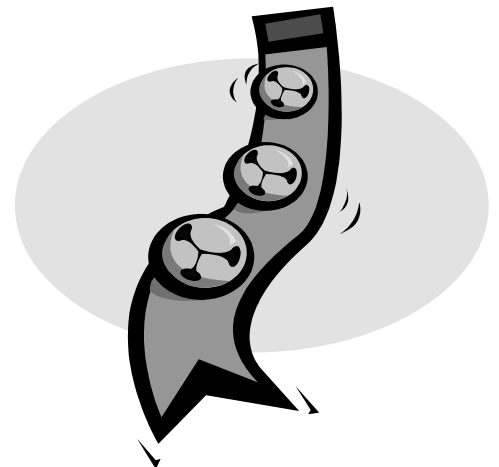


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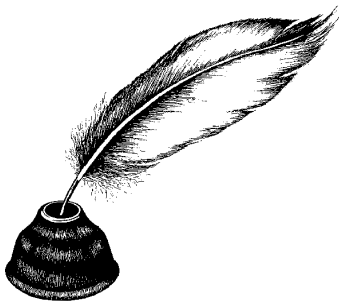


FINAL EDITION



We are no longer looking for, or accepting, submissions. This is THE LAST EDITION

From the Editor's Desktop



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To all of our readers and supporters.....

During the past couple of months there have been many internet postings, rumours, innuendoes and stories circulating about, concerning this magazine and our problems. In an effort to maintain some sanity in this situation, I will attempt to explain what happened, and why this edition's cover says "Final Edition".

With the closing of Atironta Council (formerly Region), a situation was created for this magazine whereby we lost our mailing address. The budget for this magazine has always been very tight and by using Atironta's address, we saved money by not having to rent a postal box. We just recently were able to start using a discounted postal rate, bringing us back up into the positive side of our ledgers on a per-issue basis. This savings helped to keep the subscription rate affordable to Rovers. We estimated that renting a mailbox would be equivalent to spending the income from ten to fifteen subscribers **just for the cost of the rental**. A suggestion was made that we might be able to use the Greater Toronto Council's mailbox as a drop for our mail. Since the magazine had been using the Atironta address almost from the inception of this magazine, I didn't anticipate any major obstacles.

John Plumadore, then the Council Executive Director of Greater Toronto Council, was supportive of using the GTC as a mail drop but felt the decision needed to be made by Barry Hardaker, National Executive Director of Field Services for Scouts Canada. Apparently this is where our problems began, as by using a Council office as our mail drop, the Canadian Rover, EH!, by implication, could be deemed a Scouts Canada publication. However, there was no information on where and how it fit into Scouts Canada and who was responsible for it. His letter instructing us to cease publication had no explanation, not only shocking me, but also mystifying me. I personally felt then, and still do, that Scouts Canada didn't have the right to terminate a publication that was not an official part of their organization. That said, however, I did not then, nor do I now, seek to argue the point. Scouts Canada is the organization recognized by WOSM as the official Scout Organization in Canada, and I don't want to create a scenario disputing that.

I sent Barry Hardaker a response, hoping that we could sit down face-to-face and come to an understanding of what the concerns of Scouts Canada were about this magazine and to provide the necessary information, including past issues of the magazine if necessary, which would remove any and all doubts that we were **an important resource for Rovering across Canada** and constantly **kept the guidelines of Scouting as our method of conduct**.

