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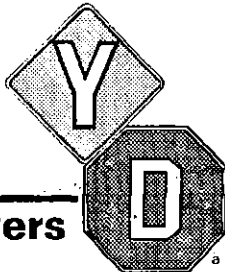
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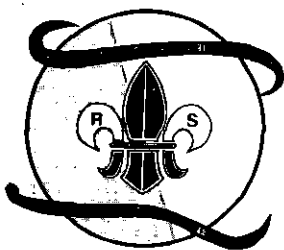
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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OF SCOUTING.

JANUARY

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

FEBRUARY

13-15

Snowball Moot - Burlington, c/o 37th Hamilton Rovers,
R.R. #1 Caister Centre, Ontario

MARCH

SCHOOL BREAK FOR THOSE LUCKY ENOUGH

O.R.R.T. Toronto, c/o Provincial Office - 1:00 P.M.,
9 Jackes Avenue, Toronto.

APRIL

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11th Cambridge Rovers - Rock N
Roll, c/o 11th Cambridge Rovers
Box 1222, Cambridge, Ont.

MAY

Olympic Moot, c/o 3rd Newton-
brook Rovers, 32 Wedgewood Dr.,
Willowdale, Ontario

O.R.R.T. Toronto - 1:00 P.M.,
c/o 9 Jackes Avenue, Toronto Ont.

JUNE

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Gunt Moot 81 - St. Lambert, Quebec
c/o Granny Grunt Rovers, 554 Dulwich
Avenue, St. Lambert, Quebec

Camas Moot

JULY

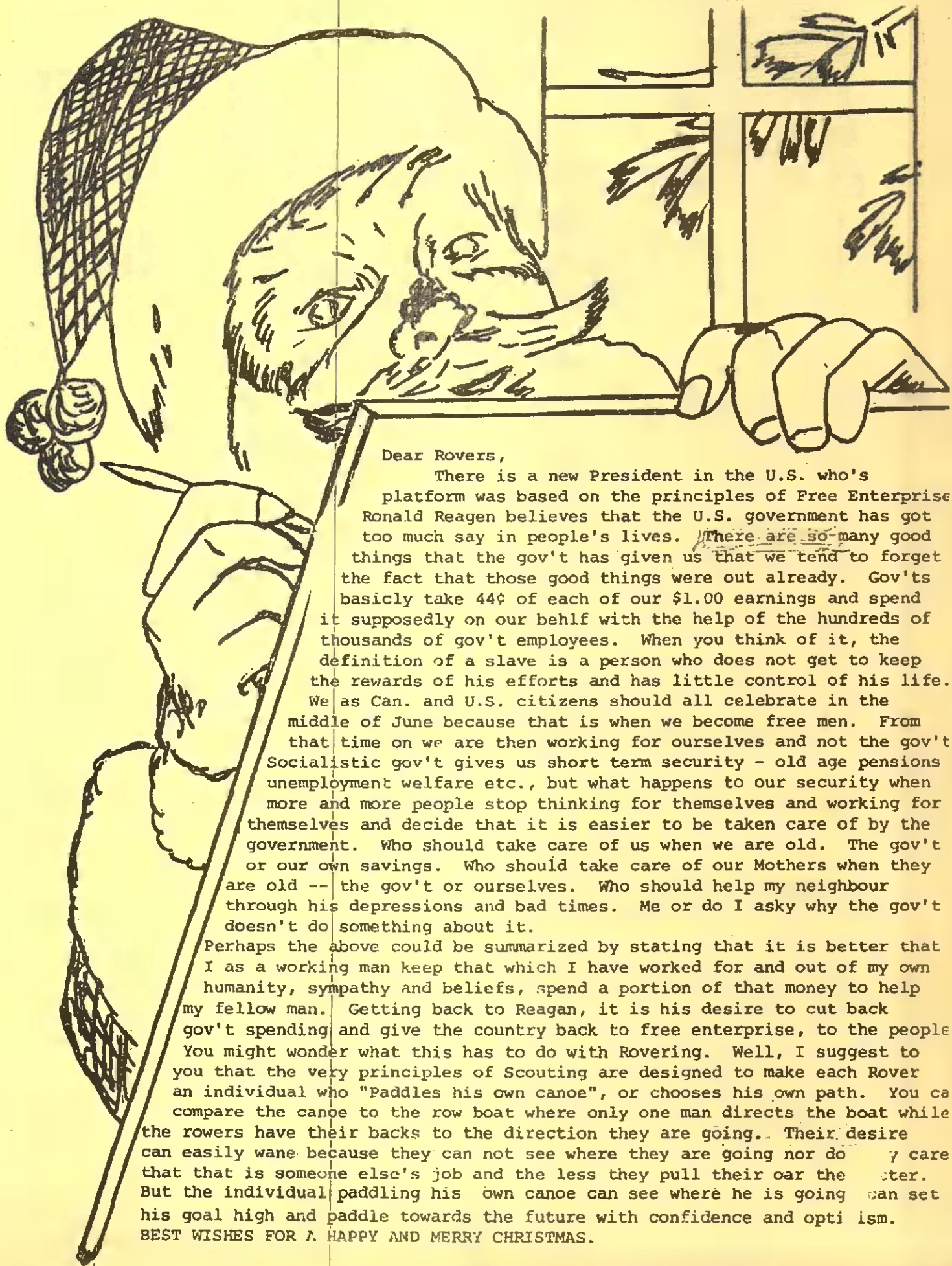
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Niagara Falls Bi-Centennial Service Project
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MOOT 82 THE 9TH CANADIAN NATIONAL ROVER MOOT IS FAST
APPROACHING.





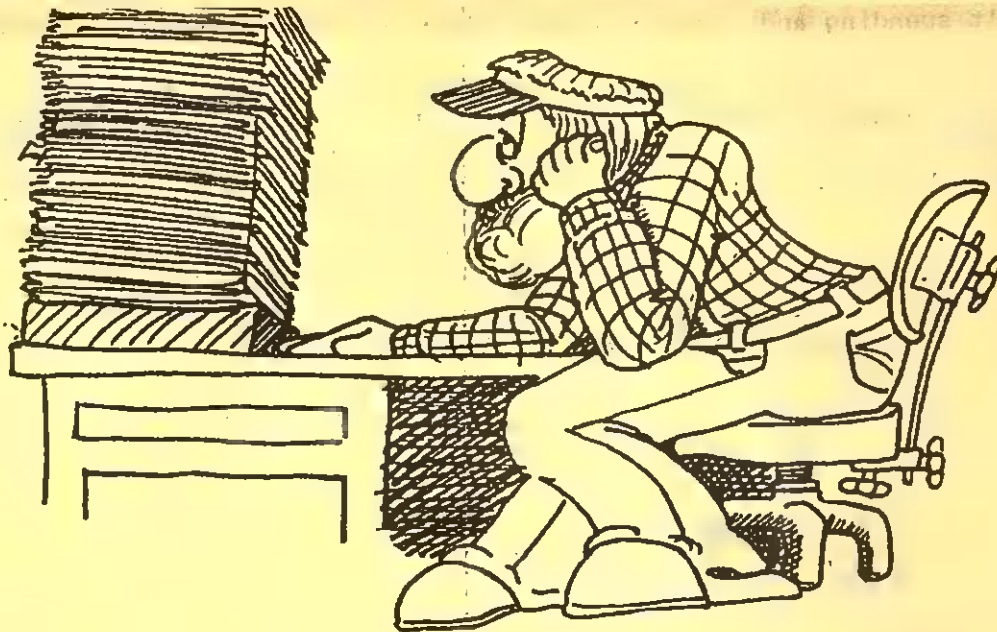
Dear Rovers,

There is a new President in the U.S. who's platform was based on the principles of Free Enterprise. Ronald Reagan believes that the U.S. government has got too much say in people's lives. There are so many good things that the gov't has given us that we tend to forget the fact that those good things were out already. Gov'ts basically take 44¢ of each of our \$1.00 earnings and spend it supposedly on our behalf with the help of the hundreds of thousands of gov't employees. When you think of it, the definition of a slave is a person who does not get to keep the rewards of his efforts and has little control of his life. We as Can. and U.S. citizens should all celebrate in the middle of June because that is when we become free men. From that time on we are then working for ourselves and not the gov't. Socialistic gov't gives us short term security - old age pensions unemployment welfare etc., but what happens to our security when more and more people stop thinking for themselves and working for themselves and decide that it is easier to be taken care of by the government. Who should take care of us when we are old. The gov't or our own savings. Who should take care of our Mothers when they are old -- the gov't or ourselves. Who should help my neighbour through his depressions and bad times. Me or do I asky why the gov't doesn't do something about it.

Perhaps the above could be summarized by stating that it is better that I as a working man keep that which I have worked for and out of my own humanity, sympathy and beliefs, spend a portion of that money to help my fellow man. Getting back to Reagan, it is his desire to cut back gov't spending and give the country back to free enterprise, to the people. You might wonder what this has to do with Rovering. Well, I suggest to you that the very principles of Scouting are designed to make each Rover an individual who "Paddles his own canoe", or chooses his own path. You can compare the canoe to the row boat where only one man directs the boat while the rowers have their backs to the direction they are going. Their desire can easily wane because they can not see where they are going nor do they care that that is someone else's job and the less they pull their oar the better. But the individual paddling his own canoe can see where he is going can set his goal high and paddle towards the future with confidence and optimism.

BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY AND MERRY CHRISTMAS.

A.J. (Tony) Wallbank



LETTERS to the EDITOR

Dear Editor and Staff:

Enclosed is a letter concerning our Rover and Ranger Moot which will be held in Quebec this June. We would like to have it advertised in Rovering Magazine's December issue but we seem to be a bit confused about the rates. Please let us know the exact cost. We shall then immediately send you the fee and if needed more photocopies.

The past two issues have been mis-delivered to my next door neighbour. He was not the least bit interested in the Rovering magazine but his dog was very interested in your Rovering frisbees. He ate mine. Please check to make sure that the mailing address is as seen above. Thank you.

The G.G.R.C. is enjoying the magazine tremendously. If it wasn't for your magazine we wouldn't have been able to attend all the Moots in Ontario.

If you would consider having a representative for the Province of Quebec I am personally interested. I could increase the distribution here in Quebec. If you are considering please let me know. The "Grunts" hope to see you this June. Thank you I hope to hear from you soon.

Yours in Rovering,
Jan Keiller, G.G.R.C.

... DISPATCH FROM SHERWOOD FOREST ...

