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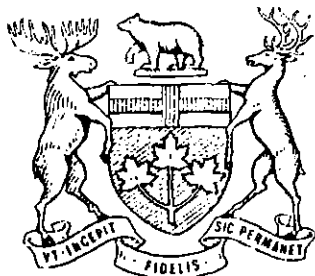
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OCTOBER

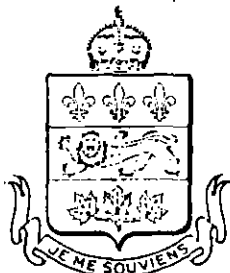
- 16-18 HALLOWEEN MOOT, In Sherwood Forest
1st Burford Rovers
See ad this issue.
- 31 REVENGE OF THE NERDS, Halloween Bash
242nd Polaris Rovers

NOVEMBER

- 21 INCOGNITO DANCE, Mississauga
1st Dixie Co-ed Rover Crew
See ad this issue.
- 22 ORRT, Annual Meeting
G.T.R. Scout Office at 10:00 a.m.

MARCH 1988

- 26 TNT BLOW OUT DANCE
Indian War Theme



QUEBEC

OCTOBER

- 9-12 HIGH SOCIETY MOOT
Iakononhwarahthontha Crew (Ohneka Crew)
Camp Tamaracouta

MAY 1988

VICTORIA DAY MOOT
More information to follow.



BRITISH COLUMBIA

OCTOBER

- 14 FRASER VALLEY ROVER ROUNDTABLE
Camp MacLean
- 30 URBAN ORIENTEERING, Cecil Hotel
Contact: Bruce Dagg 733-6848

NOVEMBER

- 8 BC ROVER ROUNDTABLE, Provincial
- 10 VANCOUVER COAST ROVER ROUNDTABLE,
Scout House

DECEMBER

- 9 FRASER VALLEY ROVER ROUNDTABLE
Camp MacLean
- 19 FRASER VALLEY FEAST
Contact: Jack Prost 522-7980
or 525-1466 (B)

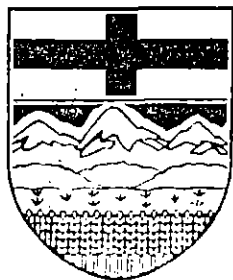
JANUARY 1988

- 12 VANCOUVER COAST ROVER ROUNDTABLE
Scout House

FEBRUARY

- 10 FRASER VALLEY ROVER ROUNDTABLE
Camp MacLean
- ? ROVENT





ALBERTA

OCTOBER

- 9-12 CAMOOT, Camp Woods, Sylvan Lake
- 16-18 E-VENT, Camp Woods, Sylvan Lake
- 18 ARRT ANNUAL MEETING, Sylvan Lake
after E-Vent
- 31 HALLOWEEN DANCE, Moose Den

NOVEMBER

- 1 HIGHLAND GAMES, Edmonton



MANITOBA

OCTOBER

- 3 KINSMEN FUN-A-RAMA, Birds Hill Park
- 4 MANITOBA COUNCIL YOUTH AWARDS, Winnipeg
- 14 ROVER ROUNDTABLE, Scout House
- 18 ST. BONFACE BIKE RODEO, Birds Hill Park

NOVEMBER

- 6-7 RENDEZ-VOUS '87 - MANITOBA SCOUTER'S
CONFERENCE, Winnipeg
- 18 ROVER ROUNDTABLE, Scout House



International

OCTOBER 1987

- 17-18 30th JAMBOREE-ON-THE-AIR, Worldwide

JANUARY 1988

- 8-15 WORLD SCOUT CONFERENCE, Melbourne and
Victoria, Australia
Rovers required as chauffeurs
- 22-26 SURF MOOT, Victoria State, Australia

APRIL

- 1-5 NEW ZEALAND ROVER MOOT
- 1-5 NORTH TERRITORY ROCK MOOT
Australia

MAY

- 20 MARB (Rover Ball), Victoria
Australia

JUNE

- 4-6 MUD BASH, Victoria, Australia

JULY

- ? INTERNATIONAL ROVER MOOT '88, Korea
- 23- SKING AT BOGONE, Victoria
Sept 3

OCTOBER

- 31st JAMBOREE-ON-THE-AIR, Worldwide

JULY/ AUGUST 1989

- ROVER SCOUT EVENT, Japan

1989/90

- ? 11th Australian Rover Moot
Australia Capital Territory

1990/1991

WORLD ROVER MOOT

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 * wishing to advertise an activity under *
 * Upcoming Events may do so, free of charge. *
 * All information must be in by the 7th of *
 * the month previous to printing (note top *
 * of page 1). This announcement could make *
 * your event a success and help to keep the *
 * Scouting and Guiding population informed. *

★ EDITORIAL ★

Welcome to a new Scouting and Guiding season. By the looks of things we have potential for a great year.

I'd like to start my article for this editorial in sharing an observation which I have noticed amongst several Crews. Generally, this concern has me somewhat confused. The point I'd like to mention deals with uniforms.

Now I know that the topic of uniforms has been a thorn for some people and an issue which may sometimes be better left alone, however, I have a different discussion on this topic which may be the answer to all our concerns.

About a year ago, I was asked to assist with a Growth Committee in South Waterloo District. We attempted to determine some of the problems which effected our area. After extensive discussions, we have boiled it down to 3 major concerns: Training, Communication and The Uniform (the ideals and values it stands for).

I have attended Rover meetings from several others crews and noticed a simple occurrence. Some of the members weren't wearing uniforms and in several other occasions, some of the members carried their uniform in a gym bag and put it on only when they arrived at the meeting and then stuffed the uniform back into the bag once the meeting was adjourned.

I have often wondered why some Rovers refuse to wear a uniform, especially in public. Are they too embarrassed? Do they feel as though they are different? Do they feel that they will not be accepted by their friends? Is it just not "cool" to be seen in a Rover uniform? Or is it just too much trouble.

Just think, would a police officer receive the same respect if he went on patrol in a pair of blue jeans and a sweat top? Probably not.

It has been a policy of some crews that upon first entering a moot and exiting after the closing, each member of the crew shall be in uniform. How many crews still go by this tradition?

The solution I have to this problem is to eliminate uniforms completely. Therefore those who come up through the ranks will not have to keep buying a new uniform for the next section; we would not have to be concerned over what colour of shirt to wear; and we would not have to go through the expense and trouble of buying a uniform for which no one other than the members of the crew and the occasional scouting representative would see.

Of course I'm being facetious. The point I'm trying to make is that one of the best forms of promotion for the Scouting movement is to let the public see us in action and in a recognizable Rovering (Scouting) uniform. This will in turn increase public awareness and result in greater recognition and increased membership.

Wishing you the best in the up coming Scouting/Guiding year,


Wilf S. Niklaus

LETTERS TO THE -EDITOR-

Ghana Boy Scouts Assoc.
4th Accra Rover Crew
Africa

Dear Niklaus,

The above mentioned Crew would like to inform you about how they made effort to attend the 2nd Annual Sleeping Giant Awakening Moot in Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada, but due to time limited beyond our control it was abortive. I therefore have the desire to write to you to send us Rovering Magazine to know the up coming events in order to prepare for any Rover Moot, because we wanted to exchange programmes and ideas on international gathering or brotherhood gathering.

