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# supply news

by Jim Mackie

## Bicycle Flag

Now that spring has arrived, bicycles will begin emerging in great numbers from winter storage spots in basements and garages. With their reappearance comes concern for the safety of the riders.

Some Scout Shops will soon begin to carry the new BIKE-UP FLASH FLAG which can be easily attached to the frame of a bicycle to add to the chances for a safe ride. When dropped from the storage position, the 16" plastic arm displays a fluorescent red triangular flag that will immediately draw the attention of car drivers to bike and rider.

This item has been approved by many police departments and safety

associations. It will be available for \$6.95.

## Water Canteens

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## New! Improved Calendar

The 1984 Scouts Canada Calendar is now in production. It will have a completely new look. Through the combined efforts of Communications Services and the Supply Services Committee, the calendar will be bigger and better than ever.

The '84 calendar will have 28 pages compared to last year's 16-page production. It will include 13 full-colour 8 1/4" x 10 1/4" action photographs, full 8 1/4" x 10 1/4" sheets with larger date blocks (1 1/2" x 1 3/8") for each calendar month, and a self cover.

The price will also be a pleasant surprise because these improvements will add minimally to your cost per calendar.

Given this new improved product, it is hoped all sections, groups, districts and regions will make a concerted effort to increase sales and meet the challenge of four calendars per member. Remember, when you sell Scouts Canada Calendars, everyone benefits and Scouting becomes a daily focal point in all homes that own one.

If you have not taken advantage of this easy way to raise funds in the past, this is the year to start. Full information is available through your local council office or Scout Shop.

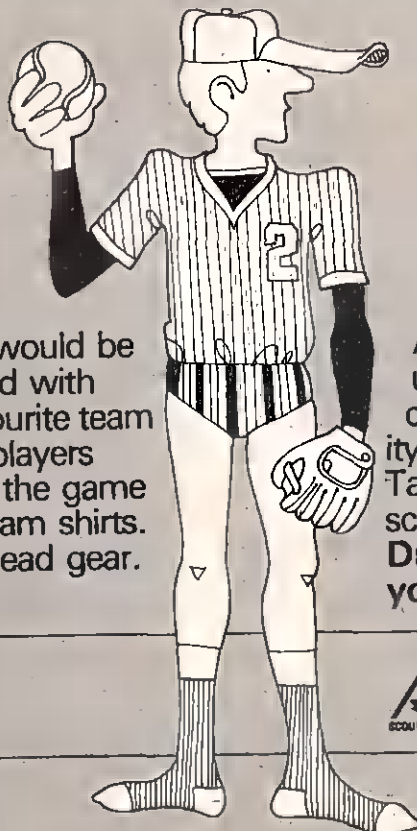
## Kub Kar Trophy

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**COVER:** As our cover boys splash out another Beavering season, they also set the scene for the exciting summer to come. The big event is the XV World Jamboree which *Editor's Notebook* looks at from one perspective, our stamp feature approaches from another, and *Fun at the Pond* highlights with international game ideas. But summer brings a whirl of Scouting activities reflected in this issue: carnival day ideas and rainy day puzzles for camp; more camp food hints; and accounts of Cub conservation projects and spelunking Venturers. Hurray for May!

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# END THE YEAR WITH A SPLASH

by Linda Florence

May. When I was growing up on Canada's southern Pacific coast, it was a month of anticipation. Almost close enough to touch was summer on the beach — the rich, warm mix of sand, salt and suntan oil; the whoops, splashes, happy screams and soft slurp of water against shore — a whole world of sight, sound and sensation tumbling laughing and dizzy under an endless sun.

Of course, it couldn't always have been like that. There were rainy days and grey days, but I don't remember them. To me, summer was the beach, and the clean, lean feel of skin browned and tightened by salt, sun and running free. From the time I was very small and spent every daylight hour paddling and splashing near the shore, through the years when my mother wondered whether she was rearing a child or a fish, summer days were the happiest of my life.

I don't believe it's changed for kids. Whether in ocean, lake or the neighbourhood pool, they whoop, holler, squeal, laugh and splash with the same exuberance we felt — the same sheer joy in being alive. Water is fun, and an end-of-June excursion to a shallow-water beach or outdoor pool can be a perfect way to end your Beaver year with a splash.

As with any outing, safety is of prime importance and, when you plan water activities, you need many adult supervisors. If you make it a family day, you'll have lots of help from parents.

Be sure to establish firm boundaries for the play area. If you're going to a beach, it might be wise to send a clean-up party ahead to rake for broken bottles and sharp metal cans. To be safer still, ask boys to bring a pair of old runners that they can wear into the water, and keep your feet covered as well.

Beavers, who are used to sharing and helping their friends, will find the buddy system easy to organize. Establish buddies before you even get to the water, and set up a regular "buddy check" routine for your water day. Choose a reasonable time interval (e.g. every 10 minutes) and a distinctive whistle signal to tell buddies to stop what they're doing, join hands and raise arms into the air. It's an efficient way to do a quick, regular head count.

All right, you can arrange the safety side, but what kinds of activities should you plan, especially when you know that some of your Beavers are swimmers and others are not? The best bet is to choose shallow water fun that doesn't require swimming, and an excellent source of ideas is the *Water Activities Handbook* published by Boy Scouts of Canada and available from Scout Shops and dealers.

You can use many of the shallow water ideas exactly as described and adapt others to suit the age of the boys and the cooperative philosophy of Beavering. Either way, there are more activities than you can possibly try in a day.

You don't need equipment to have a great time, but you may want to



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bring along a few things: some large corks or tongue depressors; beach, water and ping pong balls; a length of floating rope which, with adult anchors at each end, can mark a boundary or make a divider and, if you'll be at the beach, sand shovels and pails, of course. Flutter boards and water rings will be available at many pools. Arrange to use them for your activities.

## Getting Wet

Before you can turn around twice after you reach beach or pool, some of the Beavers will be wet. Others may be a bit reluctant to take the plunge, however, so use a game to encourage them.

**Follow the Leader** is a dandy, especially if you're at a beach. Form a long line on shore and skip, hop, leap, crouch and whirl towards the water's edge. Lead into the water and put in all the splashiest movements you can think of. Stoop to pick up pebbles from the bottom, duck under ropes, and ride flutter boards. Lead the

Beavers in and out of the water and alternate a roll in the sand with a squat walk through the waves.

If you're at a pool, **1-2-3-GO!** is a good starter. Beavers sit in a line on deck, dangling legs in the water. They are not to jump into the water until the leader shouts, "1-2-3-GO!". Tease them with "1-2-3-GHOST!" and "1-2-GO!" and "1-2-3-GOTCHA!" By the time you give the correct command, everyone should have been in and out at least once!

Now that you're in the water, **Make Waves**. Sit in shallow water, lodges arranged in semi-circular or line formation. Tell the boys to kick with all their might to see which lodge can make the biggest, splashiest waves. Let them experiment with different formations. Finally, the whole colony sits in the most effective wave-making formation you've found, and furiously kicks up "tidal waves".

## Getting ALL Wet

Although unlikely after your openers, it's possible that there will be a few dry heads left. These activities are designed to cure the situation.

Try a game of **Leap Frog** in knee-deep water, or play this variation of a familiar dry-land game.

### Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes

Start in knee-deep water. Boys stand in a circle and, touching the named parts, chant, "Head, shoulders, knees and toes" three times. For the grand finale, they yell, "We all sit down together!" — and do it. Move the game out and repeat at thigh depth. Finally, play in waist-deep water.

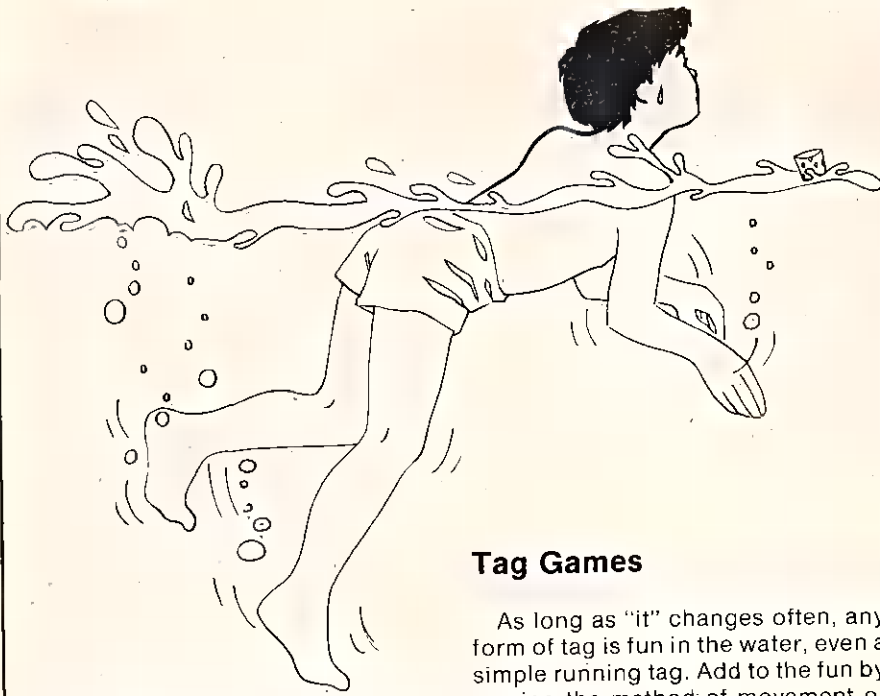
### The 8:30 Special

*The 8:30 Special* can pull from six to 20 cars. To start, a leader is the locomotive. Another adult takes a place somewhere in mid-train, and a third makes the caboose. Line up in shallow water. When the locomotive calls, "All aboard!", players place hands on the waist of the person in front and the locomotive starts the train chugging through the water on a zig-zag track. Whenever he calls, "Tunnel!", everyone must duck underwater. Those who don't duck move to the back of the train, just in front of the caboose. When everyone has the idea, let Beavers take turns as the locomotive while the leader becomes the coal car immediately behind. Keep chugging away and ducking tunnels as long as you're all having fun.

### Motorboats

Boys lie in shallow water, hands on the bottom and legs stretched out behind. The idea is to walk on the hands from start to finish line with





face in the water, blowing bubbles all the way. When a boat has to fill up with gas, he stops to take a big breath before bubbling along his way again. You can make this more strenuous by asking the Beavers to kick their feet and churn up a wake behind them. If you have flutter boards, the boys can lie on them to make motorboats.

Perhaps they'd rather be "sail-boats". In one variation, the boys take the same position as for motorboats but, this time, they blow a ping pong ball along in front of them. Another version has them standing in waist-deep water with hands clasped behind their backs and a ping pong ball in front of each. Walking slowly, they blow their ping pong boats to shore. Encourage friends to help each other with lung power (no hands) when one or another's sailboat goes off course. Or set up two-man crews and give each pair one ping pong ball to sail together.

### Water Spaniels

The dog-paddlers can show their stuff on this one, but those who haven't yet mastered the real thing can "fetch" by moving with hands on the bottom, as they did for motorboats. Line up the boys on shore or deck and throw in a tongue depressor or large cork for each. When a leader calls, "Fetch!"; all leap in, paddle to retrieve a stick between the teeth and, paddling all the way, carry it in the mouth back to shore. Perhaps you can have each water spaniel drop his stick at a shoreside refreshment table where he is rewarded with a snack and a cool drink.

## Tag Games

As long as "it" changes often, any form of tag is fun in the water, even a simple running tag. Add to the fun by varying the method of movement or the "safe" position.

For **Crab Tag**, players obviously crab walk. If it's **Rabbit Tag**, everyone moves with a splashy two-footed hop. At the pool, try **Frog Tag**, in which players hop from lily pad to lily pad (markers placed on the pool floor). To be "safe" a frog must be on a lily pad, but he cannot stay there for longer than a five-count.

**Leapfrog Tag** is another good one. When tagged, a player must crouch and freeze, but a buddy can free him by leapfrogging over him. "It" may choose to be the buddy. In this case, the newly-freed player joins "it" as a chaser. They can either hold hands and chase as a pair, or tackle the job as singles.

How about a running tag in which the "safe" position is with backside underwater and hands and feet above water, or lying on the back with only feet sticking out of the water. Let the boys come up with their own wet and wonderful "safe" positions and give them all a short try.

## Ball Games

### Name Ball

Lodges form circles in knee-deep water. Give one Beaver in each lodge a ball, and put him in the centre of the circle. The centre boy tosses the ball high in the air and, at the same time, calls out the name of a boy in the circle. The named boy tries to catch the ball before it hits the water. If he's successful, he changes places with the boy in the centre. If he misses, the

first boy throws again. If no one has made a catch after three throws, choose another player to take the centre.

### Keep it Moving

This is a water variation of a game you play with parachute and ball. Boys form a large circle in waist-deep water and join hands. Place a round beach ball on the water in the centre of the circle. By swishing their arms through the water, the boys make waves to try to push the ball over to the opposite side of the circle. Those on the opposite side make waves to keep the ball from touching them.

After a go at this, encourage the whole circle to cooperate in an attempt to make the ball move in certain ways. What happens when they use both arms and legs to make currents and waves? Can they keep the ball moving around the circle in one direction — in the opposite direction? Can they make it hop? Can they create equally strong waves or currents from all sides so that they keep the ball spinning in one spot in the centre of the circle?

### Too Many Balls

Play in thigh or waist-deep water. Arrange the colony into two teams and, between them, set up a dividing rope anchored at either end by an adult. Throw a dozen balls (or three or four more than the number of players on each team) into the water on one side of the rope. On signal, the team on that side immediately starts to pick up and toss the balls to the other side of the rope. Just as quickly, players on the other side try to pick them up and toss them back. The object is to keep the area on your side of the rope clear of balls but, with all the scrambling, splashing, tossing and laughing involved, by the time you blow the whistle to end the game, nobody will really care!

These suggestions are only a sample of the games you can find in the *Water Activities Handbook*, and a very small sample of the ideas you'll come up with when you apply a little imagination to what you find.

Sound like fun? You'd better believe it. When you put together water, sun and little boys, and add a picnic lunch, lots of treats, some quiet "castle-building" on the beach or a sing-song at poolside, you can't help but have a marvellous day. And, as you listen to the squeals and whoops and splashes and laughter, perhaps you, like me, will be carried back to a sun-speckled childhood and those wonderful never-ending days of summer at the beach. X

# Gargantua 1982

## A Spelunking Venture

from a report by the 181  
Calgary Venturers

Last August, 14 members of the 126 Lethbridge and 181 Calgary Venturers joined forces in a high-adventure activity — spelunking the Gargantua in the Crowsnest Lake area.

The challenge meant that everyone had to get into shape, both physically and mentally. As expected, some leaders found the physical part the greatest challenge but, with much perseverance and prodding from the boys, they made it.

The part of the preparation that provided the most fun and greatest challenge was becoming proficient at rappelling. It involved learning how to care for and treat the rope, to tie knots both for the climbing rope and the webbing (woven nylon tape), and to tie up the webbing to make a harness.

Jammed into a four-wheel drive vehicle, the two groups left their rendez-vous point for a joyous ride up and over and across rivers. At about 10:00 p.m., the truck could go no further and the Venturers agreed to hike to the half-way mark — an alpine meadow at the tree line.

Flashlights kept them on the trail and a full moon shone upon the splendor of the forest below and the grandeur of the mountains all around. They reached the first stop a couple of hours later and, after a quick snack, stretched out on plastic to sleep under the stars.

Morning came early and, despite some slowness at rolling out of warm beds, they were soon back on the trail. They stopped to explore some sink holes — a preliminary taste of caving that fired excitement about the Gargantua that lay ahead.

After a short break, they made their way along the shale to a noon stop on top of the saddle they'd kept eyes glued to for several hours. There they rested beside large snow packs and sipped the ice water that trickled over the rock.

"We made our way for a short distance alongside the mountain and stopped at a large snow-covered area," the Venturers report. "One of the boys climbed to the top and found



an entrance to an ice cave. We all joined him and made our way down into the cave by stepping carefully on the steps the first person down had made in the snow. The opening dripped like a weeping wall... (then) what a magnificent sight! The area was totally frozen. It was like a skating rink underfoot. Huge icicles had formed — the most perfect and largest I have ever seen. Some were about 2 metres (6-7 ft.) long and pencil sharp at the end. Some were formed like stalactites and stalagmites on the shelves above. The hard climb was now well worth the effort!"

