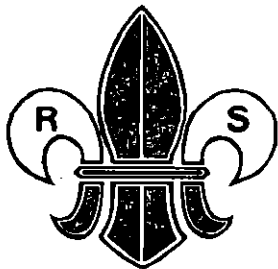


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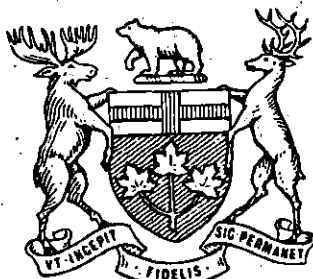
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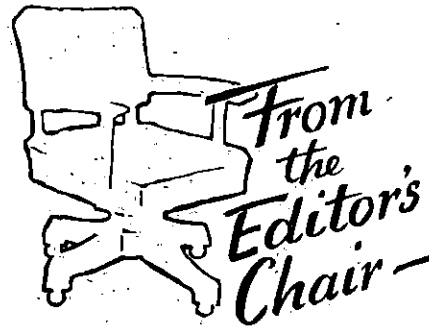
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Well, if you haven't heard yet, "It's Official". The tan shirt or blouse in combination with a navy blue pant or skirt is our new Scouts Canada uniform. The introduction of the new uniform will be in September of 1991 with the phase-in period to be completed by December 1994. Only a few minor items such as Sea Scout shirt, kilts, etc. have yet to be finalized.

So, I'm going to devote this editorial on the discussion of this uniform. The next few pages are the results of a survey which appeared in Rovering Magazine in February's and April's issues. The findings of this survey clearly indicates a different desire of uniform than that which has now become official.

Before I make my comment I would like to give you the results of this survey then share some of the opinions and suggestions which were received. This survey is the view point of 243 members of the Scouting Movement of which about half are Rovers.

1. The Report recommends ONE colour SHIRT/BLOUSE for all members, while Beaver Vests remain as they are, brown.

AGREE 68% DISAGREE 32%

Comments:

- Leave uniforms as is. It's sort of expensive to buy new shirts.
- There should be a distinction between groups.
- Beavers should also be the same so they're not left out.
- There should be a collar.
- Different sections should have different colours.

2. The Report recommends a TAN colour SHIRT/BLOUSE.

AGREE 33% DISAGREE 67%

Comments:

- Green. Less people will have to change and people like it.
- Green is already instituted as an acceptable and recognized colour for Canadian Scouts.
- Tan is an awful colour. Gets dirty easily and looks like a military uniform.
- Green is Canadian. Tan is American.
- I just bought a green shirt and don't want to spend any more money.

- Tan is the same as many other countries. Would rather have a distinctive colour.
- Keep all sections green.
- Light colour does not go well with outdoor events.
- It's ugly and we'll look like a bunch of bus drivers.
- What's wrong with the colour GREEN?
- Keep the Rover shirt the same; which is gray in B.C.!!! Please don't change!
- It's ugly, boring and gets dirty to easily.
- Scouting has been traditionally Green.
- Stay with the same colours.

3. The Report recommends one of THREE colours for TROUSERS/SHORTS/SKIRTS/SLACKS.

TAN.....	AGREE	21%	DISAGREE	79%
NAVY.....	AGREE	85%	DISAGREE	15%
DARK BROWN.....	AGREE	15%	DISAGREE	85%

Comments:

- Black.
- Bottoms should match or blend with tops. gray shirt - gray pants navy shirt - navy pants
- Leave the clothes as is. As some of us have been involved for so long and can't afford new uniforms.
- Dark brown only with Tan uniforms.
- As is.

4. The Report recommends NAVY WOOL BERET as general HEADWEAR.

AGREE	31%	DISAGREE	69%
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Comments:

- Berets look messy. Difficult and uncomfortable to wear.
- Some people have allergic reactions to wool.
- Not with brown or tan pants.
- Berets and Epaulets should be used to differentiate between sections.
- Leave headgear as it is. It also adds to the cost if we have to change.
- Don't like hats. Don't wear them.
- Should also be green for all sections so when one moves up, they don't have to buy a new beret.
- Wool is too hard to clean.
- Keep the same as it is.

