotlight. According to Al, someone sneaked into the yard one night, washed all the grease off his front wheel bearings then torqued them up good and tight. That's his story anyway. The result: Crumbling bearings at highway speed. Now he's replacing one hub and brake drum, brake shoes and bearings...and the swivel pins while he's at it.

* That's all for now.

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