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When they finally reached the main entrance to the Gargantua around 2:30, they were eager "to start spelunking", but first they ate lunch and prepared for the two days ahead.

"At 3:30 we made our way down into the first part of the cave, into one of the large rooms," the report continues. "It was of such a size, the dimensions cannot be imagined! As we explored, we saw several shafts that led to other chambers. We split into smaller groups and the real caving got underway."

The Venturers had organized a buddy system and, after spending time in the main areas of the cave, small groups of two and four broke off for further exploration.

"We had great fun crawling on our bellies and squeezing through areas no one thought they could, only to find great rewards at the end, or just a

dead end and a lot of hard work to get back," the report says.

An adventure of a different kind overtook them after they'd emerged from the caves late that evening and had settled down to sleep.

"Out of everywhere, the "Rats" appeared," the Venturers recall. "They poured from the cave, 30 cm (12") long, hungry and hairy. Who could go to sleep now? Some of the better sharpshooters pegged a few of them, but we were outnumbered... Some of us were still awake at 2:00 a.m. but, finally, all gave in for a short period, at least until the odd rat ran across your face or chewed at the foot of your bed."

Spelunking began again in the cool of the morning. The Venturers were eager to rappel to the bottom of the pot (a huge hole) they'd discovered the previous day. "Three of our oldest boys had the excitement of their lives when they explored another shaft leading from the pot. It took them another 45 metres (150 ft.) down," they said.

Before the conclusion of their adventure over "mounds of Chinese food", the boys spent the remainder of their final day exploring caterpillar tubes, climbing chimneys and finding new chambers filled with strange formations and diamond-cut ice.

The venture ended with a touch of disappointment because "all wanted to do more" and the good feeling that comes from having tackled and met a challenge.

Gargantua 1982 was a "great Scouting program", the report concludes. Members of the two Venturer companies experienced the spirit of brotherhood and gained a tremendous sense of both individual and group accomplishment. X

# CARNIVAL DAY at Camp

by Bud Jacobi

A Carnival Day special event theme adds novelty and excitement to the regular routine at Cub or Scout camp. You might invite parents or another troop or pack to join the festivities.

With just a little preparation and expense, Scouters can spice up the program and enrich it with customary carnival activities like special events and challenges; a parade; "games-of-skill" concessions; rides; a "House of Horrors" and a fortune teller. Adapt the suggested activities to your particular circumstances and needs.

Take the required materials to camp ahead of time and tell the boys to bring suitable costumes. Preparing for the big day is part of the fun.

The day before the event, set various tent-groups to work on the concessions. This means staking out areas with posts and string or rope, setting up the activities, and arranging duty rosters so that the boys in each group take turns operating their concession.

Some boys make posters, streamers and tickets. Based on good turns, which include cleaning up the campsite, give each boy a certain number of tickets to use at the concessions. Keep tickets circulating by using them as prizes on that day.

## Special Events

Possible special events include a grand opening during which a VIP

cuts the ribbon; a beauty contest to choose "Miss Carnival" and a judged costume parade. Use inexpensive party favours from novelty stores as prizes.

Some boys may like to form a wandering clown band, complete with crazy hats, crazy faces and "pots and pans" instruments.

A water-filled balloon fight between two teams of campers lined up in rows opposite each other is a lot of fun, and a good cooler.

## Challenge Events

Challenges can take the form of "camper records". Time boys as they knock a nail into a board with a hammer or mallet; saw through a board or chop through a log; run up and down a nearby hill or climb a pole or tree. If water is handy, time boys in speed swimming or canoe racing.

Build an obstacle course from fences, tree trunks, tables, tires, ropes and a large canvas, and have teams race through it.

Other ideas are: Who can drink the most water in a given time? Who can stay on stilts the longest? Who can blow up the largest balloon without bursting it? Who can turn the largest number of somersaults or spin hula hoops the longest?

You might hold a tug o' war where the loser ends up in the creek. Mounted (piggy back) wrestling; hand, arm and leg wrestling; and rooster fights are also good challenge events.

## Rides

Simulate carnival rides. Boys swing across a creek or another safe area on ropes attached to trees; balance on a rolling barrel or on a barrel slung on ropes between two trees (bucking bronco); swing from a rope around a pole (a merry-go-round); bounce on a teeter-totter. Scouts might put pioneering skills to work to rig up a runaway or a bosun's chair.

## Concessions

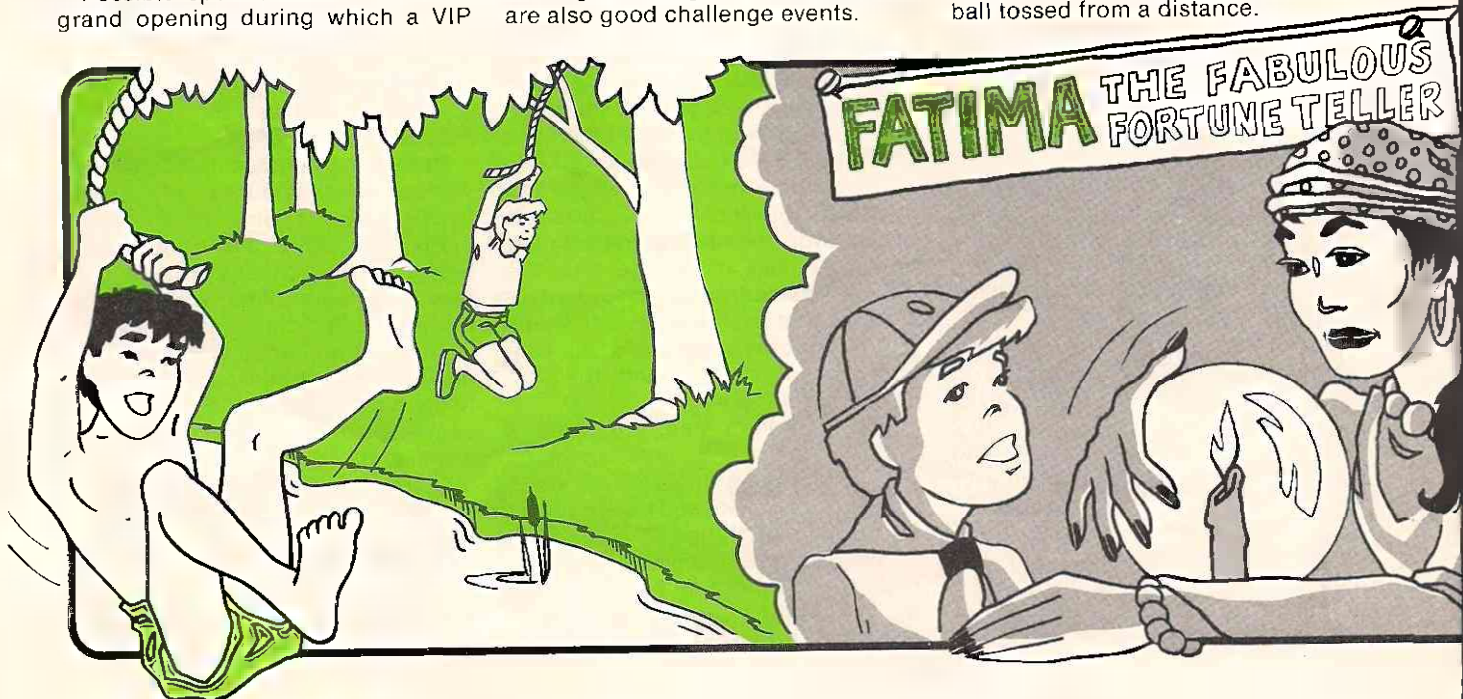
There are a number of popular games of skill possible for the concessions. You can give tickets, smarties, suckers or wrapped caramels for prizes.

**Sponge Toss:** Set up a large piece of cardboard on which is painted head and body. Leave a hole for the face. A boy stands behind the cardboard and pokes his head through the hole as a target. You can use a decorated balloon instead, but it isn't as much fun. Players toss wet sponges at the target; three losses per ticket.

**Darts:** Boys toss darts to burst balloons mounted on a board. Observe safety rules.

**Penny Toss:** Players try to toss coins into cereal bowls floating in a tub (or dishpan) of water.

**Knock 'Em Over:** Place large juice cans or milk cartons in a cluster. Campers have three shots per ticket to upset them with a tennis or rubber ball tossed from a distance.





**Douse the Candle:** Players squirt water from a water pistol, or through a drinking straw, in an attempt to put out the flame of a safely mounted candle.

**Fish Pond:** Fill a large box or barrel with paper fish onto which are attached large safety pins. Campers try to hook fish with a fishing pole. Not all fish are worth a prize. Print the value of prize winners on them.

**Guess How Many:** Campers write their estimates of the number of beans in a jar on a slip of paper and include their names. Award prizes to winners at the end of the day.

## Fortune Teller

A female leader or a member of the kitchen staff will make an ideal "Fatima — the fabulous fortune teller". Station her in a booth or behind some trees surrounded by blankets. Illuminate the crystal ball on the table in front of her with a candle.

Fatima "reads" boys' palms and gazes into the crystal ball to predict weird and wonderful things. Avoid dire predictions of frightening things because some of the campers may be very impressionable. Stick to stand-bys like, "I see you holding a report card filled with 'A's'! It's your next report card!; You will become rich and famous; You will marry a beautiful girl; You will have seven children (that's not frightening?); You will travel around the world; You will travel into outer space on a rocket and meet E.T."

## House of Horrors

Set older boys to work on a *Haunted House* or *Ghostwalk*, which is always the most popular event. It can be any small building; a shed, shack,

barn or garage. If there isn't a building available, use part of the dining hall or a large tent.

Hang blankets over the windows to darken the room and hang a sheet or blanket just inside the doorway to keep things secret from the boys lined up outside. You can use flashlights or lanterns to light up parts of the room, but avoid candles because they are a fire hazard.

Have campers strip to swim trunks (no shirts or shoes), blindfold them, and let them enter one at a time.

Doubtlessly, the boys who prepare the "house" will have lots of gruesome ideas, but here are a few to set imaginations rolling.

Hang a web made from string and cotton batten from the ceiling. As "victims" pass through it, the older boys in charge add scary sound effects by banging on pots and pans, drums or gongs; giving loud yells, whistles, shrieks and moans; playing a record of eerie music; blowing along the top of a pop bottle; or shaking and rattling a large sheet of tin. To add further to the terror, flash lights on and off.

Hang water-filled balloons from the ceiling, just high enough that they will touch the victims' faces as they pass by.

Force each victim to stand on a large board, door or plank while two strong boys or leaders lift it. The blindfolded victim puts his arms on the shoulders of the lifters. Although the lifters only raise the board about a foot from the ground, they wiggle it and lower themselves as they do, so that they give the victim the sensation of being lifted high. Then they order him to jump off. To avoid possible bruises, you can place a gym mat or mattress under the board.

Keep cubes of ice in a freezer and use as needed. "Brand" blindfolded victims with "hot coals" by rubbing ice across their backs and chest. Have victims crawl through overturned chairs or barrels, over mattresses, bedsprings or sponge-rubber mats, and finally step into a pan of ice water.

You may "force" blindfolded victims to touch a "vampire" constructed from articles like a kitchen mop (hair), onions (eyes), chalk pieces (teeth), and feathers (body). Have them walk through hanging plastic bats or spiders and plunge hands into a "pail of worms" (cooked spaghetti and porridge in a bucket).

Later, remove the victim's blindfold. Shine a flashlight into the mouth of a leader dressed in a white sheet who utters moans and ghostly laughs and serves a "magic brew" of fruit drink mixed with baking soda.

Just before he exits, the victim watches a "guillotine blade" chop a papier mâché head off a hanging skeleton. Then, douse the victim with water and swear him to secrecy so that he won't reveal anything to those who still wait. If possible, have him leave by a back door.

End a busy day with a "monk's meal" during which anyone who talks or laughs loses one utensil. Those who break the silence too often will find themselves on their knees, eating with no hands from a plate on the ground. Mushy meals like sloppy joes, spaghetti and meatballs, or pork and beans are excellent for this purpose. Watermelon makes a good dessert and gives everyone ammunition for the grand finale — the watermelon yell!

You can expect silence to descend over the tents very shortly after clean-up and lights out! X



# Conservation— Newfoundland-style

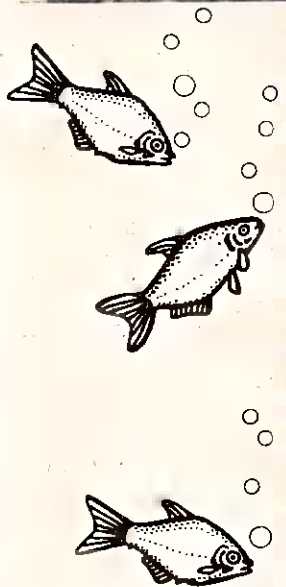


Conservation is more than an abstract concept for three packs of Cubs in Newfoundland. Boys from the 1st Placentia, the 1st Queen Mary of the World, and the 1st Portugal Cove have learned about the life cycle of salmon, the dangers these valuable fish face, and what they can do to help them survive. They also earned some points towards conservation badges by doing something to help them survive.

The Cubs were guided by officials of the Salmon Association of Eastern Newfoundland (SAEN), and the occasion was a field day at the North Harbour River Atlantic Salmon Enhancement Project one Sunday last fall.

For the 1st Portugal Cove pack, involvement with SAEN isn't a new development. They've worked on river enhancement projects for more than three years to earn their conservation awards. In 1980, for example, they received a special tribute for cleaning up a section of a small river running from Neary's Pond in Portugal Cove. The object was to give trout from the pond a place to spawn.

On that occasion, after the Cubs had cleaned out rocks, trees and other stream-choking debris which prevented the fish from moving downstream, they shovelled in a truckload of crushed stone to replace the natural river bed. Within a few days of



Biologist Brian Meaney weighs, measures and tags an anesthetized six pound Atlantic salmon and answers a barrage of Cub questions.



The water froths and churns as project workers round up about a third of the salmon that spawned in the channel last fall.

their efforts, trout began to move into the new spawning area they'd created.

The fresh crop of Cubs on the 1982 outing at North Harbour River watched in delight as the water of the shallow spawning channel churned and salmon leapt and thrashed to escape the white nylon net wielded by four enhancement project workers. The workers rounded up about a third of the salmon which had spawned in the channel over the previous month;

salmon which earlier had been taken from nearby Colinet River and transported to the channel.

When the frenzied activity was over, the Cubs learned how the salmon enhancement project works and how the spawning channel ensures a higher survival rate of young salmon in the province.



Preparing a new portion of the channel: from left to right, Cubs Corey Hayward, Russell Gardiner, Frankie O'Keefe and Jason Traverse shovel and rake to make a new gravel spawning bed. Leader Jack Meade keeps an eye on the proceedings.

In a natural river, the survival rate of salmon eggs is only 10%, biologist Brian Meaney told them. Most of the eggs become prey for trout, are washed away by rain-swollen flows, or are smothered by silt.

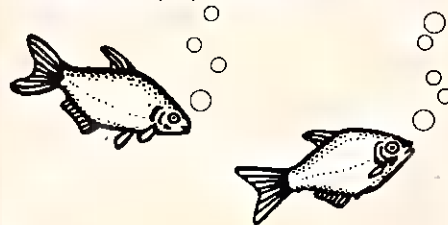
In the artificial spawning channel, conditions are made as ideal as possible and about 70% of the eggs survive. The bottom of the channel is covered with about 30 cm (1 ft.) of washed gravel and stone — the perfect nesting material for a female salmon. She scoops out a nest (redd) with her tail and deposits her eggs, which then are fertilized by the male. The eggs develop over the winter and hatch in the spring.

After watching a salmon-tagging demonstration and receiving answers to their many questions, the Cubs picked up shovels and rakes and enthusiastically shovelled gravel and stone into a new section of the channel, preparing more nesting ground for next year's spawning salmon.

