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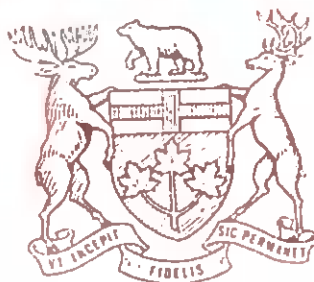
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### ONTARIO



#### DECEMBER

- 31 NEW YEARS EVE EXTRAVAGANZA,  
Stoney Creek Rovers  
See ad this issue

1989

#### JANUARY

- 15 ORRT, Ontario Headquarters

#### FEBRUARY

- 10-12 SNOWBALL '89  
See ad this issue
- 10-12 MAD HATTERS BEACH PARTY '89  
Camp Samac, Oshawa  
Contact: Scouts Canada  
Oshawa District Council  
1711 Simcoe Street North  
Oshawa, Ontario, L1G 4Y1  
(416) 725-4734

#### MARCH

- 19 ORRT, location to be announced
- 25 TNT BLOW OUT DANCE '89

#### APRIL

- 7-9 VENTURERING IN CAMALOT, Brant District  
More info next issue.  
or contact: Andy Kurzawski  
161 Fifth Ave.  
Brantford, Ontario  
N3S 1A3  
(519) 756-8797

- 29 ST GEORGE'S DAY DINNER AND DANCE  
Kitchener  
See ad this issue

#### MAY

- ? ORRT, Ottawa

#### JUNE

- 16-17 ATTAWANDERONK GOES TO BEDROCK  
Everton Scout Camp
- ? CAMAS

#### JULY

- 7-9 TEDDY BEAR PICNIC  
13th Mark Street Peterboro Rovers

#### AUGUST

- 19-26 PART II WOODBADGE, Blue Springs

#### SEPTEMBER

- 17 ORRT, location to be announced

#### NOVEMBER

- 19 ORRT, Toronto

### QUEBEC



1989  
JANUARY

- 20-22 CLUB MED MOOT '89  
Knights of Excalibur

#### FEBRUARY

- ? LONE PINE ROVER DANCE

#### MAY

- ? VICTORIA DAY WEEKEND MOOT,  
Cool Chameleon Crew

# BRITISH COLUMBIA



## DECEMBER

- 14 FRASER VALLEY ROVER ROUNDTABLE  
8PM Erickson House, Camp McLean
- 17 FRASER VALLEY ROVER CONFERENCE  
9AM Erickson House, Camp McLean  
Contact: Fraser Valley Rover Roundtable  
Mate: Tony Lobmeier (604) 462-7272
- 17 FRASER VALLEY MEDIEVAL FEAST  
6PM Rotary Lodge, Camp McLean  
Contact: Fraser Valley Rover Roundtable  
Mate: Tony Lobmeier (604) 462-7272

## JANUARY '89

- 10 VANCOUVER COAST ROVER ROUNDTABLE  
8PM Vancouver Scouthouse
- 14 VANCOUVER COAST ROVER CONFERENCE  
9AM St Giles Church, Vancouver  
Contact : Vancouver Coast Roundtable  
Mate: Ian Smith (604) 732-8002  
Chairman: Steve Ilott (604) 275-3259

## FEBRUARY '89

- 8 FRASER VALLEY ROVER ROUNDTABLE  
8PM Erickson House, Camp McLean
- 10-12 SKI-VENT '89  
Ski Weekend Near MacKenzie  
Contact: Ian MacKenzie (604) 997-3481  
P.O. Box 2410  
MacKenzie, B.C.  
VOJ 2C0
- 17-19 ROVENT '89  
Cambie Creek Nordic Area, Manning Park  
Contact : Vancouver Coast Roundtable  
Mate: Ian Smith (604) 732-8002  
Chairman: Chris Carr (604) 872-3880
- 17-19 B.C.-YUKON INFORMAL ROVER ROUNDTABLE  
Ro-Vent '89

## MARCH '89

- 7 NORTHERN REGION ROVER ROUNDTABLE  
Contact: Northern Region Roundtable  
Mate: Dick Mynen (604) 562-1249
- 14 VANCOUVER COAST ROVER ROUNDTABLE  
8PM Vancouver Scouthouse

- 31- DREAM ON '89
- APR 1 Beaver Sleep-over at BC Place Stadium  
Contact: Your Regional Office

## APRIL '89

- 12 FRASER VALLEY ROVER ROUNDTABLE  
8PM Erickson House, Camp McLean
- 14-16 4TH ANNUAL FUN CAMP  
Camp Hughes, Prince George  
Contact: 1st Prince George Rover Crew  
2629 Lillooet Street  
Prince George, B.C.  
V2L 1S7 (604) 564-7850
- 22-23 B.C.-YUKON ROVER ROUNDTABLE  
Kamloops  
Contact: Provincial Rover Roundtable  
Mate: Jack Prost H-(604) 522-7880  
W-(604) 662-1213
- ? FRASER VALLEY ROVER MOOT '89  
Date and Location TBA  
Contact: Fraser Valley Roundtable
- ? VANCOUVER COAST NITE HIKE '89  
UBC Endowment Lands  
Contact: Vancouver Coast Region

## MAY '89

- 9 VANCOUVER COAST ROVER ROUNDTABLE  
8PM Vancouver Scouthouse
- 19-22 CAMP SKEETER '89  
Contact: Islands Region Scouthouse  
(604) 754-6422

## JUNE '89

- 3-4 B.C.-YUKON PROVINCIAL ROVER CONFERENCE  
Kamloops  
Contact: Provincial Rover Roundtable  
Mate: Jack Prost H-(604) 522-7880  
W-(604) 662-1213
- 14 FRASER VALLEY ROVER ROUNDTABLE  
8PM Erickson House, Camp McLean

## SEPTEMBER '89

- 1-4 B.C./ALTA MOOT '89  
Mara Lake, B.C.
- 1-4 B.C.-YUKON INFORMAL ROVER ROUNDTABLE  
Informal Roundtable & Conference  
B.C./Alta Moot '89

## NOVEMBER '89

- 5 B.C.-YUKON ROVER ROUNDTABLE AGM  
10AM Provincial Scouthouse, Burnaby

## JUNE '90

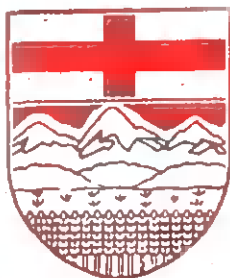
- 7 B.C.-YUKON PROVINCIAL ROVER CONFERENCE  
Date and Location TBA

## DECEMBER '90

- 28- WORLD ROVER MOOT, AUSTRALIA
- JAN 8 Contact: Provincial Scouthouse



## ALBERTA



### DECEMBER

9-11 ROVER PART I WOODBADGE

1989  
JANUARY

21 5th ANNUAL FUNSPIEL, Calgary  
76th Knights of Logres Rover Crew  
See ad this issue

### MARCH

3-5 PROVINCIAL ROVER PART II

12 KAMAKAZEE WEEKEND, Rabbit Hill Ski Day  
Contact: James Wall  
(403) 425-5211

### SEPTEMBER

MARAMOOT, Mara Lake  
Contact: James Wall  
(403) 425-5211



## MANITOBA

### DECEMBER

16 ROVER ROUNDTABLE CHRISTMAS PARTY

1989  
JANUARY

13-15 RIVERBORNE'S ANNUAL WINTER CARNIVAL

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



1989  
JULY

? NATIONAL BSA JAMBOREE, Ft. A.P. Hill  
Virginia

### AUGUST

? 19th ANNUAL WEE MOOT  
Rotary Scout Reservation  
Glasgow, Kentucky

## INTERNATIONAL



### DECEMBER

25 MERRY CHRISTMAS

1989  
FEBRUARY

19-26 SCOUT/GUIDE WEEK

### MARCH

? INTENTSE EXPERIENCE '89  
47th National Rover Scout Moot  
Wellington, New Zealand

### JULY/ AUGUST

ROVER SCOUT EVENT, Japan

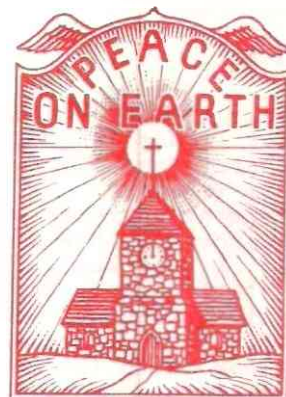
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? 11th AUSTRALIAN ROVER MOOT  
Australia Capital Territory

1990/1991

Dec- 8th WORLD ROVER MOOT  
Jan Victoria, Australia

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Merry Christmas everyone!?...

It sure is difficult getting into the Spirit when it's only November as I write this article.

It's cold out but now snow, yet. According to various sources, we are in for a lot of precipitation this winter. In some ways I hope we get at least 3 feet of that fluffy white stuff, however, no snow and warm weather would suit me just the same.

If I had control over the weather in winter, I would have the snow start to lightly fall on December 23 and continue until there was about 2 feet of accumulation. Conditions would remain mild enough to prevent the snow from melting but yet cool enough to put a glow on the cheeks when returning from a joyful walk around the neighbourhood. The weather would remain comfortable (as far as winter is concerned) until the end of March. Then, on the first day of April, things would quickly warm up and the snow would melt away until next December 23.

Now I know I'm a dreamer and my opinions will surely change as the years pass by, but that still doesn't mean I won't be enjoying winter when I'm in my later years.

Winter has always been a difficult time for my Crew, as it may be for others. I recall the group sitting around the table in late October, doing our three month planning. In December we are going skating, in January we plan to go tobogganing and skiing is on the schedule for February. However, for one reason or another we seldom get out to enjoy these activities and force ourselves to being content in having another in door meeting.

By the end of March, the Crew is suffering from an acute case of "den-itis" and is longing for an outdoor activity which is warm, dry and fun.