Barry Hardaker was unable to immediately support the Canadian Rover, EH!, as there were many questions of accountability that needed to be answered. Unfortunately, they were never asked directly of me or anyone else connected with the magazine, so I thought I would try to answer the most logical questions here: What is the role of the Canadian Rover, EH! within the Rover community? **It was an open forum for the exchange of information, by Rovers and for Rovers.** What are Scouts Canada's roles and responsibilities in providing for the publishing of the magazine through a Council office? **Scouts Canada never had anything to do with publishing this magazine in any way, shape, or form. This magazine has always been a stand-alone publication, put together by Rovers and/or Advisors, as a free-standing, self governing body. Our only connection with any official Scout office was the fact that Atironta Region permitted us to use their address as a mail drop.** Who is accountable for the finances associated with running the magazine? **The staff of the magazine collected subscriptions and advertising fees, had the magazine published and mailed and paid the bills.** What Scout body is responsible for the content? **We were never responsible to any governing body, but, by using the Scout Promise and Law as our guidelines, always followed the Scouting principles in what appeared in the magazine.**

A solution to the situation seemed to have been found with the direct input of Rovers and the Central

Canada Rover Round Table in particular, **but without the direct input of myself or anyone connected with this magazine.** The Canadian Rover, EH! was to continue providing information for the Rover community (and by extension, the Venturer and Ranger communities), with all material to be reviewed by the CCRRT. Since we never published material of a questionable nature in the past, I didn't expect any problems in the future, especially since our reviewers were to be the same people who fought so hard to have this magazine succeed, and so I agreed to what appeared to be reasonable concessions for us to make in order to have the "blessings" of Scouts Canada.

Unfortunately, I'm too set in my ways and have been editing this magazine for too long without having someone looking over my shoulder. I've found that the situation isn't working out and isn't something I can live with. People of good-nature, looking out for our best interests, became obsessed with perceived politically incorrect infractions that Scouts Canada would find offensive, the review has taken forever, and I felt like I was undergoing a slow water torture.

The situation we're under right now can be summed up in this parable:

A small herd of wild deer roamed the Rockies. The stag who led the herd was getting on in years, but used his many years of experience to successfully lead the herd throughout the area foraging for food and shelter and staying away from predators. All was right with the world until one day, while the herd was in a box canyon, MAN entered into the scheme of things. MAN built a fence across the mouth of the canyon, completely blocking the herd in. MAN then came in, used pellet guns and darts to drug all the members of the herd and then carted them off, by truck, to a zoo.

When the herd was released in the compound at the zoo, they now had several hundred acres of land to roam instead of hundreds of thousands of acres. Since there wasn't ample forage, the keepers, on a daily basis, made sure that enough hay was strewn about for the herd to eat. Now, you would think this was a better life, right? No more fears of predators, guaranteed food every day, somebody looking after them to make sure they had veterinary care if one or more of the herd had health problems..... All they had to give up (even if they didn't have a choice) was the ability to roam free across hundreds of thousands of acres of the beautiful Rockies.

Have you ever read stories of a magnificent stag plunging to his death because he tried to leap an impossibly wide ravine to escape hunters? That's the way I feel right now. I'm looking for a ravine to leap so that I can escape the trap I'm in. For MAN in the parable, substitute Scouts Canada. The story applies to my situation with this magazine.

To keep my sanity and to prevent losing friends over issues that they believe are important to Scouts Canada, I feel that the only resolution to this problem right now is for me to resign as the editor. I've spent the past five-and-a-half years doing what I thought was a good job in looking out for the best interests of Rovering and I don't want to be a distraction now, at a time of restructuring, when Rovers need to band together for the common good.

