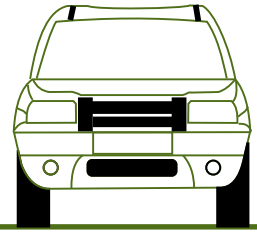


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*Pardon me could I trouble you for a spot of grey poupon?*  
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*Mud...a fair weather sport !!!* — PHOTO CREDIT: BRUCE RICKER



*I'll be 57 next month ....  
Don't I deserve a better place to sleep?*  
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### General Information

Ottawa Valley Land Rovers is the oldest and largest Land Rover club in Canada. Membership is open to all Land Rover enthusiasts. Executive meetings are held on the first Monday of every month. Social meetings are held on the third Monday of every month, generally at the Prescott Hotel on Preston Street.

OVL R offers a monthly newsletter and a variety of activities throughout the year, from mechanical seminars and off-road rallies to social events and family oriented outings. Members receive discounts on parts from a number of North American suppliers. Off-road activities come in several categories. The light version, which is usually entertainment during a rally or at one of our family summer events, consists of a little "mud bogging" or tours along country lanes. The heavy stuff, which is usually several days across public lands navigating by compass, topographical maps and aerial photos, involves bridge building, river barging, and driving conditions ranging from cedar swamp to rocky hill winching.

Membership: Canadians joining throughout the year pay \$45 CDN per year, Americans and others pay \$45 US per year (discounts available if you receive newsletter by email). Membership is valid for one year.

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Any ideas for the website please contact Dixon Kenner

Land Rover FAQ: <http://www.lrfaq.org>

## OVL R Forums

Please see:

<http://www.ovlr.ca/phpBB2/index.php>

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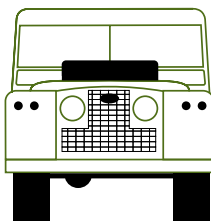
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## Hey man, what's going on?

### OVLRL Calendar of Events

#### Socials:

Socials are held at the Prescott Hotel on Preston St., Ottawa, the third Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

#### Executive Meeting:

Executive meetings are held on the first Monday of the month. Please contact Peter McGough for location. email [mcgou@msn.com](mailto:mcgou@msn.com)

#### Notices:

**Maple Syrup Run** – April ??? – TBA Watch the web site for the date

**The CROC Uwharrie Safari** – April 10-13, 2008 — North Carolina website: [www.carolinarovers.org/](http://www.carolinarovers.org/)

**25th OVLRL Birthday Party** – June 20-22, 2008 — Silver Lake, Ontario Book your campsites now!

**Brits In The Park** – Sunday July 13, 2008 — Lindsay Ontario All British made vehicles and motorcycles welcome. Entry fee is \$10. Victoria British Car Club website: [www.glenhunter.ca/vbcc](http://www.glenhunter.ca/vbcc)

# President's Message

BY PETER MCGOUGH

**A**hh! The rights of Spring in the Ottawa Valley. Digging out a 36 ton drill-rig stuck in the snow at my house. And the connection to OVLRL is? The rig is a sister vehicle to two very special 101's and the networking through OVLRL resulted in a great well at a great price.



*President Peter McGough —*

CREDIT: G. PELL



Networking is one of the many advantages of the club. Where else other than at "The Social" can a simple question about a strange noise, elicit a complete history of the LT230 transfer case and what may and may not be applicable to bolt onto the diesel ratios of an LT77.

The executive has been talking a great deal about expanding the socializing opportunities for OVLRL members. In response to a request at the AGM, a move has been taken to establish Regional Secretaries and provide an opportunity for the geographically challenged member to enjoy the advantages of the social without packing an overnight case. Some brave souls have stepped forward and volunteered to act as Regional Secretaries: Dom Perodeau for the Bellville area, Andrew Barr for the London area and Patrick Finlay for the Montreal area. If anyone in the New York area is interested (Ben...you know who we mean) let us know. The primary purpose of the Regional Secretary is to arrange Social events

and gatherings and, with prior sanction of the executive (for insurance reasons), green lane /off-road events. All of course to be fully reported through the Newsletter! I believe also that there will be sections of the Forum related to Regional activities and again I encourage all to take advantage of the great work that has been done to enable and maintain our Forum.

I had a great time at the St. Patrick's night Social at the Prescott. From what I remember, Peter Gaby is installing under-floor heating in his Range Rover and JL has fitted an amazing set of BF Goodridges to his mobile home. Bruce R was regaling us with snorkeling stories of the aforementioned 101's and Mike McD was there to raise a point of order or was that order a Pint!