Never the less, a truly enjoyable time for the Crew is our annual Christmas party with all the members including their spouses and/or girl/boy friends. We all meet at a local establishment where we congregate for a few minutes, discussing how awkward it feels to wear a suit to a Rover function, then we proceed to a table which has been prepared for us. Shortly thereafter we start the meal with several helpings at the salad bar. From there we continue with the main course and finally top off with a delightful serving of Boston Cream pie and olde English tea.

Soon the night is over and the time has come to leave. As we make our way to the door we bid each other the usual tidings of the season then proceed home as our Rovering activities come to an end for the year.

Those are enjoyable and memorable days for all of us and I would only hope that you and your members too enjoy this Christmas Season as we have and will.

On behalf of the Rovering Magazine staff, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year.

Linda & Wilf

## LETTERS TO THE -EDITOR-

Dear Wilf:

Just a short note from Downunder, with a renewal subscription for another 3 years of your fine Magazine. Things here in Melbourne are really starting to get busy, the World Moot site at Gilwell Park is about 1:30 hours out of Melbourne, it is a beautiful site and work is almost in full swing, and all the Rovers are really looking forward to it.

Rovering in Australia seems to go from strength to strength. I suppose we are very lucky to get very good support from National and State Headquarters.

I am trying to get in contact with a couple of Rovers in Canada that I have lost contact with:

Heather Yeske  
Last Known address: Edmonton, Alberta

Michael Labbe  
From U.S.A.

If those Rovers would like to drop me a line with the new addresses it sure would be appreciated.

I hope to be in Canada next year for C.J.'89 in P.E.I., also be at the Kentucky Moot. I send my special regards to all my Rover/Scouting friends in Canada and the U.S.A., especially the 37th Hamilton Rovers, 1st Niagara, 6th Chilliwack, 18th Skookum Rovers etc, etc...

Once again I thank the Rovering Magazine team for putting out a Magazine which keeps me fully informed.

Yours in Rovering &  
Scouting,

Aram Joukadjian  
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Bentleigh, Victoria  
Australia 3204

# THE REP-ORRT

## ONTARIO ROVER ROUND-TABLE

This past November 20th, 1988, the Ontario Rover Roundtable held its annual meeting at the Greater Toronto Region Water Activities Centre at Ashbridges Bay.

At this meeting, we heard the annual reports from the Executive and the Regional representatives. Also the annual elections were held. As there were no nominations submitted to the Nominating Committee as of the deadline of October 26, a slate of officers for the election was presented:

This slate of officers included all the members from the old executive: Ernie Richards (Land O'Lakes) - Chairman, Heather Archer (Bluewater) & Michael-Anne Callum (Great Lakes) - Vice-Chairmen, Maria Egner (Windsor) - Treasurer. The Advisor and Secretary are appointed by Provincial Council, and they will continue to be Ted Phillips and John Stephens, respectively.

In the coming year ORRT will be working with the National Capital Region Rovers to help make Moot '90 a success. We will continue the Blood Donor Challenge.

Future dates for ORRT meetings are: January 15, 1989 - Ontario H.Q.; March 19, 1989 - Location to be announced; May 1989 - date to be announced location in Ottawa; September 17, 1989 - location to be announced; November 19, 1989 - location Toronto.

Ernie Richards

### PROVINCIAL VENTUREE

In September the Provincial venturee was held at Camp Samac in Oshawa. There were over 1,000 Venturers and Rangers in attendance. On short notice Heather Archer (Vice Chairman of ORRT) received a phone call requesting help in providing people for security.

Heather was able to call upon 30 Rovers from various regions to provide the security at the Venturee. All Rovers had a good time. The Venturee Committee and the Executive Director of Oshawa complimented the security team, even when they kept him from his own house.

We look forward to helping at the next Provincial Venturee in 1990.

Ernie Richards

## VIVE LA DIFFERENCE



And now a word from our very own French Roving Rover Reporter, Jean Guy Pepin.

Allo all my buddies, how are you h'all doing? It's hope beter then me becuz I loose my ascent for a small while becuz I took h'english courses in da summer. So now you h'ask, why do I speak like d's agen? I tell it to you. I went to da Halloween Moot in my Suzuki Samara, hey what a jeep. Da jeep she roll h'over and me fly out just like Gilles Villeneuve but me, I do not get hurt except I bite my tongue and now I speak like d's agen. So now I drive my scooter to my work tout les jours h'and h'all da Rover h'activities including da Ranger Rant at camp Tamaracouta in my very own Quebec. Congratulations to da 1st Burford Rovers and da Quebec Ranger Council for da good job they make.

Joyeux Christmas and  
Happy Annee.

Jean Guy Pepin

P.S. Can some of you Rovers come h'and help me, my scooter is stuck in a snowbank. See you alls at da Club Med Moot where there won't be any snowbanks.

## VIVE LA DIFFERENCE

The 1988 calendar year is coming to an end now as we all reflect on what a year its been. A dozen or so Moots later and several service projects and we're all still involved. More memories, more friends and for some, more knowledge has been gained. In Quebec's last few months, we saw a successful Ranger Rant (read about it this issue), a Scary Halloween Dance patron by the Knights of Excalibur and an overwhelmingly successful Shoskon Knot Ranger Curling Bonspiel.

On behalf of all Quebec Rovers, Connie & Dan wish you Season's Greetings and a Happy New Year. More news to come. See ya next year!

Santa's Helpers,

Connie & Dan

(Co-editor's Note: HI to Danny & Connie, Richard...!!)

# B. C. ROVERING

## NEW ROUNDTABLE FORMED

Northern Region has B.C.'s newest Rover Roundtable. October 9th was the date of their first meeting as a Roundtable. An executive was elected with Dick Mynen from Prince George as Mate, Norman McConnell also from Prince George as Vice-Mate and Vince Hauber from Dawson Creek as Secretary/Treasurer. Congratulations, I KNOW you will do an Excellent job for your Region.

Already the new Roundtable Executive has undertaken as one of its priorities to present a FORMAL SESSION at the Spring Scouters' Conference 1989, to be held in Northern Region, called "THIS IS ROVERING". The purpose of this session is to present information about OUR Section to other Scouters, Venturers and potential Rovers; and to explain how WE can be of SERVICE to them.

## PROVINCIAL ROVER ROUNDTABLE

At the November 6th Annual General Meeting of the British Columbia-Yukon Provincial Council Rover Roundtable (BC-YPCRRT) a new Executive was elected. Jack Prost has returned as Mate, Garnet Ryder from Vancouver Coast Region is Vice-Mate, Leslie McGee from Fraser Valley Region is Secretary and Heather MacKay from Burnaby Region is Treasurer.

The design for the Provincial Roundtable Letterhead was chosen from designs presented at the B.C./Alta. Moot. The winner of the "Design the Letterhead" contest is Mike Fitzgerald from the Fraser Valley B.P. Guild. (formerly from the 6th Chilliwack Rover Crew)

The "Challenge For Growth" Awards have been Printed and are ready to be presented to eligible Crews. The Awards are a form of recognition for Rover Crews in the B.C.-Yukon Provincial Council who demonstrate a positive approach towards the GROWTH and UNDERSTANDING of Rovering in B.C.-Yukon. The "Diamond in the Rough" Award can be earned by a Rover Crew who sponsors a newly formed Rover Crew and assists their Squire Crew in setting up its operation. The "Double Diamond" Award can be earned by a Rover Crew who has sponsored a new Rover Crew and has ensured their operation for two years.

## BURNABY REGION ROUNDTABLE

WAKE UP BRITISH COLUMBIA!! Planning is getting underway for a NEW ROUNDTABLE in BURNABY REGION. Yeah, that's right, the BIG LITTLE REGION in between those two GIANT REGIONS; Vancouver Coast and Fraser Valley. The lone TWO CREWS; 2nd Burnaby South and 5th Burnaby Northview are planning to meet later this month to discuss the details. So B.C., watch out for the LITTLE MOUSE that's starting to ROAR!!!

Burnaby Region has hinted that their Roundtable will be hosting their First Annual Moot in the coming year. It may be located in that exciting center of activity Spuzzum, B.C. The name of the Moot has not yet been decided, but working title of "Play Moot '89" has been suggested.

## NEWS FROM F.N. (WILLIAM) GOAT

RUMOR HAS IT... F.N. (William) Goat has been seen on the West Coast. His Crew has received insider information from a member of the Crew F.N. is staying with. He says that F.N. has been in the area for quite some time and might never have even gone to Ontario. But... How could this be possible? Didn't we all see the photographic evidence of his vacation in Niagara Falls. (Honeymoon Capital isn't it?)

## FRASER ROVER ROUNDTABLE

Attendance at the last Fraser Valley Rover Roundtable was Incredible. Between forty and fifty people were in attendance, making it one of the largest Roundtables ever held in the Valley. Hopefully this record attendance can be repeated at future Roundtables.

One of the major topics discussed at the meeting was the Fraser Valley Conference. The Regional Conference leading up to the Provincial Conference in June will take place at Ericson House, Camp McLean December 17th starting at 9AM. This is an opportunity for Rovers in the Valley to discuss their thoughts and feelings about the future of the Rover Program with other Rovers in the Region. All you need to bring is an open mind, pen, paper, a bag lunch, a mug and enthusiasm.

The Fraser Valley Medieval Feast is being held at Camp McLean on December 17th following the FVR Conference. Everyone is asked to dress in appropriate costumes and be prepared for an evening of fun and fellowship, not to mention a HUGE five course Feast. The Lord and Lady of the Feast will preside over the festivities and the Minstrel will be providing continuous entertainment. The "Alison Plöeger Memorial Awards" for Rover and Rover Crew of the Year will be presented. Each Crew is asked to provide a Squire to help with Setup and Cleanup. Accommodation is available in the Cub huts so bring your sleeping bags and make a Knight of it.