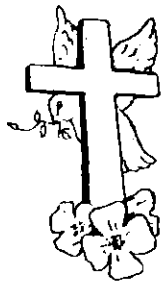
I hope you would send us a copy of the Magazine early in order to choose the one to attend.

Looking forward to hear from you soon. Good Luck.

Yours in Rovering,

Richmond Quaye
Leader of the Crew





B. C. ROVERING

Our deepest sympathies are extended to the friends, relatives and fellow Rovers of David Gordon Jr.. David was tragically killed on Thursday, 6th of August, 1987, when he was hit on his motorcycle by an impaired driver.

David was not only a Rover but an all round avid Scouter and from an involved Scouting family; David was an Asst. Troop Scouter, his brother is a Venturer and his father both Venturer and Rover Advisor, all within the 2nd Cooksville Group. David's mother also holds a prominent position within Girl Guides of Canada.

Last year David's parents Jackie and Dave, formed a committee to organize a combined Mississauga Scout/Guide "Ski Jamb". The Crew had worked on this committee and then on staff for the event. During this time they all came to know Jackie and Dave and admire them both for their energy and enthusiasm. Their suffering at this time has affected us all.

David, just 20 years old was laid to rest in full Rover uniform at the Glen Oaks Memorial Gardens in Mississauga on Monday, 10th of August, 1987. The funeral was attended by a large contingent of uniformed Scouters and Guiders in a very moving ceremony.

David Gordon Jr.

August 6, 1987.

THE REP-ORRT

ONTARIO ROVER ROUND-TABLE

Due to timing problems, no Ontario Rover Roundtable report will be available for this issue.

Next ORRT meeting is the annual meeting which will be held at the Greater Toronto Region, Scout Office on Bloor Street in Toronto at 10:00 a.m.

Greetings from B.C. This month's article is a joint effort by Bill Dagg, Jack Prost, Mark Forster, and Tony Lobmeier and is being brought to you by Pacific Brewing ("Hi Vern, knowudimean"). We would like to thank our short lived predecessor, Jeff Echols (now in Ontario, traitor!!!), for the last three articles.

No political commentary this month so on with the show...

...Still recovering from an active summer and the BC/Alta Rover Moot, where we severely outnumbered the flatlanders (Albertans, for those of you east of Canada, ie: BC). The BC/Alta informal Roundtable was held with an invigorating exchange of opinions. Everyone had a faaaantastic time enjoying the sun and surf. The Car Rally going to the Moot was won by a conglomerate of crews (1st Nanaimo, 18th Skookums, 89th Dunbar-Pt. Grey, all from BC). The Spirit Award was won by the 1st Yennadon Rover Crew, also from BC). Tony Lobmeier took a ride on the Rover Railroad and is now the chairman for the next Moot. Please send any ideas or suggestions you have to help make next years Moot that much more enjoyable to Tony Lobmeier, 26721 Dewdney Trunk RR#4, Maple Ridge, V2X 8X8. 6th Chilliwack, 2nd Sur Del, and 1st Yennadon (yes from BC) participated in the first ever post-Moot car rally. A good time was had by most.

Now back to the beginning of our summer. This busy season quickly followed our busy spring with Camp Skeeter being held on the Victoria Day Weekend in Nanaimo; hosted by Islands Region Rover Roundtable. Then in June the Fraser Valley Roundtable helped run the first ever Gruel-a-thon; a Venturer Forum activity where the Rovers were given the unique opportunity to lose all the Venturers in "Sasquatch country". Rovers then got to use their muscles at a work weekend at the Provincial Jamboree site. Also in July, the 6th Chilliwack Roust-a-bouts organized and won the Fraser Valley Roundtable Raft Race (fixed). The 1st Yennadon Blue Spirits came in second doing barrel rolls down the Silver Skagit River.

In August, many Rovers, including some from Australia, participated as staff members in the Provincial Scout Jamboree. Most worked at the Waterfront program area. The rest did everything from garbage detail to medical services. Buffy's in Sooke proved to be a popular watering hole for dipsomaniacal Rovers.

As of the writing of this article, Camp Raven is but a day away. This lightweight canoe camp features a barbecued salmon dinner with the program to be run by the 1st Yennadon

Rover Crew. A Vancouver Coast Rover Roundtable meeting will be held on September 29, 1987. The Fraser Valley will hold their Roundtable on October 14th at 8:00 pm at Ericson House. On the 24th we celebrate the marriage of two prominent Rovers, Lesley Gillon and Glenn McGee, of the 1st Langley Rover Crew. Congratulations from all the Rovers of BC. Then, another event for dipsomaniacs, the 18th Skookum Rover Crew is hosting a Halloween Urban Orienteering Course on October 20th. Please show up in costume at 7:00 pm at the Cecil Hotel. Contact Bill Daggs for further information. The Annual General Meeting of the BC Provincial Roundtable will be held on November 8 with the regularly scheduled VCR Roundtable to follow on the 10th.

There are many ways to describe a man who has done so much for the Rovers of British Columbia. He gave guidance and support to Rovering and was instrumental in assisting the Rovers to organize the 10th Canadian Rover Moot. A short poem by Sally J. Ethier says it all.

I used to think we chose our own friends,
but I wonder now if we really do...
For none but God could have chosen for me
a friend so special as you.

"By Rovering I don't mean aimless wandering.
I mean finding your way by pleasant paths
with a definite object in view..."

Baden Powell

Bernie Lutes, with his boundless energy and enthusiasm, has inspired us all. Bernie, we wish you luck in your next venture, and as the saying goes "Once a Rover, Always a Rover".

"IT'S BEEN A HOOT!", BERNIE. THANKS FOR
GUIDING US ON OUR PATHS.

BC ROVERS

WORKS OF A.R.R.T.

Hello again from the promised land. Today I bring you my last epistle as I am not running again for Vice-Chairman of ARRT, a position whose many tasks include maintaining this column. After two years of trying to tell the world a little bit of what we do and how we run our show, my words are probably a little stale anyways. Plus, when I turn 22 next year I must declare myself a Service Rover and no longer hold executive office. Making younger guys run stuff keeps Rovering strong. Expect a new name at the bottom of the page next time.

I just got back from BC-Alberta moot complete with fun and sun. Man, those Lotuslanders sure are different from us. They have more crews but smaller, mostly co-ed, and very few

more than ten years old. And oooooee do they like politics, with Round Tables galore for people to hear themselves talk at. Here we think of politicky meetings as more of a necessary evil, and usually ignore Scouts Canada whenever they do something insulting to us. At the moot some sort of two-province meeting was concocted, ostensibly to address two concerns.

The first was that Ottawa may be thinking they don't want another national moot. Everyone made nasty sounds and promised to write typewritten letters about that. Secondly was that some BC people feel we need more members in order to be sold to national better so we can justify the moot, or something. While I am the first to admit that more real Rovers would be nice, Alberta's powerhouse crews have long held the belief that it would be preferable to allow the crew to fold than to lower their standards for members. Apparently this view is not shared by our BC friends. I still feel that one real Rover is worth 637 overgrown Venturers and I don't expect the name of my crew to be darkened as I wear it proudly as an alumnus later in life.

Further to this, Rovering has many values to its members, but if Rovering ever needs to be sold to the rest of Scouting, it can be for two reasons: 1) it is an unequalled resource of able bodies and experience and 2) it is a bridge between younger sections and the age when members are ready for adult involvement. Whether there are 3, 3000, or 3 million Rovers, every one of us is a bonus to the rest of Scouting.

