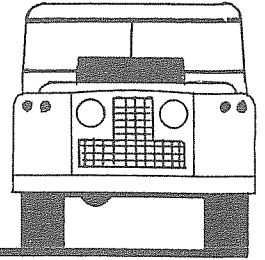


OTTAWA VALLEY LAND ROVERS



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G'day eh:

March 9/90

The sap will soon be running--no, not Bates--the real sap, that sweet, syrupy symbol heralding the coming of Canadian spring. And to celebrate, it's time for the annual OVLRL Maple Syrup Rallye at Vern and Linda Fairhead's farm near Shawville, Que. Circle Sunday, April 1 on the calendar (rain date is Sunday, April 8). It'll be piping hot pancakes, sausages and lotsa Linda's baked beans served up early afternoon. There's helping Vern in the sugar shack or gathering sap in the large "Snowcat"-towed collection pail and a possibility of a sleigh ride--depending on variables like snow cover.

The exec thinks it has solved last year's problems of keeping things hot and is buying a 40-cup coffee maker so there'll be plenty of fresh java if things are still a little nippy. Cost of all this--including a chance for a star appearance at next Christmas' slide show--is same as last year: six bucks for adults, \$3 for kids under 12 and nothing if they're under five. There's a convoy leaving Westgate Shopping Centre at 9am but, if you prefer to go it alone, check out the attached map. The phone committee will call if we use the rain date. VP Jason Dowell is co-ordinating the event so if you have any questions, give him a call at 731-5098.

FAREWELL, goodbye, do svidanie, seeya, get lost, salut, cheerio, Neil who?, later dude, toodle-oo, tatty-bye, manyana, tirrah, adios, so long, auf Wiedersehen, miss you, au revoir and get stuffed tubby.

They're just some of the things we'll be saying to Neil Brewer when we get together at the Coffee Lodge restaurant, 2450 Lancaster Rd., Friday, April 6 to wave goodbye. Neil, Julie and daughter Ashley are packing up the trusty 88 and heading west to Agassiz, BC. We'll tuck into a heaping plate of lasagna about 7:30 before a round of "Neil roasting". A little reminiscing, a lotta laughs and a small presentation to show Neil how much we care (snicker) will wrap up the night. It's \$6.50 a head and we've got the whole place to ourselves so come out and help us send them off with style.

The March meeting heard from a committee studying our constitution to determine if any changes are needed. The committee, Audry Cole, Elizabeth Johnson and Mike McDermott, was formed after members failed to nominate anyone for the 1990 executive. An existing bylaw enabled an executive to be appointed to carry on club business but the committee is looking for ways to better ensure the election process is successful. In other business, the exec is looking at getting together with the Rover Club of Canada, the Toronto LR club, the weekend of August 25-26. Probable site is OVLRL member Richard Copple's place in Picton. More details as we get closer to the event.

LIES....RUMOURS....FOR SALE....TRUTHS....HAPPENINGS....WANTED....SIGHTINGS

*-The Australian Land Rover 6X6 ambulance being tested by the Canadian Armed Forces was spotted parked outside the Westin Hotel last weekend. Unfortunately, the two OVLr members who spotted it also had their brains in park. They didn't have a camera handy and didn't think to tell anyone who did. Sigh.

*-OVLr member Tom Tollefson has taken over as president of the Toronto-based Rover Club of Canada, replacing Harold Snider.

*-Welcome new members Joel Harris of Gloucester and Teresa and Keaven Malanson of Ste Foy, Que.

*-Editor McD is heading west for another tour of things Land Rover. He'll be visiting The Roverlanders of BC, The Island Rovers and ALROC guru Harold Huggins.

*-OVLr got kudos in the Winter edition of the Rovers North Newsletter for our X-mas party. Wrote RN owner Mark Letorney: "It was the most fantastically well run and coordinated event I've ever attended." Thanks Mark. By the way, the X-mas party photo of you and the girl with the big woofers was Neil's idea.

*-Congrats to OVLr member Stephan Bergeron and the lovely Natalie on the announcement of their engagement. Bon chance mes amis.

*-Next meeting is April 5. Call the exec for time and location.

That's all folks.

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