TO: SIR ANTHONY OF WALLBANK
AND YE ROVERING MAGAZINE STAFF

Dear Sir Anthony:

It giveth me the greatest of pleasure to extendeth my deepest of gratitudes to thee and thine dispatchers of the worldly renowned parchment, entitled "Rovering Magazine". The stories and messages enscribed in thine pages has thusly added greatly to the success of the now world renowned "Ye Olde Rover Moot". Thos whom did do battle in the land of King Richard known as Sherwood Forest, did prove their chivalry and manhood; and have given their vows to once again return to this legendary forest to battle for the shield of honour, emblematic of "Ye Olde Rover Moot".

Thine Thusly in Rovering,
Sir Wilfred of Niklaus

LETTERS CONTINUED.....

Fellow Rovers:

Have received notice that our subscription is about to run out and can not let that happen. Please find enclosed a cheque to renew for two years and ammend address as shown below:

2nd Central Rover Crew
M-S United Church
507 Bank Street
Ottawa, Ontario K2P 1Z5

Although I have asked to be relieved of the job of Regional Coordinator in the National Captial Region, I wish the Crew to continue to receive your publication. Seems as though people enjoy writing about me, first in your magazine and now in our Regional paper as per the enclosed clipping.

To all of those people I have met during my association with the Ontario Rover Round Table, I say thanks for the courtesy shown and given. If I can be of help at any time, please do not hesitate to ask.

Yours in Rovering to Success
Orv O'Brien, Advisor
2nd Ottawa Central Crew

Dear Rovering,

It's that time of year again when all my magazine subscriptions come due and so you will find enclosed the requisite amount of that which you seek. These previous year's worth of issues proved once again that here in Canada, and more specifically, here in Ontario, Rovering flourishes yet.

A personal not to one Maureen Fitzgerald somewhere out in the wilds of British Columbia: Only two more years of exile left. We await your return and hope to have a new Rover Chalet to show you when you do. We all wish you continuing luck in your endeavors.

Two final comments. One, I still hope to receive one issue in which there NO loose pages. and two, KEEP ON ROVERING!! (pun intended)

Allan Teichman
10/107th "Chimo" Rovers

Dear Fellow Rovers:

Another year of Rovering is presently getting under way and now is the time when those Crews amongst you which intend to run Rovers Moots this year are beginning to work in earnest on its planning. I'd like to bring forward an issue at this time for you to all consider.

Something which has been bothering me and (from what I have heard) bothering others as well is the whole concept of the Rover/Ranger Moot. While this concept has been debated ad nauseum for quite some time now, I feel that it's time that we all stopped debating and started doing something.

The major cause for the discontent that I've been hearing about is the inclusion of Rangers at Moots. Some people have gotten so fed up with this idea that they have been holding not only Rover-only Moots, but Male Rover-only Moots as well. Personally speaking, I do not agree with the latter option at all outside of having them as strictly invitational affairs. Female Rovers do exist, and I for one consider them to be an integral and valuable part of our movement. Consequently I don't believe

Letters continued.....

that they should be ignored and indeed discriminated against on the basis of their sex.

It would seem then that I am advocating the Rover-only Moot as the only solution. Not so at all. I am the Mate of a Co-Ed Crew and while all of the Moots that I have attended have been Rover/Ranger Moots I think that the Rover-only Moot is a fine thing. However, the Rover/Ranger Moot need not be a bad thing. Rather the running of these event needs to undergo a major overhaul to make them more enjoyable for all concerned.

The biggest problem that I see with these Moots as they are presently run lies in the wide difference in age between the Ranger and the Rover sections. While this is not such a terribly bad thing, it does definitely create a sort of distancing effect between some of the guys and the Rangers. In addition, the traditional night, time activity i.e. dances, intensifies this. There are some of us guys who are totally incapable of relating on a social level with fifteen and sixteen year old girls, not to mention the reasonable percentage of us who are married and feel mighty uncomfortable dancing with a girl five or six years our junior. No wonder then that most guys would rather sit around a fire and chew the fat, and that most of the people at dances are girls.

Once again I stress that the solution is not kicking the Rangers out as they definitely do add something to a Moot. There are guys who definitely do enjoy their presence and the girls seem to really enjoy themselves. I think the answer lies more in finding an alternative to the dance. At any rate, is it necessary to hole on on Friday night as well as Saturday night? How about a campfire (or two). Some of my favourite times at Moots have occurred around a campfire. Or how about some sort of night game which does not forcibly pair off participants into couples? Surely there are many more possibilities. At a time when some of our biggest Moots are decreasing in attendance and one of the reasons cited is the problem which I have outlined, perhaps the organizers of Moots should do some serious rethinking. Perhaps some of you people out there (Rangers as well as Rovers) might be convinced to air your views on the subject in future issues of this magazine. We have here a problem which is becoming increasingly evident. Let's not just ignore it.

Allan Teichman

Mate: 10/107th "Chimo" Crew

All Regional Rover Crews:

As we enter into a "NEW SCOUTING YEAR" we, your Regional Training Team, wish you a successful year as you participate and grow in the Rover Section of our Movement.

This year has shown a 100% growth factor in the number of crews in the region. What an accomplishment, what interest and enthusiasm, I guess one may ask, what next?

We, your Regional Training Team, have one desire and that desire is to see each crew grow in all areas of growth. To enjoy each other, to reach out and attract someone new into your Rover experience. To take part in the life and activities of your crew, district, region and province. Our growth in the Region this year is because young men and women have wanted to be Rovers. Maybe your crew is new as a unit this year and your goals are many and you dream of success. We want this to happen.

You will all agree that as "a man is not an island unto himself" neither is a Rover Crew. We all grow and develop through our associations with others.

This leads me to the thrust of this letter. We, your Regional Rover Training Team, want to help you in any area that presents a stumbling block to you as a Rover or to the crew as a whole.

LETTERS CONTINUED.....

We don;t have all the answers but we do have resources. We very much are at your service and we will not force ourselves into your crews. We don't feel this would be good Rovering. However, we would like you or your crew to invite us into your crew some time during this year to render training where you and your crew feel need is desired.

Please give thought to this letter, study it's intent, always aware that help is a phone call or letter away.

God bless you in your endeavors this year. We look to your support this year in all Rover events.

"COME GROW IN ROVERING WITH US"

Roland Dell
Regional Co-Ordinator

Paul Kneeshaw
ADC Rover Niagara
District

ROVER SCOUTER'S SURVIVAL CHECKLIST

1. When the boys won't pay attention and you feel like blowing your top, count to ten, then blow your top!
2. So you tied the flag on upside down. Smile knowingly, give five points to the Rover who spotted it and a lecture to the others on being unobservant.
3. Accept the boy for what he is. If that's impossible just be thankful he isn't your son!
4. Learn to laugh at yourself. The Rovers probably think your hilarious anyway.
5. Too many Rovers and not enough leaders? What a compliment. It must be you they like.
6. When everything goes wrong remember Job. At least you don't have boils.
7. If maintaining your dignity concerns youQUIT.
8. So you feel like a failure next to the hot shot running the crew next door? Relax he's probably got ulcers.
9. Your spouse has threatened you with divorce if you don't slow down? Slow down fast.
10. Forget the Rover Motto while investing a new Rover? Blame your diet.
11. Remember you are human, no matter what the boys might tell you.

Courtesy Scouters Five Minutes.

EACH ISSUE WILL HENCEFORTH BE BRINGING YOU THE WORDS AND GUITAR CHORDS FOR TWO SONGS, COMPLIMENTS OF A BROTHER ROVER. IT SEEMS THAT SOME OF YOU ENJOY GOING IN CIRCLES, TRYING TO BE HUMBLE.

"With A Little Help From My Friends" - 'J. Lennon & P. McCartney'

^CWhat would you ^Gdo if I ^{Dm}sang out of tune
^{G7}Would you stand up and walk out on ^Cme?
^GLend me your ears and I'll ^{Dm}sing you a song
^{G7}And I'll try not to sing out of ^Ckey. Oh...

(Chorus)

^{Bb}I get by with a little help from my ^Cfriends
^{Bb}Mm, I get high with a little help from my ^Cfriends
^FMm. I'm gonna try with a little help from my ^Cfriends.

^CWhat do I do when my ^Glove is ^{Dm}away
^{G7}Does it worry you to be ^Calone?
^GHow do I feel by the ^{Dm}end of the day
^{G7}Are you sad because you're on your ^Cown? No...

(Chorus)

CODA: ^{Am7}Do you need anybody? ^{D7}
^CI need somebody to ^{Bb}love ^F
^{Am7}Could it be anybody? ^{D7}
^CI want somebody to ^{Bb}love. ^F

^CWould you believe in a ^Glove at ^{Dm}first sight?
^{G7}Yes, I'm certain that it happens all the ^Ctime
^GWhat do you see when you ^{Dm}turn out the light?
^{G7}I can't tell you but I know it's ^Cmine. Oh...

(Chorus - Coda - Chorus)

"The Battle Of Kookamonga" - 'Homer and Jethro'

- ① In 1969 we took a little hike
With our scoutmaster down Lake-a-Nigi-nite
We took a little pizza and we took some saurkrauts
And we marched along together 'til we heard the girl scouts.

(Chorus) 7

We're the boys from Camp Kookamonga
Our mothers sent us here to study nature's ways
We learned to make spark fires rubbing sticks together
But if we catch the girls then we'll set the woods ablaze.

- ② Well we crept up to the water and we see the girls a swimmin'
There must have been a hundred of them pretty young women
They looked so fine even birds forgot to sing
We laid down in the poison oak and didn't say a thing.

(Chorus)

- ③ Well our counsellor said we could take 'em by surprise
If we didn't say a word 'til we looked them in the eyes
We kept real still and we had our eyes a-glued
We saw how they were dressed, they were swimming in the ...
(well now)

(Chorus)

- ④ Well they ran through the briars and they ran through the brambles
And they ran through the bushes where a rabbit wouldn't go
They ran so fast, even we couldn't catch 'em
From Lake-a-Nigi-nite all the way to Buffalo.
⑤ Well we ran right after 'em 'til everyone was pooped
So we rested for a minute and our forces we regrouped
Then we saw the girls behind some evergreens
Captured by a company of United States marines.

(Chorus - Repeat 4th Verse)

ROGER AWARD

The "Roger Award" is not in any way shape or form a product of any Headquarters at any level. It is an award that is made by you, the Rovers and Rangers, by their nomination-votes to Rovering Magazine.

The whole concept of the award started out as a gag, but as discussion grew on the subject, it was felt there might be the basis for the academy awards of Rover Scouting.

The first year (although the nomination-votes were not as heavy as we would of liked) the award was well received. It gave Rovers a chance to HONOUR THEIR OWN, and show their appreciation of the efforts by one person or many.