Enough preaching. We've been busy out here in tornado-land. After the storm, one Rover even found a live infant in the rubble of a trailer park the next day, so that's a jumbo neckerchief knot for sure. We also had the Calgary slowpitch tourney and the Silvertip On-Limp-Icks. I still know that car rally was rigged because I didn't win.

Fall means events every week out here and my calendar is so full the ink is coming off onto my hands. Province wide events include E-Vent, which ARRT puts on for Venturers, and the annual ARRT meeting afterward. The 25th Anniversary Camoot is on Thanksgiving, with teeming hordes of Rovers and Rangers expected. Is it just my imagination, or does Guides Canada have more regulations than the tax department? Also the Moose Halloween is in their beautiful den again and is to be followed with Highland Games the next morning. I can't figure out when Grey Cup is this year, but who cares? The halftime game is getting longer every year and soon we'll miss the real one entirely. Lots of other good stuff for sure.

Signing off for good (cheer if you like), I remain.

Bill Holden
22RS VC ARRT

MANITOBA ROVER

It must seem strange to read about Rover activities, some two or more months after they have happened. It seems that I am always two months behind, and that more and more activities are occurring in and around the deadline for article submission. The month-in-advance deadline must have something to do with this. What does one do, speculate as to an event's outcome, or report about it two months after it occurs? I have always done the former, reporting about upcoming activities, and summarizing their outcome two months later.

I have a partial solution to this dilemma: waiting to the very last minute before sending an article away, allowing of course five days for mail delivery. This should solve the problem of events happening just before the deadline. As to those activities that occur after the deadline, they will just have to wait the two months. So, for this month's installment, I will mostly be playing catch-up for the past summer months.

It all started with a trip to the Seventh Alberta Jamboree in Sylvan Lake, Alberta. Two young Rovers undertook to take seven Venturers to this event. The hospitality extended to us was exceptional. The fantastic activities and the many new friends we made, made it difficult to leave after a brief seven day stay. I think the Alberta Rovers deserve a feather in their cap for the excellent job they did to make this Jamboree a memorable one. I thank them for the Rover banner, as it will serve as an excellent reminder of the great time I had.

I no sooner arrived back home, when I was off in the other direction. The Manitoba Contingent to the Second Annual Sleeping Giant Awakening Moot in Thunder Bay, Ontario consisted of five Rovers from the Winnipeg area. I must say we were impressed with the way this Moot was structured and run. It consisted of a series of well planned tours around the Thunder Bay area, a dance and a campfire, and all the food you could eat! Special thanks go to Allan and Sean for helping me do the driving, and Cheryl and Fiona for just being themselves. (This is starting to sound like an Academy Awards speech!) Further thanks go to the Fort William Rovers, for making us feel right at home. This could be the beginning of a beautiful relationship.

September started out with a bang! We did such a great job keeping the grounds clean during CBC Manitoba's Open House, I think they want us back next year. I got to meet most of CBC Manitoba's celebrities and two National personalities. We are now experts at picking garbage and setting up marquee tents. The next Roundtable Meeting takes place at the FCRC Tumbleweed Moot, along with the distribution of the next MR. RT Newsletter, packed full of wonderful and interesting facts and figures.

The only activity I have for October is the Kinsmen Fun-A-Rama for Beavers and Cubs out at Birds Hill Park. Something about needing Rovers to park cars and keep the area secure. The St. Boniface Bike Rodeo is also slated for October, although I have no information on it at the present time.

In passing, I must say that I like the new print style of last month's issue. It makes for more easier reading. Until next time.

Yours in Rovering,

Philip Tanner



ATLANTIC ROVERS

Greetings again from those of us who "Rover to Success" in the "Down Eastern Way."

The Scouting year is kicking off again, and the prospects for Rovering look good in both N.B. and N.S. This is talk of new crews in several N.B. localities, while I'm unsure of the situation in N.S. (once again, to everybody, please keep me informed as to what you are up to. Please, please, please!)

N.B. Rovers kept busy this summer, especially at "Glooscap's World", the 7th N.B. Jamboree. Rovers were involved in the setting up of the site, and three, including myself, were on chaplaincy staff. Thanks to the Rev. Hugh Jones (a Scouter himself) for taking us on.

I understand that a moot in the Halifax-Dartmouth area was a good time, despite some necessary last minute plan changes and a small turnout.

The N.B. Rover Round Table's first meeting of the Scouting Year takes place in Fredericton on September 26. By the time you read this a new executive will have been chosen.

With the new Scouting year come new challenges. Let's be ready for them. Remember, "They who are content to remain in the valley, will receive no news from the mountains." Cheerio.

Yours in Rovering,

Robert B. MacNaughton
Mate NBRRT

COVER QUEST IN PRACTICE

8TH OF 13



(VII) THE GUEST OF CONSCIENCE

The seventh clause of the Scout Law is "A Scout obeys orders of his parents, patrol leader, or Scoutmaster, without question."

From The Man's Point of View

Realizing the duty of obedience I owe to the will of my Maker, and therefore seeking to hear more clearly the voice of God amid the confusion of daily obligations and pastimes and above the clash of contending demands on my loyalty. Striving to obey what I believe to be the will of God, even though it entails hardship or adversity, but being humble enough to realize that I shall sometimes be wrong in my judgement, and therefore must be prepared in repentance to take up a new alignment which I believe is more in accord with my Creator's plan for me. Recognizing that others are similarly striving, and that I must necessarily respect their conscientious opinions, even though they differ from my own.

Expansion - The Rover obeys orders of his Conscience without question, but he has to learn to distinguish between it and personal prejudice, habitual tendencies not necessarily soundly based, and limitations of outlook due to ignorance. The older Scout, passing out of the narrower circle of home and school life, has to learn to recognize and submit unquestioningly to the orders of a new authority - his Conscience. Discovering that conflicting orders and duties are common in life, he strives to make his Conscience so sensitive that in any such clash he will recognize and obey the order which comes nearest to the mind of God.

Conscience must be rather the Voice of God than the call of fear or sentiment. Thus there may be a clash between the claims of his home and those of his outside life; between his own getting on in the world and his duty to others; or again there may be a conflict between his obligations to an employer and to a trade union. He cannot escape the distress and uncertainty thus caused, and he has to learn that they are an important part of his training for Higher Service. He must strive to reason with increasing wisdom, and to make his Conscience more sensitive. Then there will come into his life an Authority which he can obey

without question, and he will respect the conscientious scruples of others, even when he cannot agree with them.

Illustrative Suggestions

A. Preparatory Work

1. Arrange discussions on the Rover's duty to his home, and parents, repeating them after some months when his outlook may have altered.
2. Organize debates on the legitimate claims of the employer, the foreman, the trade union, the other sex, the Rover leader, the Scout Movement, and self-interest.
3. Study the I.H.Q. pamphlet on Discipline.
4. Discuss the difference between compulsory and voluntary discipline, and their respective values.
5. Devote an evening or two to the study of well-known historical cases of Conscience difficulty.

B. Practical Application

1. Form a small advisory group in the Local Association, to members of which (owing to their knowledge and experience) can be referred Rovers actually suffering from these difficulties, and anxious to meet someone who will discuss them sympathetically.
2. Band together in Crews and Local Associations to help Rover Scouts who are actually suffering for Conscience sake.

