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Reminder! The Annual General Meeting will take place on November the 4th (Sat.) at 2pm. At Chrysler Canada, 6500 Mississauga Rd.N, Mississauga. It's a short drive south of the 401. All are welcome to attend! A map

is provided on the back page. Need more info? E-mail us at: information@nl4x4.com or contact us by phone at 416-444-8231.



President's Message

Now is the time to be heard!

We, as the four-wheel drive community in Ontario, have had the wrong view of the public perception of our activity. We have believed, in the past, that the government, environmentalists and the snowmobile clubs are just waiting to pull the trigger and ban any sort of Jeep, pickup or other 4x4 from Crown Land.

This is the result of us constantly reading about the trail closures in the US to protect the very last *pink-speckled-hoppy toad* that *might* be somewhere in the 1000 hectare area that has been named. Then there are the stories we hear locally about irresponsible folks who insist on living a manufacturer's ad when they go off-road and trash the landscape on the way through. As a result we have kept our heads down hoping nobody will notice and have been waiting for the "big fight". We have been very successful. I realized this summer that nobody has really noticed that we have been out on the trails for the last 30 years.

Interestingly enough this is longer than the OFSC has been around. The "Living Legacy" process continues and the danger we face now is not from being excluded from the plan but from not being included. For example; this past summer there were two pieces of legislation that caused quite a bit of concern because they affected the snowmobile and ATV communities. There was *nothing* mentioned about SUV style 4x4s and none of these legislative changes affected our use of Crown Land. What I found quite interesting is that both of the pieces of legislation were promoted by the Minister of Tourism, not the Minister of Natural Resources. Thus our awareness campaign has begun. On behalf of Northern Lights I wrote a letter this summer to the Minister of Tourism to make him aware of the contribution four-wheeling had made in the past and *continues* to make to the tourism industry in Ontario. (There is a copy of this letter elsewhere in the newsletter). *The next step involves you!*

The "Living Legacy" Program is reviewing the designation of over 35,000 hectares of land in the Kawartha Highlands (Bobcaygeon area) as protected. They state that *traditional* uses will continue such as angling, hunting, hiking and snowmobiling. Notice what's missing? We need to get on the roadmap. For more information about the project please check the website www.ontarioslivinglegacy.com/kawartha.html You can also order an information packet from the site and arrange to have your name added to the mailing list for the program.

The comment period goes until February 2001 so we have lots of time to put together responses. Public meetings have already started to allow people the opportunity to make presentations. If you can make one of these meetings even just to

observe I would expect that you would be asked to register and the presence may be noted. You can send letters and e-mail and I would urge everyone to do so. Please take the time to craft a well thought out position. On the website they state what type of information they are looking for. The first order of business after the NL4x4 AGM will be the creation of a Northern Lights response and this will be posted to the website. Please feel free to use this to pattern your own if you like. Even if you never go to the Bobcaygeon area I suspect that this project will end up being a defining model for other areas so it is imperative that we, as a responsible, organized group show up on the radar screen.

Please make a habit of checking out the web site on a regular basis, it is our best way to stay in touch.

It's really been an awesome four wheeling season! Enjoy the fall trails!

Wayne Groom President NL4x4

Editors' note What follows is the letter as written to the Minister of Tourism.

The Hon. Cam Jackson
MPP Burlington
Dear Mr. Jackson;

The purpose of this letter is to take a few moments to highlight a long-standing recreational activity in Ontario that should be of interest to you in your current capacity of Minister of Tourism. I am speaking of recreational, family-based, organized trailriding in sport utility style vehicles (i.e.: Jeeps).

The Northern Lights 4x4 Trailriders Association currently represents 10 member clubs from Windsor to Ottawa which we estimate is comprised of about 1500 individuals.

Our largest and oldest established Clubs have been in existence for 25 to 30 years. These Clubs typically run day trailriding events, camping weekends and family days for Club members. Trail maintenance days are also held regularly by our Clubs and one such event last year saw the participation of 5 Clubs and resulted in 5 tons of rubbish and debris being removed from the 5 Point Recreational Trail System. There has been a long history of corporate events as well. The *Jeep Cup* was a navigational Rally that ran from 1984 until 1988, sponsored by AMC. Chrysler has sponsored and promoted the *Jeep Jamboree* for at least 7 of the last nine years and the last two years has seen Nissan Canada sponsor their *Camp Pathfinder* event.