## INTERIOR REGION ROUNDTABLE

The Rovers of the Interior held a very successful "Vikings Co-ed '88" on the first weekend of October. Some of the activities for the weekend were Viking ship building, obstacle course, Air Band, Quest for fire, catapult water balloon fight, repelling and canoeing. Evening activities included a Viking Feast with everyone in costume and seated at one looong table. This was followed by a Campfire and Viking Funeral. A Costume dance, Conan-Red Sonja contest, Air



Band contest and Chug-a-lug contest kept everyone going late into the night. An Ironman Contest was held on Sunday morning. Contestants had to swim in the lake carrying a balloon full of air, run down the beach with a balloon full of water and dive off the diving board. Time penalties were added for broken balloons. The winner was the only one to come out of the water after diving with his balloon intact.

#### ----- ISLANDS REGION ROUNDTABLE -----

The Rovers of Islands Region have a few Projects they are working on. They are starting a Recruiting drive to increase the number of Rovers in their Region. Their major focus will be Venturer Companies. They are planning to talk to all the Venturer Companies in their Region, giving them information about Rovering and encouraging them to start new Rover Crews or to join existing ones.

Islands Region Rovers have started their Christmas Hamper drive. They will be making a few Christmas Hampers to give to needy families in their area. For maximum exposure they are planning to go as a group in uniform to present the Hampers.

#### ----- VANCOUVER COAST ROUNDTABLE -----

The Mate of the VCR Roundtable was dismayed at lack of response to his blatant bribe with brown bottles!!! The next step will be a massive advertising campaign. Results to come later (sooner we hope). From what I hear from a few certain Rovers, we might be able to have our attendance grow if we can continue to have a certain Rover from Burnaby Region grace our meetings with her presence.

The 8th Beachcombers are examining ways of barring the 18th Skookums from Roundtable meetings. If they manage to do so, they will have exclusive control of the Roundtable funds as they were the only Crews who showed up for the meeting. It must also be mentioned that they had as many Crews in attendance from both Fraser Valley and Burnaby Regions as from their own.

The VCR Moot was a qualified success. In a BIG change from most years; most of the awards were actually won by Vancouver Coast Rover Crews. Rubberman II, "This time it's Medieval", was the highlight of the weekend. MOST of the crews participated in several events modeled after the "Royal Knock-out Tournament" in Great-Britain. The 8th Richmond Beachcombers enjoyed running the Moot and look forward to picking up the hardware at the Fraser Valley Moot.

#### ROVENT '89 (BBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBBB)

Once again we will be having the annual, Rover, venturer winter camp. February 17-19 1989 is the date, Cambie Creek, Manning Park is the place. Everyone across Canada is hereby formally invited. Please contact either Vancouver Scout House or Chris Carr ((604) 872-3880).

The World Moot in Australia in 1990 was a topic of discussion and many Rovers in the Province have expressed interest in attending. Rumor has it that National wants to have a Canadian Contingent formed for all the Canadian Rovers attending. The Contingent will probably have an Advisor from B.C. as Contingent Leader as the Contingent will be departing from here for the Moot.

A very big event coming up in the spring is Dream on '89. This is a Beaver Sleep-over being held in B.C. Place Stadium. More than Five thousand Beavers are expected to attend from all over the Province. Each Beaver will be bringing a friend of Beaver age (to promote future membership) and a Parent. The Rovers of the Province, along with everyone else, have been asked to help with this event. As the Sleep-over will be televised on National TV, it is an opportunity for Rovers to get exposure doing what we do best, SERVICE. By the way, they'll be waking up on April-Fools Day. We wouldn't consider doing anything; would we?

A Provincial Rover Newsletter is in the works, possibly reviving an old Newsletter, Thumbstick, that has not been published for many years. It will be mailed to every Registered Rover in the Province so if you haven't registered yet, do it soon. It should be ready for mailing sometime before Christmas. Anyone interested in assisting with or contributing to it can contact the Mate of the Provincial Roundtable, Jack Prost.

The first of two Provincial Rover Conferences will be held June 3rd & 4th in Kamloops. Each Region is asked to send three delegates, and as many observers as they can, to the Conference. Two Regional Rover Conferences are planned leading up to the Provincial Conference. The first is December 17th in Fraser Valley Region, the other is January 14th in Vancouver Coast Region. Older Venturers, who will be Rovers at the time of the National Conference, will be asked to attend and participate in the Regional and Provincial Conferences.

The next Formal Provincial Roundtable Meeting will be on April 22nd & 23rd in Kamloops. An Informal Roundtable Meeting and Information Session will take place at Ro-Vent on the February 17th to 19th weekend.

For anyone who is unaware of what Rovent is... We gather in Manning Park, at Alison pass, in a valley at the top of a snowy mountain (elevation 7 or 8 miles?). The Average temperature is somewhere between -22 and -40. It's cold folks, it's REALLY C C C COLDD, don't forget your extra pair of long johns! During a weekend filled with competition Rovers demonstrate to venturers; superior camping skills and an ability to afford more equipment. There are several awards available for winning during this weekend including, "The Provincial Commissioners Winter Sports Award", "Cambie Creek Capers Talent Show", the "Ro-Vent Spirit Award", and "The Henley on the Similkameen Boat Race".

The Mauritian Bobsled Team's fund raising drive has proven very successful with donations sent in from all over the world. The team has purchased new Bobsledding attire, using up most of the money raised thru international support. However the Government of Mauritius, believing that they should have received most of the money, has stopped all funding to the bobsled team and has requested that "Mauritian" not be used as part of the Team's name. In light of the Government's attitude the team has changed their name to "THE CRUSADERS". They're ready for ROVENT'89 so watch out. See ya there!!!

Rovers in Vancouver Coast Region will have their opportunity to review the Rover Program at the Vancouver Coast Rover Conference. The Conference is to be held on January 14th at St. Gilles church in Vancouver. All Rovers in the Region are asked to be in attendance or your voice will not be heard.

Well, I think that that's all the Reports from all the Roundtables in the Province. If you still want more... watch for the next exciting issue of Rovering Magazine. From Paul Mozsar, Jack Prost, Garnet Ryder, Ian Smith and ALL the Rovers in B.C. to ALL of our Friends in Rovering throughout the World, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

B.C. ROVERS

## MANITOBA ROVER

After last years small amount of snow fall, it is nice to see some snow in November. Time to buy that snow blower or a new shovel for Christmas.

Once again Manitoba Rovers have been asked to help at the Riverborne's Annual Winter Carnival on the Assiniboine River. Running a full weekend, the Carnival provides entertainment for family and friends, and a chance to party on the river. Rovers will be cooking everything from pancakes to hamburgers and serving drinks. A few Scout Troops from Winnipeg will even camp out on the river during the weekend.

Have your insurance paid up, because the Fourth Annual Sulcide Toboggan Run is coming in early February. On a cold Sunday, Rovers and Venturers from miles around will gather to test their indurance and pit their bodies against the power of gravity. All forms of sledding apparatus is exceptable: toboggan, sled, tube, ski; if you can slide on it, bring it.

Finally, everyone is invited to the MR. RT Christmas Party on December 16. Official time and place to be announced when we find out who will let us into their establishment. Come out and party with the Rovers!

Yours in Rovering,

Philip Tanner

## GLOBAL REPORT



**FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY: US SCOUTS CONDUCT NATIONAL GOOD TURN.** In the United States as many as 20 million people go hungry for at least a few days each month. Of these, four million are children. In fact, one of every five children is unable to maintain a minimum adequate diet, according to recent studies.

Now, the Boy Scouts of America is conducting a national Good Turn with a Scouting for Food week in November to meet real needs in their community. Scouts will be collecting nonperishable food which will then be given to local food banks for distribution to the needy.

This massive food appeal should help stock food banks around the country with several additional months' supply.

The action is an example of Scouting's long-standing commitment to community service.

The first national Good Turn took place in 1912 with action to support a safe and sane Fourth of July Independence Day when traditionally fireworks are let off. Since then Scouts have collected everything from scrap metal and waste paper to peach pits and milk weed floss (both used in national defense efforts). The most recent national Good Turn in 1986 involved distribution of 14 million brochures promoting organ and tissue donation.

**U.K. MEMBERSHIP HITS RECORD LEVEL:** Membership in the U.K. Scout Association has reached an all-time high at 672,862, compared with 658,499 in 1987, according to the 1988 census. The increase covers three of the four sections of the association.

Noteworthy is the increasing number of female Venture Scouts. Since Venture Scout membership was opened to girls 11 years ago, the proportion of female members has increased steadily and now represents 30% of this group.

Commenting on the census, the Association's Chief Executive Commissioner Tony Black said: "Young people today have at their disposal a greater choice of leisure activities than at any time in history. It is encouraging to see that more and more of them are turning to Scouting, which aims to help prepare young people for responsible adulthood."

**SCOUTS TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERNATIONAL LITERACY YEAR WITH ONGOING PROJECTS:** Some 890 million adults around the world are illiterate. More than 100 million school-aged children have no place to learn to read and write. Widespread illiteracy severely hampers economic and social development and runs counter to the basic human right to learn, know and communicate. The United

Nations have declared 1990 "International Literacy Year" with the aim of boosting literacy work undertaken by all social forces. Scout associations have long been engaged in promoting literacy as a means of helping communities recognize and meet their own needs. As 1990 approaches this action will be intensified around the world by Scout associations.



**NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS BEGIN PEACE WEEK PLANNING:** Imagine a world at complete peace, with no wars or discord and full of trust, respect, understanding and co-operation. Scouts are convinced that vision can be realized. So right now national Scout associations have begun planning for "Peace Week 1989".

The World Scout Conference, in Melbourne, Australia, in January of this year adopted a resolution called "Education for Peace and Human Understanding." It recommended that national Scout organizations focus on activities related to education for peace and human understanding during a special peace week around Founder's day in February 1989.

Ideas have already come in from Australia, Sweden and Uganda and the World Bureau had received encouragement for Peace Week from Rotary International and from Lions Clubs International. National Scout associations are encouraged to seek co-operation with these clubs at national and local level and with similar service organizations.