CAPT'N SQUIRE





NATIONAL UNIFORM TASK GROUP
BOY SCOUTS OF CANADA
P. O. BOX 5151, POSTAL STATION "F"
OTTAWA, ONTARIO, K2C 3G7

SCOUTS CANADA WANTS TO KNOW WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT THE UNIFORM YOU WEAR AS A MEMBER OF THE SCOUTING MOVEMENT. TELL US ABOUT YOUR UNIFORM BY A CHECK MARK IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX OR BOXES BELOW.

The purpose of the uniform is to identify its wearer as a member of the world wide Scouting movement. Some of our members wear full uniform, some only parts of the uniform. Please check of the parts of uniform you wear.

Please check below the uniform items you are now wearing:

Beret	<input type="checkbox"/>
Field Cap	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tie	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neckerchief	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sash	<input type="checkbox"/>
Skirt	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shorts	<input type="checkbox"/>
Slacks	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shirt	<input type="checkbox"/>
Socks	<input type="checkbox"/>
Belt	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	_____

Please check below the uniform items you would choose to wear:

Beret	<input type="checkbox"/>
Field Cap	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tie	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neckerchief	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sash	<input type="checkbox"/>
Skirt	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shorts	<input type="checkbox"/>
Slacks	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shirt	<input type="checkbox"/>
Socks	<input type="checkbox"/>
Belt	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	_____

In your opinion, what do you think should be the structure for the Scouting uniform?

.....
.....
.....

Name: _____
Address: _____

NOTE: It is not necessary to provide your name and address, so complete this section only if you wish to.

Sleeping Giant Awakening Moot

Thunder Bay, Ontario

THE SLEEPING GIANT AWAKENING MOOT REPORT

OR

WHAT CAN YOU DO FOR FUN IN THUNDER BAY?

Those Rovers who decided to venture from such exotic locations as Winnipeg, Toronto, Aurora, Rotterdam and even Westfort were not disappointed with what they found in the land of the Sleeping Giant. Although the journeys weren't as uncomfortable as the trip made by the voyagers in the early 1800's, they did have their trials. Some of the most commonly asked questions were, "How much further?" and "When can we stop to go to the washroom?" The Southerners, following the black ribbon of highway for hours finally passed an ominous warning. "You are now leaving Barrie, Ontario." But they're Rovers and love to live on the edge, so they boldly continued on.

When all arrived in Thunder Bay, or should we say Thunder showers Bay, they had to leave the well travelled and more familiar Trans Canada Highway and venture into the interior to the Oscar Styffe Memorial Boy Scout Camp at Trout Lake (aka Trout Lake Scout Camp). There they were welcomed by our first mate and Moot chief Al Wlensczyk, an immigrant student from the concrete suburbs of Toronto. After helping Dee find her raincoat, people started setting up their tents before the impending rain showers.

At opening ceremonies the next day we were relieved to find that nobody had drowned. VIPs at the opening included the mayor of Thunder Bay (a King Scout) as well as various dignitaries from the Provincial, Regional and District levels of Scouting. The oldest Rover in Thunder Bay, Gordon Duffield, who had received his 40 year pin recently, was made our honorary Moot Chief.

Breakfast in bed?: It's hard to compete with that service but our select camp staff did the next best thing by preparing all the on-site meals for the participants. Cleaning up after the meals was to be done by the camp staff too, but there was no shortage of volunteers from our guests, right squire.

Saturday's main event was to be a trip to Kakabecka Falls and then tubing on the Kaministiquia River during the balmy Thunder Bay summer afternoon, which by the way has a

90% chance of occurring during the week but only a 5% chance on a weekend. Needless to say one should always bet with the odds, so our wet weather plan had to be used. We bussed ourselves to Oulmet Canyon to find out what the glaciers had left when they went back to the pole. When we arrived we found that the Fog family also wanted to see the canyon, but since Mr. and Mrs. Fog nor any of their children were ever Beavers they did not know how to share the view with anybody else. Our second stop of the day was at one of the Thunder Bay amethyst mines. We were treated to a tour of the mine itself as well as to an explanation of how amethyst is formed. Thunder Bay is one of the eight sources in the world of this precious gemstone. After all the extensive walking about we returned to camp to find the sun shining and so we sang on the bus to celebrate. After having a swim at camp the dinner bell rang so it was off to chow down. A busy evening followed with a campfire and a dance at camp.

Sunday began much like Saturday with breakfast and cool cloudy skies. But once we left camp to go for a cruise on board the Welcome ship the sun came out and the temperature rose. The cruise took us down the scenic Kaministiquia (Kam for short) River and across Thunder Bay harbour showing our visitors the largest collection of grain elevators in the world. It was then off to the highlight of the moot, a trip to Old Fort William, a historic "living" museum. The fort was the inland headquarters for the North West Company and the site of the Rendezvous of eastern and western Voyagers and company officials. Life in the period of 1815 is recreated here with furtraders, voyagers and tradesmen living and working at the site. After a tour of the fort we returned to camp to find another excellent meal awaiting us with turkey and all of the fixin's as the main course. Sunday evening was spent relaxing and listening to the guitar playing of Dee, Kelly, Craig and Al for there were long journeys ahead. The Northern lights even came out to wish our visitors a safe trip.

Early Monday morning the long goodbyes were begun and slowly but surely our friends from far away drifted back to their homes leaving nothing but their footprints and the echo of their laughter.

A thank-you to all who travelled the many kilometres to attend our moot in Thunder Bay. We hope to see you next year.

Flavio Zovatto

HOW ABOUT THAT ---

Wow! Did this issue ever come up fast. Seems I just put down my pen from the last one.

I am starting to write this in Cobourg, at the Cobourg Motor Hotel. My wife, myself and senior crew members, who were free, are here to attend the wedding of one of our female crew members. I guess I should have kept track, but as near as my wife and I can figure Tammy is the 15th Rover to be married while still a member of the crew. I guess that number will increase rapidly now that the age level of Rovers has been raised.

How About This: One of 9K's ladies is taking part in the Miss Canada Pageant. I could let that statement hang, but I must tell you that she (Terri) will be working in design and alterations. A picture of Terri appeared a couple of issues ago as a cave woman.

Last issue I told you about the sun room I was building and the process camera we have acquired. In order to install the camera I have to remove and rebuild the wall of my darkroom. If I am going to that much trouble I might as well replace the oil burner with a gas unit, and get rid of the oil tank which the darkroom bench and cupboards are built around.

Now about twenty or so years ago, my crew was tearing down a 165 yr. old frame house, as a fund raising project. I bought some of lumber from that house and used it to build the interior of the darkroom.

After all those years I took a closer look at this old planking I was tearing out. My son took a board to a friend who has a planer. Guess what, I have a fortune in undressed pine which is destined to become end tables for the sun room.

Now you are probably wondering why I am telling you all this. Years back I bought a few rough boards, and never gave much thought to that action. Today I discover that I had unwittingly saved myself a bundle (if you don't believe that go and price clear pine lumber). The past, in other words, had come back to haunt me, but I'm not complaining about this haunting.

There are a few things (a few I said) that I prefer to remain in the past. If I had been more thoughtful, more caring, there might have been even fewer.

I guess what I am trying to say that if we live each day to the best of our abilities, we would not have to think about ghosts from the past, showing up to haunt us. Remember that past is only a day away.