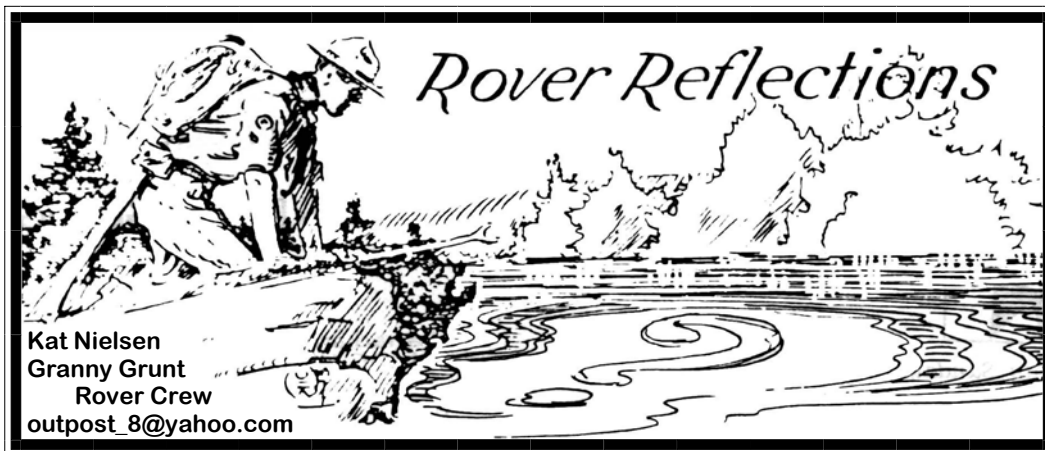
I leave with no feelings of animosity towards anyone, only a feeling of sadness that I can't continue my efforts. The unfortunate result of my resignation is the fact that there is no editor waiting in the wings to immediately carry on. I'm really sorry about that, because so many of you have been counting on this magazine and I feel I'm personally letting you down.

I hope that somebody steps forward soon to pick up the slack. This type of forum is definitely needed as a communications venue for Rovers, Venturers and Rangers. The "official" publications offer too little coverage of the senior sections.

When a new publication is established to continue this work, I will gladly contact all the people currently on the subscription list with details on where and how to contact the publishers. In the meantime, with the conclusion of this magazine, all of our present subscribers can expect a prorated refund based on any money still on hand after all the final bills are paid.

Nobody can take away the wonderful memories I have and the friendships I've made. I'm still a Rover in my heart and unless somebody puts me on an official blacklist, I will still attend Rover functions as an International Visitor, probably with a member or two from my Crew or other Scout Unit from my home area.

My regrets,
Keep on Rovering,
Stan Kowalski Jr.



Chivalry

Living out east lately, I have heard many times "Chivalry is Dead." Ironically, often it is being said by someone who, in many ways, I would consider to be chivalrous. However, in the context of the conversation, it is usually said to explain why my friend doesn't want to do something which will help another. When living in Calgary, I never heard this statement come out of my friends mouths, and it started me thinking about what chivalry is and who would be considered chivalrous.



Perhaps, in a way, it is tied into the idea of shame vs. guilt. In a guilt culture, if you do something wrong, or don't do something you are supposed to do, you are meant to feel badly about it—guilty—but there is no public consequences for the action or inaction. In a shame culture, you are expected to live up to communal expectations for behaviour. Despite all the modern conveniences of Western Canada, the idea of honour has remained very strong, most likely as a result of what can be coined "Cowboy Culture." Even in a city of a million people, such as Calgary, people still operate on the notion of help your neighbour when they are in need.



Regardless of the source, chivalry has the connotation of men taking care of women because it is popularly tied with medieval notions of what men and women should and should not do. However, since the sexual revolution, it is my humble opinion that both men and women are not only capable of chivalry, but should be **expected** to be chivalrous.



As members of Scouting, you have made a promise to keep the Scout Law. Although the laws have been modified lately, the core essence of them remains the

same. In effect, to undertake the Scout Law is to strive to be chivalrous. The Scout Law is not only something to strive for in our daily lives, but it is an ideal which we should try to live up to. There will always be cases when this is a struggle, and through these struggles, we develop into better people.

From my perspective, the spirit of the Scout Law can be divided into two aspects: Thought and Deed. Those aspects which relate to "Thought" revolve around the idea of developing a chivalrous attitude. There are two main areas of the Scout Law which relate to this area: Being pure in thought and smiling under all difficulties. To be pure in thought means meaning no ill-will to anyone, being trustworthy and trusting others to be the same, being loyal to your friends, community, and country, being wise in the use of both your and communal resources, thereby ensuring that you can help as many people as possible, and being polite and courteous to all those who you meet, whether friend, family, stranger, or nemesis. As a result of this, you will develop a carefree nature in that things don't get you down as much, and you will be able to smile under all difficulties, knowing that you have done your best, and that you have helped someone in their time of need.