The second year we saw two changes, the photo of Roger was changed to a plaque, and the voting increased a whopping 450%

The third year saw another increase in interest and nomination-votes. The sponsoring groups are hard at work casting and painting the "Rogers". NOW is the time to do your bit, get your nomination-vote made out and in the mail.

All Rovers, Rangers, and Leaders are allowed to nominate-vote once in each category. All we ask is that you vote only for moots that you personally attended, and not on hearsay.

You may leave a category blank if you so desire.

To send in your nomination-vote, just print on a sheet of paper the number and section.

e.g. #1 Joe Rover
#2A example moot
#2B moot example

It is important that you list #2 as stated in the instructions as 2a is worth 4 points, 2b is worth 3 points, 2c is worth 2 points and 2d is worth 1 point.

PLEASE PRINT PLAINLY

1. Name a person who you feel has had sincere dedication to Rovers.
2. Name what you feel were the four best moots in 1980 in order of preference A..... B.....
C..... D.....
(see note above) In this category there are two awards for best moots of the year.
3. Name the best article to appear in Rovering Magazine during 1979.
4. Name the best continuing article to appear in Rovering Magazine during 1979.

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JUST WHEN YOU THOUGHT IT WOULD BE ANOTHER HO-HUM SUMMER

G R U N T M O O T ' 8 1

TO ALL ROVER CREWS AND RANGER COMPANIES:

THE GRANNY GRUNT ROVER CREW OF ST. LAMBERT, QUEBEC, WILL BE HOSTING IT'S FIRST AND BEST EVER ROVER-RANGER MOOT AT THE TAMARACOUTA SCOUT RESERVE FROM FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 5, TO SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 1981. ALL ROVERS AND RANGERS ANYWHERE ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF FUN, LAUGHS AND ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE INCLUDING: DANCES, CAMPFIRE, SWIMMING, EATING, CREW COMPETITIONS, MR/MISS SILLY CONTEST, SLEEPING, ARCHERY, THE LAKESHOW, AND THE GRANNY GRUNT SILLY SURVIVAL TEST.

ATTENDING GROUPS ARE ASKED TO PROVIDE THEIR OWN FOOD, GEAR AND TENTS, ALONG WITH SOME FORM OF ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE LAKESHOW, AN EVENT YOU WILL NOT SOON FORGET. THE REGISTRATION FEE IS \$6.00. IF YOU ARE COMING, PLEASE FILL OUT THE REGISTRATION FORM BELOW AND SEND IT WITH YOUR FEES TO:

GRUNTMOOT

C/O BRIAN YULE

554 DULWICH AVE

ST. LAMBERT, QUEBEC

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE WRITE OR CALL 514-844-7349. COMPLETE DETAILS MAPS ETC. WILL BE SENT TO YOU. WHO KNOWS, YOU MIGHT EVEN FIND OUT WHERE WE GOT OUR NAME. ONCE EVERY FEW YEARS A GREAT CAMPING EXPERIENCE COMES ALONG. GRUNTMOOT '81 WILL BE ONE OF THEM. SEE YOU THERE,

BRIAN YULE, MOOT COORDINATOR

NAME OF GROUP _____

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WHAT FAMOUS PEOPLE HAVE SAID ABOUT OUR PREVIOUS MOOTS:

ED SULLIVAN "REALLY BIG" JOAN OF ARC "I REALLY LIKED THE CAMPFIRE"

STEVE MARTIN "WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT"

ORSON WELLS "THE GRUNTS WILL SERVE NO MOOTS BEFORE ITS TIME"

GERALD FORD "I FELL DOWN A LOT" MR. BILL "OOHHH NOOOOO"

RODNEY DANGERFIELD: "I DIDN'T GET ANY RESPECT."

CHRISTMAS CHEER

Well Christmas is here again. The joy of going out and shopping in the crowded malls, buying gifts for the ones you love. Then exchanging those gifts on Christmas morning

When I was little I swore I was going to stay awake in my bed and wait for Santa. And when I would hear him I was going to get up and just take a little peek. But he never came, at least when I was awake he didn't come. It didn't help when my three older brothers would get me all excited about him coming

When I was small all of my family would stay up and have pig tails on Christmas Eve. They were so delicious. When it got latter on in the evening I was sent to bed. But, before I did that I made sure I left some cookies and milk out for Santa. While writing this article I found out that my brothers had a real feast.

The thrills of Christmas morning finally came. Of course I was the first one up. I made sure my parents knew I was up also. But, like always I was sent back to bed. After an hours worth of waiting for them to get up, my dad and I would go down stairs and get the chairs set up.

Once everybody was down stairs, it has been a tradition for someone to play Santa Claus and hand out the gifts. Usually my older brother Mark and myself would share the job. Another tradition is to have a box of chocolate turtles out while opening gifts. You may think it's crazy but our family loves chocolate. Although my brothers would get me all excited about Christmas and Santa , I was never disappointed because we always have a great Christmas.

Another thing I was never disappointed with is Christmas Dinner. My Mom has to make the best Christmas Dinner of all. Hot steaming Turkey, vege's and apple pie.

Christmas is great, isn't it? But I think some people miss the whole point of it. Christmas is to celebrate our Saviours Birth. We exchange gifts to show we love that person. When Christmas comes around I know we think, Oh boy now I have to come up with the money to buy gifts. The gifts don't have to be the size of the world, the smallest gift can mean so much.

I know I cann't send cards to all my friends and fellow Rangers and Rovers. So this is my Christmas wish to you. May Love and happiness be with you all your life.

Keep on Rovering and Rangering, Linda

HOW ABOUT THAT

LATE THIS PAST SUMMER WE RECEIVED AN INQUIRY FROM A ROVER FROM OUT SIDE CANADA, WHO EXPECTED TO IN ONTARIO DURING THE SUMMER. UNFORTUNATELY, THE MISSIVE ARRIVED TO LATE FOR US TO RESPOND TO HIS HOME ADDRESS, AND WE HAD NO MEANS OF REACHING HIM IN ONTARIO, HE FAILED TO GIVE US AN ADDRESS. ALL THIS IS TO POINT OUT A COUPLE OF FACTS. 1. IF YOU HAVE A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TRY TO ASK A COUPLE OF MONTHS IN ADVANCE, SOMETIMES WE HAVE TO SEND OUT INQUIRIES OF OUR OWN TO GET ANSWERS AND THIS TAKES TIME. 2. IF YOU TRAVELLING TRY TO ARRANGE A MAIL DROP IN CASE OUR MAILS WON'T REACH YOU IN TIME AT YOUR HOME ADDRESS.

RANGERS DON'T FORGET THE AGGIE CONFERENCE TO BE HELD APRIL 24,25 AND 26, 1981. CHECK YOUR ONTARIO NEWSLETTER FOR FURTHER DETAILS OR LOOK UP THE OCTOBER ISSUE OF "ROVERING"

SPEAKING OF BACK ISSUES, IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN, THE ROGER AWARDS. DIG UP YOUR BACK ISSUES (DIG UP ! WE HOPE THE MAGAZINE ISN'T THAT BAD THAT YOU ARE BURYING THEM) READ THEM OVER AND MAKE YOUR NOMINATION-VOTES. FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS ON ANOTHER PAGE IN THIS ISSUE.

DOUG MORGAN ASKS THE QUESTION: WHAT ARE ROVERS DOING? WELL HERE IS ONE CREWS RESPONSE. THEY HELP WITH THE MAGAZINE, AND BESIDES ATTENDING AS MANY MOOTS AND OTHER ROVER FUNCTIONS, THEY HOLD SPECIAL DAYS FOR CUBS I.E. ROLLER SKATING, THEY HELP WITH THE TROOP, SERVICE: JUST FINISHED PAINTING THE LOWER HALLS OF THEIR SPONSORING CHURCH, JUST FINISHED BUILDING SETS FOR THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PAGENT, THEY ARE ORGANIZING WITH A RANGER COMPANY THE 2ND ANNUAL KUB KAR RALLY FOR THEIR DISTRICT, THE 5TH ANNUAL ST GEORGE'S DINNER AND DANCE, ORGANIZE AND RUN A WINTER WEEKEND FOR CREW AND ALL SECTION LEADERS IN THEIR GROUP, AND IN THEIR SPARE TIME ARE RE-BUILDING 4 CANOES IN THEIR SKIP'S GARAGE. SOUNDS LIKE A BIG CREW NOT SO---- 6 MEMBERS. WHOSE NEXT!!!!!!

AN APOLIGY: THE ARTICLE THE WAY YOU WERE WILL NOT APPEAR IN THIS ISSUE, WE JUST RUN OUT OF TIME AND COULDN'T MAKE THE DEADLINE, HOPEFULLY NEXT ISSUE

QUESTION: WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THE CRESTS FROM "SUMMER'S END MOOT"
ANSWER: WE DON'T KNOW, DO YOU?

H.A.T. con't

CONGRADULATIONS ARE IN ORDER FOR STAFF MEMBER LINDA SITLER, SHE HAS RECEIVED A YOUTH APPRECIATION WEEK CITATION FROM THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF KITCHENER. BESIDES BEING ON OUR STAFF, LINDA IS A MEMBER OF THE DONNACONA RANGERS.

A RUMOR REACHED US FROM SEVERAL SOURCES THAT IN 1982 A WORLD JAMBOREE WOULD BE HELD IN CANADA. SAINTS PRESERVE US, THE SAME YEAR AS OUR NATIONAL WORLD INVITATIONAL MOOT!!!! WELL RELAX, IN ABSOLUTE PANIC WE CHECKED AND FOUND THE RUMOR WAS ONLY PARTLY CORRECT. THERE WILL BE A WORLD JAMBOREE IN CANADA BUT IN THE YEAR OF 1983. NUTS, AND WE WERE ALL SET TO WRITE A SCORCHING ARTICLE ABOUT THE LACK OF PLANING IN CERTAIN HIGH PLACES.

FACT: A BELLY DANCER IS ONE WHO STARTS IN THE MIDDLE !!

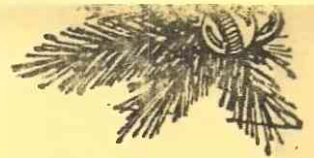
HOW ABOUT THIS: THERE ARE SEVEN DAYS A WEEK AND FIFTY-TWO WEEKS IN A YEAR. SEVEN TIMES FIFTY-TWO EQUALS 364. THERE ARE 365 DAYS IN A NORMAL YEAR. WHAT BECOMES OF THE 365th DAY ????