5. The Report recommends that SASHES be worn by youth from CUBS to VENTURERS.

AGREE	48%	DISAGREE	52%
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Comments:

- Cubs will lose them and Venturers don't need them.
- They are a pain.
- Scouts and Venturers only. Cubs are too active and small to wear sashes.
- Scouts only. This section does most of the badge work.
- Cubs wearing sashes is totally ridiculous. Mobility is essential to 7 - 10 year olds.

- Sashes look sloppy and are uncomfortable to wear.
- Not good for Cubs. They're too active and would destroy them.
- Looks ugly, tacky and an inconvenience to the kids.
- Not for Venturers or else for ceremonies only.

6. The Report recommends the following COLOURS for SASHES:

CUBS.....	YELLOW	AGREE	54%	DISAGREE	46%
SCOUTS.....	GREEN	AGREE	51%	DISAGREE	49%
VENTURERS.....	LIGHT BLUE	AGREE	60%	DISAGREE	40%

Comments:

- Green for all sections.
- Navy.
- Yellow gets dirty too easily.
- I don't agree with sashes but a dark blue for venturers would be best.
- Red for Scouts.
- What's going to happen to Rovers?
- Keep it the way it is.

To maintain the continuity and impact of the following comments, I will reprint these letters in whole as I have received them.

Letter #1

Comments:

What is this? Another attempt by Ontario and Quebec to force something down the throats of the rest of Canada. First Scouts 68, then those gray uniforms. You screwed up twice. Are you trying for three? Now that I've got my feelings of Western alienation out of the way I can think logically.

I usually wear blue ie. Sea Scouts, Sea Rovers, etc. and like the distinction and think that the new uniform proposals should in some way reflect that distinction. The quality of the shirts rather the colour is the main problem.

Point 1. A single colour uniform allows for the purchase of a shirt as one grows out of the old one. Venturers & Rovers always seem to be consistently short of cash. Why make Venturers buy a shirt for a few years then another when he/she becomes a Rover.

Point 2. Tan seems to be a fairly common international colour. If we get a tan uniform shirt, I hope I can wear one like the one I wore as a Rover in Switzerland, which is warm and comfy. Not like my Canadian shirts.

Point 3. Why three choices if we are going for a common uniform? I like wearing blue and wear regulation pants 7 days a week. In Switzerland, younger sections wear tan & blue, and older sections wear tan & brown which makes more for a one colour look. If Canada went away from blue pants I would still wear the old stock for day to day use.

Point 4. Wool Beret? 1) Berets are much more handy than baseball caps because they can be rolled up and put under the epaulets. 2) Wool is great. I know several Rover Crews that take the Rover crest off the red "cow pattie" and beg, steal, borrow, bribe or trade with American Scouts for their wool berets and then attach the Canadian Rover badge on it.

Point 5. I don't like sashes - period! In my pre-1968 I managed to crowd 26 proficiency badges on to my uniform. Sashes always seem to end up on the floor being stepped on during a game. If as a leader I want to know where a Scout is in the program I usually have to send him to find his sash. Sashes get in the way or get lost at home. Lots of badges are good P.R. for the Scouting Movement and if Scouts are working in the public doing a community service where sashes are inappropriate, badges can not be "shown off".

Point 6. Not to open that can of worms, if sashes are worn by youth sections, shouldn't Rovers have red sashes? Don't forget dark blue sashes for the sea sections.

However: Why mess with what we've got. What about existing stocks of uniforms. What new person will buy an old uniform colour when new colours are announced. What about Sea Venturers, which don't have "Official" uniforms yet? I repeat my sentiments of the opening paragraph.

Letter #2

I will spell out my intentions right away so there is not any confusion as to what this proclamation is about. The Rover uniform should remain a green shirt with dark blue pants and a red beret. Along with this I think that the same uniform should be universal with the exception of Beavers and Cubs.

In my views there are three considerations that should be covered before any decisions are made; cost, consistency and originality.

Cost

1/ There are approximately 34,000 Scouts and 1,897 Rovers that wear the traditional green uniform. A change in uniform will cost these two sections \$857,191.75 for just shirts. That's almost a million dollars and it doesn't even include Scout leaders or berets and pants.

2/ Since the green uniform has been in operation for years now, there is a surplus of used uniforms that can be used by someone who can not afford a new one.

