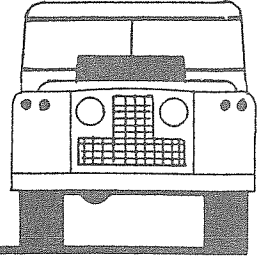


# OTTAWA VALLEY LAND ROVERS



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G'day eh.

Jan 10/92

FIRST THE HEADLINES: A record number of members renew, our bank account runneth over, stage two of the kitchen trailer begins, highlights of the best X-mas party ever and "Pass the Wheaties Martha. It's gonna be a hectic year."

Now the details: The Annual General Meeting Jan. 8 was a quiet affair with only eight members joining the exec for the yearly "let's see what you guys are really up to" inquisition. But in terms of accomplishments, it was a winner. Fifty-one members, more than two thirds of our dues-paying roll, got their fees in before the Jan. 8 deadline. (More about the rest of you deadbeats later) Treasurer Tom Mayor reported our 1991 budget of \$4,200 still left us with \$1,800 in the bank at year's end. His full statement is attached.

Re-elected for another term was Harry Bligh as secretary and Yves Fortin as vice president. Special thanks to Lyne Leduc and Fred Barrett who allowed their names to stand. President Jason Dowell, who, along with Treasurer Tom was acclaimed for another term, said 1991 was another successful year where OVL R continued to grow in membership, service, range of interests and stature among the Land Rover community.

Special thanks went to members Vern Fairhead for hosting the Maple Syrup Rally, Mike Dolan for our birthday party and John Hart for the fall frame oiler. Associate member Richard Copple got cudors for inviting us to his Picton paradise and Dave Davey for his hospitality at last spring's tour of Series One Club HQ in Norwood, Ont.

"Congrats" went to Bates (if you can believe that), Robin Craig and Mike McDermott for their help in the design and construction of the club trailer. Bob Wood drew an honorable mention for his contribution of parts to help the thing work. A wink and a hug went to members who found themselves competing (reluctantly) for the Towball and Lugnut awards this year. Also to the winners who graciously accepted the abuse they so richly deserved in the first place.

Jason also thanked our suppliers, especially Rovers North Ltd. in Vermont and Cliff and Bobby Cochrane of ABP Canada in Waterloo, Que., for the special interest they've taken in our activities. Editor McD said the newsletter averaged 80 copies per month during the year, reaching 90 the last three months. He thanked regular contributor Robin Craig for his "Ramblings" column, Fred Barrett for his occasional attempts at lucid prose and Bates as a constant source of embarrassing moments. Thanks also went to President Jason, VP Yves, Bates and McD's lady Kelsey for their regular help in the monthly "staple-stuff-and-stick" duties required to get the thing in the mail.

Jason also extended his thanks to Treasurer Tom, VP Yves and Sec. Harry for their hard work in making 1991 a success. (Ed's note: Since the prez is the boss, there's no one around to blow his horn. So I'll do it. 1991 was the busiest year OVLRL has had in its seven-year life. 1992 looks like it's going to be even busier. OVLRL is fortunate in having Jason take the job for another term. A hearty "well done" from all of us.)

In other AGM action, our birthday party was tentatively set for the weekend of June 13. It's usually a little later in the month but things will be getting busy with a proposed trip to Maine and the Cross Canada-Alaska event. Our healthy financial condition means we can start putting stage two of the kitchen trailer project into operation. That involves construction of the cabinets, storage, coolers and food preparation aspects. We'll have solid plans and costs by spring.

Nancy Fuller has again agreed to take on general event co-ordinator duties for the new year. Nancy started doing the job last fall in answer to pleas from an overworked exec. VP Yves is tasked with compiling an inventory of all club property for next meeting. OVLRL has off-road and camping gear, first aid, communications and fire-fighting equipment, specialized tools, repair and parts manuals, cooking and eating utensils, a towbar and, of course, our trailer. The last audit was three years ago.

Yves is also in charge of putting the final package together for organizers of the cross Canada-Alaska tour, scheduled to pass through our area July 10. OVLRL is assisting with accommodation, communications and emergency repair facilities for the group, expected to number 50 Land Rovers and 100 people.

Last on the agenda was the issue of late membership renewals. The \$15 annual fee pays for the club newsletter. That money is not used for any other club activity, thereby ensuring that, should we go broke, members will always get their newsletter. The downside is, if you don't pay your dues, you don't get your newsletter 'cause there's no money for it. Get your dues in now so we can get you back on the rolls for February. (This does not include other clubs, suppliers and industry contacts who receive complementary issues.)

The Christmas party, held this year in the Navy Association Mess on Victoria Island, saw a record 50-plus members and guests plunge through a turkey-roast beef choice with all the trimmings.