A REAL LOSER IS ONE WHO MOVED INTO A NEW NEIGHBORHOOD AND GOT RUN OVER BY THE WELCOME WAGON.

IN AN UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRY, DON'T DRINK THE WATER. IN A DEVELOPED COUNTRY DON'T BREATHE THE AIR...

THIS COLUMN DEPENDS ON YOU FOR GOSSIP AND TIDBITS FROM YOU OUT THERE. SOME ISSUES ARE A FEAST OTHERS ARE FAMINE, THIS MONTH YOU GUESSED, IT'S A FAMINE. TO ALL OF YOU SENT SOMETHING IN THIS PAST YEAR A THOUSAND THANKS, TO THOSE WHO DIDN'T, MAY COWS GROW WINGS AND CONTINUALLY FLY ABOVE YOUR HEAD.

ANOTHER YEAR IS JUST ABOUT GONE, BUT THE MEMORIES LINGER ON AND ON MEMORIES OF MOOTS, SERVICE, DANCES, ETC. AND FOR US ON MAGAZINE STAFF, THE MAGIC OF ONE MORE ISSUE GOING OUT. COMPLETE WITH ITS SPELLING AND GRAMMAR ERRORS, (as our editor Tony once said "If it's perfect no one will believe we did it.") A GLUE TO HELP BIND ROVERS TOGETHER, WE HOPE. WHAT IS THIS GLUE MADE OF? LOVE BROTHER, JUST LOVE. THAT IS SOMETHING WE CAN ALL SHARE IN THIS COMING SEASON. MERRY CHRISTMAS AND MAY YOU BE RICHLY BLESSED IN THE COMING YEAR!



rother Rovers:

Once again the time of year is upon us when we contemplate the prospect of having the crowds to fight for that "just right" Christmas gift for our loved ones. A Chilling prospect at best, but one that I look forward to with relish. This will be a special Christmas for me this year, as I am living in Residence University, and the thought of "going home" for the holidays is something I am looking forward to. Being away from home, though has its liberating attributes, it doesn't come without a price. Even though I am able to visit regularly, it seems so different being a visitor to a place I called home only short four months ago. Also being away means that I am unable to participate actively in Rovering as I would like to. That in itself is a hard thing to deal with when something like Rovering is such a big part of one's life. Living in Residence has been a real experience; but the way the guys in the house bond together like BROTHERS and the type of relationships that form are almost exactly the same as one finds within a good Rover Crew. So in that respect, to have something of home with me here.

I wrote to you last year about hope at Christmas, a hope that should, and that live on despite the storm that may rage on our doorsteps. That message of hope still goes out to each of you, but there's something more.

Christmas is not just a time of love and hope, or of peace and Brotherhood. I think that it's a time of reflection, and reassurance, that gives some form of constancy to our lives. It's a time when we can make new friends at various Christmas parties that seem to be starting earlier and earlier each year. But at the end of all, it's a time when we can enjoy the company of old friends as well. I find this time of year very much akin to tending a fire. New friends are like logs that we place on the flames of our lives which, after a time, produce warmth that radiates outwards to warm all who may be nearby. Our older friends are the glowing embers that don't need to burn as brightly to warm us because their very presence or memory can keep us glowing long after the flames have died out.....

Our world as we know it is less chaotic, and unfortunately no less peaceful than it was at Christmas, but such is to be expected. It seems that people are perfectly willing to fight and die for a religious or political ideal (both are almost indistinguishable now) but no one has decided to be friends and declare peace for the same reason. It could be that the answer to the problem is so simple, that maybe the world's leaders have forgotten the questions, and have thrown the baby out with the bathwater. It is not within the leader's capacity to understand that people can go to peace for an ideal just as easily as they

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CHRISTMAS WISHES CONTINUED.....

can go to war, maybe its up to the people to show the initiative. After all, most of history's great political movements have, in one way or another, had their roots in the consciousness of the people that participated in them. Wouldn't it be nice to celebrate next Christmas in a world that doesn't run the risk of going to war at the drop of a diplomatic hat?

Anyway my time and space are about up. We, in Canada at least, have a great deal to be thankful for. Just as our other readers in their homelands have as well. Lets look onward into 1981 with an aim to preserving the best of what we have, and with luck, changing those things that may do us harm. From all of us to all of you, Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, and best of all, GOOD SCOUTING.

Yours in Rovering,

Jim Murray
Jim Murray &
Magazine Staff.

Linda Sittler

Bob Peltier



Grand Waukegan

Greg Langwell

Heather Graham

Don Sittler

Sony Wallbank

Puck Sittler

H.A.T.

Congratulations to Diane Kerbl and Terry Dunseith, both from W.C. Barber Rover Crew, Guelph, on their wedding engagement. A date has not been planned as of yet

PAGE B.C.

Yes, it's true! After a prolonged absence, PAGE BC is back! No bigger, no better, but back.

Most of the crews around here seem to have had active summers, and now Regional activities are starting up again. Unfortunately, the Regional Moot for October had to be cancelled, but there are lots of other events and activities coming up. Here are some of the highlights.

- A possible Moot in the spring. A few people have already expressed an interest in working on this, so we should be able to get it going.
- The Annual Dunbar-Pt. Grey Night Hike (sorry, I forgot the fancy new name, Jim), on October 25, 26. Rovers are needed to staff the various checkpoints. If you or your crew can help, contact Jim Lamphier.
- Rainbucket 80. This annual camp put on by Fraser Valley Region is scheduled for Nov. 7-9 at Camp Albrumac, near Lake Eroch in the Fraser Valley. It's always a good time - don't miss it.
- Ro-Vent 81. Planning is already underway for our annual winter camp in Manning Park, 150 miles east of Vancouver. The location will probably be the same as last year - McDermid Meadows, near the east gate of the park. The dates will be Feb. 20-22, which coincides with the V.B.C. spring break. Keep these dates open, and plan to be there!

Other exciting bits of news:

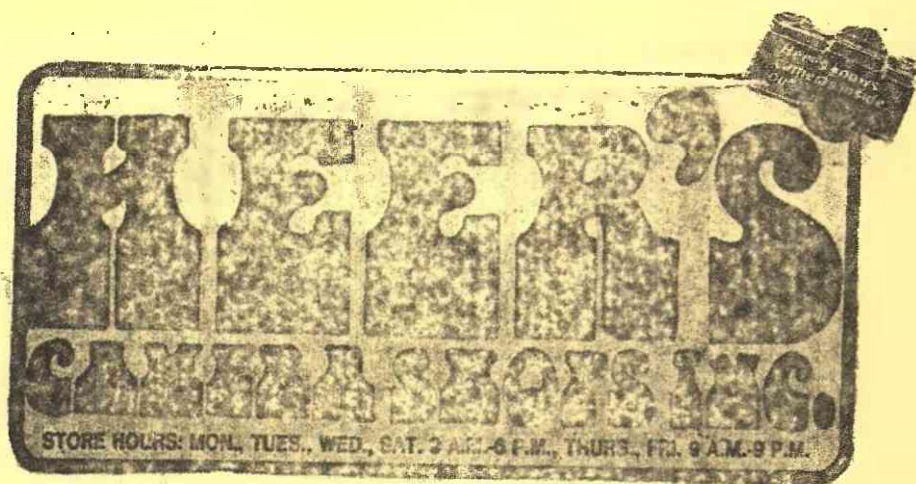
- The 21st Haida crew built a mobile bathtub for a race associated with the annual Gastown Rain Festival last spring, but the race was cancelled'. Oh well, they'll be ready for next year.
- The 18th Skookum crew recently held its 30th Reunion, with several ex-members in attendance.
- three members of the 127th TSAWA crew are planning to attend the upcoming National Moot in Australia.

Well, that seems to sum up the situation out here in Lotus Land. Until next time, "Keep On Rovering".

Bruce Dagg



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Map on reverse side

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6:30 p.m.

Cost: \$6.50 per person

May we again suggest that you order your tickets as early as possible. As of January 31 1981, tickets are for sale to all sections of the Scout and Guide movements. This event is advance sale only, NONE will be sold at the door.

No jeans please - semi-formal attire

(Slice off here)

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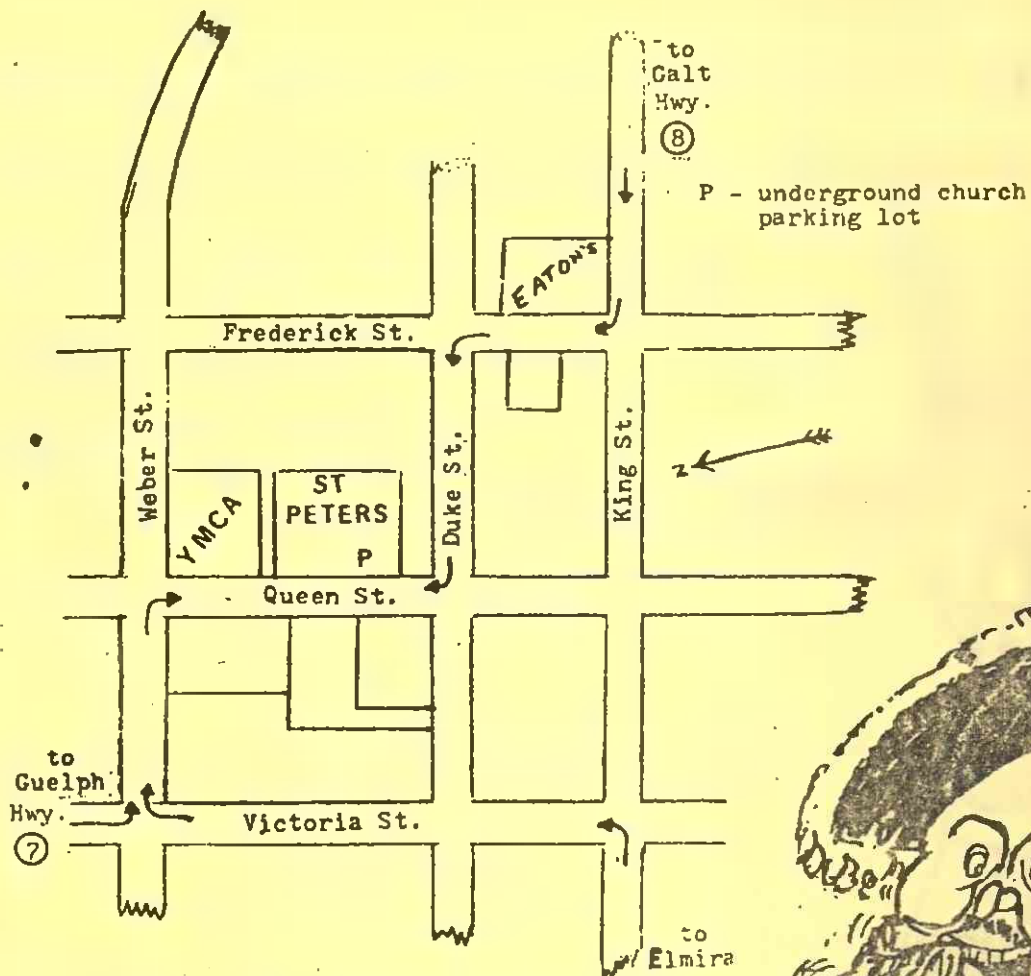
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MOOT MISSES



CLAIRE ROWETT --- A MEMBER OF THE 1st. NOTAWASGA FOR ONE YEAR. THIS 17 YR. OLD (ROVER) CUB LEADER IS A GRADE 12 STUDENT WHO ENJOYS THEATER ARTS & ART. SHE PLAYS SOCCER & FOOTBALL AND IS A CHEERLEADER. SHE IS A LEO WHO ENJOYS ALL KINDS OF MUSIC, AND CHINESE FOOD. HER AMBITIONS ARE TO BE INVOLVED IN THE THEATER HOPEFULLY AS CANADA'S NEXT KATE REID OR JUST A PLAIN STAR WILL DO. REMEMBER YOU SAW HER HERE FIRST. NO BOY FRIENDS AS YET, SHE IS "PLAYING THE FIELD LOOKING FOR A RICHARD BURTON." THAT SORT OF SHORTENS THE LINE CLAIRE, GOOD LUCK!