This spring the boys hope to return to the site to see the channel alive with



At the upper section of the channel, Brian Meaney explains how the salmon enhancement project works.



the wriggings of an expected 175,000 fry (baby salmon) — a harvest which will then be collected and airlifted by helicopter back to the Colinet River. And early next fall, the channel section the boys helped line with stone will become the nesting place of more thousands of salmon eggs.

At present the Colinet River has an annual run of about 400 salmon. By 1986, when the project is scheduled to end, it's hoped the river will produce an annual run of 4,000 fish. The Cubs have good reason to be proud of their part in ensuring the survival of a very valuable resource.

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# FUN AT THE POND

by Kay Warren

As summer approaches, Canadian Scouting is gearing up for yet another major Scouting event in Kananaskis country — the XV World Jamboree.

Your Beavers may be too young to attend, but you can bring a touch of the Jamboree to your meetings this spring by involving the boys in activities with a multicultural theme. We've scoured the Leader's international files to get things started with some games and crafts from around the world.

Before you begin a game or craft from a different country, have your Beavers look at an atlas or a world map so they can at least get an idea of where the country is in relation to Canada. Check your local library for books that will enable you to share information about how children in other countries live — their clothing, their holidays, the food they eat. A trip around the world can take place at your next meeting if you use a little imagination. Bon voyage.

## Paddy's Jackstraws

Here's a game your Beavers will enjoy from Ireland, another Beaving country.

Make a pile of green candies in the centre of a table, or on the floor in the middle of a circle of Beavers. Put a small toy animal on top of the pile. Have the Beavers take turns removing a candy from the pile without knocking off the toy.

Rebuild the mound after each Beaver has a turn. Beavers, of course, can eat the candies they manage to remove before the toy topples.

## Lions and Tigers

Travel to the wilds of India with this passing game. In lodge groupings, Beavers sit in a circle. Choose two boys who are sitting on opposite sides of the circle and give each a small object to hold — a stick and a stone, for example, the stick representing a lion and the stone a tiger. Better still, bring along a small toy lion and tiger.

On signal, the Beavers pass the objects to the right around the circle as quickly as possible. The idea is to have one animal overtake the other as they are passed.

You can make things more interesting by signalling a change of direction when one animal gets too close to the other.

## Cattle Stockade

Here's a traditional children's game from Botswana, in Africa.

The lodge forms a cattle stockade by standing in a circle holding hands. Two Beavers stand in the middle and pretend they are cattle. Holding up their hands, they try to dodge under the arms of the Beavers forming the circle.

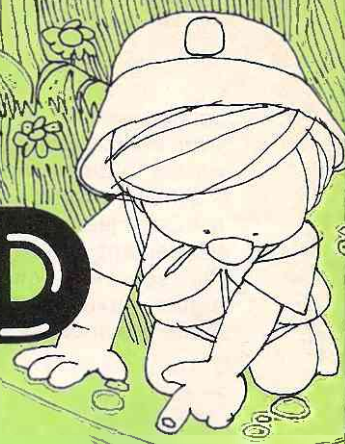
If they succeed in breaking through the stockade, the two Beavers who let them out become the cattle and the game starts again. The first pair can either join the circle or go back to the centre of the stockade while the new pair attempts to break out. In this case, eventually there will be more cattle than stockade fence posts and the whole herd will break out.

## Hopping Game

From Liberia comes yet another version of the much loved "It" game.

Choose an energetic Beaver to be It. He stands in the centre of a circle of Beavers who clap their hands and sing while It, with hands on hips, hops from one foot to the other, pointing his toes as he hops.

Finally, he points one toe at a Beaver in the circle. This Beaver must immediately point back with the same foot. The catch is to point the correct foot. If It points his right foot, the Beaver he points to must also point his right foot because, if he points his left foot, their feet will touch. When this happens, the two change places. Since even the most energetic Beaver cannot hop forever, place changes will happen quite quickly.





### Feed the Monkey

Have your Beavers choose partners and give each pair a dozen peanuts in the shell.

One Beaver shells them, one at a time, and feeds them to his partner. The object of the game is to see how many peanuts he can feed the "monkey" in a given time. When the time is up, partners switch places and begin again. After all have had a turn feeding and eating, they divide and share the remaining peanuts.

### Indian Sand Art

Let's get back to the North American continent with two Indian craft ideas from the *Ranger Rick Activity Guide* to spur your Beavers' creativity.

#### Sand Sprinklers

This first craft requires poster board, glue, a variety of coloured terrarium sand and paint brushes of different sizes. Put the sand on small paper plates, one for each Beaver, and provide plastic spoons for sprinkling.

Have the boys draw a simple design on the paper, paint with glue all the areas of the design to be one colour, then sprinkle on the sand of that colour. After it's dry, they shake off excess sand, spread glue over the next section and repeat the process with another colour of sand. Continue until the design is completely filled in.

#### Sandpaper Paintings

For this craft you'll need sheets of fine sandpaper, crayons and access to an oven.

Have the Beavers draw a design on the sandpaper in crayon, pressing very hard and covering the sandpaper completely with crayon wax. Designs with large sections of colour, rather than details, work best, and should challenge the avid crayon colourers in your group.

Put the finished drawings on cookie sheets and place on the middle shelf of an oven at 250°F for 10 to 15 seconds. Keep the door open so that you can all watch the wax melt. Re-

move the finished sandpaper paintings and let the wax cool.

This sand art, reminiscent of the plains Indians, will brighten your meeting place or your Beavers' rooms.

### Legends

Legends from the native peoples of different countries are easily adaptable for Beaver story-telling sessions. Thanks to *SCOUT*, Australia, here's an Australian aboriginal legend about how the sun was made and why the kookaburra sings at dawn.

Once upon a time, before there was a Sun, it was very, very dark and very, very cold on the Earth.

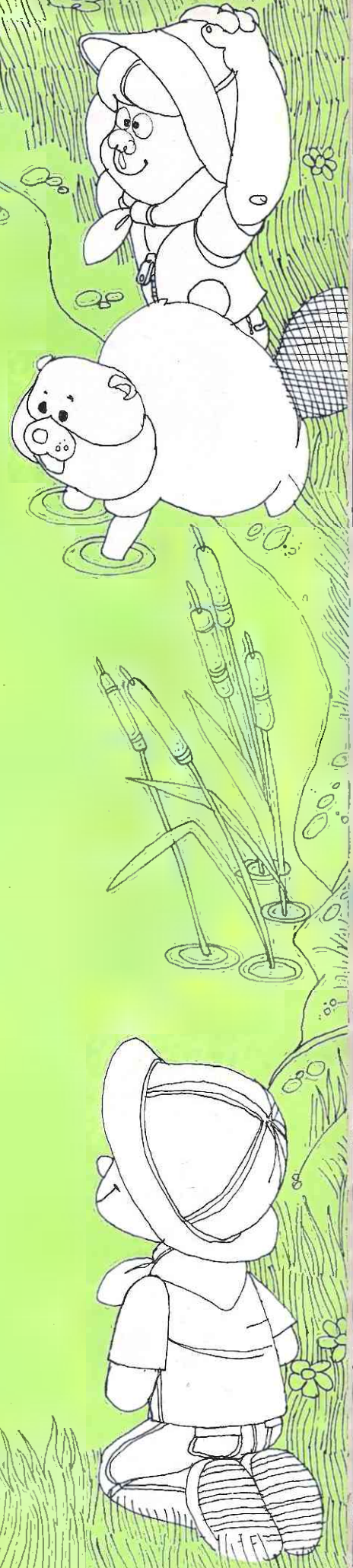
In the faraway country of Australia there lived two friends, Dinewan the emu and Broлга, her human companion.

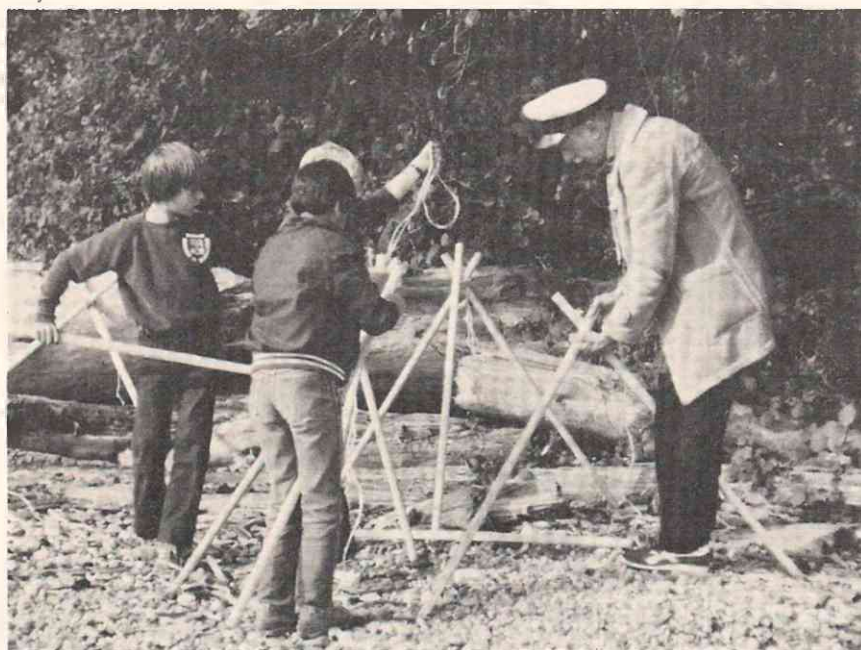
One day, these two had a quarrel. Dinewan could fly, and that made Broлга jealous. Broлга became so jealous, in fact, that he tricked Dinewan into cutting off her powerful wings. Now Dinewan had to spend her life walking along the ground but, she was a happy emu and she liked walking along the ground, so she still had fun living in the forest.

Seeing his friend's happiness, Broлга was jealous again. This time, he tried to break all of Dinewan's eggs. In a fit of anger, he grabbed an egg and threw it into the sky. The egg hit a pile of wood which a sky-spirit had gathered to make a fire. The egg broke and the wood burst into flames. Far below, the world lit up, and it looked so bright and beautiful that the spirit decided to light a fire like that every day.

So each night, the sky-spirits collected a huge pile of wood to make a fire to light the world. They told the kookaburras to wake the people asleep on Earth just before the fire was lit so that they could see the Sun rise.

And that's why the Sun rises every day, and the kookaburra makes his loudest noise at dawn. X





## The Young & the Elderly— Status in Common

by Jean Leckie

Love and respect for other people is an essential part of every religion. When we neglect to show care and concern for each other, our societies break down.

Christians extend love to other people in response to the love God has shown us in Jesus Christ and, as God's love is for everyone, so our love must be expressed to all people. But, our western society has segregated people of different ages; in schools, in churches, and in recreational activities. We have neglected to show our love and care for people who are not the same age as we.

The age of authority and power within our society is roughly from the child-rearing years until shortly after retirement. This middle age group tends to treat people both younger and older than itself in similar ways.

Although some changes are being made, it often happens that youth and senior adults are not taken seriously. Their opinions are not considered valid. They are not trusted to make the "right" decisions even in matters that directly affect them. They don't know "what's good for them".

In the church, both younger and older people have programs set up for them. They are ministered to, but are

not allowed to minister themselves. They are the objects rather than the subjects of ministry.

You might expect two groups of people in similar situations to see each other as allies, but this is rarely the case. The young and the elderly often don't even know each other. Their lack of knowledge and understanding leads to misconceptions, stereotypes and fear — the common

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human reaction to the unknown. Old people fear that all young people are destructive. Young people fear that all old people are mean. It just isn't so.

The old and the young have a lot to offer each other if they will take the time to get to know one another. A young person can help a senior adult with shopping or gardening, and learn a lot in the process. Through experience and necessity, older people have learned how to be wise consumers and how to cultivate a beautiful and productive garden.

Older people need the companionship of the young and many young people need a place to get away from the noise and pressure of their lives. Senior adults often have a spare room or quiet corner which they could lend to a young person for an hour or two at a time.

The horizons of both groups could expand if they shared with each other their perceptions on such current topics as war or environmental care. If

the young and the elderly came to know each other, perhaps they would see themselves as allies and not enemies. They could be advocates for each other as they struggle for the middle age group's recognition that they are whole, responsible people with important parts to play in life.

You and your group can take the first step towards bridging the gap. *Shopping-Bag Lady* (film) and *The Second Spring of Samantha Muffin* (filmstrip) will help you understand older people better. Both are available through AVEL, the United Church Audio-visual Education Library, from which groups can purchase a membership or borrow individual films for a minimal fee.

A good way to begin a relationship with an older person is through letters. Set up a pen-pal system and begin to get to know older people by writing to them about your life and inviting them to write you about theirs. Then, send your pen-pals an invitation to a potluck dinner or a picnic. When you finally meet, you won't feel like strangers. You can also share your favourite songs; you learn theirs and they learn yours.

Two films you would enjoy seeing together are *Life Times Nine* and *Close Harmony*. Once you've made initial contact and broken down the stereotypes, you can begin to plan together how you can minister to each other on an ongoing basis. You will all be richer for the experience.

The films, *Shopping-Bag Lady*, *Close Harmony* and *Life Times Nine* are available at all AVEL addresses except St. John's. The filmstrip, *The Second Spring of Samantha Muffin* is available at all AVEL addresses except Sackville.

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# venturer log

by Phil Newsome

*My thanks to Doug Jacula, assistant advisor of the 72nd Venturer Company, for sending along an account of their Chilkoot Trail Expedition '82.*

## Venture into the Klondike

After more than nine months of careful planning, last July a dream became a reality for the 72nd Venturer Company when it retraced the steps of the prospectors during the Gold Rush of 1898. Advisors Jim Wiesner and Doug Jacula and five company members who all had been hike-masters at CJ '81 knew the expedition would be a challenge. Although the focus would be on hiking the 33 mile Chilkoot Trail in four days, the 17 day trip would retrace all the steps of the gold-seekers.

From Edmonton we boarded a VIA train to Prince Rupert where we were met by Scouter Gerry Kloepper.

The company then boarded an Alaskan Ferry for the trip to Skagway — two days filled with beautiful scenery and highlighted by a whale sighting.

In Skagway, the group spent time learning more about the history of the gold rush, and watched two shows about the famous gold rush con artist, Soapy Smith.

Excitement rose as members realized they would tackle the trail the next day. Although we were completely equipped with lightweight

gear, our packs still weighed about 55 pounds because we had to be prepared for all types of weather; sun, rain, snow and fog. We outfitted ourselves with safety equipment and an extra day's food supply in case weather conditions would not permit us to cross the summit.

The sights along the trail were splendid and we found many artifacts from its bountiful history. Because we had studied up on the Chilkoot Trail, it was easy for us to visualize the hardships the gold-seeking Klondikers had encountered.

The third day on the trail quickly arrived. Today we would cross the summit. We stopped shortly at the base to meditate and offer each other words of encouragement before starting the 45° angle climb. In case of a rockslide, we spread out as we clambered over the large boulders leading to the summit. At the higher altitudes

we hiked over snow for about four miles.

On the final day, we decided we should hike what we'd planned to hike in a day and a half because of a bear sighting. And so, we arrived at Lake Bennet early and the next day rode the White Pass and Yukon Route narrow gauge train to Whitehorse.

We spent some time touring Whitehorse, enjoying the great hospitality of Brother Guy, and meeting the mayor before we rented a van to drive to Dawson City. In Dawson we saw another Gold Rush show and met with the city's mayor. Of course, we couldn't leave without panning for gold in the famous Bonanza Creek. With the expert advice of Father Bob Bobillier, who was our super host in Dawson City, we even found a few flakes of the precious metal.

From here we drove back to Whitehorse to catch a plane home and end a great adventure.