Hope to see as many as possible at the Sugar Bush rally, just as soon as Vern can see the woods for the snow. Stay tuned to the forum for dates.

*Peter  
mcgou@msn.com*

## Get well, soon, Harry!

Harry Bligh, from Smiths Falls, is not doing too well and is going into hospital in Kingston. He would appreciate any novels anyone could bring him.

Harry has been most helpful to the club with the use of his canopy during the Birthday Party. However, he doesn't think he will be able to get to our Birthday celebration this year.

Harry is also going to sell his heavily reinforced 109 Pick-up with it's rebuilt frame and 350 litre gas capacity. He's looking for \$5000 for it.

I'm sure he would enjoy a visit if anyone is in the area.

*Peter McGough*

# OVL R Labelled Products are Returning to the Club

BY GABRIELLE (GABE) PELL

**J**ust in case you haven't heard, I have taken up the post of procuring customized OVL R merchandise on your behalf.

I am going to approach this conservatively until I start receiving feedback and requests from you, the members. I have placed an order for items (see below) from Sierra Designs and will be able to offer them at much less than MSRP. Unfortunately, when ordering direct from the manufacturer you have to follow their manufacturing scheduling so these items will only be available for early fall (I will let you know if they come in sooner).

Good news, however, is that we will have OVL R hats and 25th anniversary OVL R t-shirts available for this year's birthday party. The manufacturer, Fersten, produces excellent quality in heavyweight cotton and the logo will be stitched on (not printed). There will be an order form accompanying the birthday party registration to pre-order hats and t-shirts, to ensure that we order enough for everyone who wants one.

We are also toying with the idea of 18 oz. stainless steel water bottles from KleanKanteen ([www.kleankanteen.com](http://www.kleankanteen.com)). The minimum order from this company is 160 pieces and would include the OVL R logo. I would be able to offer them to members for roughly 10% less than retail (retail = \$16.45 plus taxes & shipping) (not bad considering retail does not include branding). PLEASE send me your feedback on this one so that a decision can be made on whether or not to order. [designergabe@gmail.com](mailto:designergabe@gmail.com)

## Maple Syrup Run Update

Vern Fairhead is seeing odd conditions this year, so he is predicting a late start to the syrup season which will push back the event. Vern will keep us up to speed on any changes.

*Peter Gaby  
Maple Syrup Run committee  
[petertgaby@rogers.com](mailto:petertgaby@rogers.com)*

## Sierra Designs ([www.sierradesigns.com](http://www.sierradesigns.com))

- Cyclone Shell (men & women) waterproof-breathable 2.5 layer shell
- Ice Ray (men) micro-fleece ¼ zip pull-over
- Vesper (women) micro-fleece ¼ zip pull-over
- Hurricane Poncho (unisex)
- Coffee Slings (for hanging drink cups)

## Fersten ([www.fersten.com](http://www.fersten.com))

- T9599 Men's 11.5oz Deluxe Heavy-weight Ringspun Combed Cotton T-shirt
- FW9805 Women's BABY-T with Lycra (this will only be ordered if there is enough interest)
- FP461 or FP 480 (TBD) Semi-Low fit, heavyweight brushed cotton (organic ) twill

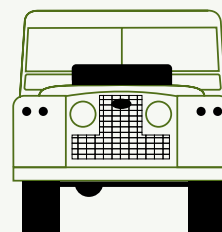
## Dear OVL R member,

OVL R is looking for memories, anecdotes, photos, copy — anything that reflects the history of the club way back when Bruce Ricker had hair. We are looking for material to help fill in "history" to celebrate our 25th anniversary this June.

Please send anything you might have to Mike McDermott at 2160 Black Creek Road, Edwards, Ontario, K0A 1V0.

All material will be photocopied and returned.

For info call McD at 613 - 821-1362 or [mikemcd@magma.ca](mailto:mikemcd@magma.ca).



# Ottawa Valley Land Rovers— Hastings Region



## First Inaugural Meeting for Existing OVLR and New Members

Where: Winchester Arm's, Belleville (upstairs)

When: 30th March 2008 @ 6 p.m.



**Purpose:** To establish a meeting point for the many OVLR club members and potential new members that are active in the Land Rover scene. To meet in an informal setting, locally, within a reasonable travelling distance on a weekend—to socialize, plan outings and rendezvous for OVLR events. The Winchester is a British styled public house with a large car park viewable from the upstairs function room.