MOOT MISTER



RUSSELL (Blank Head) TICKNER --- IN HIS TENTH YEAR OF SERVICE CURRENTLT WITH 4TH TRAFALGER. HE ENJOYS PLAYING SOCCER AND FOOTBALL, AND LOVES WATCHING SOCCER AND GIRLS. WHEN YOU LOOK AT THIS BLUE EYED , SANDY BLONDE YOU WOULDN'T THINK HE DISLIKES PHOTOGRAPHERS - AND WITH A SMILE LIKE THAT - SAD SAD. RUSS IS A LIBRA AND IS GOING STEADY (sorry girls). CAREER-WISE HE HAS SETTLED ON BECOMING AN ELECTRICAL ENGINEER. WHAT DOES HIS EXPECT OUT OF ROVERING, JUST FRIENDSHIP.

9th Canadian Rover Moot

by Phil Newsome

1982 is a Moot year for Rovers around the world and, to help celebrate, Canada will be holding the 9th Canadian (World Invitational) Rover Moot August 10th — 25th, 1982.

The Moot will be held at Camp Wetaskiwin, St. Catharines, Ontario, approximately 176 km from Toronto and 32 km from Niagara Falls.

The Moot theme and program will be based on B.-P.'s book *Rovering to Success*. Although this book is not part of the present Canadian Rover program it is the book that the original Rover program was designed upon. The program committee for the Moot have chosen the following chapters as a basis for the 1982 Moot.

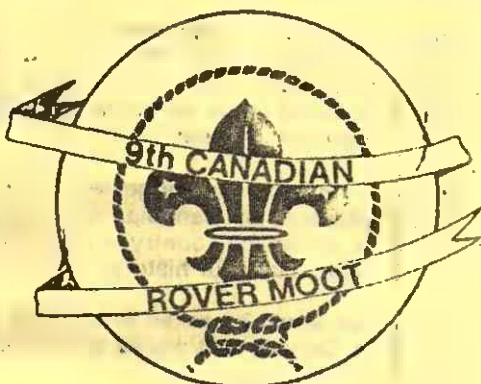
Rocks You Are Likely To Bump On:

Horses
Wine
Irreligion
Women
Cuckoos and Humbugs.

As in the past, tours will be part of the Moot program on an optional basis. Plans are now being made to have three days of touring both before and after the Moot. Cost of the tours will be additional to the Moot fee.

The Moot fee has been set at \$160.00 Canadian to cover central feeding, program costs, crest and neckerchief. Crews and individual Rovers attending the Moot will need only to provide sleeping accommodation and personal gear. Feeding will be done centrally with cost built into the Moot fee; no cooking equipment will be necessary.

Individual Rovers or crews who are interested in attending this 9th Canadian Rover Moot are asked to complete the form below and return it to the address given at the bottom of the form. While the Moot is still more than a year and a half away the Moot Committee would like some indication of the participation expected from Canadian Rovers. Now is the time to stand up and be counted. With a year and a half lead time surely most crews can plan on being present at this 9th Canadian (World Invitational) Rover Moot. A



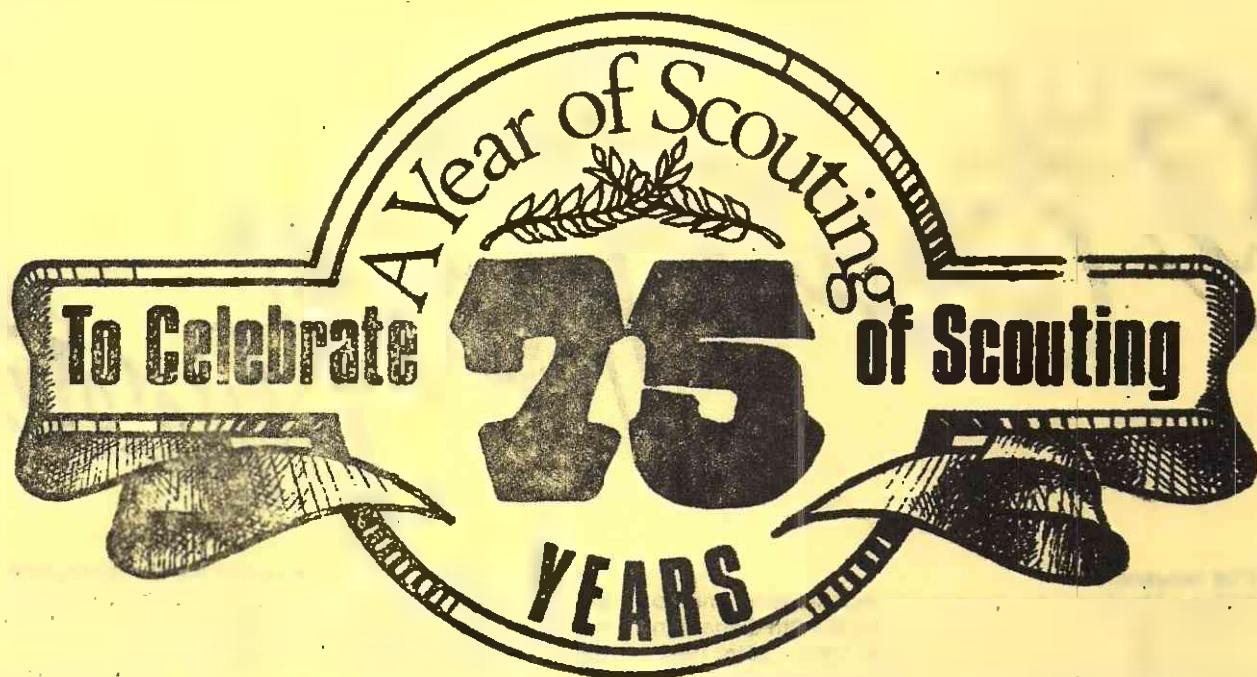
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9th Canadian World
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Camp Wetaskiwin
St. Catharines Ont.
Aug. 16th — 25th, 1982**

Please return this form to:

Mr. Boydan Mykolyn,
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Toronto, Ont. M4K 1E2

WE ARE PLANNING TO GO!

_____ Rovers
(how many)
of the _____ are making
(name of crew)
plans to be present at the 9th Canadian Rover Moot
in Aug., 1982
Please send information about the Moot Program
to the person named below.



by Robert Milks

February 22, 1982, (which is the 125th anniversary of the birth of Lord Baden-Powell) has been chosen by the World Scout Committee as the start of a "Year of Scouting" in which we will celebrate 75 years of Scouting. This "year", which is actually a period of eighteen months, will end on the final day of the World Scout Jamboree which is scheduled to be held early in August, 1983.

The initial planning for celebrating the 75th Anniversary of Scouting in Canada began early in 1979. In May, 1979, the National Council of Boy Scouts of Canada approved a motion to recognize the 75th Anniversary and a small group was formed to develop ideas for observing the anniversary. An initial list of 30 ideas was developed and this was shared with provincial councils. They, in turn, added another 15 ideas to the list.

The World Scout Committee, subsequently, also approved a motion to recognize this anniversary. Mr. Reginald K. Groome of Montreal, past president of Boy Scouts of Canada and a member of the World Scout Committee, was appointed chairman of their "task force for the 75th Anniversary of Scouting".

In a recent interview with Dr. Lazlo Nagy, Secretary General of the World Scout Bureau, Mr. Groome noted that the World Scout Committee, through the World Bureau, will be producing general guidelines for national associations and that they will be proposing a logo, slogans, posters and other materials which would be developed as parts of a "Basic Information Kit". Mr. Groome said that "the most important aspects of this project remain in the hands of national associations and we will, of course, leave them the final say".

The Canadian task group is now waiting for this Basic Information Kit and the materials it will contain. There are no details on the kit at this time — so it is impossible to say how much of it can, or will, be used. In the meantime the Canadian task group is focussing its attention on how the 75th Anniversary can be designed so that it is considered an integral part of a group's program — not something extra to be added onto the program.

Of the suggestions received to date, many fall into the category of "things". We have a variety of suggestions for the production of souvenirs such as crests, badges, decals, pins and registration cards. It has been suggested that we produce special posters, catalogues, calendars, serviettes and place mats.

Under consideration are ideas of reproducing, as close

to the original as possible, some of Scouting's early books — such as the fortnightly editions of "Scouting for Boys". This would make a beautiful presentation item.

As noted above, most of these suggestions deal with items or things. There are a number of proposals for projects and activities which we would like to share with you, and we ask for your comments on them.

125th Anniversary of B.-P.'s birth — basically this will be the launch of our Anniversary Year and be the focus of Scout-Guide Week 1982.

Brownsea Island Camps — these would be special camps in July of 1982 — celebrating 75 years of Scouting since Brownsea. Consideration is being given to producing program resources for these camps.

Groups' re-unions — some in Canada will be 75 years "young" in 1983 — they, and others, may wish to stage group re-unions in February, 1983. If this were done nationally, promotion could focus on contacting "your" Scout group re your groups' reunion.