Clubs in Ontario have also started hosting "Jamboree" style events and one of our member clubs has hosted a navigational rally for the last 27 years.

These events will bring hundreds of people into a remote town for a weekend or more while spending thousands of accommodation dollars. Now, with the Internet, we are seeing a greater number of Americans attracted to these events and they are enjoying the beauty that Ontario has to offer. On more than one occasion I have met people who came to one of these events and decided to extend their stay. This exposure continues to grow in the U.S.

I have included a copy of an article that is currently in the September issue of 4Wheel Drive and Sport Utility Magazine about trailriding in Ontario.

This has all been quietly going on for nearly 3 decades without any government funding or assistance. It is about people enjoying the outdoors with their families and friends and introducing this wonderful activity to others.

The Northern Lights 4x4 Trailriders Association and its member Clubs have started working with two Snowmobile Clubs and the MNR in the city of Kawartha Lakes area to gain a mutual appreciation of each others activity. While as a group we do not have the dollars to commit to trail maintenance we are able to contribute "sweat equity" and are happy to do so. We have also initiated a signage program in this area to promote responsible trail usage and the respect of private land.

The reason I am writing you today, is that there is a growing concern amongst our membership that, with the number of legislative changes resulting from the increased popularity of ATV's, it is only a matter of time until we are expelled from the Crown Land trail system. There is also a growing rumour that the OFSC's control of the trails will be extended to a year round agreement.

Such events, should they ever happen, would decimate a grass roots staple of Ontario tourism. The economic impact would go even beyond that. There are a number of specialty shops that provide equipment and aftermarket accessories for this type of activity in the Province. The largest, is in fact, located in your riding; National 4x4 and Light truck. This enterprise alone contributes 20 jobs to your local economy.

I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you or one of your senior staff to discuss this further. I work in downtown Toronto and would be equally available at Queen's Park or your local riding office. Please feel free to contact me at work or home.

In the meantime I hope that you will keep us in mind as new legislation is reviewed and we look forward to growing our relationship with other

trail users to make the trail systems in Ontario truly multi-use.
Yours truly; Wayne Groom
Wayne went on to add: One of our Corporate objectives is to promote education in safe and responsible four wheeling. I have taken the liberty of enclosing a copy of one of our educational videos. For more information on the Northern Lights 4x4 Trailriders Association, please visit our web site at www.nl4x4.com

Editors note* What follows is the reply recently received from the Minister of Tourism. Well, the wonders of government. It's too bad that the person who reads the letter is not the one who writes the response. Ted Matthews, as mentioned in the Minister's reply, is a member of the Land Rover Adventure Association and was not representing Northern Lights.

Dear Mr. Groom;
Thankyou for your letter of August 23, 2000, providing background on your association and expressing your concern regarding proposed legislative changes regarding recreational trail use in Ontario and how it may affect your members. As you may know, jurisdiction for legislative changes that relate to all-terrain vehicles rests with my colleague, the Honorable David Turnbull, Minister of Transportation. We understand that the section of Bill 11 (also known as the Red Tape Reduction Act), pertaining to ATV use is presently under review by the Ministry of Transportation to consider the provision for greater ATV access to specific highways. A copy of your letter has been forwarded to Minister Turnbull for his review and response to your concerns regarding Bill11. With respect to trail use by snowmobilers, the proposed Bill 101, an *Act to Improve Sustainability and Safety of Snowmobile Trails*, proposes changes to the Motorized

Snow Vehicle Act and Trespass to Property Act, and is being recommended to improve sustainability and make snowmobiling safer. The Bill will require that a snowmobile operator have a mandatory trail permit to operate a snowmobile on an Ontario federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) trails, during the winter season.

Ongoing meetings and negotiations have been taking place with the OFSC, Ministry of Transportation and the Minister of Natural Resources to determine implementation processes, identification of exemptions for user groups, and sanctions for sections of some trails that would be affected by the legislation. The challenge will be to identify how existing users can best be accommodated in a manner that is fair and precludes abuses. A series of public hearings has been completed recently across the province and has provided the Ministry with views from the public on Bill 101. As a follow-up to those hearings, the Bill will be reviewed to determine any reviewed to determine any required changes before it is again presented to the Legislature for approval.