In terms of chivalrous action, take the time to get to know those people around you. Try to be a friend to everyone, and be considerate of other people's feelings and circumstances. Help those around you who are in need, regardless of their connection to you. Care for animals, both domesticated and wild, and take care of each other. Leadership is also an important chivalrous action, but it comes in two parts. The trick is to learn when you need to be the leader, and when you should follow the leadership of someone else. The point is not glory, but helping others.



With these two aspects, Chivalrous Thought and Chivalrous Action, you cultivate within yourself a Chivalrous Soul, and become a Chivalrous Person. Both men and women are not only capable of this, but should strive for this in their lives.

I should also note that inherent in being a Chivalrous Person that you are a role-model for others. Be mindful of this at all times and try to conduct yourself in a chivalrous fashion. Chivalry is an ideal which you will strive towards your entire life. It will always be a struggle, but is well worth it in the end. This is supposed to be difficult. Don't get discouraged if you find that in some way you have forgotten the Scout Law, it can always be returned to, and is, in effect, a guideline for how to live your life. We all stumble, it's what we do about it that matters.

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LETTERS

to the EDITOR

via e-mail



To: Scouter Stewart Bowman
Whitby Area Commissioner

November 12, 2003

Dear Scouter Stewart,

Lately I have noticed that in area newsletters and Brit-ex information there is hardly any mention of Rovers. This also applies to the Leader magazine and other Scouting-wide publications. It is almost as if we are the embarrassing older brother that no one mentions in polite company. As a Rover myself, I can say this oversight is disappointing at best.

I can understand that in the past some Rovers have contributed to a bad reputation in regards to drinking and partying. The current incarnation of the Rover movement is anything but these stereotypes. Unless we are given the chance to show otherwise, these antiquated attitudes will continue. It is frustrating to defy these stereotypes and still get no recognition for our efforts.

Like the rest of Scouting, Rovering is experiencing a downward trend in membership. With rarely any mention in such widely distributed publications, this trend can only continue. We have been to many youth events but often our service role makes us less visible to the youth and impedes the potential for linking. Unless Venturers and Scouts are aware that Rovers exist as an option in Scouting we risk losing them. If this continues, Rovers could cease to exist.

When listing the levels of Scouting, Rovers are often curiously absent from the group. We are valid, participating, youth members of the Scouting movement and we deserve the same care and recognition as any other level. Our Crew is vital within our Scouting community and has provided many hours of service, as is our motto. Several of our members also serve dual roles as both leaders and Rovers. We have placed among the top three at several moots, and even ran a moot of our own, quite successfully. All I ask is that we be accepted and recognized for the role we play.

I recognize that you, personally, have been a strong supporter of our crew. I thank you for your encouragement. I feel this is a bigger issue that should be addressed at a broader level within Scouting. Please forward this letter to whomever you feel is appropriate.
Sincere Thanks,

Yours in Scouting,

Jennifer Flanders
Rover
1st Ashburn Rover Crew



OUT & ABOUT

Number 27

Backpacking in the Adirondacks

Recently I showed my new Venturer Company the August/September 2002 article from Leader Magazine, entitled **Everest Adventure Dreams**, written by Susan Mackie. My reasoning being that **1st Port Moody Venturers** trip to Mount Everest which won them first place in the 2001 Amory Awards would inspire them to *Think Big* when it came to planning upcoming events. Instead their response was "...how can we compete for the Amory Awards with other Venturer Companies who are doing great trips in the mountains, when we live in Ontario?" The answer I provided at the time didn't really win them over. After all most Ontarians think "**North**" automatically when planning for adventure in the wilderness and Ontario's northlands are essentially flat in comparison.

Few people in Ontario realize that a 7 to 9 hour car ride east from Toronto (to Lake Placid) along the 401 and into the Northeast of New York state would bring them into the largest park in the lower 48 states, (or as they say south of the 49th parallel, in the contiguous United States). New York state's Adirondack Park is larger than Yellowstone, Everglades, Glacier, and Grand Canyon National Parks combined. The park includes over 40 mountains with elevations of over 4,000 ft and one, the tallest, Mount Marcy over a mile high at 5,344 ft. Clearly backpacking in the mountains is closer than many expect.