Travelling Museum — It has been suggested that some material from the Museum of Canadian Scouting be sent, in special cases, across the country — so that more people can see and appreciate our history.

Time Capsule — boys would be asked to suggest what should be put into a Capsule that would be opened 75 years from now or in 2057.

Book of Memories — all boys and leaders in Canada would put their names into a book — starting in Newfoundland and British Columbia. The two halves of the book would be joined in Ottawa in July 1983.

And, of course, the World Jamboree in August, 1983, and join-in Jamborees for non-participants.

We'd like your input on these ideas and suggestions for celebrating 75 years of Scouting in Canada. Put them on paper and send them to:

75th Anniversary Program,
c/o Communications Services,
P.O. BOX 5151, Station "F"
Ottawa, Ontario.
K2C 3G7

GRAND RIVER RAMBLE

Sunday, October 19, 1980.-6:00a.m. - I stand in the cold grey dawn waiting for our dog to make a few more yellow spots on the lawn. The cold air seems intent on taking what little warmth there is in my body, and I think that just a few moments ago I sat on the edge of my cosy warm bed, willing myself to get up.

As I sat eating breakfast my wife came up behind me, kissed the back of my neck and said, "Happy birthday honey". Well happy, I don't know, but different most definately. Jason, our dog, upon seeing the small pack in the corner, and me putting on my Kodiaks, immediately becomes excited. "Tough luck, Jason ol' buddy, you can't go along, because I am going canoeing for the first time in over 20 yrs. I must be nuts."

The rest of the crew participating in this madness, appear promptly at 7:15 a.m. in front of our house with the canoes lashed on top of the vehicles. The Scout Leader, and former Crew member, Terry Hohl and Jennifer's father, Mr. Furness are coming with us to bring the car and van back, to the finishing spot and Kitchener. After making sure that no one in my neighbourhood was sleeping in, off we went. I could just hear the comments from the rudely awakened residents, "It's just that nut Sitler again".

On the way to Elora the windshield showed a few drops of water, it figured, with my luck it will turn into a hurricane. While unloading the canoes, Dan offered to pack my camera in his waterproof floating camera bag. I immediately wonder is he very diplomatically suggesting that I might have a spot of trouble, I accepted his offer, once again proving that we value our possessions more than our own lives.

Harvey, (A.R.L.) and squire John are paired in Harv's 16 ft. fiberglass, Dan and Jennifer (permently paired this past spring) are in their 18 ft. cedar strip that Dan built this past spring and summer, I am paired with squire Heather in a 16 ft. rental unit. With Heather in the bow and myself in the stern off we go. Within seconds we showed the others how to travel in reverse and paddle a canoe right up on shore. Terry, standing on the bridge, yelled something about wishing he had a movie camera.

Some one in our canoe is screaming about rapids ahead, while Heather is trying to get someone to change places with her, she yells there is a nut in the stern of her canoe. After going through the rapids(?) sideways, we settle down to a steady paddle. We found, much to our dismay that no matter how hard we paddled we could not keep up with the other canoes, this rental unit is a real barge. The others would go through a shallow area, no problem, we would go through the same spot and run aground. About this time it started to rain a bit so we put on our storm gear. Heather forgot her hat, this doesn't help the heat loss problem.

The autumn colours provide a continuous feast for our hungry eyes, even under the grey overcast skies.

While passing one area, I stood up on the seat to see over the river bank. Heather turned around to see what I was doing, I received a few unkind words and a lecture about standing in a canoe --- in only 12 inches of water, gee what a grouch.

~~Splish~~, splash go the paddles, we have long since given up trying to keep up with the other two canoes, besides, this gives them a chance to rest every once and while, to let us catch up.

Heather and I hold informal discussions as we follow this river, known as the Grand. While going through one narrow section she finished a sentence by saying "right" and I answered "I agree". She said again "RIGHT" and I answered " I AGREE ". To late I realized she meant 'bear right'. We are now resting on the biggest, flattest rock I have seen all day. To make matters worse there is a party of fishermen on shore getting a good laugh, Oh well, we put a smile on someones face today.

Noon hour and over half way, time for lunch. Heather has managed to get her gloves wet, this has led to cold hands and chattering teeth, but she is only a squire and has a lot to learn, so we will forgive her this time. (She should learn how to stand up in a canoe to keep the blood circulating and stretch her legs, sorry Heather, I just couldn't resist that)

Dan, Jenny and Heather have brought sandwiches, John and myself are cooking on homemade paraffin stoves, while Harvey has gone completely backwoods with a small fire and a three course meal (show off). After we had finished and dried off, Dan told Heather to bring out her dessert. oh boy, I thought, Heather has some of her squares along. Was I in for a shock. I turned to see what she had and was greeted with a chorus of Happy Birthday Skip, and she was standing there with a beautiful cake all decorated with the birthday message and the Crew's logo X. It amused me to think that they carried it all this way, and warmed me greatly to think they would do it.

The last half of the trip proved to be the worst. The rains came driven by (to us) hurricane force winds. The wind was so strong at times, that if you stopped paddling they would push you up stream. And adding insult to injury, the temperature dropped and the rain became mixed with hail. By the time we reached Bridgeport the cold was slowing Heather down, and I was in no great shape myself. My right shoulder felt like you could cook on it, old age is creeping in, I guess.

When the bluffs of Breslau came into sight my aches and pains disappeared. While three of us hauled out the canoes and up the bank, the others drove into town to pick up Harveys van. It was then I discovered how heavy the canoe we had was, It was only 16 ft. but about three times as heavy as Dan's 18 ft. The others arrived back and we proceeded to load the canoes. While this was going on I heard some nut ask, "What are we going to do next year to celebrate my 50th birthday?" Despite the sore muscles and cold we all enjoyed it and talked up the possibility of doing the next stretch from Breslau on.

Upon arriving home my wife invited everyone in for some more birthday cake and coffee. During the conversation someone off handedly suggested that, "wouldn't that trip make one heck of a Rover-Ranger-Leader canoe race"! This was followed by a number of suggestions as to how and when. Just maybe, just maybe now, you haven't heard the last of this.....

Looking forward to next year and 50.

Don Sitler, Skip X

Ps. Before someone writes in, I am not recommending standing up in a canoe in this article. If the water hadn't been shallow I wouldn't have done it. Besides I like to rattle the squires now and then.

the 11th Cambridge Rovers

presents ...

ROCK'N' ROLL SOCK HOP

WHEN: Saturday, April 4th, 1981.

PLACE: Wesley United Church, Cambridge (Galt), Ont.
(see map!!)

TIME: 8:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

ATTIRE: '60's dress → bobby socks, leather jackets, 'shades', ... GREASE-Y!

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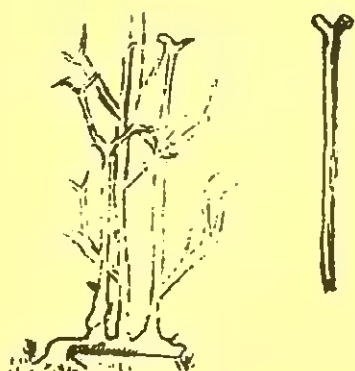
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GALT HWY

STICK-MAKING

By Lord Baden Powell

There are such loads of things that Scouts can make, that it is hard to suggest where to begin. Toys for children can easily be made and fetch good prices if you want to sell them. And there are any amount of other good ideas which you can adopt. For Scouts



who live in the country, or do the right thing and take weekend hikes into the country, there is stick making. When winter is coming on, and the snap is not running up into the woods, it is the right time for cutting and seasoning walking-sticks; and as the leaves come off the bushes it is more easy to find likely plants.

In addition to the ordinary wall-sticks, there is the thumb stick. This is the stick that Rovers are entitled to carry instead of a staff so lots of fellows will be on the look out for them. The best wood for the purpose is hazel or ash.

You will have considerable fun in finding a suitable plant. You will go a long way before you can find a suitable one, or you may be lucky and find half a dozen in one bush. But don't forget to get permission from the owner before you do any cutting!

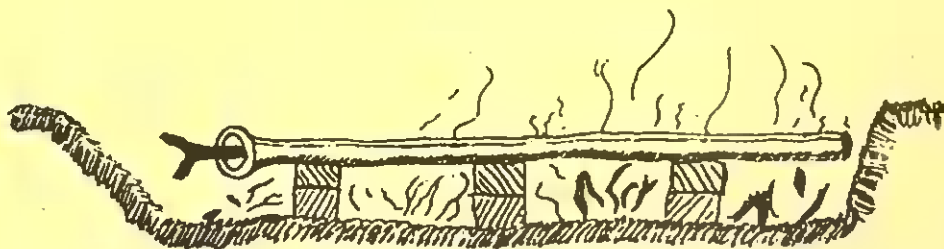
You want a nice, even-growing stick not so thick as to be heavy, and not so thin as to be whippy and bendable. About 1 inch thick, that is, about 2½-3 inches round. It should be from 4 feet to 4 feet 2 inches long, branching in two at the top, giving comfortably wide fork for your thumb to rest in. (That is why it is called a "thumb-stick" you carry it as my sketch show.)

You leave the natural bark on, and trim off all rough knobs and twigs with a sharp knife (not a knife but a sharp knife).

If the stick is not exactly straight all the way down, stew it till it is soft and pliable, and then bend it at the proper points till you get it quite straight. turn→



How to hold the thumbstick



This is the way I stew mine:

I start with a old iron water-pipe about 6 feet long, closed up at one end with a block of wood, metal, or concrete. The pipe is then filled with wet sand, laid on brick in a little trench, and warmed up with fires or lamps at different points underneath it.

The stick is thrust into this (you can put in several together) and left to boil.

If you are in the neighbourhood of a workshop where they have asteaming-box you can, of course, carry out the process there. The thing is to get the wood into an indiarubbery state, so you can bend it in any direction.

Then I have an old bench with a small hole cut through the seat of it. I trust the stick through this hole and bend it at the point required until it is perfectly straight.

It is then lashed to a straight pole, or with other sticks in a bundle firmly bound up with yards of tape, or hung up with a heavy weight st foot, and left for a few weeks to thoroughly dry and season itself.

All knobs and rough bits should be carefully trimmed with a sharp knife and sand-papared until quite smooth to the touch.

The whole thing can then be decorated as your fancy dictates and varnished over.