Now don't quote me on this because I didn't catch all of it but; I heard on the radio that some minister of our government, is proposing the idea of a government backed

program, for youth to mix with other youth from other countries to work towards world peace. Now I ask you, doesn't that sound like B.P. talking.

Why doesn't our government approach Boy Scouts of Canada, or Vice Versa. We have the machinery and it's in use. Why is the suggestion to duplicate it. Why not donate to the Boy Scouts of Canada enabling them to expand with no worries of finances. With our track record of Jamborees, Moots, etc. Why wouldn't an intelligent member of parliament take a good hard look at Scouting? On second thought don't answer that we may get some weird answers. I just hope I heard wrong.

I just realized I left some questions unanswered. The house demolition mentioned earlier, was on a contract for a sum of money and the right to sell materials that were salvaged. It was so successful that there were no fund-raising activities for the next three years. And the wedding, old blubber eyes tried hard but I lost, a couple of tears sneaked out. I may be slightly prejudiced, but when Tammy came down the aisle, the word beautiful took on a new meaning, the whole day was like that. Memories that you enjoy being haunted by.

Keep On Rovering

Don

MOVIE TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. In the movie Hellraisers, what was the house number?
2. In Ferris Buellers Day Off, what type of car did he accidentally send through a glass window?
3. Judge Reinhold kidnapped Bette Midler in what movie?
4. In Over The Top, who did Stallone meet in the final?
5. Who played the hooker in Trading Places?
6. Who played the good border patrol in the movie The Border?
7. Who are the Three Amigos?
8. What kind of pit did Tom Hanks and Shelley Long fall into?
9. John Cleese runs out of time in what movie?
10. His partner dies because of a counter-felting ring in the Streets of L.A., what movie is this?

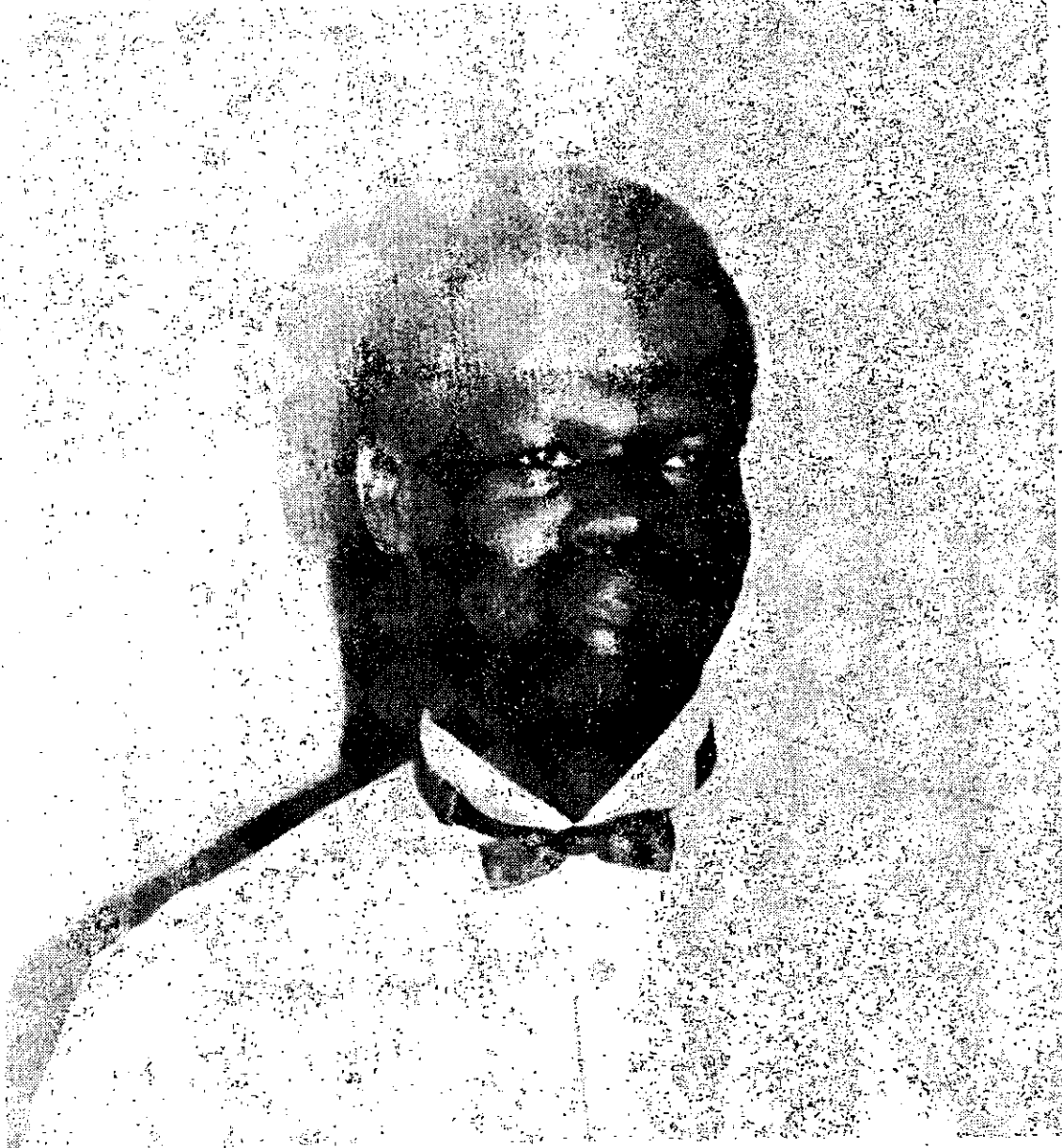
See Answers on page 22

MOOT MISSES



19 yr. old Michelle Lee Clark is a former member of the Queen City Rovers from Buffalo, and is now associated with the 85th Brule Barbarians in Toronto. (She gets around). She's in the U.S. Army Reserve and is attending Niagara College to be a Chef. Mickie enjoys camoing, horseback riding and classical music. When asked about boys, she didn't wether there was any one special special, but she did say, " God put them on Earth for a purpose." ---(photo at St. George's)

MOOT MISTER



If you've been to a Rover Dance lately you can skip this page, cause you've already seen Ian McKenzie in action. No STILL photo does him justice. We had to chain his feet so we could take his picture. For everyone else....Ian is a Barbarian...85th Brule that is. He's 24 years old anda tall 6foot 2 1/4 inches. Ian's been kicking around Scouting for about 14 yrs.

So if anyone wants to spend 3 hrs. working out in a gym or 4 hrs. on a dance floor I'm sure you'll have a chance(between gasps) to chat Ian, about ice cream ('cept chocolate) or music.('cept heavy metal) take

lots of vitamins first though.
---(Photo taken at St. George's)



MORE THAN JUST SOUP

Hi again. I hope everyone is enjoying all the moots this summer. Maybe you have started to think about what I've talked about so far and are eager to dream up some bold new menus (HA! HA!).

O.K., raise your hand if, when you get up Saturday morning at a moot, you start the day by staring at (A) greasy bacon and eggs (B) frisbee like pancakes (C) cold cereal or (D) near black french toast. That's right, you guessed it, I'm going to talk about breakfast. By the way, if you didn't raise your hand for any of the above and you're not one of those who skips breakfast, please tell me what you eat, you may have an above average imagination in meal planning.