After writing the above two paragraphs, I have to admit that I too fell into this same category of aforementioned Ontarian's until my recent Humber College Intermediate Backpacking class trip to the top Mount Marcy.

A few more Adirondack Park Facts:

- 5,820,111 acres (3,010,226 acres owned privately, 2,475,340 acres owned by the state, 334,545 acres of water)
- approximately 8,000 square miles of mountains
- approximately 2,000 miles of trails

Saturday

Our goal for Saturday was to make camp at Marcy's Dam. This meant rising early and driving all morning to make it to Lake Placid after a lunch stop somewhere along the way in New York state. We wanted to have at least an hour stop over (and you will too) at this small town that hosted two Winter Olympic Games. We found the town packed with tourists on the mutual long weekend. But I warn you that if you have shoppers or history buffs in your group a one-hour stop over won't be enough.



It's approximately 3 miles southeast along highway 73 to North Elba from Lake Placid. Once in North Elba turn right (south) onto Heart Lake Road. A short drive down Heart Lake Road will lead you to the ADK's Adirondack Loj. Once in the Loj's parking lot we made the final adjustments to our backpacks and began the 2.3-mile hike to Marcy's Dam. We had brought tents, in case the lean-tos were all taken, but got lucky and shared one with three people from Quebec. Around 4:30 p.m., we settled in and began preparations for dinner before the sun went down shortly after 6:00 p.m. It turned out that our fellow Canadians

were using the Marcy Dam lean-to as their base camp as they spent three days hiking to the top of a

number of the mountains around Mount Marcy. After dinner we had a few coffees and peppered Peter Hughes our Humber College instructor about tomorrow's hike and his hike across the United States on the John Muir Trail with his dad in the spring and summer of 2002.

Sunday

By 8:30 a.m. we had had breakfast, packed our gear and begun our trip along the (Blue markers) VanHoevenberg Trail out of Marcy's Dam. For the hike up to the Peak of Mount Marcy we left our backpacks in the ADK lean-tos and donned our daypacks. Today we would carry only lunch, snacks, water (and one pump), extra clothing for the top, first aid kit, map, compass, flashlight, survival kit, extra socks, and hiking poles.

According to "Discover the Adirondack High Peak" guidebook by Barbara McMartin and Bill Ingersoll, on page 275, the hike from Marcy Dam to Mount Marcy via the VanHoevenberg Trail is 5.1 miles, 3 ½ to 4 hours with an elevation change of 2,978 feet. Approximately 1 mile out from Marcy Dam you will encounter a fork in the trail. The left fork (heading northeast) with Red markers leads to the peak of Phelps's Mountain with an elevation of 4,161 feet. To continue the climb to Mount Marcy take the right fork and keep following the Blue markers.

Our first major break of the day was at Indian Falls. Normally you'd expect to climb to the base of a falls to enjoy the scenery of the falling water. Fortunately it's the opposite at Indian Falls. By travelling just a few feet off the main trail you pass through a few trees and walk across a large flat area of bare rock to gain a great view of Algonquin Peak. Algonquin is the second highest mountain in New York State at 5,114 feet in elevation. Thought the view is beautiful to look at, and I was thankful to be able to refill my water bottle, I was reminded on how much further we had to go with Algonquin Peak looming above us.



Shortly after you continue along the trail you'll come to another fork where a Yellow marker trail will join the VanHoevenberg trail from the right hand side of the trail. This trail leads westward to Arnold Lake and eventually climbs to the top of Mount Colden.

Approximately 1½ miles later you will encounter a second Yellow trail intersecting the Blue VanHoevenberg trail, this time from the left. The McMartin and Ingersoll guide estimates that when you've reached the Hopkins Trail, you've hiked a total of 3.9 miles from Marcy's Dam. At this point if you look southeast you may believe your getting close to the top. Unfortunately the mountain before you is Little Marcy at 4,765 feet. The climb continues.