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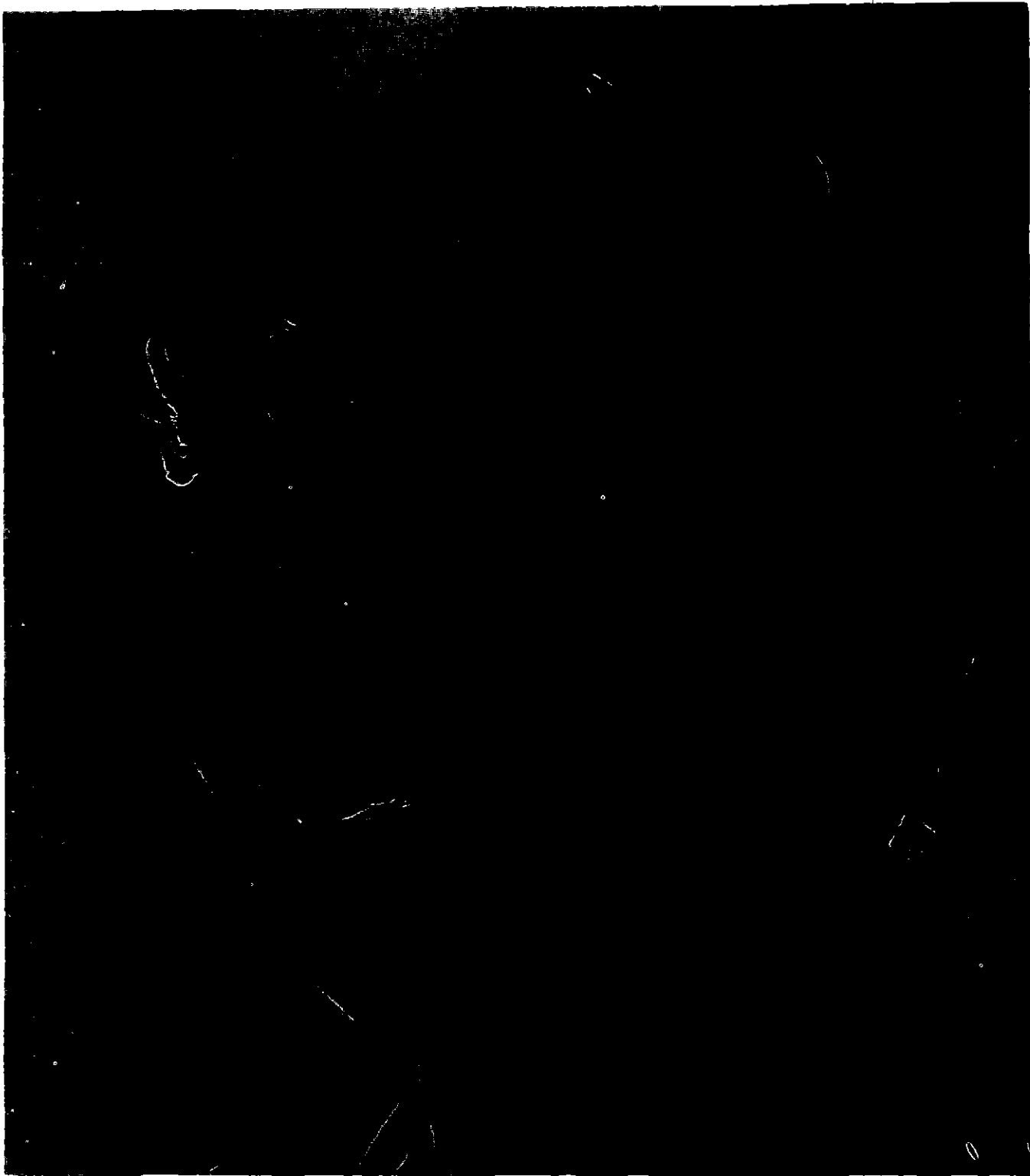
How not to hold the stick!

MOOT MISSES



SANDRA THAYER --- SANDY IS A RANGER WITH EDGEWATER FORTUNE, A MEMBER OF THE GUIDE MOVEMENT FOR EIGHT YEARS AND A BROWNIE LEADER. HER PET PEEVE IS RAIN AND BLACK FLIES AT MOOTS, AT MOOTS SHE IS HARD TO MISS, JUST WATCH FOR THE GIRL WITH THE TRUMPET. SHE LIKES ALL MUSIC WITH A PREFERENCE TO ROCK&ROLL, SHE IS IN GRADE TEN AND ENJOYS MUSIC & IS WORKING ON THE HORN. IN WINTER YOU WILL FIND HER ON THE SLOPES OR CROSS-COUNTRY, SUMMER UNDER SAIL. SANDY ENTERTAINS THE IDEA OF JOINING A CO-ED CREW WHEN SHE IS TOO OLD FOR RANGERS. HER AMBITION FOR THE FUTURE, MAYBE A TEACHER, MAY WE ADD MAYBE THE NEXT MAYNARD FERGESON

MOOT MISTER



AL (Newbi) NEWBIGGING --- MARRIED AND A MEMBER OF THE 11th CAMBRIDGE ROVER CREW ("ALL BOYS") HIS EYES ARE COLORED LABATTS BLUE (that's the shade he specified). HIS PET PEEVE IS CO-ED ROVER CREWS. HE HAS HAD 10 YRS SERVICE IN SCOUTING AND HIS FUTURE AMBITION IS TO BECOME A GENERAL FOREMAN AT HIS PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT. AS FOR THE REST OF HIS INTERVIEW - IF WE PRINTED IT WE WOULD BE IN TROUBLE, AND YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE IT..... VERY FUNNY AL.....

THE HAMILTON QUESTER - PART 3

This issue is dedicated to the Quest of Rover Errantry, probably the hardest Quest of all to talk about! What can a person say which will strike a spark or sound a chord to enthuse young men of the Twentieth century as men of the Sixth century were enthused? You and I are the guardians of ideals which were first expounded in the first third of the first century A.D., were built into a code of knightly conduct in the fifth century and cherished ever since as the rules men live by. Read about it in the final pages of this issue!

Jack Connell, who wrote the article "A program Aid" was well known to most South Central Region Rovers. As a member of the 27th Hamilton, Jack was a Rover and Rover Mate in the Crew and Scouter in the Troop. Round Table activities gave Jack scope for his organizing ability, and his pleasant personality and good sense have made him a popular D.R.L. All in all, he was qualified to talk about Crew Program.

We hope that other odds and ends included here will form the basis for many discussions, so go to it, fellows!!

WE HAVE NO APOLOGIES TO MAKE!!!!

As stated in Issue Number One, much of our material is not original and for that reason your editor has used the name Ye Olde Hamilton Quester. If his free use of other people's thoughts has shocked any persons sensibilities he will attempt to make amends by listing more carefully those sections where the words are borrowed. After all, in Rovering it's the velocity with which ideas are passed around which really counts.

If two men meet and exchange dollar bills, neither man is any richer but if they exchange ideas then each man is enriched. Here are some more borrowed ideas for you.

Dr. Peter Marshall believed that happiness depends on keeping a balance between things mental, moral and physical. Goethe, a German Philosopher and Poet wrote-

"There are nine requisites for contented living: health enough to make work a pleasure; wealth enough to support your needs; strength to battle with difficulties and overcome them;

grace enough to toil until some good is accomplished; charity enough to see some good in your neighbour; love enough to move you to be useful and helpful to others; faith enough to make real the things of God; hope enough to remove all anxious fears concerning the future."

What Rover Leaders those men would have made!

WHAT ARE YOU????

Testing for abilities, aptitudes, etc. is not new. Adam was tested, so we've been working ever since for odd rib. Abraham was tested and found fit to found a race. Gideon marched his soldiers across the desert, then lead them to a stream to drink. The ones that kept their heads up while drank showed the necessary aptitude for military work.

So the story has gone through the ages. To-day we have scientific standardized tests which, properly used, help a fellow to know the truth about himself so that he may make the best use of his abilities.

....YOUR HOBBY BUILDS YOU!!!

The theme for this issue of T. H. Q. is the Quest of Rover Erantryrendering knightly service. In order to be able to do this effectively, you must have a good strong character built on the "Rock". More often than not the cement which holds a good Rover's "house" to the "Rock" is a good hobby.

WHAT'S YOUR HOBBY?

A man named Gordon Hendrickson of the University of Cincinnati, who has made an exhaustive study the matter reports that a good hobby has eight characteristics:

1. It should involve a tangible product that can be admired by others.
2. It should have a group of devotees in whom can be found social contacts, recognition and acceptance.
3. It should fit the individual's age and circumstances.
4. It should be difficult enough to challenge the skill, but not too difficult to prevent

some success.

5. It should further and not interfere with family life.

6. It should not interfere with the vocation.

7. It should be the hobbyist's servant, not his master.

8. It should have possibilities for growth and continued interests throughout the years.

Whole books have been written on the subject of hobbies but they are all summarized right there, fellows. The proper hobby for you will give you relaxation, a change of thoughts, keep you mentally balanced so that you may always be a useful citizen. .

The man could be talking about Scouting, couldn't he?.....

THE PURPOSE OF ROVER SCOUTING

Read all there is in Policy, Organization and Rules about the aims of Rover Scouting and then read these seven points listed by the Windsor Boy Scouts Association on their "Program Syllabus and Notes for the Guidance of Rover Crews".

THE PURPOSE OF ROVER SCOUTING (Aims and Methods)

1. One of the purposes B-P had in mind in starting Rover Scouting was to provide somewhere for the Scouts to go to, who had grown beyond but refused to leave the Troop and who were proving a bar to recruitment. In other words, to protect the Scout Troop.
2. To secure a continuation and to some extent a completion of the training you have had in the Pack and the Troop. In many respects the activities of the Rover Crew will rightly be similar to those in the Scout Troop, but they should be carried out with a higher degree of skill. It is vitally necessary for the good of Scouting as a whole that in matters of camping, hiking, conduct, and the like Rover Scouts really do set the best possible example and that their standards do not deteriorate as their age increases.

3. The establishment of the Scout principles at the adult stage.

The Rover Scout must realize that the observance of the Scout Promise is a manly thing to be carried into the adult community and is not a boyish thing to be left behind in the troop.

4. To prepare for leadership in the adult community. Rover Scouting is not a secret society that promotes a ritual satisfying to the peculiarities of a few individuals. Rather it is an effort to build up the spiritual and moral foundation of every one of you to seize opportunity and scorn temptation. The Rover Crew that seeks to base its life on a form of escapism from life's realities is heading for disillusionment.

5. To train for service. There are two distinct ingredients in service in Scouting. The first is the acceptance of the statement that each of us must be prepared to pay rent for our room on earth and the second is the training in those skills to make such service to others effective.

6. To carry the spirit of Scouting (fellowship, comradeship and sportmanship) into the adult community wherever you may be.