We enjoyed the trip and all promised to return to hike the Trail again in 1998 — the 100th anniversary of the Gold Rush. A



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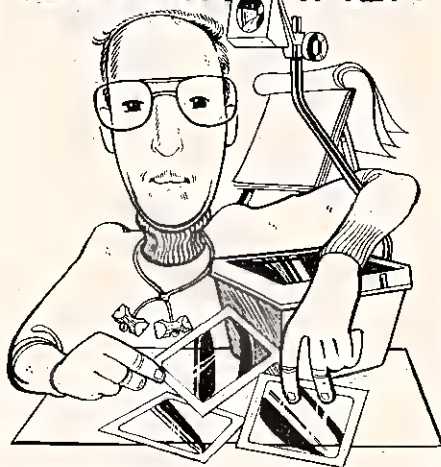
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# TRAINING TALK



by Reg Roberts

## Correspondence

*It was a typically grey February day in Ottawa when I sat with pencil in hand leafing through a pile of resource material, hoping that something would catch my eye and provide the inspiration I needed to put together an article for the May issue.*

*May is a holiday month, of course, a spring-moving-into-summer month, and a time when, traditionally, Part II Wood Badge courses begin to take off across the land. "Why not a promotional piece about the Wood Badge and Gilwell training?" I thought.*

*Would you believe that Collen Smiley of Brantford, Ontario, could have anticipated my thoughts? Neither would I but, as I pondered, the mail came in. I took some time to check it over, and there was a letter from Collen, who wrote to share her memories of "one of the most rewarding experiences of my Scouting life".*

## Back to Gilwell

It's 9 a.m. and the house is empty. The kids have gone to school and my husband is at work. I've just made a second cup of tea and, as I sit and sip it, my mind has returned to Blue Springs Scout Reserve. You see, I'd just completed my Wood Badge II training at the camp: two weekends in January, and the third on the weekend just past.

I went to Blue Springs because some of my Scouting friends urged me not to miss one of the most rewarding experiences of my Scouting life. I was quite apprehensive because I have not had much practice meeting new people or dealing with new experiences. Up until two years ago, I was happy as a homemaker, mother and wife. I felt my life was full and I

was content to let it remain that way.

One day I had a call from my eldest son's Scout leader. The Beaver colony that my younger son belongs to needed leaders and Bill thought I could help.

I won't bore you with the rest of that story, except to say it now seems that Scouting and Guiding (for my daughter) have become the most important facet of our family's life outside of the home.

I arrived at the camp to find the dining hall full of people laughing and talking while they made name tags and drank a welcome cup of coffee.

We adjourned to the "Red Room" and participated in a "getting to know you" exercise. What a varied, interesting group of people! There were homemakers, working mothers, a veterinarian, a child care worker, telephone company employees, a nurse, salespeople, office workers and many others. I wondered if I would ever keep all the names straight. Our training team was introduced and away we went.

Every weekend was jammed full of sessions and exercises covering every aspect of Scouting. Maxine helped us both to discover ourselves and to see the boys we are involved with as varied, multi-dimensional human beings. Sandy and Sue taught us a number of things, among them songs and games (a great way to have fun and "play the fool" without losing our "dignity") and crafts (I never realized how many "neat" things could be made from junk).

Mary Ann had some of the most controversial subjects; uniforms, ceremonies, use of flags, and Keeo. She certainly stood up well when the participants became confused by the differences from district to district and asked her to clarify. Dave taught us object lessons in sharing and the brotherhood of Scouting by using various methods, including a conversation between a Wolf Cub puppet and a Beaver puppet.

Bob got stuck with most of the dry subjects like administration. He arranged to have the lights turned off suddenly during this session and explained to us that, although paper work can be repetitive and time-consuming, we could be "left in the dark" if it weren't done. Well done, Bob!

Gord was our nature expert. He took us on several hikes and we followed him blindly, learning every step of the way. We'd been warned that Gord often becomes so engrossed in his subject that he gets lost. We laughed, but he did live up to his reputation and proceeded to take the wrong path back to camp.

Bea, our visitor from the Sick Children's Hospital Scouting group had us alternating between hysterical laughter and tears as she drew upon her personal Scouting experiences at the hospital to teach us songs, crafts and compassion.

Jean, who doubled as one of our cooks, led us in a terrifically moving learning session about Scouting with the disabled. She was helped in the preparation of our delicious meals by Larry, a real fun guy with a sense of humour that endeared him to all of us.

These were just a few of the topics that were covered in three full weekends of learning. Our course theme was *Caring and Sharing*. I thought I knew about caring and sharing before I went to Blue Springs, but I really had no idea until I met these delightful people.

Every participant, including the training team, took part fully in the sessions, relating personal experiences as well as their faults, failings, mistakes or apprehensions. Every member of the group was always ready to share a thought, to discuss a problem, to comfort the confused, to give praise, to listen, and to laugh with the rest.

We were surrounded by an atmosphere of caring. We counted! Our opinions mattered. Our fears and insecurities were dealt with and calmed.



"I thought I knew about caring and sharing before I went to Blue Springs, but I really had no idea until I met these delightful people."

I have never met a group of people who lived the Scouting principles so well.

I wrote this letter to share my experiences with other Scouters in the hope that they too will take that step into Wood Badge training. Don't be afraid! You'll find it the most rewarding experience you'll ever have.

Yours in Scouting, Collen Smiley

*Amazingly enough, right on the heels of Collen's letter, another letter about Wood Badge training arrived, this one from Monika C. Perrault of the 1st Limoges Cub pack.*



## The Perils of Wood Badge Training

Start with one shy, withdrawn person who never spoke out until spoken to. Add seven months with a Cub pack and a Part I Wood Badge training course and what have you got?

First of all, you have a very new Akela, because there are no other leaders. Next, you have someone who's never been to Cub Camp taking 17 boys out for a week of camping!

Luckily, most of the planning was done before the old Akela left and, to my delight, the Akela from another pack and a Beaver leader who had experience with Cub camps joined us. Our committee chairperson volunteered to be our cook, and a parent came along as another leader. Except for a little rain, the camp went off without a hitch.

Next, add a Part II Wood Badge followed by an annual registration meeting, 23 eager, active new Cubs and some new inexperienced leaders. Not only that, but there are all new leaders in the other sections of the group. You might well ask, "What could happen next?"

Well, I'll tell you. At the group committee meeting there is talk about celebrating B.-P. Day. It is decided that, rather than attend church as in past years, the group will hold a Scout's Own. Since you are the only leader in the area with experience and training, you are nominated to take care of the day.

You can well imagine that I truly encourage every leader to take Wood Badge training. It will help you, not only in the operation of your section, but also in the handling of situations such as those I have mentioned. Wood Badge gives you a better understanding of the Boy Scout ideals for young boys and helps you to help them deal with many facets of life as they grow up.

Yours in Scouting, Monika C. Perrault

*It so happens that one of the things I was looking at when the first letter arrived was another piece of correspondence that I've had for quite awhile. I never seemed to find just the right time or place to include it. I think now is a good time and so, with thanks to Bill Whiston of Sudbury, here it is.*

## Let's Bloom

Scouter Jean stuck a poster on the wall of the Red Room in a preparation for a Scout's Own at a recent Scouter-in-Training course on which I was a trainer.

It was a picture of part of a garden with the spring flowers in full bloom and carried the simple caption:

BLOOM WHERE YOU ARE PLANTED

It occurred to me, several weeks after the course was over, that this simple message issues a real challenge for us to make the best of our lives.

So often, we have the seed of an idea, but we don't carry it through. Baden-Powell's inspiration of Scouting, often referred to as an acorn which grew into a mighty oak tree, would have died soon after being planted except for the tremendous effort and enthusiasm put into its development by many people.

If B.-P., at the age of 50, had just been content to sit back as the hero of Mafeking, looking forward only to a comfortable retirement, Scouting would never have been born to grow into the largest youth movement in the world.

Throughout history, certain special individuals whose energies have been directed to make great changes for good in the world, have appeared. We often refer to them as geniuses or great creative thinkers but, really, they are men and women who have bloomed where they were planted. Ten per cent of their ideas were inspiration, but 90 per cent were hard work, often against overwhelming odds.

To bloom where we are planted can be a real challenge for us. It can lead us into experiences we never thought possible. It can give us happiness and satisfaction that we never could have imagined.

I would like to ask that you take a moment to consider what you hope to achieve in Scouting. Are you going to bloom where you are planted? Dream a little; let your imagination go. Consider how your example and the things you do with boys or young people can affect them and set them on a path to the future for which they will be eternally grateful.

The introduction of the Beaver program was an inspiration, and the seed is still growing. If we look after it correctly, it will bloom long after you and I have done our Scouting time.

If we want to derive lasting benefit from a good idea, we must get to work now and be ready for whatever situation we have created.

Remember the old saying that, in a hundred years from now, it won't matter what kind of home we have or what kind of car we drive, but the world can be a better place to live in because we were important in the life of a boy. That's still true today. With God's help, let us "bloom where we are planted".

Yours in Scouting, Bill Whiston  $\wedge$

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## Puzzles for a Rainy Day

On the first rainy day at camp, you likely carry on with outdoor activities. When the rain continues on the second day, you put the boys to work at crafts.

When there's no let-up on the third day, it's time to pull the puzzles and board games out of your emergency pack.

Over the past little while, numerous readers have sent puzzles to **Swap Shop**. Knowing that you're organizing for summer camp, we thought we'd put together a package of them for you.

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## Camping — Hidden Word Puzzle

by Michael Bernstein, Venturer Advisor, Montreal

Find these hidden words in the puzzle:

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## Puzzling Phrases

We're rather embarrassed about this one. The truth is, we've lost the name of the person who sent it to us, but we do remember that he told us it was a group effort produced one evening at a get-together of Scouting friends. Our thanks to all of them.

Each block in the puzzle represents a phrase or saying, some fairly easy to guess, others quite-difficult, but all very clever. The arrangement of letters or words makes part of the meaning. Thus PERSON ALITY is a "split personality" and READING is "reading between the lines".

For the most part, the puzzle is more suitable to older boys and leaders but, after a little guidance, your Cubs might surprise you. Once they've had a go at this one, you can challenge them to produce their own enigmatic phrases. If you do, send the results to **the Leader**. We would love to see what they can

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LEADER button to the producer of any puzzle we publish in the magazine.

## Search-A-Word Cubbing

by Deborah Mepham, Cub leader,  
Port Elgin, Ontario

You can find all of the words listed in the grid. When you've found all the words, the remaining letters spell the name of a well-known person, place or thing.

AKELA	ANTICS	BADGES
BALOO	BEAR	BROTHER
CAMP	CAMPFIRE	CRAFTS
DREAM	DYB	FIRST AID
FLAG	GAME	GOOD TURN
GRAND	HOWL	JUNGLE
KIM	LAW	LEAF
LEADER	MOON	MUG-UP
MUSIC	NATURE	PACK
PARENTS	RACE	RAMBLE
RED	SIXER	SKITS
SOUP	STAR	SURPRISE
TEACH	TENTS	TREASURE HUNT
TREE	UNIFORM	WOLF CUB

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## Cub Badgeword

M. Bladon of Guelph, Ontario, sent both the Badgeword and the Jungle Book Crossword, also on this page. All the badges listed can be found in the grid below. Circle each letter as you find them. Two of the badges listed have now been replaced by others. Can you identify them?

ANGLER	OBSERVER
ARTIST	READER
ATHLETE	RELIGION IN LIFE
COLLECTOR	SKATER
CYCLIST	SKIER
GUIDE	SWIMMER
HANDYMAN	TOYMAKER
HOUSE ORDERLY	TROUBADOUR
INTERPRETER	WOODSMAN

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 E P X A T R R B C E N C T O N E S C  
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 A O T T E Y E Y O E F I K M E H G T  
 D P A E F O M H T K R A M L W C L O  
 E L T R O U B A D O U R H V X K E R  
 L T Y O L A K F N E J T S E T V O S  
 X W A N R S T O Y M A K E R M D J K

## Jungle Book Crossword



### ACROSS

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|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Not one you fly  | 10. An enemy of the pack |
| 4. A kind of bat    | 12. Not well             |
| 6. A big brown bear | 13. The crocodile        |
| 8. A black panther  | 14. The fish             |

### DOWN

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 2. Jungle Book country      | 7. Wolves in Mowgli's pack   |
| 3. Tabaqui was one          | 8. The Monkey People         |
| 4. The Man Cub              | 9. The python                |
| 5. A welcome to pack leader | 11. He wrote the Jungle Book |

## Who's Who at the 1907th?

by Ken Shigeishi, Scarborough, Ont.

The 1907th has a group committee just like any other Canadian Scouting group. It has six registered members: Miss Roberts, Miss Andrews, Mrs. Watters, Mr. Drake, Mr. Fleming and Mr. Gray. The group has a chairman, vice-chairman, treasurer, secretary, transportation coordinator and special events person.

Use the information below to find out who is who.

- The transportation coordinator is the chairman's grandson.
- The vice-chairman is the treasurer's son-in-law.
- Mr. Fleming is a bachelor.
- Mr. Drake is 25 years old.
- Miss Roberts is the special events person's step-sister.
- Mr. Gray is a neighbour of the chairman. X

# World Jamborees on Postage Stamps

by Orville O'Brien

As I write this article, the winning design from the poster contest *What Scouting Means to Me* is being prepared for issuing as a stamp at the XV World Jamboree in Alberta this July.

Over the years, post offices of World Jamboree hosts have issued an item of philatelic interest to advertise the fact that *Boy Scouts of the world* were meeting in their countries. Canada Post is following this tradition, which started, not with the first World Jamborees held in England, but after these gatherings began to move to other Scouting countries.

Most postal administrations are members of the international Postal Union, which has strict regulations about stamp issues. Generally, the rule is that no one person or organization will be honoured more than once in a 25 year period. This is why the U.S.A. and Norway issued imprinted stamp postcards instead of stamps for the XII and XIV World Jamborees. Canada will issue its stamp at the XV World Jamboree and, although it will honour Scouting rather than the jamboree, it will fall into the category of jamboree stamps.

World Jamboree stamps are few in number and make an interesting collection that really says "The Spirit Lives On" in the 75th anniversary year of Scouting.

## IV World Jamboree

Twenty-one thousand Scouts from 46 countries attended the 4th World Jamboree which opened July 10, 1933 in Godollo, Hungary. The country issued a set of five stamps (481-485\*) which appear in green, maroon, red, yellow, and blue, as well as imperforate. They show the leaping stag, which was the jamboree emblem, and the double cross with St. Stephen's crown.



## V World Jamboree

Four years later, with clouds of World War II darkening the horizon, the Netherlands held the 5th World Jamboree in Vogelenzang from July 31 — Aug. 9, 1937. They issued three stamps (206-208\*) on April 1, 1937, and used a special jamboree cancel during the jamboree. The Dutch Indies, a Netherlands colony, also had a

set of two stamps (B30-31\*) which showed stamps for the jamboree.



## VI World Jamboree

Because of the war, it was not until August 2, 1947, that 40,000 Scouts assembled at Moisson, France for the 6th World Jamboree — the Jamboree of Peace. France issued a stamp (587\*) showing the jamboree insignia and the badge with the double carrick bend. The design was printed in brown and the stamp was also issued imperforate.



## VII World Jamboree

One of the most beautiful of jamboree stamps honours the 7th World Jamboree held in Bad Ischl, upper Austria, from Aug. 3-13, 1951. This stamp (576\*) was produced with perfect colour registration — the green (frame) engraved and the pink typography (shield) and photogravure (badge). The Jews Harp jamboree emblem is shown below the Austrian Scout badge, and on the jamboree cancellations.



## VIII World Jamboree

Canadian Scouting proved it could run a large jamboree with CJ '49 and CJ '53, held at the Connaught Ranges near Ottawa. In 1955, Canada was honoured to become host for the 8th World Jamboree at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario — Aug. 18-28. It was the first time that a World Jamboree had been held on the North American continent and the event attracted 10,000 delegates from all the Scouting countries.

Canada issued a 5¢ stamp (356\*) in

honour of the occasion. Designed by Laurence Hyde and printed by the Canadian Bank Note Company in Ottawa, it was engraved in green and orange.



## IX World Jamboree

Among the few commemoratives issued in England are three which honour the World Scout Jubilee Jamboree held in Sutton Coldfield, August 1-12, 1957 (334-336\*). Photo-gravured by Messrs. Harrison & Sons Ltd., each value includes the Queen's

image and a special design. The 2½d value by Mary Adsit features a rolling hitch rope around the British Scout badge. The 4d value by Patrick Keely shows swallows in flight and signifies the migration of Scouts back to the land where Scouting began. It also shows the World Scouting badge.

The 1'3d value by W.H. Brown shows the world encircled by a compass, recalling B.-P.'s words that the arrow-head of the compass points the way for Scouts. It includes the British Scout badge as well.