Caution, once the trail passes the tree line it gets very steep in places. Above the tree line the path is marked by both yellow blazes and cairns. McMartin and Ingersoll remind their readers to "...always know the exact location of the next blaze or cairn before leaving the one you are on or near. This is critical during times of poor visibility." p.277



We arrived at the summit after 1:00 p.m. Approximately 8 to 10 feet below the summit is rock face with a bronze plaque commemorating the first recorded climb of the mountain in 1937.

Though it had been pleasant all day and I hiked in shorts and short selves, I had to put on my fleece at the top due to the wind to be comfortable. Plan as we did – have lunch on the top and really get time to enjoy the panoramic view.



There are Park Rangers on the summit reminding you to stay off the alpine vegetation and stay on the bare rock. We found them extremely happy to take several photos of us with the many cameras we brought.

Three trails meet on the top of Marcy, a Red trail from Bushnell Falls, a Yellow trail from Mount Skylight, and the Blue trail from Marcy's Dam. We chose to return the way we had come. We again stopped to rest,

take on more water and enjoy the view at Indian Falls. I, being the slowest in the party, arrived back with our instructor in tow at approximately 6:00 p.m. I was glad to be back at Marcy's Dam as I was extremely tired after a long day on the trail. Please note in planning a trip from the McMartin and Ingersoll guidebook – all distances and times illustrated are for the ascent of the trail, that is, the climb. Make sure you add adequate time for descending when planning your trip or day.

Monday

When we woke up on Monday morning, I must say I was more than a little stiff from the hike to the top of Mount Marcy. I had to do a little stretching on the way to my morning constitutional. We packed as we cooked breakfast, knowing we had a 2.3 mile hike back to the parking lot and at least a 7 hour drive back home. In fact it turned out to be over 9 hours in the long weekend traffic jam back to Toronto along highway 401 that night.

Monday's highlight for me and the rest of the college's students, was when our instructor, Peter Hughes, awarded each of us our crest for completing the climb. Crests are available for many of the mountains in the ADK Loj store. The ADK asks that you only purchase crests for the mountains you have actually climbed.

Trail Conditions:

The portion of the trail from the ADK Loj to Marcy Dam is similar to any hike on the Bruce Trail or through Algonquin Park, rolling hills with short climbs and descents. According to McMartin and Ingersoll you have: "2.3 miles, 50 minutes, 187-foot elevation change", p.253

After you leave Marcy Dam the trail changes gradually from an earth trail with man-made steps and log/plank boardwalks to large areas of natural rock and man-made rock steps. We were told by one of the Rangers who visited on campsite on Saturday that the week before our trip (Thanksgiving Weekend) the trail had 2 feet of snow on it. There were small areas throughout the trail between the dam and summit where the trail was wet. Numerous boardwalks and logs designed to divert runoff dot the trail.



We all carried two walking sticks for our ascent and descent of Mount Marcy. The work of the Trail Crews is quite evident along the entire trail. They've moved tons of rock to provide firm stepping stones or stairs to fortify the trail against the wear and tear of thousands of hikers each year. The Adirondack Park bans the use of power tools in the park. The crews are forced to create new trails and maintain old ones using only axes, saws, shovels, and iron bars. This year's Adirondack Life – 2003 Annual Guide to the Great Outdoors captures the lifestyle and the Herculean effort put out by the Professional Trail Crews in the article: PATH-LOGY – Five Days of Heavy Lifting with an Adirondack Trail Crew. Pick up the magazine if the idea of spending your summers working trails appears to you.

Most of the trail toward the top of the mountain can be categorized as "*step up, step, step up*". This is where the poles we carried really earned their keep, as well as on the way down. It's not until you hike the short distance above the tree line that "four wheel drive" aspect of the trip comes into vogue occasionally. The most dangerous part of the trail is coming over the summit. Here you're walking on bare rock on a steep angle. Take your time, ensure there's lots of space between you and other hikers, the mountain isn't going anywhere.