It is my understanding that my Parliamentary Assistant, MPP Joe Spina, who is the Chair of the Snowmobile Task Force, met with and received a presentation from Mr. Ted Matthews of your organization. While I regret that I am not able to meet with you in the near future on these matters, should you have further questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. Spina directly at (416)325-6955. The views of your organization on these legislative initiatives are appreciated and I hope that the above information helps to address your concerns. Again, thank you for writing and for the additional materials you sent about your activities. I wish to congratulate your

association on it's commitment to responsible and safe sport utility vehicle use and wish you every success for the continued growth and enjoyment of this exciting sport.

Sincerely, Cam Jackson Minister.



A Closer Look at The Automotive Industry!

Who is the supreme king of SUV's...? To most it is Jeep, the name synonymous to the WW2, go anywhere, do anything, mode of transportation. From the MB model through to the CJ's in the 50's and 60's, Wagoneer, Jeepster to today's Grand Cherokee, the DC list of 4x4's still demand the respect of most due to the full line of product, spreading even farther abroad now with Mercedes at their side. But "times they are a changin'...". FORD with their SUV's outsell the Grand Cherokee in N.A.

Toyota, worldwide still remains a dominant manufacturer because of it's truck sales. General Motors now is starting to rumble with it's desire to increase market share with already a full stable of 4x4's, but now with a new style of 4x4 called AZTEC.

Enter a sleeper.... NISSAN.

The company has been around in the USA and Canada since the late 60's originally as Datsun Motor Company. Their products, as all Japanese imports, were fuel efficient but inexpensive with little style. Their trucks did find favour in Canada in the oil patch and BC's logging industry as great little work horses. Fleet companies could not go wrong in purchasing a vehicle that could carry twice the payload of a FORD

F150 which, at the time, was the most popular mode of transportation for their workers and families. Their price was right.

The NISSAN SUV... Pathfinder entered the market, again, as an alternative to all the others. Sales increased even though the complete line was very mundane. But not today. With the QX-4 leading the way, NISSAN has emerged with many engineering firsts with the Pathfinder and Xterra showing up in showrooms with all the glamour and options that are demanded by the new age buyers. Now with the financial resources of a more wealthy partner, RENAULT, NISSAN is planning to expand even further with more stylish products to cater to that market which is foremost in our automotive industry.

And they say that the Japanese are great imitators... so true. NISSAN has taken a page out of the Jeep 4 Wheeling Book. For the last two years they have sponsored their own Jamboree type of experience for their customers called *Camp Pathfinder* which is finding favour with more novice 4 wheelers as well as potential customers. With their sights set to the future NISSAN Motor Co., will see their sales increasing especially with the fraternity of 4x4 clubs across North American due to the increasing number of used vehicles showing up on used car/truck lots.

Here is a look at NISSAN and their growing investments worldwide.

FORD MOTOR CO: FORD and NISSAN jointly produce minivans. NISSAN provides drive trains and stamps body panels at its plant in Smyrna, TN, and FORD assembles the vehicles in Avon Lake, OH.

Honda Motor Co.: Honda, Mazda, Mitsubishi, Nissan and Toyota teamed up to develop a computer network for parts orders. All CO's are supporting an effort to design a network that can be used to

standardize and exchange design and development data.

Nissan Motors Philippines: Nissan owns 23% of Nissan Motor Philippines Inc.

Renault SA: Renault purchased 36.8% of Nissan Motor for \$5.4 billion US.

Samsung: Nissan is providing Samsung with technology and components to build V-6 engines and a car.

Siam Motors and Nissan Co. (SNA): Siam Motors and Nissan Co. in Thailand is 25% owned by Nissan, Nissan owns 25% of Siam Nissan Automobile Co. Ltd. which was formerly known as Siam Automobile Industry.

Tan Chong Motor Holdings BHD: Nissan owns 5.6% of Tan Chong Holdings BHD of Malaysia.

Thai Automotive Industry: Nissan owns 35% of Thai Automotive Industry Co, of Thailand.

Yulon: Nissan owns 25% of Yulon Motor Co. Ltd. (Taiwan)

Quality now becomes utmost rather than price. Nissan in North America builds the Altima Sedan, Frontier Trucks and Xterra in Smyrna TN, now tagged as N.A.'s most efficient assembly plant. They produce 380,000 units growing to 500,000 units by year end. Following the success of Toyota, Nissan plans to build a full size SUV and PU truck in this same TN plant bringing their total work force to 5000. Their Decherd plant will also include V-6 & V-8 engines to an ultimate production of 750,000 units annually.

As we said earlier... "times they are a changin'...".

**Len Bink Corporate Liaison
NL4X4**



Support the Principles of Tread Lightly!