7. To help develop your career.

Ready for the question?..... ARE YOU ROVERING??? Is there a good troop behind you to keep supplying you with members? Are you keeping your Scouting standards high by camping, hiking and practising Scout skills? Do you set an example to our younger brothers which is worthy of our movement? Do you assist in leadership in Troop or Pack or in other community work? Are you training yourself so that you fill a service need in your community? Are you going to school or taking courses which will further your career to the point where you can "paddle your own canoe"?

If you are making an attempt to do something about all of these things you are ROVERING. You are living up to what your leader had in mind when at your investiture he said "I trust you on your honour to be a good true Rover". If you are riding only one or two of these purposes to death you are not getting the best out of Rovering.

A PROGRAM AID

SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR PROGRAM - as appeared some years ago and at that time was written by D.R.L. Jack Connell.

The program is outlined first then discussed in detail.

1. 8:00 p.m. - Opening

2. 8:05 p.m. - R.L.'s or Mate's five minutes.
3. 8:10 p.m. - Business meeting.
4. 8:45 p.m. - Self Improvement
5. 9:00 p.m. - Instructional
6. 9:15 p.m. - Social or semi-instructional

Part 1 - Opening.....

Flag break and prayers conducted by the R.L. or Mate.
 Repetition of the Rover Promise.

Part 2 - R.L's or Mate's Five Minutes

Could be anything in the Moral, Religious, or Service theme.
 i.e. - regular Church attendance
 importance of exercising your franchise in a Democracy.
 Respecting the Police
 pulling your weight in the Crew
 Encourage co-operation with the civic authorities, in
 promoting civic pride and in keeping the city clean.
 The importance and significance of loyalty to ones
 country.
 Setting a good example for Scouts and Cubs
 The importance of a close working relationship with
 District H.Q., the Troop and Pack and other organizations
 in the Community.
 Suggest individual good turns
 Reading a passage from the Bible
 Living your religion through the week, not just on
 Sundays.
 Smartness and pride in wearing the Rover uniform.
 Scouting as a force of good-will among ALL people.

Part 3 - Business Meeting.....

-reading the minutes of the last meeting, and if the crew
 concerned is an old one, the meetings of past years.
 -collection of dues and or registration.
 -treasure's report
 -quartermaster's report on missing, or repair needed, or new
 purchase of articles or gear.
 -suggestions for Crew program, indoor & outdoor.
 -planning of camps, moots, and social activities
 -adopting a constitution
 -annual Crew elections
 -appointing committees
 -business arising from current minutes
 improving the Rover den or establishing one

Part 4 - Self Improvement.....

-3 minute talk by one of the crew members on any thing of general interest as his hobby, job, current events, report of a camp, etc. This would help to improve public speaking among members.

-Constructive criticisms would be offered by the leader or some other person qualified.

Part 5 - Instructional.....

Quizzes on Canada, international topics, on anything topical. lectures on first aid, i.e. entire crew qualifies for Senior St. John's.

Improving Scouting skills

Talks by well qualified persons i.e. Civil Defence personal Doctors, Lawyers etc.

Part 6 - Social or Semi-instructional.....

A speaker from outside the Crew such as in part 5

Debates-Talks; just pick a subject and go to it.

Chess, cribbage, bridge etc.

Movies of instructional or comic content.

Investiture ceremony.

Social games - better described as party games.

Refreshments - light.

SETTING UP THE PROGRAM

Here are some general rules for setting up a Rover program as outlined on a Rover Leaders Gilwell Course.

1. Keep it balanced between physical, mental and spirital. We are interested building all-round citizens, not narrow minded bigots. Crews which lean to far in any direction will not grow.
2. The program must be the work of the Crew. Only Crew members are qualified to say what they want for activities. Encourage full discussion of all plans and give the Crew responsibility for following through.
3. Plan programs well ahead so they will have some continuity. Arranging meetings in series should encourage attendance. Plan a series of speakers on different aspects of the same subject, political parties, churches, forms of art, etc.
4. Number of outdoor activities should outweigh number of indoor meetings. When summer comes stop indoor meetings.
5. Note to leaders: Supply opportunities for Service and give your members the training they need to render service well. Remember too, that you are a member of the Crew and should rate a hearing (in a democratic way of course) in making any plans.

NINE STEPS TO A STRONGER CHARACTER

Cut this out and put it on a mirror and read it every day as you shave, put on your make up or whatever!!

JUST FOR TODAY !!

JUST FOR TODAY I will exercise my soul in three ways: I will do somebody a good turn and not get found out; if any one knows of it, it will not count. I will do two things I don't want to do - just for exercise. I will not show anyone that my feelings are hurt; they may be hurt, but today I will not show it.

JUST FOR TODAY I will have a quiet half hour all by myself and relax. During this half hour, sometime I will try to get a better perspective of my life.

JUST FOR TODAY I will be unafraid, especially I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful, and to believe that as give to the world, so the world will give to me.

JUST FOR TODAY I will be happy. This assumes to be true what Abraham Lincoln said, that, "Most folks are as happy as they make up their minds to be."

JUST FOR TODAY I will adjust myself to what is, and not try to adjust everything to my own desires. I will take my "luck" as it comes, and fit it to myself.

JUST FOR TODAY I will try to strengthen my mind. I will study. I will learn something that requires effort, thought and concentration.

JUST FOR TODAY I will be agreeable. I will look as well as I can, dress becomingly, talk low, act courteously, criticise not one bit, not find fault with anything, and not try to improve or regulate anybody but myself.

JUST FOR TODAY I will try to live through this day only, and not tackle my whole life problem at once. I can do something for twelve hours that would appall me if I felt that I had to keep it up for a lifetime.

JUST FOR TODAY I will have a programme. I may not follow it exactly, but I will have it. I will save myself from two pests; hurry and indecision.

THE QUEST OF ROVER ERRANTRY

It is a great privilege to be a member of the human race because, brother we're wonderful!! Other combinations of the elements are beautiful beyond description, complicated beyond comprehension and awe inspiring in their design, but people beat them all! One of the most wonderful things about us is the way we respond to influences around us. We laugh, cry, sing, scream or whistle depending on the stimulus.

Being a member of the Knights of the Scout Brotherhood is a privilege also because it puts us in the happy situation of being able to render service to our wonderful fellow humans. Unfortunately people do get into trouble, a fact which gave rise to Knighthood in the first place, and they need to be helped out of it. Thereby hangs the Quest of Rover Errantry.

The finger points at you. What are YOU going to do about it? The third Scout law is "A Scout duty is to be useful and to help others."

"FROM A MAN'S POINT OF VIEW"

" Exploring myself for traces of talents which could be developed and used for helping others; trying to extend my range of useful accomplishments and hobbies, with a keen eye for chances of practising them in service. During my daily life being prepared to jump to the assistance of anyone in real distress or necessity thoroughly enjoying this game of Rover Errantry.

The Scout helps people as well as he can, IN difficulty; The Rover, as the modern and up-to-date equivalent of ancient chivalry, expects to get some opportunities of going on quests to help people OUT of their difficulties. " - Dr. Griffin in "Rover Quests in Practise".

Here are some things you may want to do for Crew program to stimulate interest and accomplish something in the Quest of Rover Errantry.

1. Study First Aid under St. John's Ambulance or Canadian Red Cross instructors.
2. Study the work and methods of organizations which render emergency service
3. Become proficient handymen for home repairs
4. Learn to throw a rope with accuracy and study the use of the rope for emergency work.
5. Brush up on your signalling, semaphore or morse.
6. Become a blood donor.

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7. Learn to drive.
8. Set up a committee in your Crew to take immediate effective action should disaster strike any family in the community.
9. Take up leadership in some organization for the underprivileged.
10. Develop an appreciation for the finer things of life and pass it on.
11. Study the things that cause unhappiness. Plan to avoid such things as loneliness, poor health, hunger, lack of faith, lack of ambition, poverty, selfishness, frustration. Add to the list.
12. Remember the Good Turn! Concentrate on doing the unexpected kind things. Get on the adult level - send a boy to camp, take on responsibility.
13. Hold out the hand of fellowship to new comers in the church or community.
14. Get an explanation of what the Scout Brotherhood Fund is and contribute to it.
15. Decide how these scripture readings fit into the Rover Program.

Luke 10:27	Matt 6:16
John 6:9	Matt 28:19
Matt 25:21	Mark 10:45
	Luke 22:27
16. Discuss such questions as:
 - (a) What do you consider the most helpful act of Jesus' life ?
 - (b) Should you keep on doing good turns for people who do not appreciate them?
 - (c) Should you give money to the "down and out" ?
17. List things that bring true happiness such as friends, an interesting job, suitable hobbies, etc. and try to achieve success within this framework.

I've always maintained that most people are smarter than their leaders, so add to the list to your hearts content. You can probably list hundreds of things you can do to help people out of trouble, so go to it. That is why there are Rover Scouts.

Happy Trails,

Ye Olde Hamilton Quester.

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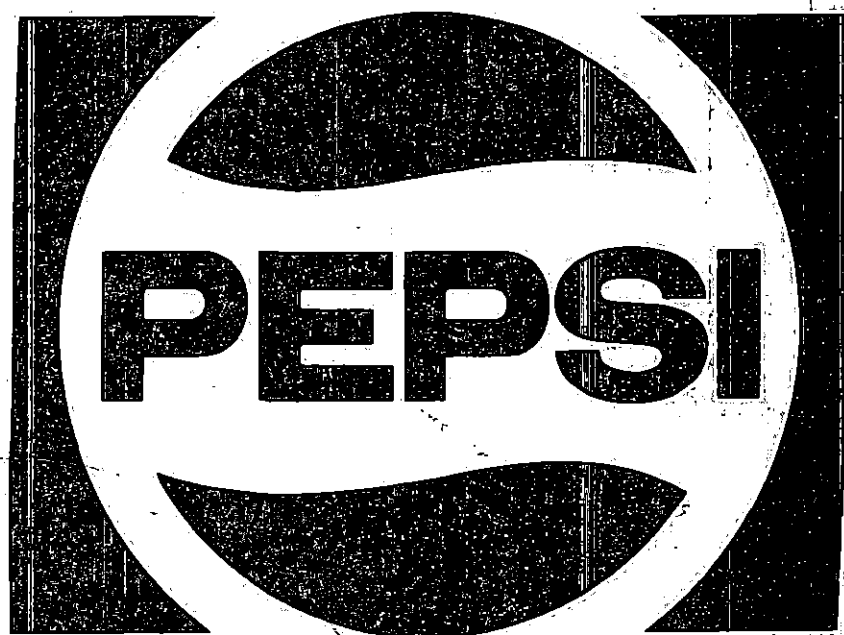
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