Sets of these stamps were over-

printed for Great Britain's Persian Gulf agencies: Bahrain (115-117\*) — overprint plus values 14 NP, 25NP, 75NP; Muscat (agency word Muscat omitted) (76-78\*) — values as above overprinted; Qatar (16-18\*) — overprinted and values as above.



## X World Jamboree

For the first world jamboree in a country of the Far East, the Philippines issued a series of stamps before and during the 10th World Jamboree held July 17-26, 1959, in Makilung National Park, Laguna (near Manila).

Three airmail stamps (CB1-CB3\*) with a surcharge to aid jamboree

financing were issued July 17. On July 22, two other stamps on yellow paper were issued (B10-B11\*). A tête-bêche pair was issued on opening day (B10a-B11a\*), and a souvenir sheet (CB3a\*), showing all the stamps on white paper, was issued on closing day, July 26. All the stamps are engraved and embossed.



## XI World Jamboree

Greece was host to the 11th World Scout Jamboree at the site of the Battle of Marathon, north of Athens from Aug. 1-11, 1963, and five stamps were issued August 1. The 1 drachma value reproduces B.-P.'s painting *Athens at Dawn*; which he made during his first visit to the country in 1872. When, in 1960, the World Scout Committee accepted the Greek invitation to hold

the 1963 event, they gave the painting to the Boy Scout organization in that country.

The 1.50 drachma value features the jamboree badge; the 2.50 drachma value shows Prince Constantine, Chief Scout; the 3 drachma value shows Baden-Powell and Athanosios Lefkadites, the founder of Greek Scouting; and the 4.50 drachma value shows a King's Scout of Greece blowing a conch shell.



## XII World Jamboree

The 12th World Jamboree returned to the North American continent to meet at Farragut State Park in Idaho. Because stamps honouring Boy Scouts of America had already been issued in 1950 and again in 1960 for the organization's 40th anniversary,

the U.S. Post Office decided not to issue another stamp. Massive letter writing campaigns and numerous petitions applied enough pressure that the Post Office issued the first postcard (UXC7\*) to commemorate a jamboree. The card has a pre-printed 6¢ stamp which shows the Rocky Mountains in Idaho.

## XIII World Jamboree

In 1971, the Scouting world again assembled in the Far East, this time at the base of Mount Fuji in Japan. The 13th World Jamboree earned the nickname "Typhoon Jamboree" in memory of the three-day storm that lashed the site and forced the evacuation of many contingents. Showing true Scouting spirit, the Scouts re-assembled and carried on after the blow was over.

To honour the event, the Japanese Postal Administration issued a single stamp (1090\*) which shows a Scout bugler and the flag of Japan.



## XIV World Jamboree

The Boy Scout Associations of Scandinavia joined together as hosts of *Nordjamb* held in Lillehammer, Norway from July 29-August 7, 1975. Because the Norwegian Postal Service had issued a two-stamp Boy Scout and Girl Guide set in February, when they received a request for a philatelic item to commemorate the jamboree, they issued, as had the U.S. in 1967, a postcard with an imprinted stamp.



\*For easy reference to the stamps described, the bracketed numbers indicate their **Scott Stamp Catalogue** numbers.

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# ON THE LEVEL



by John Sweet

## Important Things

We have just been doing a little research and have come to the conclusion that the longest running feature in Scout journalism must surely be that miscellany of short, illustrated items called *Things All Scouts Should Know* which appeared at weekly intervals in our boys' paper THE SCOUT (UK) from as far back as I can remember.

Admittedly, a large proportion of the "things" were of academic interest only, with little relevance to Scouting as we know it today. By contrast, OTL's attempt to update the series in *More Things All Scouts Should Know* will try to be rather more practical and, once we've got it off the ground, the hope is that readers of the better sort (lots of them about) will bombard

## MORE THINGS ALL SCOUTS SHOULD KNOW



When helping to lift a heavy load, bend your knees, not your back.

us with suggestions for activities of the same general character — that is, "things" which are not merely informative but instructive as well, so that they may at once be translated into positive action.

We shall look forward to hearing from you.

## Forgotten Games

*Spinning Jenny* — just the job for enabling the Scouter to get one back on the troop when they've been playing him up.

Players in two concentric circles, facing inwards. Inner circle join hands as for "Ring-a-ring-o'-roses". Players in outer circle stand in gaps with hands on shoulders of pair in front. At signal, all bounce round lightly on toes. Scouter in charge shouts, "One up!" "Two up!" "Two down!" and so on, and outside players have to claw their way in clockwise direction (up) or counter-clockwise (down), while inner circle continues in original direction. Very energy consuming. Guaranteed to take the steam out of even the rowdiest troop in five minutes flat. Strongly recommended.

## Near Miss Patrol

Early in the New Year, a sad little note came through the letterbox. "I have just been interviewed for a place in the English contingent to the World Jamboree in Canada," it read. "I'm not going. My Scout Leader didn't make it either in 1955 and my Mum thinks that you got turned down too when you were a Scout."

Too right I did and have never really got over it.

I remember it well. The District Commissioner came in person to break the news and took the opportunity to deliver a little homily about something he called "keeping a stiff upper lip" — a phrase, much used in school stories of the period, which made an instant appeal to the listening troop. From that moment, the state of my upper lip became a matter of some concern, especially to members of our rival Patrol, the Perishing Peckers.

"How's the lip, Johnny?" some idiot would inquire solicitously. "Mind if I..."

"Gerroff, you fool!" I'd snarl, sweeping aside his probing forefinger. A mistake, of course. Just playing into the hands of my tormentors. What I ought to have done was to say, "Mine's all right, how's yours?" and given him a smack across the kisser that would have left him with a lovely thick lip — what you might call "poetic

justice". But that's life. You only get these really good ideas when it's too late.

Anyhow, my correspondent has a much better idea. "I think we ought to start a patrol for all those people who were interviewed for the Jamboree and were given the wooden spoon," he writes. "We could call ourselves the 'Near Miss Patrol', and perhaps you would be our Patrol Leader.

"If you like the idea," he goes on to say, "I think my baby brother Dean (he is only 13) should also be a member because half this idea is his. Dean is Assistant Patrol Leader of the Seagulls and, like all birds of that particular feather, he is noisy and makes a mess."

Brilliant! Instead of slinking round with coat collars turned up feeling sorry for ourselves, what the PL of the Dolphin (Blue Spider) Patrol wants us to do is to walk tall in the sight of our fellows. Personally, I am all for it and, as my own Scouting career has been full of near-misses of one sort or another, I have no hesitation in accepting nomination as Honorary Patrol Leader of the *Near Miss Patrol*. Anyone who has suffered as we have suffered may enroll. Write at once to this feature c/o the editor. If we get sufficient applications to justify the expense, we might even decide to strike our own certificate for defiant display on the troop noticeboard. Suggestions for a suitable design will be warmly welcomed by our captive designer.

## Oddments

I am told that it is quite possible to measure the height of an object (tree, church spire, what-have-you) with a three foot rule by standing at the correct distance from it so that inches on the ruler represent feet on the object. All a matter of elementary geometry. I regret I am unable to give you the formula but no doubt your highly intelligent patrol leaders will be able to work it out for themselves, and perhaps they'll be kind enough to let the rest of us know.

Scouters lead by example rather than precept, but "example" is worse than useless unless it is seen to be entirely in character.

Scouters who have implicit trust in their own boys should be extra careful to avoid putting them in situations which might overstrain their trustworthiness.

Once again, may we caution Scouters against the temptation to join in rough games with their boys. We are reliably informed that failure to observe this precaution has resulted in more personal accident insurance

claims than (almost) any other single activity. The fact that such games are frequently played by consenting adults on Adult Leader Training Courses without hurt or harm to the participants is beside the point. It isn't so much the game as the players of the game who do the damage.

## Traditions

That bit we published some time ago about unique group traditions and customs brought a prompt rejoinder from the 2nd Seven Kings (St. John's) in London, England.

"The particular tradition in our group, which is now 74 years old and getting older every day," writes Mr. Peter Reynolds, their Group Scout Leader, "is that, at every Scout Investiture, the new Scout signs his name in a special 'Roll Book'. This book has been signed by all the boys who have passed through the troop since its inception in September 1910. Next year, our 75th, the 'Roll Book' will be on show for former members to browse through and bring back a flood of memories."

Initially, all the names were as Anglo-Saxon as boiled beef and carrots, but we were more than pleased to note that, in later years, the register contains a fair sprinkling of more exotic names — names like Satinder Shukla, Paresh Parmar and Mario Palumbo.

The Weymouth South Scout Group have a tradition of a rather different sort. In writing to tell us about it, their Group Scout Leader, Mr. Doug Smith, says they aren't applying for membership of the Lunatic Fringe because they feel they may already be too far gone.

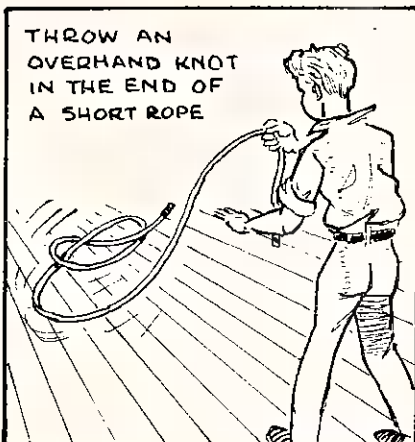
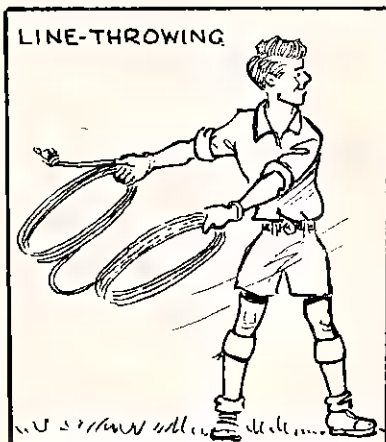
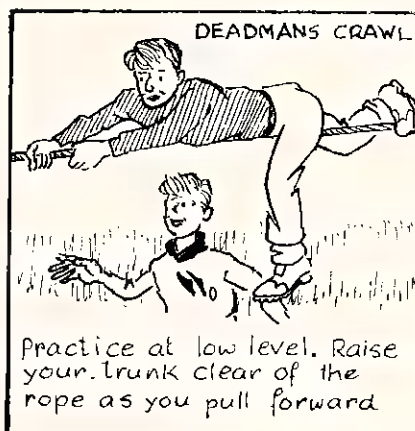
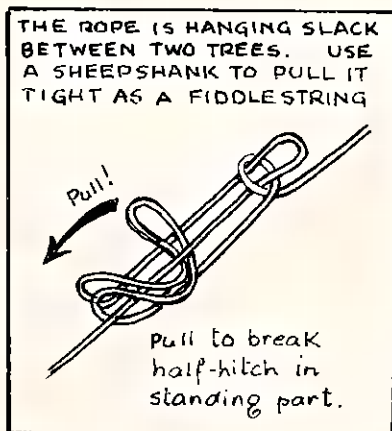
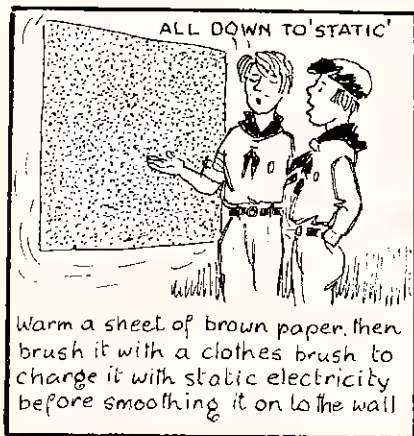
It all started, apparently, some years back when they had a boy in the troop who was notoriously accident prone. He was forever breaking things, losing things, falling over or into things and, if there was a right and a wrong way to do something, he would invariably choose the latter. His fellow Scouts, quick to recognize true genius when they saw it, soon fell into the habit of recognizing his every boob by shouting his name in two separate and distinct syllables, with the accent on the second, thus:

"Phil-LIPSI!" (though Philips, I need hardly say, was not his name.)

"It wasn't long," Mr. Smith tells us, "before anyone who booped in public, Scouters included, had his name called in similar fashion. No matter how many syllables there were in the name, they always became two, so that Smith, for instance, would be 'Smer-ITH' and Peterson 'Peter-SON'. This proved to be so popular with the troop that eventually it was tacked on to the end of the Investiture ceremony. As the new Scout returned to his patrol, the leader would announce to the troop, 'His name is Brown. One, two, six —', and the troop would yell, 'Bro-OWN!' at the top of their voices. The Scout Leader would then say to the boy, 'That's the troop's official welcome. The next time you hear your name shouted like that, you'll know that you have done something stoopid.'

We must, of course, respect the GSL's decision not to have the Weymouth South certified but, if they think better of it — that is, if the Patrol Leaders Council think better of it — well, it's up to them. X

# SPARETIME ACTIVITIES



by Gerry Giuliani

Last month, Doug Cunnington talked about camp foods you can make yourself. In this issue, Russ Kempling discusses camp foods from the supermarket as alternates to expensive specialized freeze-dried foods.

Russ, a former member of the National Program Committee, is a teacher and active outdoorsman in the Muskoka area of Ontario. He is at present an active trainer in the province.

## Camp Foods from Supermarkets

Although there is a place for specialized freeze-dried backpacking foods, most camping needs, even lightweight needs, can be met in your local supermarket. In smaller outlying centres, supermarket shopping is considerably more convenient than specialty store shopping. In practically all locales, supermarket prices are more acceptable than those of specialty stores.

I've chosen items which are generally available in supermarkets and will point out the advantages and disadvantages of each, as I see them.

### Magic Pantry

This company produces a variety of main dishes in steri-seal pouches. The pouches will keep for months with no refrigeration and require only boiling in water, pouch and all, for five to 10 minutes. Although they get full marks for ease of preparation, being neither concentrated nor dehydrated, they are not lightweight.

Although taste ranges from acceptable to good, all dishes, except Salisbury Steak and Swiss Steak, contain more sauce than solid pieces. Servings are adequate for an adult.

### Pasta

This comes in many forms, but most popularly as macaroni or spaghetti. I find that linguini cooks more quickly than spaghetti and can substitute for it in any recipe.

Pasta is lightweight, will keep indefinitely, and cooks in 10-15 minutes. Macaroni and cheese is a simple dish that requires only powdered milk, a bit of butter or margarine, and some grated cheddar or powdered cheese. You can make the meal even

more substantial by adding chopped wieners or a drained can of tuna.

Make spaghetti by adding a spaghetti sauce mix, a can of tomato paste and chopped onion and green pepper. For an even heartier meal, supplement the sauce with browned, drained hamburger. The hamburger and wiener additions, unfortunately, are not lightweight and must be used on the first day if refrigeration isn't available.

### Noodles

Noodles make another easily prepared dish. They are lightweight and keep well when dry. You can add them to a broth for soup and use them to fill out a thin stew. They work well with the Magic Pantry main courses.



### Hard Meats

Salami and pepperoni fall into this category. Although not lightweight, they do keep well and a little seems to go a long way. You can use them in sandwiches for lunch, or as part of a supper dish when chopped. Camp pizzas made from pancake mix in a frying pan and topped with Swiss cheese, tomato paste and pepperoni or salami are very tasty.

### Fresh Vegetables

Although firm vegetables like potatoes, carrots, onions and turnips are not lightweight, they keep and carry well. They also lend themselves to a wide variety of preparation and add flavour and variety to other dishes.

### Eggs

Although fragile, eggs keep for a few days and are not very heavy. They

are also versatile and cooking time is very short. Even for lunch, a hard-boiled egg prepared at breakfast time makes a good base for a meal.

### Cheese

The block cheeses like cheddar, Swiss and gouda are a tasty supplement to any meal and can form the base of lunch or mug-up. Cheese is also an excellent meat substitute. Cheese squeeze tubes are convenient and very handy for lunches.

### Dried Vegetables

Beans, especially yellow eye or lima beans, can form a substantial base for a supper meal. They also are a meat substitute. Beans are lightweight when dry but do require a day's soaking before you cook them. Each cup of beans must soak in three cups of water, and the container needs to be big enough to allow for expansion, so they're definitely not lightweight during this process. They also need a cooking period of an hour or more.