Vermonters Charlie Haigh and wife Pam arrived from Rovers North Ltd with a trunkload of goodies to join the pile of member-donated stuffings for Santa's bag. We gave out T-shirts, LR calendars, mechanical bits, sweatshirts, club toques and lotsa other stuff as door prizes.

The traditional slide show of members' embarrassing moments was again well received by all but a few (tee-hee). Highlight was of course the awarding of honors to members who distinguished themselves during the year. The Towball Award went to Fred Joyce for accumulating several hundred kilometers dragging 11 Land Rovers from Kanata to his home near Orleans. The Land Rovers were his reward for some smart bidding at the British army base in Wainwright, Alta. The Lugnut award, which goes to the biggest dummy of the year, was awarded to Dale Desprey for passing up a brand new canvas top for half price during a Rovers North auction last summer--then having to drive back to Ottawa in a monsoon.

There were consolation prizes for the losers. Harry Bligh, who lost a wheel on the highway, got a bag of wheelnuts already seized on their studs; Fred Barrett, who rebuilt his engine SIX times, got mechanic Jason Dowell's phone number; Al "Bates" Pilgrim, whose inventory included an overpriced exhaust system, losing a wheel, destroying first and reverse gears and setting fire to an acetylene tank, received the lyrics of the Wizard of Oz hit: "If I only had a brain".

Yves Fortin destroyed his clutch--again--fried some oil seals and filled his emission system with silicone, thereby doubling the pollution level of Centretown. Consolation prize for the club's Francophone VP was a pronunciation directory of all english words beginning with "th".

Mike McDermott embarrassed himself by rebuking a supplier for sending him the wrong part before realizing he had ordered the wrong part in the first place. His prize: A bag of more wrong parts. Final runner-up was Toronto member Dave Lowe who blew up his '88 while being towed home from last summer's birthday party. The Awards Committee felt Dave had already suffered enough--just having to live in Toronto.

FOR SALE...GOSSIP...OTHER STUFF...WANTED...RUMOURS...SOME FACTS...

\*-Events co-ordinator Nancy invites all members to join the next exec meeting at Gallileo's Dining Lounge, 1145 Heron Rd. Feb. 4 at 7p.m.

\*-Newfoundland member Kevin Burton can be spotted driving a 101 Forward Control in the January edition of LRO magazine. Kevin was in England recently and hooked up with writer and OVL R member Bob Morrison.

\*-Speaking of LRO, members attending the AGM got to borrow from the club's library of LRO editions. Lending period is one month. Call McD if you're interested.

\*-New member and Ham radio operator Dave Meadows has taken on the task of improving our long range communications at field events. Last summer Chef Harry was in danger of pulling out what little hair he had left after our birthday party off-road tour got delayed out of radio range. Harry made us eat all the burned bits at supper.

\*-Apologies to Robin Craig and Fred Barrett for not running their articles this edition. Time constraints have done us in.

\*-OVL R mailed its club news off to Oileak Illustrated editor Rhonda Wood in Vancouver last week, complete with a pix of the Fall oiler. Rhonda says she really needs articles and photos of things Land Rover. If You've got something, send it to her at: Apt. 311, 945 Marine Dr., West Vancouver, BC, V7T 1A8.

\*-Dale Desprey is looking for a Series 111 Speedo for 16-inch wheels. 729-8530

\*-Also in the mail, newsletters from the Toronto Area Rover Club and the Canadian Series One Club. See 'em at the February meeting or call McD.

That's all folks

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# Ottawa Valley Land Rovers

## Statement of Income and Expenses for the year ending December 31, 1991

### Income

Bank balance/cash on hand: Jan.01/91	\$1083.89
Bank interest	41.97
Membership:	
1991 renewal / init fees	942.25
1992 renewal / init fees	315.00
Tow bar rental	20.00
Events:	
Maple Syrup Rally	268.50
Garage Sale	550.30
Birthday Party	432.60
Oiler	292.00
Christmas Party	780.00
Sale of inventory (Sweatshirts, T-shirts, toques, misc.)	1325.17
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	\$6051.68

### Expenses

Newsletter	\$ 532.36
Long distance phone charges	43.51
Miscellaneous:	
1991 AGM	52.76
Projector bulb	21.85
Events:	
Maple Syrup Rally	143.00
Birthday Party	298.48
Oiler	147.01
Christmas Party	725.00
Purchase of inventory (sweatshirts)	1159.20
Purchase of assets:	
Jack All	88.40
Drill Bits	13.16
Trailer	898.88
Trailer licence	25.00
Club radio equipment	80.68
Honing stones	8.00
Bank balance/cash on hand: Dec.31/91	1814.39
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	\$6051.68

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*Tom Mayor*

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