Travel only where permitted

Respect of other users

Educate yourself

Avoid wet lands, meadows and fragile alpine areas.

Drive and travel responsibly.

We are all judged by **your** actions, drive responsibly!

Teach by example!

NL4x4 now has Tread Lightly decals for your truck in both the reflective Thumbprint style and the Square white background style. We also have copies of the Tread Lightly Guide to responsible Four Wheeling available and several copies of the TL video if your club would like to utilize it for educational purposes. For more information or to purchase decals please see Chris Carroll at the NL4x4 AGM or contact us at j.carroll@nl4x4.com or b.hackett@nl4x4.com

“Judge ALL THOSE Trucks? Oh My!”

I had the honour of being asked to help judge the entrants at the 4th Annual All for Fun Truck and SUV Show and Shine sponsored by the Border Jeep Club and the Ruthven AppleFest. This is the fourth year this busy club has hosted the show and the second I've attended. As usual they did a wonderful job of organizing and rounding up some excellent

prizes and awards. The trucks came from all over the Province with great representation from local and far away 4x4 Clubs. There were some restored and souped up trucks, some daily workhorses, muddy trail beasts, lots of road warrior mud and dented fenders, duct-tape repairs and spit and polish. Some of the highlights of the show included a beautifully done up Suzuki from TNT in Brampton and some very well maintained daily drivers. The show stopper and likely the truck that drew the biggest crowd (most of them standing under it) was the largest Suburban I have ever seen. The lift looked right with the tires, everything clicked. It was a beautiful truck and truly deserved the Best of Show award that he received. Let's hope he can bring his BIG truck out to next years show! I spent the better part of four hours crawling around clean and dirty Jeeps and trucks, judging them on various aspects and fitting them into classifications.. not an easy task, let me tell you, as some of them were so clean it was hard to tell they'd ever been offroad. But hey guys... mud in the skid pan or frame is a dead give away! Judging was not an easy task and everyone who participated soon fell into a rhythm of looking for certain things. Bad or poorly or unsafe lifts or practices like looped tow straps or welded tow hooks were immediately deducted major points. Points were awarded for ingenuity and completeness. Rust was not a factor and was considered character. Trucks judged in the show class were looked at for leaks and cleanliness while trail beasts were judged a whole different way. 4x4's with For Sale signs were deducted points.. I mean come on who sells their truck.. everyone knows you part them out! My favourite... and it certainly wasn't my own beat up old friend.. was a beat up old CJ whose owner had been creative with some fresh black paint neatly covering some mud on the bumper... uhh you're supposed to clean it before you paint it. He got

high praise from me for that one and a good laugh!

The show was an overwhelming success and everyone enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Scott from Border City Jeep Club deserves a big round of applause and over \$1500 was raised at this event with all proceeds going to the Essex County Association for Community Living in support of people with developmental disabilities. What a great cause.. what a great event!

Thanks guys! I had a blast.. see you next year!

Brenda Hackett VP NL4x4



UFWDA

This article was reprinted with permission of the author, Del Albright. Del is the founder moderator of the Land Use Network and a real asset to UFWDA. He spends many hours each day helping folks to fight back to keep our public lands open. He feels that to do this; the first step is to understand the political process (and the shortcuts); then to know how to deal with bureaucrats; and finally to get involved. He has written many thought provoking articles which may be found on his web site. This was recently sent to me by a member of the North Hastings 4wd Club and as I liked it so much I asked Del's permission to reprint it here for you.

I wish I knew how much money the anti-access folks spend on their image - and perhaps how much of that money goes towards tainting the image of recreationists. Have you ever wondered how the media always seems to be able to get it's hands on plenty of bad press about multiple-use on public lands? It occurs to me that someone else is painting MY image - not me. I don't think I like that. Politicians certainly have no shortage of photos and "studies" showing a one-sided view of multiple use of our lands. Anti-access folks seem to be able to come up with plenty of fodder that taints the image of recreationists and other multiple users. Targeted activities include; driving on beaches that for years were public access (Black Sands Beach, CA); logging (everywhere, USA); mining (UTAH and other western states); controlled burning (Los Alamos, etc); snowmobiling (Yellowstone); and four-wheeling (most everywhere, USA). We (recreationists and multiple users) are portrayed in a bad light. But how on earth do they manage to convince a large segment of voters to believe this garbage? Yes, the voters herein mostly live in cities and don't necessarily understand recreation and multiple-use; but some of them must understand. How can they be so manipulated into believing that "using" our public lands (or in some case, private lands) is the same as "abusing" them?