Some supermarkets carry dried green beans, corn and mushrooms. They are definitely lightweight, the flavour is good, and they are easy to prepare. You can also find various forms of dehydrated or powdered potatoes, but check the directions. Many of them need to be done in an oven. A reflector oven will work, but you have to plan on taking one.

### Bread

Bread tends to be very squishable except for heavy rye, which weighs about 1.5 kg (3 lb.) a loaf. You can bake bread at camp with a reflector oven or frying pan, or on a stick as a twist. Use a bannock mix prepared at home, or a biscuit mix of the "add water only" variety.

Pancake mix is also very versatile. Fried thin it makes taco shells. Don't forget dried breads like melba toast and crackers. They are fragile but very light and can substitute for bread.

### Rice

This forms a base for a night meal or can create a more hearty soup. It is easy to prepare and lightweight, and keeps well when dry.



### Soup

Dried soups come in a wide variety of forms. Individually packed instant soups like *Cup-A-Soup* are very handy. You can use packaged soups as soups or add them to other dishes for flavouring (e.g. onion soup mix in stew). Bouillon cubes or powder and dried soup vegetables round out the list. Experiment with soups to make them a hearty main course by adding macaroni, noodles or rice.

### Peanut Butter

A good hole-filler. Carried in a squeeze tube, peanut butter provides a hearty snack and is another meat substitute. Combine with jam or honey to give yourself an energy boost.

### Spices

These are lightweight and can add much to an otherwise bland diet. Carry a selection in used 35 mm film canisters.

### Cans

Meat spreads and fish make good sense when canned. It's the water in which many products are packed, not the tins, which is the main source of weight.

Canned tuna or salmon provides

sandwich fillings or a casserole base. Canned luncheon meats can be part of supper or lunch. Spreads like Paris paté are excellent for lunch or late snacks. Although none of them are truly lightweight, they are compact and non-perishable. Remember to pack out your empty tins.

### Desserts

Many fresh fruits like oranges, apples and lemons travel well. They provide vitamin C for your diet and are thirst quenchers. A bit of lemon juice brightens up flat canteen water.

You can eat dried fruits like raisins, apricots or prunes out of your hand. They do tend to make you thirsty but, if you drink large quantities of water, they swell in your stomach. If you soak them overnight or in a bottle in your pack during the day, they recover many of the characteristics of ripe fruit. They are light and compact and keep well if kept dry.

Puddings of a no-cook, add-water-only variety make a nice change. They are light and compact and keep well. If preparation requires milk, use powdered milk.

### Powdered Milk

Milk powder can substitute for whole milk in any recipe. If you need a

creamier whitener, try Coffee-mate. Test out coffee whitener at home. Some kinds go scummy when they stand a while.

### Drinks

Besides powdered milk, coffee, tea and hot or cold chocolate make alternatives. Introduce some excitement with exotic teas and coffees, but pre-test them at home. What about mocca (coffee and chocolate)? Fruit drink crystals provide a good source of Vitamin C and may be served hot or cold.

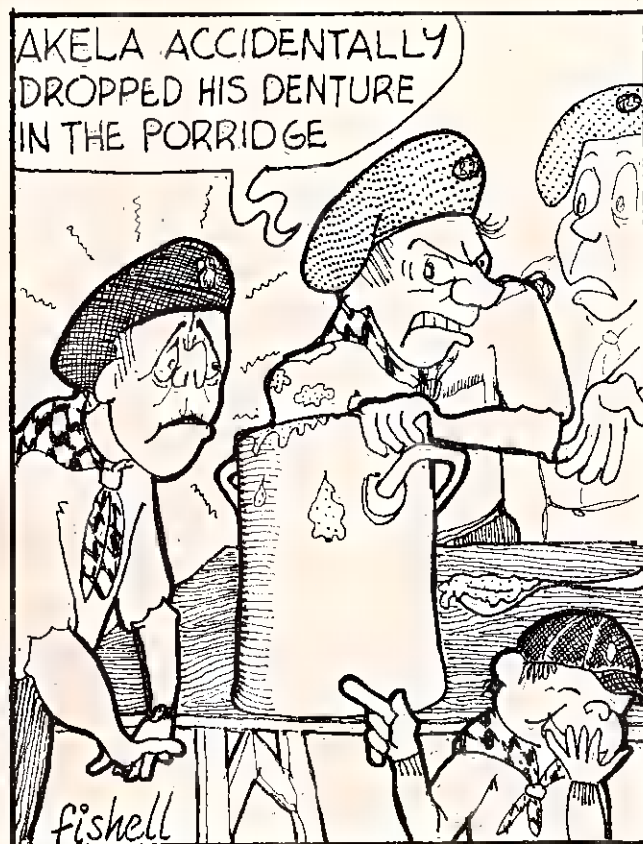
### Fresh Meat

For the first day or two, you might consider fresh meat. You should keep only solid beef or bacon for the second day. All fresh meats should be frozen solid, wrapped in newspaper and bagged in plastic. Although definitely not lightweight, they might be worth the effort.

### Final Thought

Keep exploring your local supermarkets. I am constantly surprised at what my imagination and the supermarket can come up with. Instead of dismissing a favourite dish as impractical, rise to the challenge and try to find a way to take it to camp. X

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by Gerry Giuliani

*How many of your Cubs are working towards a World Conservation Badge? There are a lot of good program ideas in this badge. Here's an account from Pack Scouter Bill Bowers of Atwood, Ontario, about what his pack has been up to. Check the World Conservation Badge requirements at the back of **The Cub Book** and consider a program which will help your Cubs become more aware of the importance of conservation.*

**Conserving Cubs**

Fourteen Cubs of the 1st Atwood Wolf Cub Pack have been working on their World Conservation Badges. It has taken two weeks of after school field trips with two parent helpers to complete the objectives and requirements from the *Cub Book*.

The Cubs completed an anti-litter campaign on the village main street and the grounds of the Cenotaph, the Community Centre and the swimming pool. Their campaign was noted in the local area newspaper.

We took part in a nature survey when we visited two beaver dams and discussed what beavers do, and what is being done to protect them and solve the problems they create. On that field trip, we also observed and

listened to six different kinds of birds.

One Saturday we had a bicycle hike to a bush. There the Cubs learned about trail signs before the sixers and leader set up a trail for them to follow. On the trail the boys found cray fish in a stream, a dead chicken hawk, a snake's discarded skin, a big old tree where woodpeckers were making large holes, a marsh, and a small stream where they made a bridge from a log. Here too we saw where men had just cleaned out the creek and we had a talk about dredging, clearing creeks, and field draining.

The Cubs also visited a huge dam and took a guided tour of it. We had discussed how the dam was made, and the purpose of the reservoir behind it. We all watched two films about pollution and had a follow-up discussion.

Another element involved wildlife awareness. Each Cub had to draw a picture of an endangered bird and write a small report about how to protect it and what was making it extinct. We talked about keeping wild animals as pets and discussed how man is destroying the earth. This involved talks about agriculture, soil, chemicals, rotating fields, air, and acid rain, smoke, smog, water, threatened fish populations and using the lakes of Canada as sewers.

We discussed how man could stop pollution. I explained some of the government services which try to protect the environment and God's creatures and talked about the opportunities for men and women working in the government services. We now are planning a trip to Wingham to one

of the ministry headquarters where they look after fish and wildlife, fishing and hunting licences, forest management, conservation and parks.

**Northern Bike Rodeo**

*This picture report came from Ellen Kent of Rankin Inlet, Northwest Territories, about 800 km north of Churchill, Manitoba, on the Hudson Bay.*



On September 26, about 25 members of the Rankin Inlet Cubs and Beavers took part in a bicycle rodeo organized by the local RCMP detachment. In spite of a cold north wind, the mood was enthusiastic and almost everyone rode the course more than once.

The leaders would like to thank the RCMP and particularly Captain Kruger and Constable Saunders for their interest in the Scouting movement. X

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by Pat Horan

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Thus, the objectives of Home and School and the purposes of Scouting complement each other. Across Canada today, there are some 100 local Home and School Associations actively involved in Scouting and serving an estimated 5,000 -- 6,000 boys and youth who are supported by about 1,000 adult leaders and 600 committee personnel. This involves from 3,000 to 4,000 families.

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There are many other ways in which Scouting and Home and School personnel may work together. Get a copy of the pamphlet *Home and School and Scouting* from your local council office to review examples of some possible joint community activities. The key contact is the president of the local association and the school principal can provide the name. There is a provincial federation in most provinces and The Canadian Home and School and Parent-Teacher Federation national office is at 240 Eglinton Ave. E., Suite 204, Toronto, Ontario M4P 1K8. *Allan Locke*, 101 Spartan Cres., Pointe Claire, P.Q. H9R 3R4, is the national liaison officer between the Federation and Scouting.

Let's continue our cooperative efforts with this fine volunteer group to meet the needs of more boys and youth in local communities. And, if your sponsor is a local association, say thanks to the president and the other members for their continuing support. X

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# Queen Charlotte Island Expedition

*Last April, the 1st Prince Rupert Scouts set out on a five-day exploration of the Queen Charlotte Islands. It was an ambitious undertaking for the seven boys and Scouter Gerry Kloepper, and gave the troop a valuable experience in expedition planning and execution. Together they worked through making initial contacts and gathering information, planning route and schedules, preparing menus and equipment/supply lists, and buying food and supplies. Troop scribe Michael Eastwood, a second year Scout, kept a detailed log of the experience and the troop proudly accepted the Provincial Commissioner's Adventure Award for the trip.*

*After the initial six hour ferry ride from Prince Rupert to Skidegate on Graham Island — "a very uneventful trip, very quiet, but there were some of the kids who got a little queasy in the stomach area"*

*— the troop covered over 200 km of territory on Graham and Moresby Islands. We've summarized some of the highlights and feelings by using Michael's descriptions from the official log.*

**APRIL 3:** We are using the Rod & Gun Club cabin at Copper Bay as our base camp. ... Copper Bay is a beautiful place ... right next to the water with level ground and a good beach. The cabin is old but useable. We put our tents up. ... Everybody started to collect firewood ...

Before we were allowed to use the axes, we had some instruction on how to use them properly; also how to sharpen them ... After cleanup, we had to do a small compass course and a scavenger hunt. This way we cleaned up the campsite and had fun at the same time ...

The rest of the afternoon ... we tried to catch fish, did a lot of running around, beachcombed, and collected more firewood and started a nice fire on the beach ...

**APRIL 4:** The sun was up, sky clear and very cold. The water tap froze overnight but we had some water in the cabin and could start breakfast ...

After cleanup and getting ready for a long hike, we left for Gray Bay ... At Gray Bay we found an abandoned loran (navigation) station.

We left the truck there and found the trail that leads to Cumshewa Inlet. Once we were on the beach, all we had to do is follow it. The beach was very rocky and the sand very soft so we decided to walk on the driftwood ... fairly high on the beach. We used poles to keep our balance and made pretty good headway.

We went about 8 km down the beach when we came to a small bay. We saw about a dozen seals in the water.



Near Cumshewa Head on the east coast of Moresby Island, the Scouts pose with a supertanker lifering they found and kept as "booty".

watched them for about a half hour and took some pictures. We found some Japanese bottles and also somebody's shelter up in the trees. Probably somebody used it to take pictures for count wildlife. ... On the way back, we found a lifering. ... EXXON NEW ORLEANS. We brought it back with us as booty ...

Before we went to bed, we did some stalking in the dark. Mr. Kloepper hid and we were trying to find him. We just could not get close. He made owl calls and, when we did find him, he was in bed already ...

**APRIL 5:** Clear sky, very cold; water tap is frozen again. Sure glad we had our tents packed up. Everything is white with frost ...

(After returning to Sandspit and crossing on the ferry) we drove through Skidegate Mission. It is an old Indian village. Argillite is harvested there and made into carvings. We saw an old burial ground with totem poles as grave markers ...

Just past Port Clements, we went to see the Golden Spruce and went on down the road to find the canoe which



The troop puzzles over a huge red cedar. Over 100 years ago, Haida Indians started to make a dugout canoe from it. For some unknown reason, the work was abandoned.

was started by Indians over a hundred years ago. We also found a testhole... burned into a tree to see if that tree was any good for making a canoe. It was very hard in those days to take a tree down. Indians used to burn the trees down. The canoe, itself, is approximately 14 m (45 ft.) long... It has the shape of a canoe but, for some unknown reason, it was abandoned and never finished...

At Tow Hill we made camp... Some of the boys went up Tow Hill itself to see the blowhole and the birds. They saw some cormorants. Other boys went onto the beach to watch some clam diggers and... the sun disappearing...

**APRIL 6:** We drove back to Masset and... some free time to go shopping, and had a ride out to Haida Village. We drove through the old part of Haida and then left for Tlell. After lunch, we decided to go for a long hike down the Tlell River, up the coast as far as an old boatwreck... Sounded real good, so we started. The trail is well marked and easy to walk on — really beautiful. When we got to the



Entrance to historical dugout canoe site.

river, it was really blowing and it was hard going. The wreck is 10 km down the beach and, after walking for a while, the boys decided it was not worth it, so we went back to the truck...

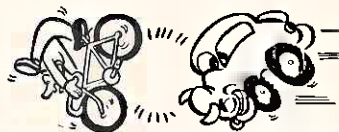
Mr. Kloepper found out where we could find the balancing rock just the other side of Skidegate. By the time we got there, it was getting dark. It is quite the sight, this big rock sitting there on a very small base, balanced. One could wonder how it stays up there. We also had a quick visit at the Queen Charlotte Museum. It was worthwhile to see...

The ferry left Skidegate Landing at 10:50 p.m. The trip back was very smooth, the moon was out, but everybody was so tired. We found ourselves a spot on the floor of the lounge and tried to get some sleep...

The trip was fun. We saw a lot, learned quite a bit. No-body got hurt. As a matter of fact, we did not use even one bandaid. It was a worthwhile trip and we would recommend it to other troops. X

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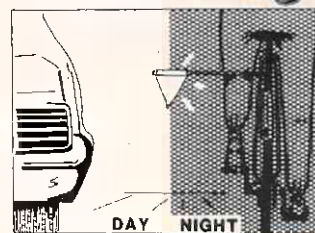
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# Lights! Camepa! Action!

by Bob Milks

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The production of a film is always costly and we are fortunate in having CFCN do the film. Murray Dale, the producer, has discussed the film with representatives of Boy Scouts of Canada and has started work on an outline and story board.

While CFCN is primarily producing this film for national airing on television, they have agreed to provide master prints to Boy Scouts of Canada so that we can have copies made for sale to Scout councils in Canada and to countries who have sent contingents to the jamboree.

Through a grant from a Canadian company, we are going to be able to subsidize the costs of prints and will be able to offer them to councils at what can be considered bargain rates.

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## 10<sup>th</sup> New Zealand Jamboree - 2<sup>nd</sup> National Venture 2 ~ 10 January, 1984

The Scout Association of New Zealand has invited Canadian participation in the Jamboree of Discovery — two events which will run concurrently at sites 20 km apart.

The Jamboree will be located at Feilding, and the Venture will be based at Awapuni Raceway, Palmerston North.

### Eligibility

Scouts who wish to attend the 10th New Zealand Jamboree must be 12 years old as of Aug. 31, 1983, the closing date for applications, and must not have reached their 16th birthday by Jan. 2, 1984, the opening

day of the jamboree.

Venturers who wish to attend the 2nd National Venture must be registered members of a Venturer Company and must not have reached their 19th birthday by the opening day of the Venture.

### Fee

A basic fee has been set tentatively at NZ\$150 (to be confirmed). This will cover most program activities, feeding for 10 days, jamboree badge and administration services. Overseas participants *must* arrange adequate sickness and accident insurance at their own expense.

### Canadian Participation

Members of Boy Scouts of Canada who wish to apply for attendance at either of these events must complete an *Application to Attend an International Event* form. These forms are available from local and provincial Scout offices. Completed forms, with appropriate approvals, must reach the Relationships Service of the National Office by July 11, 1983.

At the present time, it is not intended to organize a Canadian contingent. Canadians will organize their participation as individuals and will be entirely responsible for all costs involved. X

# patrol corner

by Phil Newsome

## JOTA '82 Round Up

Although only 37 stations sent in JOTA '82 reports, indications are that there were as many as 100 radios "in action" on Oct. 16 and 17, 1982.