To me, these instant pancake mixes are the next best thing to concrete repair plaster. You would believe it to, if you saw what was served to me a couple of times under the pretense of being pancakes. I think the best mix is one that is home made and when you need it, you just add an egg and some milk (ask your mom for a recipe or just look in a cookbook yourself). To spruce things up at camp though, I would add cinnamon, raisins, fresh fruit and berries or mallasses, and of course REAL maple syrup.

Fresh and dried fruit alone is great for breakfast in the summer as well. They are also cheaper and more readily available in the summer to. Consider fruit which will travel well like apples, figs, oranges, grapes, grapefruit, pears, dried apricots, bananas or pineapple. This leads me to the next item which is good for breakfast, granola. There are truly hundreds of variations (as Quaker Harvest Crunch reminds us) but they all basically have the same ingredients to a greater or lesser degree. I have one made at my place every once in a while which contains a considerable amount of bran, you know what that can do to you (HA! HA!). Here's a recipe which might suit you better. This should be made at home before you go on that long trail. (Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.) Over low heat combine 1/2 cup oil, 3/4 cup honey and 1/2 cup water and stir until it is all mixed together. In a large bowl add 5 cups oats, 2 cups wheat germ, 1/2 cup sunflower seeds, 1/2 cup raisins, 1 cup of sesame seeds and 1 cup of chopped cashews. Add heated mixture and mix. Spread granola on a bake sheet, cover with foil and bake for 20-30 minutes and be careful not to burn it or yourself (that honey gets really hot!). Take it out and let it cool. If you don't have a teflon back sheet you better lay wax paper on the bottom or butter the sheet before you put in the granola. Granola makes a great snack too.

Some other ideas for breakfast are different kinds of muffins.

If I haven't said anything that would be appealing to you for breakfast, try hot cereals (generally to be eaten at those cold moots) like rolled oats, cream of wheat or red river cereal. To give them more life, add sugar, cinnamon, fresh diced fruit or sections or a tablespoon of pie filling.

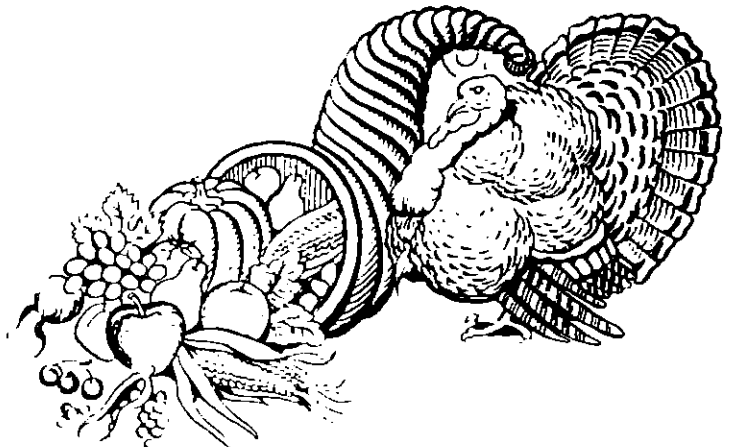
For those hardy types who still like their bacon and eggs, maybe you could try other kinds of bacon, ham, sausage or even corn beef hash. Just fry up the meat on one side of the pan and your eggs on the other half. Or try an english muffin sandwich with an egg and ham, or just put in some bacon or sausage. If it's the eggs your after in the morning, why not try out an omelette or just scrambled eggs with something extra inside like cheese, bacon, sausage, leftover cooked potatoes (diced), green/red peppers sliced, mushrooms, pimento or anything else that tickles your fancy. How about a boiled egg. One thing I'm going to try next moot is this: take a slice of bread and butter it. Make a hole in the center about the size of an egg yolk. In a hot skillet place bread buttered side down. Break an egg in the hole and cover and cook slowly until the white is set. Turn over and cook for a few seconds, then salt & pepper and enjoy...hopefully.

As for beverages at breakfast, I still enjoy a good cup of coffee (I like it with double cream and double sugar...for those squires who are attentive) but others like tea, hot chocolate, milk, chocolate milk, or fruit juice (usually apple, orange or grapefruit).

With all these ideas for something new to eat at the next moot, don't be too adventurous and take on 2 or 3 new meals. Sometimes things go wrong and a crew could forgive 1 mistake but they will get pretty upset if all your creations go to the animals. You could end up finding yourself sleeping under the stars (or clouds full of rain). Beside the practice of one new meal at a time is a lot easier to master.

Still Then Keep on Cook'en

Soupy



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November 21ST at 8:00 p.m.

Mississauga Valley
Community Centre
Hazel MacCallian Room

Advance Tickets

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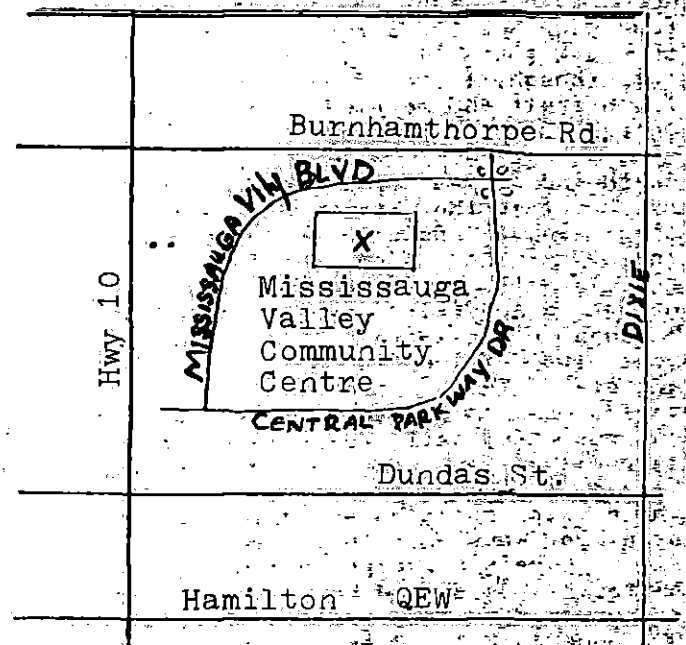
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WILDERNESS WISDOM



Lost

"REMEMBER, YOU'RE NOT LOST. IT'S YOUR CAMP THAT IS LOST," is a good thought to keep in mind, especially at that critical time when you suddenly discover that you haven't the least idea where you are in a strange wilderness. But an ounce of prevention in getting lost is worth more than a whole book of suggestions on how to find your way back.

Always keep this fundamental of wilderness traveling in mind: When going through strange country, be sure to blaze a clear trail, one that you can easily follow back. In making a trail, look back frequently so that you can be sure the blazes are easily seen from that direction. Always carry a sheath knife, a small compass and waterproof matches. Try to keep in mind the general direction in which you are traveling from your camp. Make a mental note of the more important landmarks along your route.

But if you do miss your way, don't get frightened. Realize that you are not so completely lost or as far away from help as you think you are. The first thing to do is to climb to a high place and look for some familiar landmark near your camp. Look for smoke, for smoke usually means human beings.

If you begin to feel panicky, do something. Smoke, chop some wood, build a fire, take a drink of water or eat something. This will help a bit to take the jitters from your mind. Remember, the worst thing you can do is to give way to fright. Panic will rob you of any chance of getting out. It may turn a mere incident into a fatal tragedy.