I suggest thinking of your image the same way you think of your reputation or your integrity. Most all of us will go to extremes to protect our reputation, credibility, integrity and honour. Well, our "image" should get equal protection. It's time to find ways to enhance (and protect) our image. I can see about 5 steps we need to take (all of us). I've written before

about self-policing. That's the first step. Don't allow someone to violate the rules. Stop them. Correct the situation on the spot. Education is the second step. Share your knowledge of responsible use of our lands and resources. If you need to know more, take the effort to learn more. Become informed so that you can inform others. The third step is spending more money on our image. Groups, clubs, organizations and individuals need to spend some bucks on enhancing our image. If we have to hire consultants, let's do it. If we have to re-direct some of our precious budget to brochures, handouts, etc., let's do it. If we have to sponsor folks to represent our clubs at big events wherein we can show our positive image, let's do it. Being pro-active is the fifth step. If we spend only 1/4 of the time developing image-building ideas as we do planning a recreational event, we'd probably be light years ahead. We may have to get "outside the box" and think along different lines. I suggest we get ahead of the curve and develop ways to enhance our image locally, so as not to be always be reactionary. We also need to work with manufacturers who put ads in magazines and help them be proactive with us. Banding together (uniting) is the sixth step. Multiple use is the answer. Banding together builds strength and provides a united front. We can also share budgets; find ways to enhance multiple images at once; and lessen the impact of anti-access pro da. It takes some planning and a lot of cooperation, but I believe we can do it (for sure, we can do more of it). I feel my honour, my integrity, and my reputation are on the line when someone portrays my image as "bad". Our image is who we are to most people. Perception becomes a reality. I'm tired of someone else telling me what my image is. It's time we took control.

Many thanks to Del for these thought provoking words. Check him out on the web at:

www.goldrush.net/~jeepndel/

John Carroll
UFWDA 1st Delegate

TRASH

Co4x4 is again hosting the trash clean up along the 5 points Trail system, in the Kawartha Highlands. The clean up is scheduled for the weekend of the 11th and 12th. Last year in excess of 5 tonnes of debris was hauled out of the trails and some basic trail maintenance performed in time for the coming snowmobile season. For more information please contact Dennis Missios at: 705-749-9086 and be sure to watch the NL4x4 web page for more information. All are welcome to attend!

Corey Sanderson NL4x4



Sunoco

Member Clubs should have either received or will be shortly receiving a package from Sunoco Inc. We elected to hand deliver them as each package contained a large amount of cash coupons redeemable for Sunoco gasoline (watch the expiry date), some goodie bags, decals and Sunoco directories. We'd like to take this opportunity to thank Sunoco Inc. for their generous support of the Ontario 4wd Community and hope that we can continue to expand this

relationship in the coming years. Member clubs are reminded to check the NL4x4 web site frequently for news and up upcoming special events. Scuttlebutt has it that Sunoco is planning a huge Show in the spring and we know everyone would like to attend.

**Chris Carroll Secretary
NL4x4**

Wheeley FUNNY!

*A motorist, after being bogged down in a muddy road, paid a passing farmer fifty dollars to pull him out with his tractor. After he was back on dry ground he said to the farmer, "At those prices, I should think you would be pulling people out of the mud night and day!"

"Can't" replied the farmer. "At night I haul water for the hole."*



And the WINNER is...

The winner of the NL4x4 jacket raffle is...Wes McNeil of Scarborough. Thankyou to everyone for helping to support the Trail Maintenance Fund with your ticket purchases. Through this fund we can all be winners! 130 tickets were sold across the Province raising over \$500 for the Trail Maintenance Fund! Congrats Wes! Now if we can just get our hands on a winch for the next raffle... hmmm.



Ottawa Valley OffRoaders

2nd Annual Marborough Forest Clean-Up

The Ottawa Valley OffRoaders will be hosting their second annual Forest Clean-Up in the Marborough Forest, November 18th. With help from the Region last year, we were able to pull 25 tonnes of garbage from the forest. We hope that all the local clubs will participate once again to make this a second successful year. Lunch and drinks will be provided, and a news release will be out prior to the event. Please let me know if you are able to attend this year's clean-up and how many members of your club. If you have a trailer, or full size pickup please bring it. Dress warm, bring work gloves, shovels, pitch forks and a friend. OVO received some funding from Northern Lights 4x4's Trail Maintenance Fund, so maybe we will have some Hot Chocolate this year ... he hehehe. Let's try to give back to the forest and community what we have been using free for more than two decades. A trail run will be held afterwards to try and promote the forest and responsible, organized four-wheeling to the Region, Mayor, Newspaper and TV Stations.