A Few of the High Peaks Rules:

Please familiarize yourself with all of the regulations of the park, especially those of the High Peak zone before heading into the park. For latest up to date information you can write to:

the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc.
814 Goggins Road
Lake George, NY 12845-4117

Or call at: 518-668-4447

Or web site: www.adk.org

Group Size

- Overnight group size is limited to a maximum of 8 people.
- Day-use group size is limited to 15 people.
- Affiliated groups must maintain a separation distance of at least 1 mile at all times.

Camping

- No Camping above 4,000 feet at any time of the year.
- Camping between 3,500 feet and 4,000 feet is limited to designated sites only.
- At designated sites, all tents must be within 15 feet of the campsite marker.

Camp Fires

- No campfires in the Eastern High Peaks zone. (Burning of garbage is also prohibited)
- No campfires at an elevation above 4,000 feet at any time.

Miscellaneous

- All users are required to register whenever they pass a trail register. As of 2001, each solo hiker or group leader must also obtain and carry a self-issuing permit that is available at all registers.
- Use of any motorized equipment is prohibited.
- Possession of glass containers is prohibited.
- Stay on marked trails and on bare rock on alpine summits in order to protect the fragile alpine plants.

Final Thoughts:

You may have noticed that none of my descriptions of locations along the trail include any grid point references. Whereas we in Canada are used to our Topo maps having those blue grid lines, American maps don't necessarily have them. The ADK map on the area is complete with all the other features of Topo maps we expect to see, contour lines, scales, degrees of longitude and latitude, etc., but no military grid lines.



If you take up the challenge to head out to the High Peaks region of the Adirondack Park, go prepared. Contact your local Scout House and file a Tour Permit. Be sure that everyone has proper identification for the boarder crossing (passport and visas where required). You may want to have a backup plan and gathering point after the boarder crossing to ensure you know everyone in your party was successful in gaining access to the United States. My driving partner Manny and I were interviewed by 5 custom agents before being allowed into the United States for the weekend. Since the tragedy of 9/11, U.S. officials have become extremely cautious. Be sure to carry your passport.

Later I showed my photos of the trip at an alumni gathering of my Crew and remarked that this climb had been the hardest thing I'd ever done. No sooner had I said words than I got flak from both Bob Squires and Dave Verge. They couldn't believe that this hike could have been any harder then the hike in the mountains of Alberta we had taken during the **1978 Canadian Rover Moot in Pincher Creek, Alberta**. I had to remind them that that was 25 years ago. We were all much younger then and I didn't have the bad knees I have now. And in case anyone is wondering I have no plans to climb another mountain in 2028.

Now put down this magazine and ...Take a HIKE!

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Toronto MedVent Wins Major Competition



CONGRATULATIONS TO BLAIR BIGHAM

Blair Bigham attended the ACERT (National Association of Campus Emergency Responders) Competition in London at the University of Western Ontario on the weekend of November 14-16. He was placed with two other competitors and they practiced together for only about 30 minutes, discussing strategy.

The competition was held on Sunday, and after eight scenarios Blair's team was in 3rd place, just making it into the finals. At finals, they placed first, and WON the competition.

At the awards ceremony, Blair was also awarded the best Individual Competitor award (out of 73 attendees).

Blair says "Personally, that award is recognition for the past three years of my life. I am ecstatic. I would not have been able to go so far without the MedVent programme, leaders, trainers and MedVents themselves, and

would like to present my certificate tonight (Wednesday November 19) to Bruce Janes at the MedVent meeting. Again, thank you to all those who keep this programme going. You have produced one of the best emergency medical responders in Canada, and will be producing many more."

Blair Bigham (the MedVent standing furthest left), along with his colleagues and instructors, gets ready to do a CPR demonstration for a CTV cameraman and MingPao photographer at a photo opportunity in August 2002.



*Jerry Crawford
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