If night is approaching, look for a comfortable place to make your bed, shelter and fire. Under no consideration should you wander about as night comes on. Try to make your camp before it is dark. Your matches and knife will be most convenient to have at this time. If it is surprising what a lift a good bed and fire will give to your lagging spirits.

When morning comes, climb to a high spot again and look for smoke. If you can see it, carefully line it up with your compass. If you have no compass, try to line up several trees or landmarks, sighting along these to other objects in that direction as you make your way.

If you prefer to stay where you are, rather than to trust yourself to find the way back, build two smoky fires 40 or 50 feet apart on some high place. Stay close to the fires and

shout from time to time. If you have a gun, fire it three times in quick succession. Keep this up from time to time. If you try to find your way back, be sure to leave a clear trail so that you can follow if back if necessary or your friends can follow you.

Nature's Compasses

Watch Compass: If you have no compass but have a watch, you can tell direction by holding it flat and pointing the hour hand toward the sun (plate 164). South will be located halfway between the hour hand and 12 on the dial. Even on cloudy days a stick or straw held at the rim of the watch will show the direction of the sun by throwing a faint shadow.

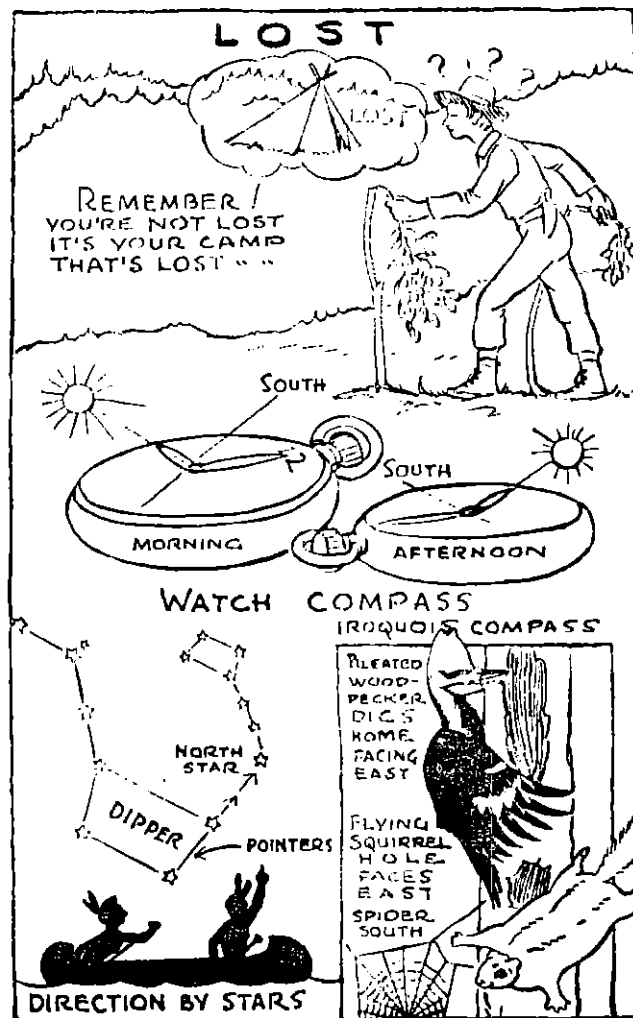


PLATE 164

Direction by Stars: The most easily recognized star group is the Big Dipper or Great Bear, located in the northern sky. This great sky dipper revolves around a smaller group of stars known as the Little Bear. The Big Dipper has long attracted men, because the 2 stars forming the edge of the dipper always point to the North Star, a bright star in the very tip of the Little Bear's tail. These 2 stars are called "pointers" and were used in navigation centuries before the compass was invented.

There is an Indian legend that tells of a sky hunter who chased a she-bear and her cub up a mountain and into the sky. Before the cub could escape, the hunter shot an arrow into the tip of its tail and pinned it in the northern sky. Ever since that time the cub runs round and round, while the mother, the Big Bear, runs anxiously round the cub. The hunter shot 7 arrows into the mother bear, and her wounds are the 7 bright stars clearly showing in the dipper. The mother sky-bear seems to go round the cub once in about twenty-four hours. That is why the dipper often looks as if it were upside down or upon its side.

Iroquois Compass: The white man has always marveled at the ability of the Indian in finding his way in the wilderness without a compass. Many of our early frontiersmen soon learned from the red men how to tell direction even when the sun or stars were obscured. The Iroquois knew a number of signs which pointed direction (Plate 164).

For instance, they say the pileated woodpecker generally digs his holes in the east side of a tree, just as the Indian faces the door of his lodge toward the rising sun. Those beautiful gliders of the night, the flying squirrels, too, seem to choose the east side hollows of trees for their apartments.

The Indians also say that they can often tell the north side of a hill by the lack of noise when walking. On the north side it is often moist and mossy, while the south side will be noisy with dried leaves and crackling twigs.

They say that the spiders seem to choose the driest and warmest side to erect their webs; and this, of course, is on the south side.

Waterfowl seem to prefer the western shores of lakes and streams for breeding; and frogs, minnows, and fish often favour the west side too.

Evergreen Compass: The feathery tips of pines and hemlocks usually point in an easterly direction (Plate 165). Collectors of spruce gum in the North Woods say that the gum oozing from the south side of a tree is a clear amber color while that of the north side is a dirty gray color.

Prickly-Lettuce Compass: Although this plant (*Lactuca scariola*) is a troublesome weed, nevertheless it, too, has been chosen by Nature to point direction (plate 165). Like rosin weed and prairie dock, it indicates north and south.

Tree-Ring Compass: In most instances, tree rings will show a greater growth of wood on the north and northeast sides of trees (plant 165). Then, too, the bark of older trees is usually thicker on the north and northeast sides. Both these facts have been known for centuries by woodsmen in many parts of the earth.

Compass Goldenrod: The compass goldenrod (*solidago nemoralis*) is one of the most brilliantly colored of the goldenrods, whose gracefully bent flowering heads point to the north. It is a late flowering species, with the flowers growing on the upper side of the bowed stem. The leaves are dull olive-green and covered with minute gray hairs (plate 165).

Rosin-Weed Compass: Rosin weed (*Silphium laciniatum*) is another of the wild compass plants that once abounded in the Mississippi Valley from Minnesota to Texas (plate 165). A fall plant of the open prairie, its stiff leaves do not grow horizontally, but stand vertically; the leaves pointing north and south. The large flowering heads face toward the east and do not follow the sun, as do so many plants. Even at night the plainmen could tell direction by feeling of the leaves.

Prairie-Dock Compass: A relative of the rosin weed, prairie dock (*Silphium terebinthinaceum*) also has this compass characteristic of pointing north and south and may be used as Nature's compass (Plate 165).