From the East or the West on Highway 2 drive down towards the Hospital. From the 401 highway take the exit by Quinte Mall & go south until you hit Dundas Street (Highway #2). The pub is on the South side in a freestanding Elizabethan Building next to a plaza about a quarter mile west of the Hospital. There is ample parking at the front and side. The main entrance is at the side of the freestanding Elizabethan Building.

*Dom Perodeau  
dominic@landroversalvage.ca*

## From the Events Co-ordinator

BY ROBIN CRAIG

Welcome to another year of Land Rover enjoyment. As the co-ordinator I will be seeing to the overall events plan along with the executive and taking responsibility for running some events while others will be delegated to people who wish to be more involved.



We plan to have our usual events during the year such as the Birthday Party, our 25th if you have been counting, the Maple Sugar run and of course the Christmas party.

Smaller off road runs will happen and I look forward to being able to join you on some of those.

Just a small word about an ugly subject that has been passed down to this year's executive from our predecessors. Its a bit of a hobby horse for me, but it has relevance.

Alcohol and driving do not mix. Legally and socially. Its a criminal code violation, and from there down it is unacceptable.

Be aware that the executive has discussed this matter and have agreed to take a tough stand on it.

Please come and enjoy our events with your focus well defined when driving. Once you are done your driving, a drink is fine in your camp site or at a pub. This also applies to your passengers, some of whom you have along as a spotter/co-driver.

Any confusion of the two will not be tolerated by the executive who will take action at the time as they see fit.

We as a group will never get insurance coverage again should it be known that we tolerate such behaviour.

Please help us continue to foster a friendly safe environment to enjoy our vehicles.

*Robin Craig  
rcraig@sakto.com 1 613 484 6602*

# Classifieds

## FOR SALE

1989 Range Rover Classic; Alaskan Blue with Dark Grey Leather interior.; 3.9 lt. All Aluminium V-8, 4-speed Auto, Full time four wheel drive, 4-wheel disc brakes.

### Condition:

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All new suspension bushings fitted front and rear; rebuilt steering box; new upper tail gate frame installed; later transfer case fitted; viscous centre differential changed, tested good before installation; old Man Emu shocks and steering damper fitted. All brake calipers rebuilt with new pistons, new brake pads and front rotors; alternator rebuilt; oil and filter change every 5,000 miles; new radio speakers front and rear; new high power headlights fitted.

### Problems:

Intermittent power window and seat operation; air conditioning not working due to leaks; cruise control not working; inner cover missing from sun roof; front seat leather aging, seam split on front passenger seat.

### Conclusion:

Has been a fun, comfortable car to drive, I have enjoyed it so much that I have purchased a later model Range Rover, forcing this sale.

Makes a good second or winter car (the best car I have ever driven in the snow) or a great start for an Off Road Machine; no structural rust at all. Your mechanic's inspection is welcome. Owner will supply: MOT Sales package; MOT Safety Certification; MOT Emissions Certification.

I will consider offers over \$ 2,500.00 Cash.

Interesting trades (other than cars) always a possibility in lieu of cash.

Contact Peter Thomas Gaby

Business: 613-738-0592

Home: 613-789-4923

E-Mail: [petergaby@rogers.com](mailto:petergaby@rogers.com) (this is the best way to reach me)

# Last Call!

**A** number of hearty souls will be departing just before the Labour Day weekend for a two-week expedition to Newfoundland and Labrador...

On the way, we will be stopping at the M.O.R.E. 2-day rally in Nova Scotia, a quick 1-day drive through of P.E.I. for lobster, hit the Cabot Trail in Cape Breton, then ferry to the western coast of Newfoundland, catching the sights there including the fabulous Gros Morne Provincial Park, ferry to Labrador for a rustic drive up the rugged east coast, then stopping by Goose Bay, Churchill Falls, Labrador City then south on the Labrador Highway through northern Quebec, past Megantic, Baie Comeau, old Quebec City then home.

If you have a Land Rover in good running condition, you might consider joining some of your friends and the North American Editor of Land Rover Owner's magazine on this exciting trip if you haven't made holiday plans for this year. Additionally, we have a spot for a co-driver!

For additional information contact [matthewsted@aol.com](mailto:matthewsted@aol.com) (or 416-878-9727)

*Ted Matthews*

## OVLR Members,

This link came to us from "Drive the Globe" saying that they are currently accepting applications for the upcoming "Across the Americas" trip.

Anyone interested should visit [www.drivetheglobe.com](http://www.drivetheglobe.com) for more information.

*Jim Leach*

*Vehicle Certification*

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