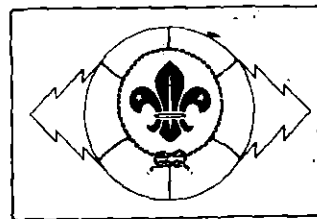
**Australia** - In Australia, Venturers will collect petitions to be served on national and state leaders; hold rallies or marches; and become directly involved in supporting international community aid projects.

The National Conference of Venturer Commissioners of the Scout Association of Australia stated that "It is time for Venturers to emerge as a voice to be heard and let the Australian public see that youth are concerned for the future of their generation."

**Sweden** - In Sweden, the Swedish Guide and Scout Association has proposed a programme to promote at least one day of peace around the world. That day would be linked to a Scouts' Peace Year, starting on October 24, during which Scouts will try to influence politicians, authorities, churches and the super powers of the need for peace. Groups of children and youths will spread the message through letters, postcards, drawings and cassettes while working locally together with other organizations. Scouts will prepare peace galas, peace parties, sports events, and peace carnivals. They will organize singing, music and dancing in the streets and public places, as well as prepare special radio and TV programmes in connection with Peace Day. At the start of Peace Year, Scouts will send postcards to other young people to inform them of Peace Day. On Peace Day they will hoist peace flags at suitable places and carry out the programme organized during Peace year.

**Uganda** - In Uganda, Peace Week will include the writing of essays and poems by young people on selected peace topics; holding talks and debates in schools and youth clubs; marches; work in disaster locations and the collection of materials for displaced people; tree planting; peace hikes; and building a model of an ideal peace city at Kaazi camping ground, along with other activities.

The possibilities are virtually endless. As Peace week approaches, other national associations will develop further ideas in support of world peace and help make that dream become reality.



**HUNDREDS OF STATIONS TAKE PART IN BIG RADIO JAMBOREE:** The 31st Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA), held during a weekend in October, was one of the most successful in recent years, according to L.F. Jarrett, world JOTA coordinator.

"All the radio bands were very clear, thanks to the start of a new sun spot cycle. There should have been excellent contact among virtually all countries." Operating from his radio station in Canada, Mr. Jarrett noted a substantial increase in the participation of North American Boy and Girl Scouts. In the United Kingdom, more than 350 stations were active.

National JOTA coordinators are encouraged to send their reports to the World Scout Bureau as soon as possible.

# ROGER AWARDS

The "Roger Awards" are 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, Rangers and Advisors, by your nomination-votes sent into Rovering Magazine. It gives Rovers and Rangers a chance to honour their own, and show appreciation for the efforts of an individual or a crew(s).

All Rovers, Rangers and Advisors are allowed to nominate-vote once in each category. All we ask is that you vote only for the moots which you personally attended, and not on hearsay. You may leave a category blank if you so desire.

It is important that you list #3 in order of preference with 3A being the highest rating (3A is worth 4 pts., 3B is worth 3 pts, 3C is worth 2 pts., and 3D is worth 1 pt.).

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1. Name a person who you feel has had sincere dedication to Rovers.

2. Name a person who you feel has had sincere dedication to Rangers.

3. Name what you feel were the four best moots in 1988 in order of your preference.

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## CHRISTMAS 2042

Gipsy Blunt peeps into a Troop Meeting of the future

AUSTERITY Christmas they called it," mumbled old Grandfather Snooks from his favourite corner near the club-room fireplace. "Yes," he continued, as he gazed round at the Scouts of the 99th Heckmondwike Troop, assembled for the 125th Annual Troop Christmas Feed, "times were bad that Christmas of 1942. Inconceivably bad, judging by to-day's standards."

Old Snooks looked into the fire. In his eyes came a far-away look. He could see beyond the fire, back through the years, through the years of gradually evolving peace and unity and understanding amongst all the nations of the earth.

"By gum, but we were daft," he sighed.

"Do you know," he went on, nodding his head to give authentic confirmation of what he was about to say, "in those days everyone was working at a terrific pace to make things, that had no other purpose than to kill. Kill! Kill!"

"And the funny, nay, horrible part of it all was that out of all the millions of people engaged in that war, I don't suppose a minute part of one per cent. wanted to do any killing at all. It was, now that I look upon it, all a ghastly misunderstanding. A misunderstanding between peoples who really wanted nothing more than to live comfortably with a chance of having just ordinary modest wants fulfilled and who just wanted to be happy one with another."

"We know better now. There's no poverty now. Everyone has sufficient for his needs. There's no money grubbing. No have-it-alls and have-nots. No frontiers and customs taxes. No cut-throat competition. Nature and the earth provide enough and

to spare for everyone. . . . everyone who is willing to do his fair share of work. . . ."

"And," continued Grandad Snooks, "no Christmas Good Turns."

"What was a Christmas Good Turn, Grandad?" asked young Bill Snooks.

"I'll tell you," announced the oracle.

In those days (went on old Snooks) there was, as I have told you, a lot of poverty. Now this poverty meant that lots of children . . . and grown-ups . . . were especially hard up and what was worse, were hard up at Christmas time.

This was pretty bad, I can tell you, because Christmas was meant to be a time of peace and goodwill on earth, and it's pretty hard to feel full of peace and goodwill when you are a bit hungry or when your kids don't get any toys and all the time you know that Earon Moneygrub is having a grand beano and his children are sort of being spoiled by being given a surfeit of everything they ask for.

We Scouts in those days felt pretty sore about it all. We knew that there was something wrong somewhere, but we weren't just able to do anything about it. . . . well, we couldn't as Scouts, but I can jolly well tell you that we intended to have a go when we grew up.

So, accepting things as they were for the time being, we tried to do a little towards helping out these poor folk. And these little

acts of kindness on our part, became traditionally known as Christmas Good Turns. Oh yes, we would distribute toys to the poor kiddies. Give out bags of coal to poor, old people, parcels of groceries to old ladies. Some of us went into the hospitals and institutions and sang gay songs and erected Christmas Trees loaded with little presents. Rays of sunshine, we were!

We enjoyed it all, of course. We felt happier for having made others happy. But naturally we would much rather there had been no need to do this work. But that is a deeper story.

WELL, as you know, the war broke out.

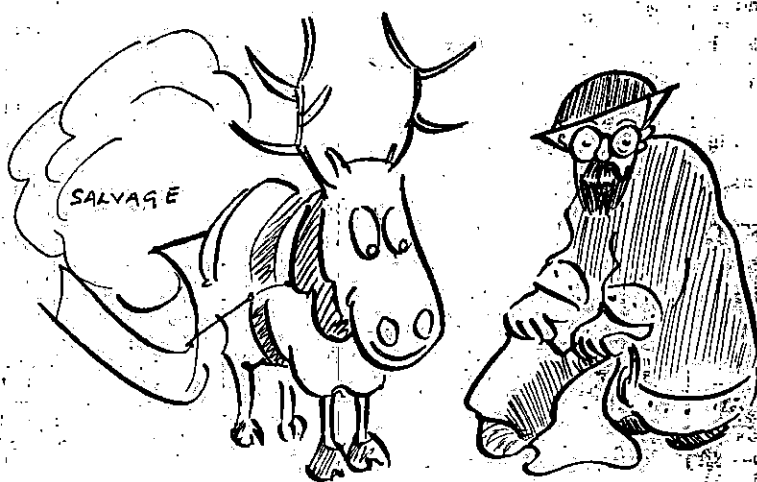
And a funny thing happened. Everybody seemed to get a job. Money appeared to flow like water. I couldn't understand it at all. No ordinary production going on, yet all had good wages. You see what this meant? No poor people any more. Not like there were during the so-called slumps before the war. I'll tell you, it puzzled me. Our opportunities for doing Good Turns got more limited. This should have been an occasion for rejoicing, but it wasn't. It was all sort of false.

The war went on and as anyone with any foresight could have seen, there arose a great shortage of everyday commodities. All was wanted for war, killing, shooting. The Good Turn market sagged. We

couldn't give toys to poor children, first because there didn't seem to be any poor children, and secondly, because there were no toys to give. And there wasn't any spare food to make up into parcels, and coal was strictly rationed.

You see, everybody became poor. We were all in the same boat, at last, and a jolly good lesson it taught us. This, I always reckon, was the beginning of the subsequent slow but sure rise to decent civilisation as we know it to-day.

We Scouts saw it coming. In fact, I believe that the Scouts saw it all long before most people. We lead the way with our International Jamborees. But to get back to 1942. Our Good Turns were (Continued on next page)



CHRISTMAS 1942



# The Editor's Christmas Log-Book

**A** VERY happy Christmas to you all. I am giving you the age-old greeting now, because this is our Christmas Number, though I shall have another opportunity next week of expressing my seasonal good wishes on the eve of the festival occasion.

In days of peace our Christmas Number was a bumper affair—lashings of extra pages, lots of cheerful stories and pictures, and attractive advertisements to tempt you into asking doting Uncles and Aunties to dig deep in their pockets and purses, and it was published a bit in advance of Christmas to give time for these purchases to be made.

There was another and better reason for the premature appearance of the Christmas Number. There was always in its contents suggestions for good turns, ideas for parties, games and entertainment items, and experience proved that these things helped many Scouts and Troops to prepare their Christmas celebrations and make a success of them.

War-time restrictions will not permit a bumper number of pages, but we have done our best to pack into the space available as much cheer, entertainment and helpfulness as possible, and we shall continue in our next—the Christmas Week Number. We think you will like our efforts.

Let us hope that this time next year we shall be bringing you a peace-time issue, gay

with victory and filled with the spirit of goodwill.

It has become the tradition of many Troops to do something special in the way of a Christmas Good Turn. A war isn't going to break that chain of good fellowship. We shall all of us do what we can to spread the spirit of Christmas during the coming days.

In the midst of our own happiness let us remember our brother Scouts everywhere, the fighting men of our country and of our Allies, wherever they may be serving—on the land, on the sea or in the air.