Submitted by: John Farley OVO

North Hastings Four Wheel Drive Invitational

Turn out was not great at the event, but everyone who attended had an absolute blast. In all there were seven very well-equipped vehicles at the Rock Run on Saturday. Two of the attendees drove over seven hours to be there! As well Al Vandervelde, Can4x4 Magazine, was able to attend. The Saturday trail provided a lot of "pucker power", and gave most everyone's winch a work out. Vehicular damage for the day consisted of one sliced tire, one blown front axle joint and a fair bit of body damage.

The day got underway at around 9am, and started off right away with

the tough stuff. Except for one Willys everyone had to winch over the very first obstacle. After that it was non-stop obstacles, basically every 75-100 feet. By the end of the day, every vehicle that was there had spent some time using a winch to extract themselves. Around 6pm, we hadn't even come close to finishing the trail, and after some discussion, had to cut the last part of it out. Reasoning and the better part of sanity told us that with darkness closing in fast the last few obstacles would have kept us out there way past nightfall. To give an idea of the trail difficulty, we walked the whole trail from beginning to end in about 20-30 minutes, yet it took 7-8 hours of serious driving to get through it with seven trucks. After we had all gathered our wits about us, and calmed down from the excitement of the day, there was a casual awards ceremony. Draws were made for all those who had attended, including spectators. Some of the items given away were dinner certificates for the Kaladar Motel, a parts credit at Kinney Auto Parts, ball caps, as well as various other items. Also up for grabs was a decal and embroidered sweatshirt from Northern Lights for "The Best Pucker Factor". Pete Kauenhaufen was awarded this for one particularly scary maneuver that he made that day. Sunday's run was a lot more subdued and was basically a play day. It got underway around 10 am and we were all on our way home by 3pm. Everyone who attended said they had a blast and that it was worth all the driving and damage that had occurred. NH is hoping to be able to host a similar event next year, if not the same one. We will keep NL4x4 posted. In the meantime, watch our website for pictures to come soon. Also watch for the article in an upcoming issue of Canadian 4WD Magazine.

**Submitted by: Dean Harkema
North Hastings 4wd Club**

Editors note With my YJ in pieces in the driveway I was unable to attend the event as a participant. being either an intrepid warrior or maybe curiosity just got the better of me, I rented a Toyota Corolla (road pimple) and made the 7 hour drive to check out this ominous sounding trail. I somehow managed the vertical hike up a rock face to view the trail, got eaten alive by the bugs, never really caught up with the trucks and ended up sliding back down in wet moss on the seat of my pants. It was an awesome trail suitable to test anyones nerves, skill and truck. Unfortunately I had to leave before everyone returned but am quite proud of my own ability to navigate a Corolla along a muddy trail to get to the rock face... I even got mud on the windshield! Great job North Hastings... I should have my Jeep back together for next years invitational! Congrats Pete!*



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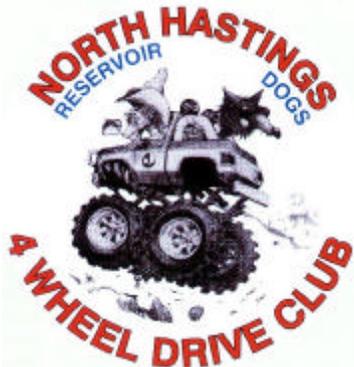
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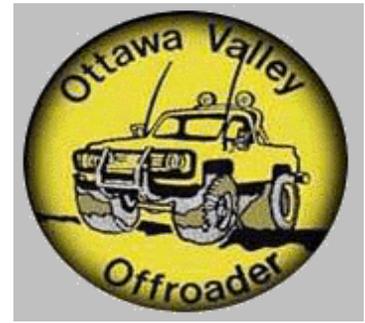
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Take the Mississauga Rd/Erin Mills Parkway exit from the 401 and travel south.

You'll see Chrysler on the left 3 or 4 traffic lights from the highway.

Turn left and then take the first driveway on the right.

The meeting room is at the front of the building. If there is insufficient parking across the front please feel free to utilize alternate parking lots.