Typical of the comments received is this one from an operator who took part in JOTA for the first time. "I'm not sure who had the most fun, me or the Scouts," he said.

An interesting question is posed by VE4VQM, a Scouter "ham" from Winnipeg. "I wonder if it would be possible to correlate the readiness with which a Scout takes to the microphone with his occupation in later years?" he asks. If any reader knows the answer, the World Bureau would be happy to hear from him.

In the Fraser Valley, British Columbia, Venturers of the 3rd West Whalley Company hiked to the top of Mount Seymour, 1600 metres above sea level, to set up VE7BAR in a cabin on the top.

VE7KC in Penticton, British Columbia, were delighted to talk to Scouts in Thailand, from whom they learned that both the king and prime minister of the country are deeply involved in Scouting.

From Burlington, Ontario, VE3LVO bewails the clash of JOTA with the local Apple Day, and also suggests more and earlier publicity in national amateur radio magazines.

From Montreal, Les Scouts du Canada operated VE2JAM and proved a welcome contact for French-speaking Scouts in other countries.

From Calgary, Alberta, near the site of the XV World Jamboree, the Calgary Region operated VE6CSJ and were able to answer questions about the Jamboree from the many overseas Scout stations they contacted.

In Temiskaming, Ontario, local Scouts held an explanatory seminar to which they invited parents as well as Scouts on the Friday evening. With the aid of an operating station, they told everybody what they could expect from station VE3EJX over the weekend.

In the National Capital Headquarters, station VE3SHQ was host to 13 Scout groups from Ottawa and reports having contacted more Canadian stations than ever before. Canadian readers may be interested to know that VE3SHQ is a permanent station operated by a crew of Rover Scouts and is control station for the Canadian Scout Net on the second Wednesday in every month. Frequency is 14.135 mhz and starting time is 20.00 local (actually 01.00Z on Thursday).

For the second year running, Cubs and Scouts from Cedar Hill, Victoria, B.C., made the two hour journey to a satellite ground station at Lake Cowichan and, from there by pre-arrangement, talked for an hour and a half with Scouts at Moree, N.S.W., Australia. "There was a very special feeling of fellowship as the two groups communicated," their report says.



Most stations reported rather poor propagation conditions which restricted most of their contacts to North America. A few stations, however, managed to talk outside of the continent and contacts ranged from St. Helena Island to Australia and New Zealand, as well as to Europe and Africa.

Thanks to Len Jarrett for writing this JOTA report. Further information regarding JOTA can be obtained from your local Scout office by requesting the publication **JOTA — How Canadians Can Participate.** ✕

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# EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK



by Bob Butcher

## Scouting Around the World

As Scouting organizations in 86 countries are, at this moment, preparing to send boys to Alberta, the XV World Jamboree is shaping up to be a true reflection of World Scout brotherhood.

Through this event, many Canadians will enlarge their understanding of Scouting's role in different corners of the free world. They will, that is, if they take advantage of the opportunity to seek out and try to communicate with young men and women from foreign lands.

Canadians may be surprised to learn that Scouting in some countries provides job training skills to equip young people for work. They may discover that Scouting in other countries plays a major role in providing community health and sanitation services. They may learn about how some Scouting organizations make great contributions of resources and manpower to help their brothers in developing countries. They may even pick up first-hand information about how Canadian Scouting, together with the Canadian International Development Agency, helps third world countries through the Brotherhood Fund.

During the past several months as we focussed on many anniversary events, our Notebook file has collected a backlog of World Scouting Newsletters. From these bulletins, we have selected a number of items to share that demonstrate the kinds of contributions Scouting makes in different lands.

For readers who won't get to the Jamboree, we hope these items will offer inspiration for Scouting service to the Canadian community. We hope also that they will inspire leaders who

have boys going to the Jamboree to encourage participants to reach out to foreign brothers and learn more about their world.

### Lebanon

During the well-known dramatic events of the past year, Lebanese Scouts were able to raise themselves above the religious and political splits in their country to offer real services in their communities.

Leaders and members of the different Scout associations representing diverse sectors maintained contact and coordinated action even during the worst periods. They were active in blood donation efforts, garbage collection, food and water distribution, disinfectant spraying and cleaning up. While they did their best to minimize risks, there were casualties. Some 40 Scouts and leaders were lost.

"As a result of our actions, the image of Scouting is even better than before," said one Lebanese leader. Scouts of Lebanon consider their primary challenge now to be helping to rebuild after the physical and moral damage done to their nation.

"The principles of Scouting and the behaviour of Scouts can help restore what should be," one said. "It won't be easy, but Scouting can help."

### Pakistan

The pilgrimage to Mecca in Saudi Arabia is made by hundreds of thousands of Moslems each year. Scouts from several countries have undertaken projects to assist pilgrims with information, first aid, crowd control and guide services for old or sick persons.

The government of Pakistan took note of the services provided by Pakistan Rovers in 1981 and, in 1982, sponsored 27 Rovers to go to Saudi Arabia to take part in service projects.

### France/Poland

Scout leaders in the Marseille area of France have driven 25 van loads of clothes, medicines and food to various towns in Poland. As part of a national campaign to bring aid to the people of Poland, Scouts, parents and school friends collected all of these relief items.

Also in the south of France, Scouts have bought their own village. The village of Bécours was abandoned in 1943 and the 10 houses were on the verge of collapse.

Every July and August, the village provides an activity focal point for Scouts from all over the country. Each week during the summer, 500 Scouts and Guides camp in the village.

Restoration of the houses is part of their program but other activities and workshops are organized for them as well.

In a scientific program, Scouts and Guides learn about computers and electronic equipment, and each workshop participant makes his own electronic mosquito repellent.

In the same part of the country, the threat of forest fires is a serious concern each summer when thousands of tourists use the woods for picnics and walks. In a campaign to protect forest areas, French Scouts have set up look-out posts which they man, sometimes through the night. The Scouts have been trained by firemen so that they can locate a fire on a map after sighting smoke. Exhibits and forest games also have been organized by the Scouts to attract the attention of visitors to the danger.

### Trinidad

Scouts and residents have worked together to bring a water supply to 50 people of Surry village, Lapinot, in Trinidad.

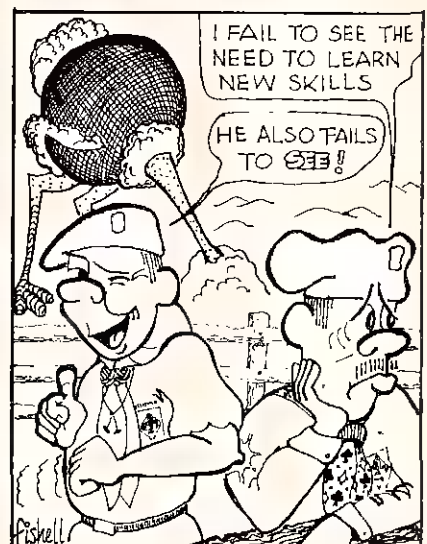
The local Scouts noted that, for almost 20 years, villagers had to fetch their own water. A simple gravity feed supply was designed and the Scouts and villagers laid the pipe. The Scouts had to learn the technical skills in laying pipe and will now learn how to look after the system to ensure that a clean water supply is maintained.

### Yemen

Country development programs in Yemen started in 1962. Before then, the country had no electricity, paved roads or organized education.

Scouting in the country is engaged in a nation-wide tree-planting campaign and is assisting in literacy

## If the shoe fits.....





classes. It's estimated that 70% of the population is illiterate.

Yemen Scouting is now discussing setting up a number of pilot projects related to poultry production and fruit tree planting. The president of the country has made land available to the Scouts for a training centre.

With their two buses, Scouts plan to carry their skills to other parts of the country.

### Nicaragua

With the help of the Canadian International Development Agency, Scouts in Nicaragua have started a beekeeping enterprise. The first beehives were built and installed by participants of a national community development seminar. The plan is to develop 2,000 beehives which will produce 1,600 litres of honey each year. The project was designed to teach skills, create employment and improve food supplies in the region.

### Peru

Scouts in Chosica, Peru, have built a farm capable of raising 3,000 guinea pigs. They undertook the project not only to learn construction skills and animal raising techniques, but also to provide employment and earn money.

Guinea pigs are a traditional source of food in the area. The Indians of Peru are believed to have domesticated the animals before the arrival of the Spaniards, and the meat was prized as a delicacy.

The creation of new small enterprises, such as the farm managed by the Scouts, has helped to solve the unemployment problem among young people in the country.

A new program at the Scout training centre at San Juan de Lurigancho in Peru will provide young people with technical training which can be used in small and medium size businesses. The centre will be expanded and equipped with support from both the government and the private sector.

The goal of the project is to promote the technological, industrial, economic and social development of suburbs and urban zones.

### Rwanda

The Scout training centre at Giseyni continues to expand. Scouts have attended a training course in the assembly and repair of motorcycles and bicycles. This has enabled the centre to provide both sales and after-sales service.

The centre is being expanded to include a carpenter's workshop.

Scouts learn skills that will eventually help them find employment. At another centre in Butare, Scouts are helping to build furniture for 30 schools in the country.

### Finland/Namibia

When Scouter Raija Salmi, a missionary worker in Namibia, explained the need to Finnish Scouts, the Nordic youth raised funds to purchase a loom and supplies for their brother Scouts.

A Scout centre in Namibia now can train young people in the techniques of weaving cloth for themselves and their families.

### World Bureau

To aid Scouts in the field of food production, the Community Development Service of the World Scout Bureau has produced a slide presentation which shows why soil needs revitalizing to improve food production and how to use fertilizers. It also shows Scouts an inexpensive way to produce compost that will create healthy soil and generate more abundant crops.

### Beavers Meet Computers

Scout Executive Frank Spence from the Windsor District recently shared with us some news of Beaver activities in his area.

In February, the 64th colony held a "Computer Night". Mr. Frank Naccarato, a teacher at St. Joseph's School, introduced the Beavers to some aspects of the computer. Seven computers were set up in the school library where the boys were allowed to "do their thing". They had an enjoyable time and remembered their motto well as they moved from machine to machine trying out the dif-

ferent games. Their meetings usually run from 6:30 to 7:30 but we understand the fun began as soon as they started to arrive and didn't finish until after 8:00. The leaders and parents seemed to enjoy themselves as much as the boys.

"This was not only a very memorable night for the colony, but the most rewarding one," reports Beaver Leader Marianne Bezaire.

The 64th Windsor colony have also had various speakers come to talk to them, including one of the mothers with an electric piano, and one of the dads with some telephones.

At their "Bring A Friend Night" they had 10 honorary Beavers visit. All donned pirate hats and swords to mark the occasion.

### Sweet Demonstration

In his February *On the Level* column, John Sweet went to great lengths to tell readers about his "fabulous month-long adventures in Canada" last autumn. After his glowing tribute, we considered recommending him to the Canadian Government Travel Bureau.

We thought our readers should know, however, that his trip was not all holiday. We have been assured by Denny May in the Northern Alberta Region that John earned his keep by performing at the Northern Region Scouters' Conference held in Edmonton. Denny sent us this photo of John demonstrating one of his garden cane and rubber band creations with the help of two uniformed but unnamed Canadian Scouters.



by Gerry Giuliani

## Trouble at the Pond

*This timely offering is from Betty Ontram, a Beaver leader in Windsor, Ontario. It is nice to know that men and other animals can serve each other.*

Recently a friend told me a heart-warming story told to her while visiting friends in Cloyne in the Ottawa Valley.

Henry and Carol LaVergne live at the foot of a mountain beside a quiet spring-fed lake. They enjoy and appreciate the wildlife that comes to the lake to drink and feed. There's been a lot of erosion at the end of the lake but, thanks to a colony of beavers and their 15'x4' dam, the beautiful lake is maintained.

Last winter had been extremely severe and, when spring thaw came, trouble began. It started with a small break in the dam. The beavers tried frantically to repair it but things only got worse and Mr. LaVergne was saddened by their desperate efforts. Finally, a huge hole broke through the dam and repair seemed impossible.

Mr. LaVergne called the township which came to the rescue with heavy machinery and lots and lots of dirt, gravel and fill. The heart-warming part of this story is that the beavers sat nearby and watched as if they understood the kindness.

The lake level dropped a foot, but the dam has been restored, thanks to a little help from modern machines.

*A big tail slap to Henry and Carol LaVergne for their concern and love of nature. Thanks a lot.*

## Beaver Buddies

*If you enjoy taking your colony on outings, here's an idea about how to introduce them to the buddy system. It's from Rhonda Holcombe, 3rd Arrowsmith Beavers, Port Alberni, B.C.*

In our Alberta District 3rd Arrowsmith Colony, we are introducing the buddy system to the Beavers.

This is simply a method where we put the boys in pairs when we take them on an outing so that no one is alone on a walk or ramble and everyone has someone for whom he is responsible. We've paired a White Tail Beaver with a first year Beaver this year, and the older boy is able to help teach the younger, more inexperienced boy.

Other colonies in the Islands Region use this method as well. It means we can keep our colonies under better control in the outdoors when we walk to the park or visit a special place like the fire hall or hospital.

Because we can learn from and enjoy playing games, to introduce the buddy idea I wanted a simple game that would both be fun and demonstrate the concepts of the buddy system and cooperation between buddies.

**Buddy Tag:** Pair the boys up as buddies, putting an older Beaver with a younger one, and choose one pair to be "it". They hold hands and, without letting go of each other, run to trap another Beaver by forming a circle around him. When a Beaver is trapped, he finds his own buddy, they join hands to become the new "it",

and the game resumes. If time allows, play until all pairs of buddies have been "it".

*I think this sounds like a fun way for Beavers to become familiar with their buddies and the value of cooperation.*

## Space Walk

*This space walk theme, sent by Anne Lake, 2nd Bay Roberts Colony, Newfoundland, was used during B.-P. Week as a celebration of Scouting's 75th anniversary, but you can use it for an outdoor activity on a warm evening or a Saturday. The official celebration period for Scouting's anniversary ends in July with the World Jamboree.*

The 2nd Bay Roberts Beavers had a dual celebration at the Bay Roberts Amalgamated School on Feb. 22. Lord Baden-Powell's birthday and the 75th anniversary of Scouting in Canada will long be remembered by the Beavers, their families and friends.

The theme for the evening was a space program and the stars, planets, moon, rockets, spot lights and strobe lights set up in the school gym certainly gave the feel of outer space. We started with a space walk (parade) of boys and leaders in full space costume. They sang a song which ended with a countdown and blast off, and the rocket (7 feet high and 18 inches in diameter) lifted off in a flurry of flares and yellow streamers.

This put everyone in very high spirits and the program continued with space related games, a craft, a puppet show and, of course, a lunch of shortbread stars and moons, a rocket cake and martian drinks.

The cake and the rocket which blasted off to start the evening carried both the 75th anniversary and the Scout emblem. ⚓

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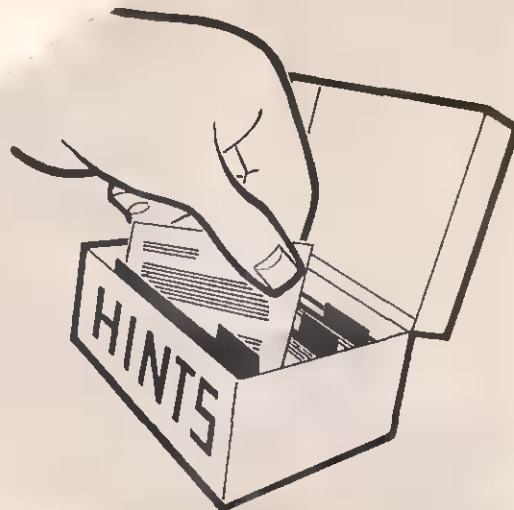
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## THOUGHT FOR EACH DAY

- (inspired by a calendar of daily thoughts by *Bill Stride*, published in the June 1982 issue of Mississauga District's *the scouter*.)

### Sunday:

- Let me be true, for there are those who trust me;
- Let me be pure, for there are those who care;
- Let me be strong, for there is much to suffer,
- Let me be brave, for there is much to dare.
- Let me be friend to all who are friendless,
- Let me be giving, and forget what I give;
- Let me be humble, for I know my weakness;
- Help me to laugh, and love, and live!