Let us specially remember those who keep the lonely watches in the outposts of Empire, on the moorland and hills and windswept coasts of our own island. Let us spare a thought for the men who go down to the sea in small ships, to the lone pilot high in the heavens like a soaring eagle, ever watchful and on guard. Defenders all of our island home and the harbingers of a new and better peace.

Let us remember our friends in far away Australia and New Zealand who will be celebrating their Christmas in the sunshine of summer—in Canada and America, South Africa, where our beloved Founder and first Chief Scout of the World lies sleeping, and all men of goodwill.

Let us remember and pray for the people of the occupied countries and specially for

our brother Scouts of those countries who silently carry on in the true faith of Scouting. May their Christmas be a time of rest and calm and may they feel encouraged by the spirit of Him whose birthday we remember to hold on until the day of freedom dawns.

And let us give thanks for all our many blessings and say with fervour "Give peace in our time."

**L**ONG years ago I had a small share in the planning and organising of the first Schoolboys' Exhibition. What crowds it drew. There was a queue before opening time every morning. The exhibition was a great success and became an established Christmas holiday attraction. The war, of course, interrupted the run of these shows.

There'll be a real Christmas holiday feeling at the Air Scout Exhibition which opens at 2.30 p.m. on Monday, December 28th, at Dorland Hall, Regent Street, London, W.1, and I know that it will attract big crowds. I'm enjoying the thrill of helping with the planning of this first Air Scout Exhibition, and I'm confident that it is going to be a great success.

Sunday, January 3rd, is to be Air Scout Sunday. Air Scouts from all parts of the country will meet at Dorland Hall for a conference. In the afternoon they will march to St. Martin's in the Fields for a special Scouts' Own.

On that day, too, each Air Scout will stake a claim for where he'll sit for the Squatter's Lunch (his own rations). The Chief Scout will stake his claim in secret. Some lucky Air Scouts will find themselves sitting next to the Chief.

F. HAYDN DIMMOCK

## CHRISTMAS 2042

(Continued from front page)

strictly limited. But only in one direction. We couldn't give things. But we could help folks. We could keep people's spirits up. And that is what we did.

We gave concerts for the Troops. We passed on second-hand books. We acted day by day in a cheerful confidence-inspiring way. In other words we smiled and whistled under difficulties.

Deeper than this we prepared ourselves to become good citizens. We determined to be good Scouts so that we should be prepared to take our part in the affairs of the world when the straightening-out period set in.

And, in order to get the war over and done with as soon as possible we intensified our Salvage Efforts.

It seemed odd that in the season of Good Will we should be collecting old metal for tanks and guns. But it was like having a tooth out. Painful, but necessary. The sooner over the better.

That (concluded old whiskers) is how we spent Christmas, 1942.

Methuselah Snooks gave the fire a poke. "There is one thing though," he mused.

"What's that?" demanded Young Snooks.

"I have often wondered what became of Jack Blunt."

"Who was Jack Blunt?"

"Ah," said the old man, "that's another story."

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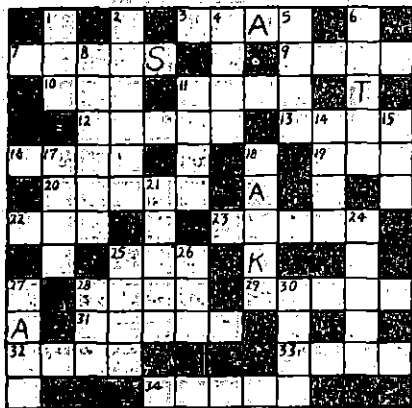
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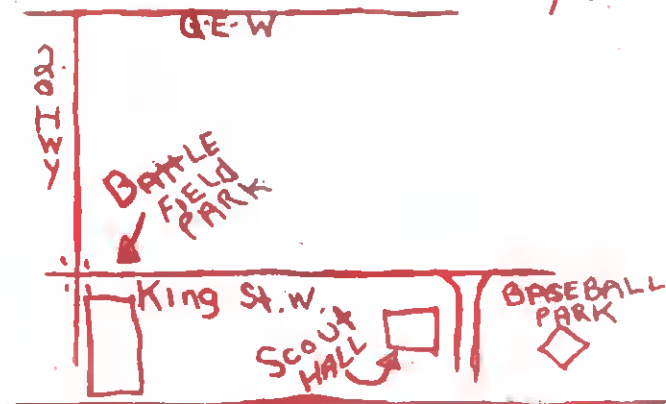
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# Sleeping Giant Awakening Moot

## REPORT ON ROVERING IN NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO REGION

SUBMITTED TO ONTARIO ROVER ROUND TABLE  
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### THIRD SLEEPING GIANT MOOT - "RIPPER!"

by: Flavio Zovatto & Margo Carruthers

This past August long weekend was the time of the Giant-Awakening event, hosted by the PETROC Rovers of Thunder Bay. (N.B. Thunder Bay lies between Barrie and Winnipeg, for those members of GTR). This year's installment was held at the Lake Louise camping area in Sibley Provincial Park, next to the petrified form of Nanabijou himself. The facilities were ideal - a clear cool lake, large beach, trees and rocks. Everything a fugitive from the concrete jungle could ask for!

The staff were also "roughing it" this year, doing their chores under canvas and resting under nylon. Our skip later told us that everyone has their price - so we asked ourselves what he was giving up that weekend?

Glenn was part of our cooking/entertainment gang. This team was made up of our two advisors and the ADC cubs, who actually VOLUNTEERED to return this year. And they did a fine job with great meals.

Our wayfaring participants came great distances for this event - as far as Winnipeg and Thorold. But in abandoning the hot weather from both east and west they were not disappointed.

The events which were run included a woodsmen team competition, horseback riding and a half-day hike up the Sleeping Giant trails. For those interested, there were some offsite trips available. There were campfires of course, and also plenty of free time to engage in swimming, kayak tryouts and beach volleyball.

The fifty or so participants seemed to have enjoyed these activities, but a few were lukewarm about the Thunder Scout ceremony requirements. We enjoyed putting the moot on for you, even considering the number of "morning faces" we had to see as a result of taking on the cooking. We do regret that, once again, our friends in the 4th Accra Rover Crew in Ghana were unable to attend due to administrative difficulties. Hopefully someday they will be able to attend ours or possibly the 1990 moot in Ottawa.

Any comments or suggestions (good or bad) about the moot this year, please send us a note or call.

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Due to this long period of silence, this report will give a brief update on Rover status and activities for the year of 1988.

At the present time, there are two crews in the North-western Ontario Region, the 1st Fort William and the 7th Fort William Rovers. The 1st Fort William has been inactive for at least one year, but are still registering to keep the charter open. They do attend sports activities and camps whenever invited.

The 7th Fort William (Petroc) Rover Crew has 11 registered members, including 3 squires, an advisor and an assistant advisor.

The members are as follows: Sue DeBoer (Mate), Margaret Carruthers (S/T), Alan Wiensczyk, Helmut Pfieffer, Craig Venables, Bruce Carruthers, Lyle, Greg and Brad Hetsler, Glenn Warner (Adv.) Geoff Abthorpe and Bruce Houstoun.

After the executive elections in January, we found ourselves with a female executive to even their surprise, and imported ones at that! (Marg and Sue started Rovering in Jarvis and Guelph, respectively). The executive got underway by promoting a more active "crew and friends" sports and recreation program. We have had regular volleyball and potluck nights, to everyone's enjoyment.

Within scouting, interested members of the crew helped with our groups' snowmobile party and camp for the cubs and scouts. One of our squires lead a committee to plan a Rover "Service" - oriented church service during Scout-Guide week. On weekends in May and June, the crew attended a camporee and a cubaree as security and first aid staff.

A Rover - Venturer promotional display was held for three days in late April at a local shopping mall. One new member joined, and many people commented that they did not know that these sections existed. Its success in raising public awareness has prompted the district to hold other displays.

Just in time for this event, we received a draft copy of Rovering at the Lakehead which has been compiled by the district historian. This 60-page history was gleaned from newspapers and meeting reports back to 1911, and was a center of interest to some former Rovers and their relatives.

Throughout the winter, many from the crew were involved in planning our Sleeping Giant Awakening Moot. We have had good reports thus far about the choice of location and the event itself. The 40 or more participants appreciated the prepared meals, but response was lukewarm to the Thunder Scout initiation. The planning committee is happy to have broken even this year - the food supply planning was much improved.

We held two fund-raising events this year. Our first was to raise operating funds for the moot. We held a car wash which was a great financial success. The other was a soup and sandwich lunch to raise money for local charity donation. It was a financial bust, due to over purchase of food.

During the year, we have invested 3 Rovers, one being the first female squire since the crew was voted co-ed. This fall we have decided to attend a moot in southern Ontario in 1989.

# ACTIVITY REPORT

QUEBEC RANGER COUNCIL

RANT 1988

WEEKEND OF MURDER

ULOGY:

HONORING ALL OF THOSE WHO ATTENDED

It will be remembered as an interprovincial deathbed for Rangers and Rovers which was held one hour North from Montreal in the oldest continuous running Scout reserve; Camp Tamroucota. What a perfect setting for a murder of ninety or so victims. So you ask WHO DUNNIT? That's exactly what the organizing Quebec Ranger Council, otherwise known as the Private Eyes, were trying to figure out on Thanksgiving weekend 1988.

The mood was set by having the victims fill out their epitaphs, Friday night, only to find out they would be put in use by the end of the weekend.

Head counts were made Saturday morning at opening ceremonies before the daring detectives separated (group events). To keep with our theme the detectives searched through the: Haunted House (never knew eyes tasted like grapes), Graveyard Shuffle (when dance is not meant for eight), I H'ate Your Guts (never seen jello intestines before), Mr. Goodbody (hit'em with your best shot), Bouncing Bones (where style is everything), Human Hangman (did you ever hang your friend for the wrong letter before), Grave Robbing (the things we do for money), Ashes to Ashes, Dust to Dust (use your feet not your head), Make Your Own Gravestone (how hard can you blow), among others.