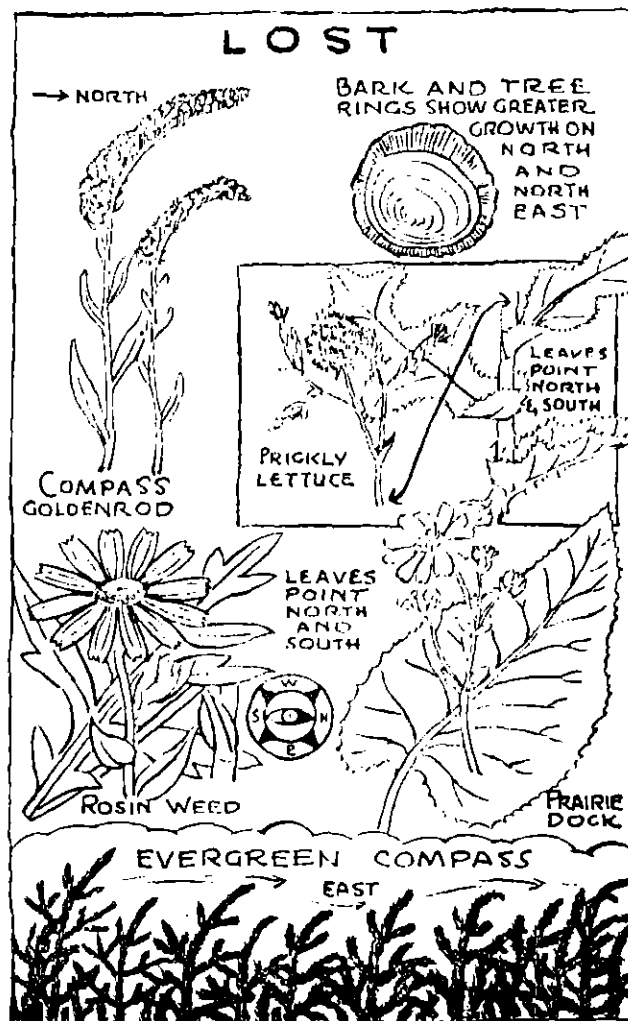
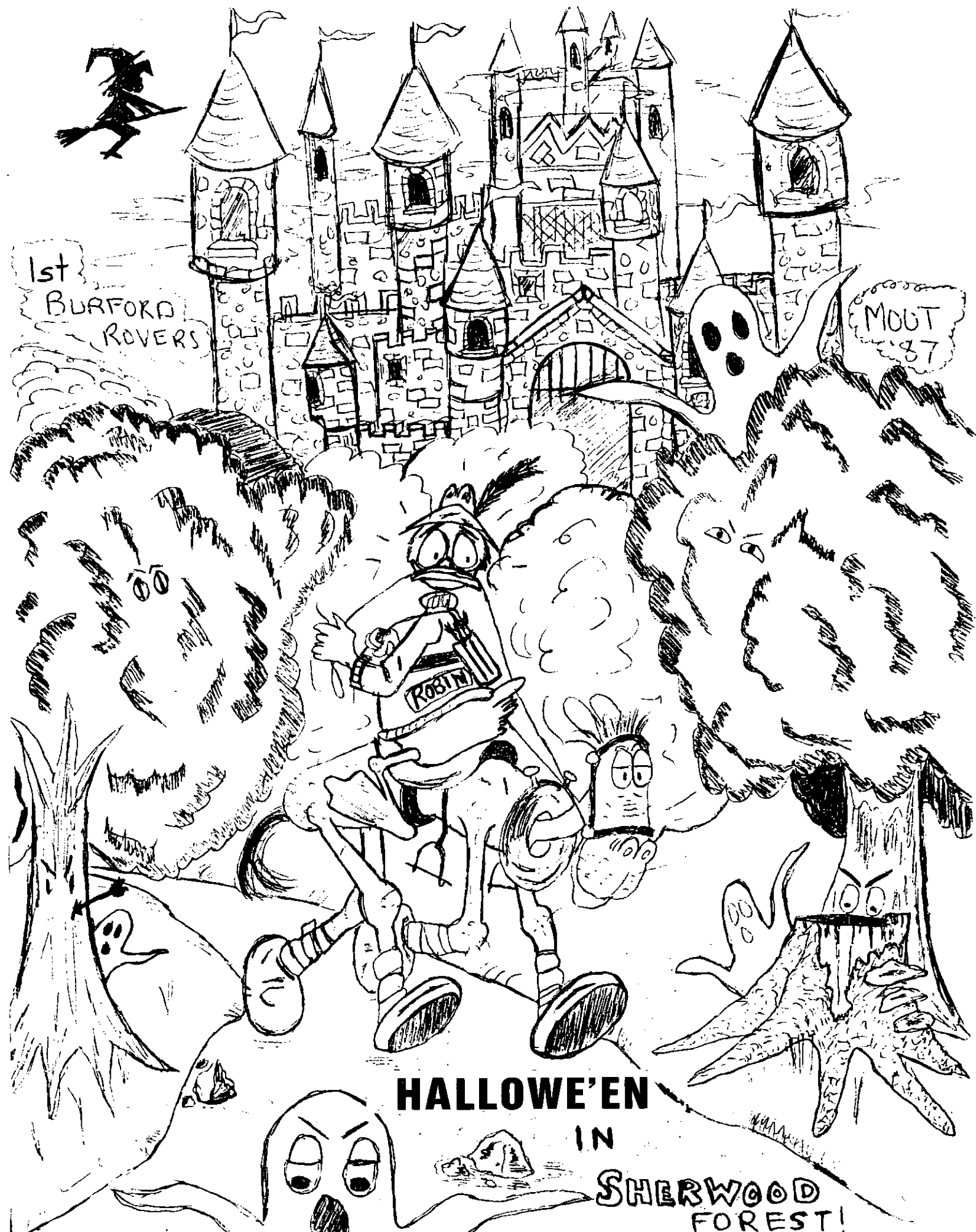


PLATE 165



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HALLOWE'EN MOOT "87" OCTOBER 16, 17, 18

Presented By: 1st BURFORD ROVERS AND FRIENDS

Friday October 16

12:00 Noon	Registration Opens
5:00 P.M.	Supper
8:30 P.M.	Treasurer Hunt, Games and Movies
12:00 Mid.	Bonfire and Bedtime Stories
2:00 A.M.	Curfew

Saturday October 17

9:00 A.M.	Official Camp Opening
9:45 A.M.	Crew Events
12:15 P.M.	Lunch
1:30 P.M.	Car Rally, Group Events
3:00 P.M.	Demonstrations and Displays
5:00 P.M.	Supper
8:00 P.M.	Form in parking lot for dance
8:30 P.M.	Costume Dance
1:00 A.M.	Bonfire
2:00 A.M.	Curfew

Sunday October 18

10:00 A.M.	Rovers' Own
11:30 A.M.	Closing and Awards

Treasurer Hunt

Rally, Movies, Quiz

Bedtime Stories:

Tell us a good ghost story around the campfire and you'll get some more points!

Car Rally:

Waiver forms will be available at registration immediately after opening.

Dance:

Prizes will be awarded for best costumes. The dance will be held in a heated hall in the Village; directions will be supplied. An alternative event is available.

Pumpkin Carving:

Pumpkins will be distributed upon arrival to the moot - one per group. Carved pumpkins must be turned in at registration by 10:00 P.M. Saturday. Pumpkins will be judged and points will go toward the main trophy.

General Information:

A tractor with trailer will be provided to haul gear to the campsites. All groups come self-contained. There are a limited number of motorized camper sites available; please pre-register if you would like one.

There will be a canteen selling hot and cold beverages, fresh donuts and snacks, in the pavilion.

A Saturday lunch will be provided for all groups pre-registered by October 01st, including day registrations.

Crests are not included in the costs of day registration.

The main Moot trophy will be awarded to the group with the most points at the end of the weekend. The trophy will be engraved accordingly.