### Monday:

- I only have this life to live,  
I want to taste its every flavour,  
To watch sun's set with mind at peace,  
And greet each day as gift to savour.
- I only live each day but once,  
And want to do all I can do  
To show a kindness, make a friend;  
To touch another passing through.
- If I forget, as I go by,  
To stop to ease another's pain  
Or smell a rose, remind me, Lord,  
I'll never pass this way again.

— Linda Florence

### Tuesday:

- Take time to think, it's the source of power;
- Take time to play, it's the secret of perpetual youth;
- Take time to laugh, it's the music of the soul;
- Take time to love and be loved,  
it's a God-given gift.

## Aluminum Foil & Camping

- *Most outdoors people are quite aware of the value of aluminum foil for camp cookery. Reynolds Aluminum also offers a few other outdoors ideas you might want to consider.*

- • Wrap fishing gear in aluminum foil to keep line from tangling and hooks from rusting. By lining the compartments of a tackle box with foil, you can prevent rust damage to plugs and other equipment.

- • Wrap a wet washcloth in a foil package and put it into your pack. You'll have a handy "wet-wipe" for cleaning hands and face after a satisfying camp meal.

- • Aluminum foil provides good packaging material for a camper's personal toilet articles. When it comes time to pack up at the end of a camp, a wet toothbrush, face cloth and bar of soap wrapped in foil won't dampen the other things in your kit.

## Predictions & Estimations

- • Mist in a valley or over water at sunrise is a sign the day will be fine. Heavy evening dew also means a fine day will follow.

- • Unsure of where you're heading? To find direction, place a short stick upright in the ground and mark the point on the ground where the tip of the stick's shadow falls. After about 10 minutes, put another mark on the place on the ground where the tip's shadow falls. A straight line drawn through the two marks will point east and west. The first mark you made will point west.

- • Try this method of metric height estimation. You need a stave or long broomhandle, a metric rule, and a friend. Walk nine paces from the tree, pole or tower on which you want a height estimation and stick your stave upright into the ground at that point. Walk one pace

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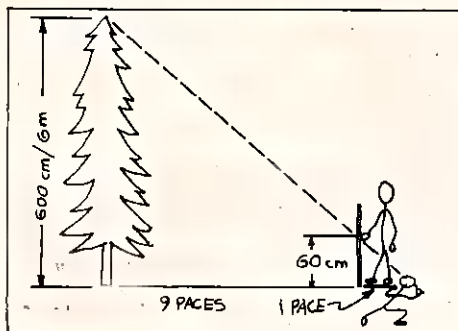
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further and lie down so that you're doing your eye-balling from ground level.

Sight through the stave up to the top of the object you're measuring, and have your friend slide his finger down the stave until it is in line with your sighting. To find the height of the object you're estimating in centimetres, measure in centimetres the height of your friend's finger from the ground and multiply by 10. If you want to know the object's height in metres, divide the height of your friend's finger from the ground by 10. In other words, if the distance between the ground and friend's finger is 60 cm, the height of the object you're measuring is 600 cm or 6 metres.

— thanks to *Scouting in New South Wales*



#### Safety

- To prevent night accidents in camp, use phosphorescent paint to mark the edges of latrines, the tops of the corner pegs of tents, etc.
- Learn to paddle a canoe in a kneeling position with buttocks resting on the edge of the seat or thwart. This position keeps you in the canoe on rough water and allows you to reach out to grab that eddy with reasonable assurance that the canoe will follow. Use big sponges for knee pads. They also double as water sponges.

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#### Wednesday:

God grant me the serenity to accept the things that cannot be changed,

The courage to change the things that can be changed,

And the wisdom to know the difference.

#### Thursday:

Begin the day in friendliness,

Be friendly all day long.

Keep in your soul a friendly thought,

In your heart, a friendly song;

Have at the ready a word of cheer

For all who come your way,

And they will greet you too, in turn,

And add smiles to your day.

#### Friday:

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

- a time to be born and a time to die;
- a time to break down and a time to build up;
- a time to weep and a time to laugh;
- a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
- a time to mourn and a time to dance;
- a time to keep and a time to cast away.

— paraphrased from *Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*

#### Saturday:

Give me a good digestion, Lord

And also something to digest;

Give me a healthy body, Lord,

With sense to keep it at its best.

Give me a sense of humour, Lord,

Grant me the power to see a joke,

To get some pleasure out of life

And pass it on to other folk.

— prayer found in *Chester Cathedral* and attributed to Michael, Bishop of St. Albans.

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# A WORD TO CHAIRMEN

(of Group Committees)

by Pat Horan

## ...about the B.C./Yukon Relationships Conference.

Dear Murray,

Along with National President Roy Brookes, I had the pleasure of attending the B.C./Yukon Provincial Relationships Conference on Feb. 12. As you know from your attendance at the National Partners Conference, these provincial and regional events are strongly encouraged so that we can get the message down to the local level.

There was a good mixed group in attendance, including representatives from police and fire associations. They have a particular interest in the Venturer age group and offer these young people an opportunity to explore two potential challenging careers.

Of particular interest to me was the emphasis on partnership which was carried through the whole program. The major point, of course, is that we are interested in working together with our sponsors at all levels in order to meet the needs of their youth, leaders and families. Major Peter Boyd of the Salvation Army, a former Territorial Scout Director, emphasized the value of a successful partnership using his own Corps as an example. Deputy-Regional Commissioner Paul Stanwood gave a delightful session on leadership recruitment which showed again how much it is a cooperative effort and everyone's responsibility. Provincial President Wilson Nicole, Provincial Commissioner John Adams and newly appointed Provincial Executive Director John Pettifer each contributed to the program as well.

In his presentation, the National President asked participants to do four things on their return home:

1. to share the experience, ideas and enthusiasm generated with their own people;
2. to thank, recognize and provide further support to local groups currently sponsoring Scouting;
3. to seek out personnel of potential local sponsors and make them aware of the opportunity to meet the needs of their youth, leaders and families through Scouting;

4. to let him know personally what more can be done TOGETHER with our sponsors to strengthen Scouting and provide a Scouting experience for more boys all across Canada. Please send your ideas on this one c/o Pat Horan, National Headquarters, Boy Scouts of Canada, PO 5151, Stn "F", Ottawa, Ont. K2G 3G7.

The conference organizing committee forwarded two postscript notes to me. "Judging by the subsequent comments and reactions... and a review of the day... the conference has to be viewed as a great success," they said. "It is our hope that this will be a foundation to further development of closer links and communication with our partners in British Columbia."

Murray, we will watch with interest the action and reaction on the part of Scouting and partner representatives who attended this event.

Sincerely

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# letters

## Hot Cinnamon Cider

I received your letter at about the same time I read **the Leader** in which Peter Robson asks for the recipe for cinnamon cider (*Feb. '83 Letters*). I checked with the Toronto Historical board, which runs Old Fort York, and they were kind enough to send me a copy of the recipes they use at most of the facilities in the Toronto area.

We have found that the serving of caffeine-free cider helps keep the boys from becoming too "hyper" just after mug-up and before lights-out at camp. As a result, we have fewer boys who stay up the whole night to see if they can outlast the leaders. Hope the enclosed is of use to all.

### Hot Mulled Cider

1 gallon cider; 1 lemon cut into quarters; 2 three-inch cinnamon sticks; 1 cup brown sugar. Heat ingredients thoroughly. Sprinkle cinnamon in each cup as served.

— Alistair McLaren, Bramalea, Ontario

*Ed's Note: Thanks for tracking down the cider recipe. Watch for more "Recipes from the Kitchens of the Officer's Quarters, Historic Fort York" on the recipe cut-out pages in the June/July issue.*

## On Women in Scouting

I am inclined to agree wholeheartedly with Helen Singh about women in Scouting (*Mar. '83 Letters*). If ladies are allowed and expected to share responsibilities for a boy up to Scouting age, does that training have to be retired at that level?

In many cases where male leaders have troops, the wife is the left arm who keeps them in operating order. My husband is a troop Scouter with 13 boys. When shift work caused problems with regular meetings, a poll was taken of the troop to see if a woman would be acceptable to them to keep the troop meeting regularly. This particular group voted unanimously to accept this solution.

Should (Scout) policies be reviewed more regularly? I would welcome any other opinions or points of view but, in any case, it is definitely food for thought.

— Donna Campbell, Sparwood, B.C.

Thanks for printing Helen Singh's letter. In Pembina District we are hav-

ing very real problems with the recruiting of leaders, and I may have to start using the ladies again.

— V.L. "Skink" Dutton, Winnipeg

## Thank you, Gerry

In the Feb. issue, the article by Gerry Giuliani, entitled *Outdoors*, was indeed very special.

The reprint of the over 130 year old speech by Seattle, Indian Chief, is as up-to-date and applicable today as when it was first given. I did enjoy it so much, and wish to thank Mr. Giuliani for bringing this wonderful and thought-provoking statement to our attention.

### How Can You Buy or Sell the Sky?

is conservation expressed in such a beautiful manner that even our very youngest members of Scouting may enjoy the sentiments it contains, and our older ones be inspired to greater efforts to preserve the natural beauty of our land.

— Jean Howe, Montreal, P.Q.

## Abrasion of Rope

John Sweet in his column *On the Level*, "Oddments" (*March '83*) raises a good point with respect to abrasion of rope. The section on ropework in the *Canadian Scout Handbook* has a table (p. 163) on the characteristics of popular types of rope which, to some extent, covers this problem. Our leaders and Scouts should be aware that each type of rope has its strengths and its weaknesses and pick the right type for the job they have to accomplish. The handbook contains a good guide.

— Bill Henderson, Toronto

## Correction

I would like to correct some of the names of the Venturers in the article *A Mountain Top Celebration* (Jan. '83). The caption under the picture should read:

*At the summit: (l to r, front) Captain Alfred Richardson, Major Gordon Wilder; (back) Doug Peat, Doug Cooke, Roger Moore, Robert Sinkovics, Llano Gorman (Photo by Neil Thomas).*

— Douglas Cooke, president 26th Edmonton Venturers

*Ed's Reply: We are sorry that the caption listed the participants in the wrong order. We took the names from the back of a photo and, since we've already returned it, we can't tell whether the error was the photographer's or ours.*

## Add a Crest to Your Vest

I'm not one of those who gets terribly excited about badge placement on uniforms. Each region, province, etc., has particular peeves about where certain badges should go.

I realize that in **the Leader** we strive for action-oriented, not staged photos, but the cover of the February issue has a picture of a Beaver with one of the Wildlife series patrol emblems on his vest pocket.

Already, comments have passed through here about what can or can't be worn. I'm sure you've heard similar comments over similar badge issues. I have read with appreciation the recent advertisement and retraction/explanation over the "add a flash to your sash" line. I guess you'll soon be explaining the "add a crest to your vest" situation.

— Paul Hillyard, Newfoundland

*Ed's Reply: In searching through B.P.&P. and the Beaver Leaders Handbook, I see that the right vest pocket is the location designated for the lodge patch, "shape and colour... to be determined by lodge members". Do you suppose the lodge chose this wildlife crest as their lodge patch? I know that the original intent was that the lodge patch was to be made by the Beaver himself.*

*Incidentally, these wildlife crests were never supposed to be used for patrol emblems either, but we know some patrols prefer them to the designated ones.*

## Uniform Thoughts

I have been following with interest the recent onslaught of letters regarding our uniform. Each Scouter suggests different alterations to the present uniforms; perhaps this is because of different needs?

B.P.&P. states under Rover Uniform: "Rover crews may, if they wish, develop their own activity dress. The degree of informality and the specific choice of items are determined by the crew. (The activity dress does not replace the official uniform when required...)"

Why not extend this privilege to all sections? Each Group could then design activity wear according to its needs.

E.K. Wade, in her book *27 Years with Baden-Powell*, devotes a chapter to the uniform. According to her, the original uniform was the object of much ridicule when it was first worn. Our founder's reaction was to admonish Scouts to work hard to gain the respect the uniform deserved. We don't need more changes to the uni-

forms; we need hard work, through community involvement and in other areas, to gain the respect we and our uniforms deserve.

— Gilles Mongeau, Nepean, Ont.

### A Problem of Timing

As a Scouter who has been receiving **the Leader** for the past 10 years, I'd like to commend you on a great job. I do have one observation, though. In Woodbadge II we are trained to recognize the value of advance planning, and we are encouraged by our district service staff to submit yearly outlines of our programs before Christmas.

Your articles are planned, it seems, to coincide with the month in which the suggested activities are due to take place. This leaves little or no time to work them into our existing programs. In some regions of Canada, our magazine reaches us about the middle of the month of publication.

The ideas are of great use to us in planning our year, but they simply arrive a little late. I'm *being unfair* in saying ALL of them fall into this category, but it is true of the majority of the articles. What would be wrong about printing an article outlining B.-P. Week activity suggestions in January, or Cub Camp ideas in March or April, when we are beginning to finalize plans for these events?

I'm very grateful for **the Leader**. We have used many of the ideas over the past years and they have given renewed emphasis and "punch" to a flagging program (and spirit) more times than I'd care to admit.

— Al Lowe, Medicine Hat, Alta.

*Ed's Reply:* We certainly are aware of the problem and do try to publish early enough whenever possible. Some recent examples are **Celebrations of December** (Nov. issue mailed in Oct.); the star gazing series, and **Join-In-Jamboree** ideas for July (Jan. issue, mailed in Dec.). Part of the difficulty is that we must rely on the generosity and promptness of volunteer Scouter contributors to get material to us at least three months before our cover dates. Another difficulty is that the Post Office can sometimes take over six weeks to deliver our magazines to some parts of the country.

Rest assured that we will do our best to deal with the problem. We hope, too, that you will give some thought to sharing some of your program material with us. We are now in production with the Aug./Sept. issue and planning the Oct. issue, so perhaps you could pen some Christmas ideas and get them to us by early summer. X

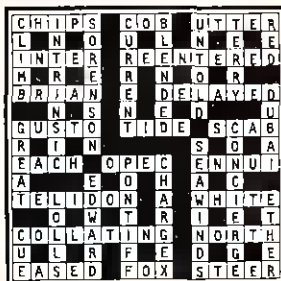
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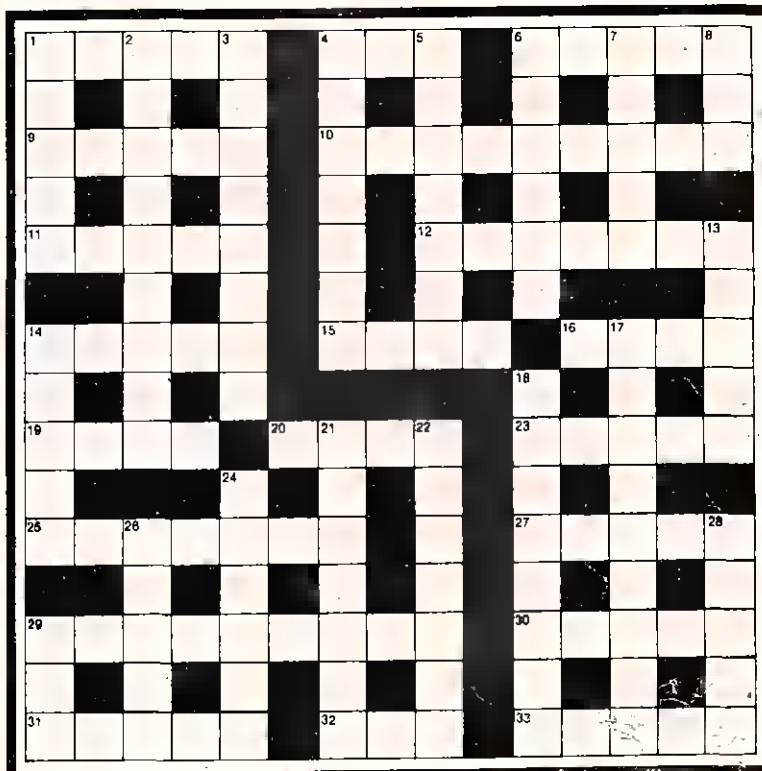
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