Now whether or not all were there, we left for dinner. Here a new mystery accured when our (the Private Eyes) homemade apple pie became missing.

Later we met for the biggest mystery, where detectives showed their skills in Human Clue. Characters were real and players fiction and to move your character was no easy task. Crews worked as a team to find out who did what, where and with what weapon.

Later that evening ghost stories were shared and all criminals were safely in their cells by three.

Sunday morning began with Ranger/Rover Own. Then there was lunch and the struggle of the homicidal squads (crew events) began. Some of which were; Skip For Your Life (watch that pelvic movement), Cluseau's Clues (what do you remember?), R.I.P. (I never knew you weighed so much), Off With Your Head (build your own guillotine), Embalmer's Delight (decorate faces Not Bellies), Catch a Stab in the Dark (go for the grape).

What better a way to solve a murder then to send participants on a Scavenger Hunt. Crews competed to see who could gain the most clues to solve the murder.

After the crews hard work, the Private Eyes served them spaghetti to which the crews brought their own salad. Some ate with utensils and others started food fights. The Private Eyes had no problem solving who was behind that crime.

All survivors gathered at dusk for closing ceremonies and right after, ended the weekend with the Mortician's Ball (dance). A special thanx to our D.J.'s (Dan and Rich) for a non stop moving dance, fulfilling moot requests. Some guests came in theme and the great crime stopper, James Bond and friends joined us.

On behalf of the Quebec Ranger Council I would like to thank all of our Ranger and Rover participants and helpers. We had a fabulous time and hope to see you all next year!

## RIB TICKLER

Question: What did Tarzan say when he saw the elephants coming around the mountain?

Answer: Here come the elephants coming around the mountain.

Question: What did Tarzan say when he saw the elephants coming around the mountain wearing sun glasses.

Answer: He didn't say anything, because he didn't recognize them.

Editorial Note: Rib Ticklers are now being submitted by Richard Mackarous a member of the Quebec Rovers. Thank you Richard for your contributions.

If anyone out there has a good joke, riddle or comical story, please forward them to Rovering Magazine and we will try to enter them in future issues.

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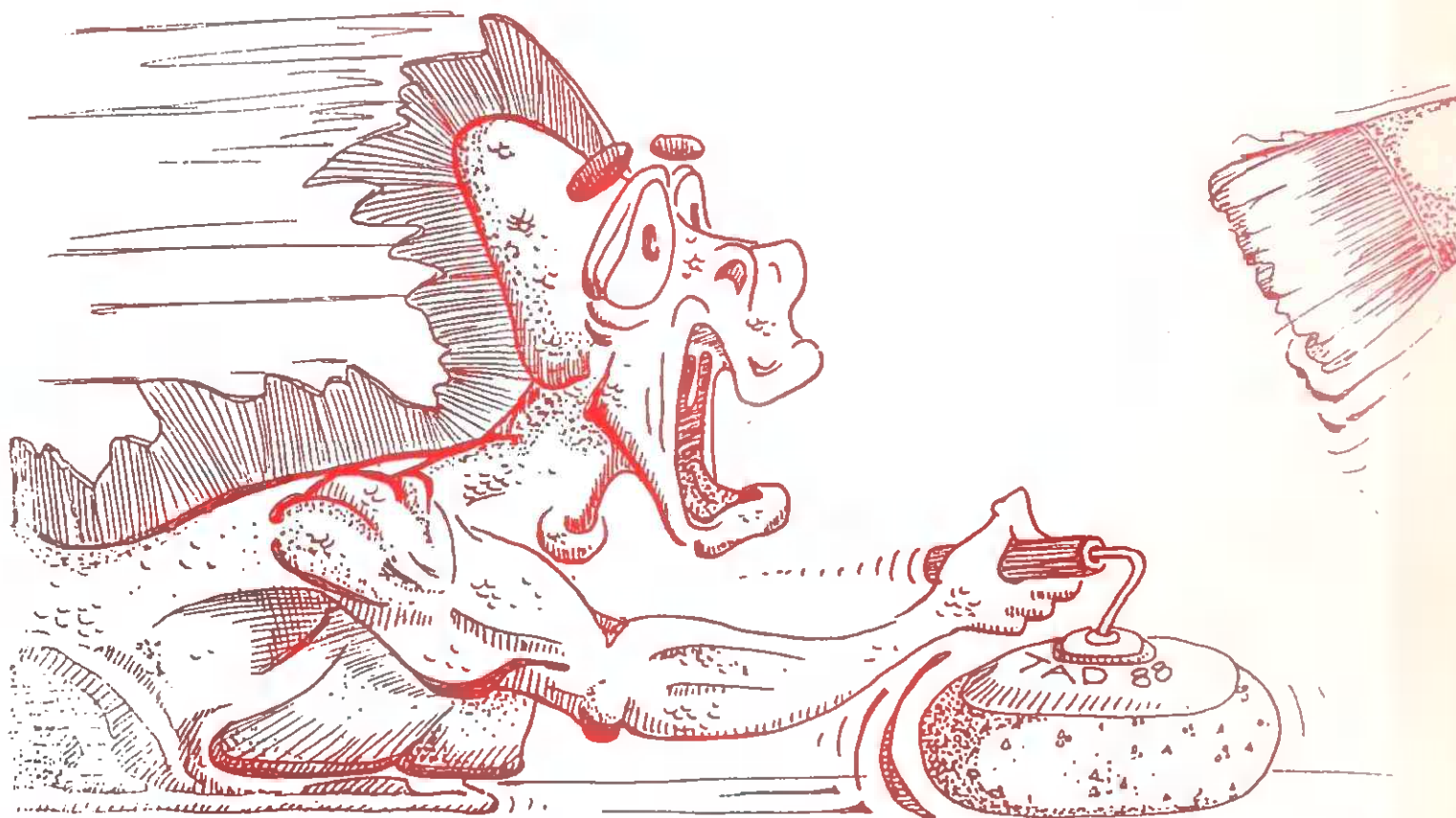
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# HOW ABOUT THAT ---

Stan Kowolski of the Queen City Rovers of Buffalo had heart by-pass surgery in September. The last news we had is that he was doing well! Stan is the Skip who takes all comers in chess. With all this time to practice while recuperating, it won't be safe to come within 50 yds of his campsite or you'll find yourself playing chess. A speedy recovery Stan - Mag. Staff.

Everybody looked like they were having a good time at Halloween Moot. It should have been terrific for my Wife, and I, but rather than board Gilly (our dog) we brought him along. Now Gilly is friendly and he thinks his solemn duty in life is to greet everyone he comes in contact with. There he was on a leash unable to get to the hundreds of Rovers that were present, it drove him nuts, and he drove us nuts. I took long walks every couple of hours - all night!! Never Again!! But I feel you can learn a lesson from him. He's always happy to see me, the family or the Rovers when they come to the house. Every day when I come home he is there waiting overjoyed, happy and loving "pressed down and running over". How many people do you know like that?

Here is something to chew on. A local radio station announcer remarked "Boy Scouts were leaders in recycling paper." Now here is a question, When you were in a paper drive did you think of recycling or fund raising? If you are truthful, I think you'll answer fund raising. It boils down to the  $M = M$  equation - Money = Motivation. Keep chewing I'm not finished. In England there is a system set up where you are given 3 containers for garbage. You can use all 3 for garbage and you pay for them because the containers are encoded and weighed when picked up. If you fill a container with glass and another with cans & paper you are given a credit, so it becomes a challenge to reduce your disposable garbage and increase your recyclable, to reduce or eliminate your garbage charges.  $M = M$  and it seems to be working. But in the last election here none of the candidates seem to know anything about it - strange - but in their case do we have only half the equation  $M = ?$

Just a few more mouthfuls - we can spend billions on submarines, but improving the ecology - well compared to what is spend on defense etc.. next to nothing.

Toronto is next to a crisis on the disposal of garbage!

Thirty-Five years ago the beaches and water around Toronto were filled with swimmers in the cool waters, now - forget it!

Every year beaches around the great lakes are closed due to pollution.

My son started sailing lake Ontario about 13 years ago. It was always messy in shore, but now he is encountering garbage in the centre of the lake!

Right now there is great concern about the rape of the rain forests. Far away - sure it is - but the oxygen it produces; well maybe medical science could convert us to breathing carbon dioxide!

Closer to home in my own city a large tract of woods originally part of a farm (that now grows houses) was left to the city as a park for future generations. Now the city in its great wisdom and despite many protests are going to destroy a large portion to provide a habitat for that great traveling predator - the automobile.

I remember reading Sci-fi stories, and comic books like Buck Rogers and thinking - "WOW!" Then later in life seeing some of the fiction become fact.

I vaguely remember a movie about a young girl growing up in a large city, and one line from the movie stuck in my memory, maybe it stuck because it seemed ridiculous to me. But now I'm not so sure. The line was "What's a tree."

Now Sci-fi writers and movie-makers are producing works about an earth that is virtually a giant desert were Human existence is almost impossible. Most are based on nuclear destruction, but at the rate pollution is going! Well I don't say "WOW!" I shudder!!!

If you are asking what all this has to do with you, then we are in worse shape than I thought.

At a time of year when we celebrate the birth of a child, who in truth leads all Christians, maybe it's time for children and youth to unite and lead this world full of wise adults out of this destructive mess we have created.

Then maybe 100 years from now some radio announcer will read "Boy Scouts were the leaders in preserving our home - Earth!"

What a Christmas gift that would be! All the best and Keep on Rovering!

Don



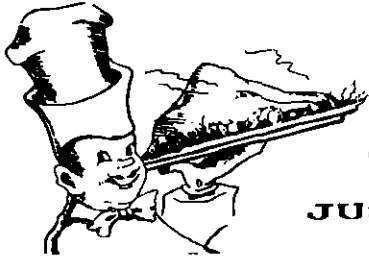


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Trumpets  
Shout the News

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APRIL 29, 1988



## MORE THAN JUST SOUP

Hi everyone! Sorry about last issue. I was busy cleaning up a big mess in Isle 7 at the grocery store. I took some friends up north for the 'big weekend'. On the way up we dropped in the local grocer to pick up some food...and well...my friends got a little rambunctious. I guess food shopping was a new and wonderful experience for them! Ha! Ha! Minden will never be the same.

So you want to know where I learn all this neat info on food? I read a lot of cookbooks...and then some! Last time I counted the number of cookbooks on my bookshelf was 90 (& I couldn't find all of them!). Monthly magazines are good too. I have 40-50 back issues kicking around. Even when I'm reading any kind of fiction, when food is mentioned, it stands out in big black letters...to me anyway. TV is full of food as well! Cooking shows, food in the daily soaps, and all those endless commercials, isles of the freshest produce and employee smiles at the best grocer in town, "fresh because you keep eating them...", muffins and buns flying out of no stick pans...you get the idea. When you're conscious of all the food ads we are bombarded with, you would think Canadians would on average weigh 600 lbs.

Back to cookbooks. Don't go out and buy every glossy picture filled, "it's so easy to do" cookbook unless you just like looking at a lot of pictures with food in it! Cooking isn't easy BUT it can be fun. That is what makes cooking worth all the effort. What do I look for in a cookbook? A couple of things

**PRICE:** A good indicator to judge what your getting. If the book is expensively bound, fancy writing, gold trim, big glossy pages, a huge display area in the store and a visiting author to autograph and push the book chances are all the price you are paying is going to the publisher production rather than for book content. My biggest question I ask myself is "Can I afford it?"

**TABLE OF CONTENTS:** Authors have to be realistic. You can't cover the entire history of European eating and cooking in less than 100 pages (unless you skip a lot!). You can't cover main course dishes in 40 pages either. A much better researched and planned book would not "bite off more than it can chew". (HA! HA! I couldn't resist!) A book just on desserts, soups, fish, sandwiches, etc. would be much better.

I also look for specialty items. I recently found a cookbook entirely of 1 pot meals. Another great source of ideas was a cookbook I found written specifically for boaters. They are in pretty much the same situation we campers are in; not much storage space, very little fridge space and in some cases hardly any kitchen (galley) equipment.

**RECIPES:** I look for a short list of ingredients (long lists probably mean that I don't have them all) and a clear method. A recipe isn't much good if it jumps back and forth, misses steps or is just plain confusing. Also look to see what level of cooking knowledge the author assumes. If he/she says "...and now add your Beshamel sauce..." make sure they give that recipe too. If they give you approximate preparation and cooking times, that's a big plus. If they list all the equipment you need, tell me where I can find this book!

I have recipes that read like technical manuals and also like storybooks and everything in between. If you're comfortable with the writers style, consider it.

Ok class, your homework over the Christmas holidays is to 1) read a recipe (any recipe, just familiarize yourself with what a cookbook looks and feels like. HA! HA!) and 2) tell me all the exciting things you have eaten while xmas and new year celebrating.

Merry Christmas everyone and I wish good health, prosperity and a happy home for all of you in the new year.

Keep on Cook'en

Soupy

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

\* He was a man of unbounded stomach. - Shakespeare

\* If you wish to grow thinner, diminish your dinner. - H.S. Leigh

\* A good, honest, wholesome, hungry breakfast. - Walton

\* Breakfast makes good memory. - Rabelais

\* Appetite comes with eating.

\* KENT sir - everybody knows KENT - apples, cherries, hops and women.

\* Coleridge holds that a man cannot have a pure mind who refuses apple dumplings.

\* Bad men live to eat and drink, whereas good men eat and drink in order to live.



# WELLINGTON

## APPLICATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PREFERRED NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CREW \_\_\_\_\_

STATUS Full Rover ☐ Squire ☐ Associate ☐ Rover Adviser ☐

EMERGENCY CONTACT (not attending moot)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR:- Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

MEDICAL CONDITION (allergies & medications)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

MOOT FEE:- N.Z.\$200.00 Reduced to N.Z.\$185.00 if paid by DEC.15 1989.

METHOD OF PAYMENT

☐ N.Z.\$185.00 by DEC.15.

☐ N.Z.\$50.00 Dep. with application &  
N.Z.\$150.00 before 23 FEB. 1989

TOURS Mark 1st 2nd & 3rd preferences 1, 2, & 3.

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Golden Coast.               | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6. Martinborough Winery \$10.00. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Wellington Harbour \$30.00. | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7. Hutt Valley.                  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Wellington Metropolitan.    | <input type="checkbox"/> | 8. Orongorongo Valley Tramp.     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Wellington City.            | <input type="checkbox"/> | 9. Wainuiomata Coastal Walk.     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Trentham Races.             | <input type="checkbox"/> | 10. On site or local.            | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please note there will be an extra charge for the harbour cruise & wine tour.

SOUVENIRS:- MUG \$3.50 T SHIRT \$16.00 SWEATSHIRT \$26.00 PHOTO \$10.

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TIME AND METHOD OF ARRIVAL if known

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I agree to abide by the rules of the  
N.Z. Scout Association and the Moot.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_



# 47th National Rover Scout Moot Wellington, New Zealand, 1989

OCTOBER 1988

## THIRD FLASH

Well Folks - things are going full force here in Wellington.

Systems are all go at Brookfield Scout Camp in Wainuiomata. For those of you who were lucky enough to attend the Wellington Moot in 1980 (before my time!) will notice that the facilities have just about trippled (but not the rain).

We now have plenty of flushing ablution blocks and Roger has the hot water systems and heating all 'sussed out'.

Remember, all tents will be up on your arrival, so all you have to do is drop your gears and have a great time.

Now for the most important information:

**COST:** You will notice on the enclosed application forms that the cost is:

\$185 if paid by 15 December 1988, or

\$ 50 deposit paid by 15 December, and the balance of \$150 to be paid by 24 February 1989.

**PROGRAMME:** Here is a list of the Tour Options for you to choose from:

1. Golden Coast - Including Southwards Transport Museum and Tatum Park
2. Wellington Harbour - A relaxing cruise around the harbour with either bar-be-cue or buffet lunch - liquid refreshments available  
\* There is an extra cost of \$30 for this option
3. Wellington Metropolitan - Visiting Porirua Police College and enjoying Wellington sights on the Cable Car and in the Botanical Gardens
4. Wellington City - We'll drop you off and leave you to taste, see and buy our wares at your own pace
5. Trentham Races - Say no more!!!

cont'd



**P.O.Box 1644, Wellington, New Zealand**



5. Martinborough Winery - A trip to the Wairarapa for the serious wine connoisseur

\* There is an extra cost of \$10 for this option

7. Hutt Valley - Including a stroll around Television Studios

8. Orongorongo Valley Tramp - We won't deprive you of Wellingtons lovely bush and relaxing scenery

9. Wainuiomata Coastal Walk - If the bush is not your scene, take in our attractive coastline

10. On Site or Local Attractions - Of your choice

CHILDREN: A creche will be available at a cost to cover the food and accommodation. Please let us know how many children you plan to bring along and their ages as soon as possible.

THEME: Don't forget this is an 'INTENTSE EXPERIENCE' and we promise it will be.

The Sunday Night Banquet is a 'Hat Party' - so come and surprise us with your imagination!!!

REFRESHMENTS: Our Social Convenor, Tony, has everything well under control and is happy to cater for all your local tastebuds!!!

TATUM PARK: Shane has been talking to the people at Tatum Park who are supporting the Wellington Moot wholeheartedly and are willing to host people before or after the Moot. Special prices can be negotiated directly with Tatum.

Don't forget to get your REMITS in to us as soon as you can, and also BIDS for the 1990 Moot to National Headquarters.

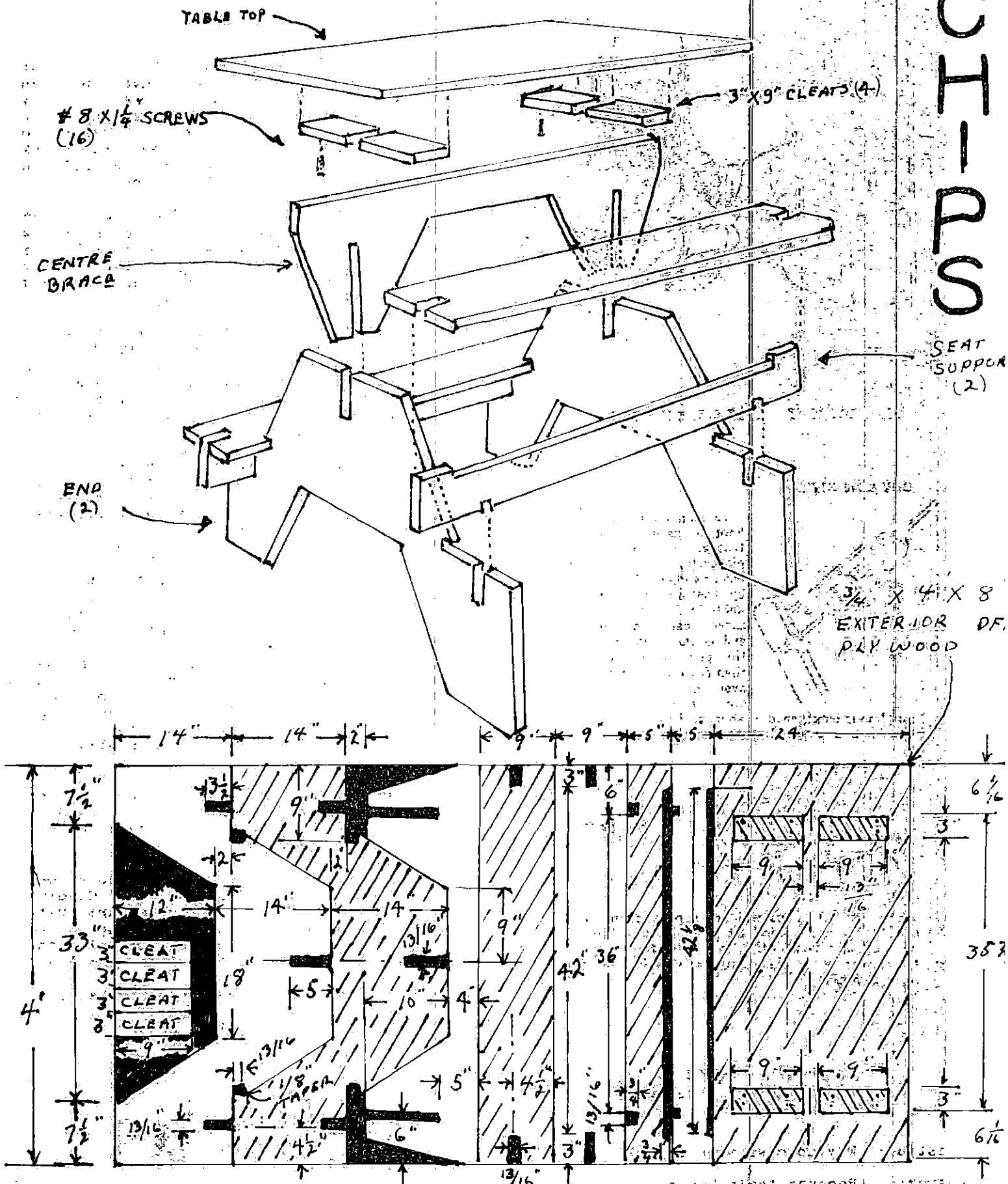
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Catch you with the 'fourth flash'.

See you soon

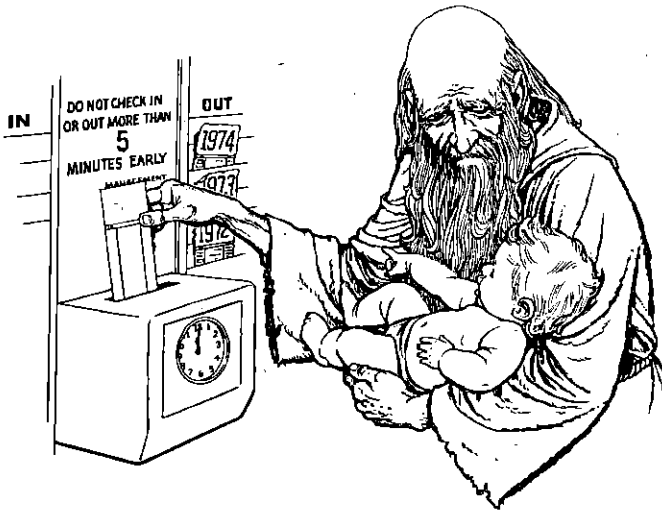
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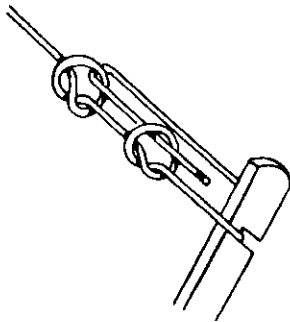
1 SHT. PLYWOOD = ONE CAMP TABLE

## CALENDARS



## KNOTTY THOUGHTS

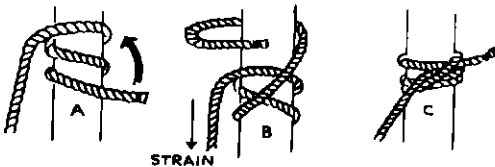
### GUY LINE HITCH



As its name suggests this knot is used in securing tent guy lines or guys for pioneering projects and larger gadgets. It is started by casting two overhand knots in the rope some distance apart, the running end is then passed around the peg, carried upward, then down through the two overhand knots. The knots are then pulled tight. The

guy line is lengthened or shortened by loosening the two knots and adjusting the running end.

### ROLLING HITCH



This useful knot will not slip even on glass smooth surfaces. This knot is really clove hitches with an extra turn in the direction of the strain on the standing part. The diagrams explain how this hitch is made.

## RIB TICKLER

Question: Why do cows wear bells?

Answer: Because their horns don't work.

It's that time of year again - the season of "Calendars." They make their invasion even before the old year is laid to rest. They come in many shapes and sizes, flat in their envelopes or tightly rolled in cardboard cylinders. They are carried home from work or school and most often in our case, sold to us by eager "Beavers" or "Wolf Cubs."

Calendars, you think, taking down the old one to replace it with the new. You remember how this scene was reenacted over and over in the years as you were growing up. Our family always considered it bad luck to hang the new calendar prior to New Year's Day!

Were calendars even more profuse in those days and prettier, you wonder? Or does it seem so now? Those purple mountains. Those waterfalls. My grandmother used to save the pictures and frame them. Today with our gay prints and draperies it would be silly to save a calendar picture.

Yet with a tinge of regret, you hold it a minute longer. You know it's not the pictures that make you reluctant to part with it. It is the scribbled notations: Halloween Moot... Rover Christmas dinner... Wilf & Linda's wedding... winter sleighride.

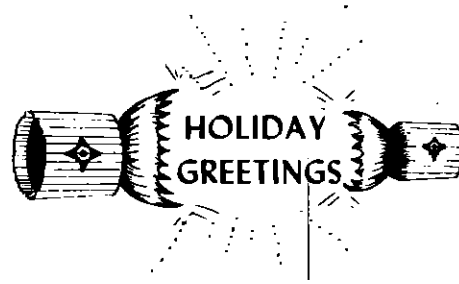
Many of the spaces are filled with appointments and reminders. Others bear witness to upcoming birthdays and anniversaries. It is tattered and smudged, this booklet of pages you hold in your hand. Yet it is a rich document of living, for fixed there with pen are all the things that mattered, the occasions so eagerly anticipated; the parties, the camps, the dances. The hopes, the disappointments, the tragedies. Finished now, over - only a few of them to remain alive in memory.

And gazing on the new one, so bright, so clean, and relatively unmarked, you wonder: What record will be written there before another year has passed?

As we celebrate Christmas and head to a New Year let us in the Scouting and Guiding movement continue to fill our calendars with Service, fellowship and fun. In doing so we will be taking the true spirit of the Christmas Season with us the whole year long.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Marilyn Major



# ★ MAJOR ★ CONTRIBUTIONS

Dear Fellow Strummers,

Well, this is it! This is the special Christmas edition of *Rovering Magazine*! When ever the calendar rings up December, that's when all the stops are pulled out for the Christmas issue. And the staff have planned this one back in October!

I wanted to do a Christmas song, something new, but I couldn't find one that I really liked. I did, however pick a song which I feel deserves some recognition. "Better Be Home Soon" was a single off 'Crowded House's', Temple of Low Men album. This is the second song by Crowded house, that I've put in the magazine. What I really liked about the recording, was the acoustic guitar and the superb vocals of Neil Finn.

On behalf of Marilyn, Jess, Ryan and myself, we wish you the very merriest of Christmas's and may this issue find you "in tune" with the Spirit of this holiday season!!

Keep on Strummin'

Al Major

"Better Be Home Soon" - 'Crowded House' (from "Temple of Low Men" album)

|                               |     |           |             |           |           |             |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| C                             | Am  | 3 2 0 1 0 | Am          | 0 2 3 1 0 | Em        | 0 2 3 0 0 0 |
| Somewhere deep inside         |     |           |             |           |           |             |
| Something's got a hold on you | Em  | G         |             |           |           |             |
| And it's pushing me aside     | C   | Am        |             |           |           |             |
| See it stretch on forever     | Em  | G         | 3 2 0 0 0 4 | (C7)      | 3 2 4 1 0 |             |
| And I know I'm right          | C   | C7        |             |           |           |             |
| For the first time in my life | F   |           |             |           |           |             |
| That's why I'll tell you      | G/D | 3 2 1 1   |             |           |           |             |
| You'd better be home soon     | C   | G         |             |           |           |             |

C Am  
Stripping back the coats

Em G  
Of lies and deception

C Am  
Back to nothing else

Em G  
Like a week in the desert

C C7  
And I know I'm right

F  
For the first time in my life

G/D  
That's why I'll tell you

C C/B  
You'd better be home soon

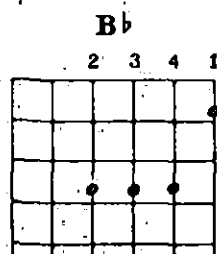
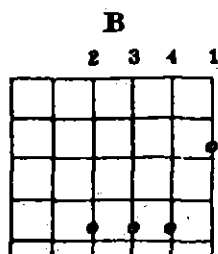
Bb D  
So don't say no

G  
Don't say nothin's wrong

Bb E7  
'Cause when you get back home

D  
Maybe, I'll be gone

C-Am-Em-F-Bb



C Am  
It would cause me pain

Em G  
If we were to end it

C Am  
But I could start again

Em G  
You can depend on it

C C7  
And I know I'm right

F  
For the first time in my life

G/D  
That's why I'll tell you

Am  
You'd better be home soon

D G/D G  
Oh, that's why I'll tell you

C  
You'd better be home soon







Old wood to burn,  
Old books to read,  
Old wine to drink,  
Old friends to trust.

Merry  
Christmas to all  
and a Happy, Joyous  
New Year too.

from the Staff of:  
Rovering Magazine.







Further information will be available by the beginning of December. If you would like to receive a 'Snowball '89' flier please fill out the form below and return to:

37th Hamilton Co-Ed Sea Rovers  
c/o Sue Gracey  
20 New Mountain Road  
Stoney Creek, Ontario  
L8G 2R5

The fliers will be mailed out as soon as they are printed.

Please forward Snowball '89 flier to (please print):

Name of Crew or Company \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person residing at below address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_