3/ By switching to a universal green uniform for Scouts, Venturers and Rovers, the current cost of a shirt will go down because of a high production run to cater the larger demand. Maybe I'm a little too optimistic here. It's stupid of me to think that the Scout Shops would pass the savings on to us.

Consistency

People (Public and members) are already familiar and accustomed to the green uniform. It signifies a belonging to an organization that has grown over the years. By universally adapting to the green uniform, the feeling of brotherhood will be strengthened.

Letter #3

1. I disagree with the recommendation of one uniform colour for all members of Scouting because it seems that people are trying to Americanize Canadian Scouting. I like the assortment of colours we have as it makes it easy to distinguish between the sections, if we were all one colour it would be difficult for people to tell the difference between a Scout and a Venturer or a Venturer and a Rover.

I also like to see the different colours when I attend Canadian and World Jamborees. It is more eye appealing to look over a crowd of a rainbow of different colours than it would be to look out over a sea of tan.

2. As I mentioned above I like the individual colours to help distinguish the individual sections of Scouting and I would rather see it stay that way. Myself, as a Rover, I would rather not wear tan.

3. I agree with the colour Navy shorts, pants, etc., ONLY to go with the GREEN shirts we already have. I do, however feel that the Venturer section should have a colour that is more colour coordinated to their tan shirts.

4. I disagree with Navy wool berets because: a) navy does not go with Tan and b) berets are an expensive part of the uniform that is usually a waste of money as a lot of people I know do not like to wear hats especially berets and those that do spend the money on them usually have it shoved under the epaulet of their shirt most of the time. I personally do not like wearing the beret and it has sat in my room for the last 4-5 years because of that reason.

5. I do like the idea of sashes for youth from Cubs to Venturers. I think it would be a lot better for the Cubs than sewing all their badges on their sleeves for 2 reasons: a) the badges on the sleeves become unsightly after several washes when they get wrinkled and worn and b) it ruins the shirt if you try to remove the badges to pass it down to a younger sibling.

6. I agree with most of the colour recommendations for the sashes other than Scouts as I feel they should stay with the uniform they have with the red sash. I would like to see the Ventures with a light blue sash. I think it would be more appealing than the awful loden green.

Other Suggestions:

I do have a few other suggestions for the uniform task group. If they want to make changes, how about:

1. Dark gray cotton shirts for Cubs instead of the jersey.
2. Beavers have it as a standard as part of their uniform to wear the blue Beavers Canada shirt under their vests.
3. All leaders wear green and save the gray shirts for executive people.
4. Stay with the green uniform for Rovers, too, as a lot of Rovers are leaders in other sections and it gets quite costly if you have to buy more than one shirt.

That completes the results and comments of this survey. I would therefore like to offer the following interpretation as a summary.

SUMMARY

It would appear that over 2/3 of the members surveyed agree to having the same coloured shirt for all sections (except beavers), however, 67% disagree (some with strong opposition) to the colour Tan and indicate that the colour GREEN is their preferred choice. Navy, too, is the overwhelming recommendation for pants/shorts/skirts/slacks with a concern for colour coordination.

As for the Navy Wool Beret, 69% disagree to this recommendation and many preferring not to have a beret at all.

Less than half agreed to the recommendation of sashes for the youth from Cubs to Venturers while suggestions indicated that sashes should be for Scouts only (if any at all).

As for the colour of these Sashes, (should they be accepted), the majority agree with the recommendations but only slightly in most cases.

I suppose now would be as good a time as any for me to put in my 2 cents worth.

Before I start, there are a few things I'd like to say: 1) I wear a green Scouts Canada shirt which I had purchased in my last year as a Boy Scout; that's over sixteen years ago. The shirt was a little bit big for me back then but it seems that most Scout shirts were that way to accommodate members with a larger wasteline. Today, I wear that shirt as my Rover uniform and it still has quite a few more good years in it.

After my Scouting days, I was involved in starting up a new Venturer Company and after that we started a new Rover Crew. As I think back on when I bought that Scout shirt in 1974 it was only \$12.95. If one year later I would have had to buy a different shirt for Venturers, then three years later another green one for Rovers, shortly there after a gray shirt and now possibly to tan, I would have spent close to \$200.00 (including ber-

ets, sashes, etc.). To some of us that might not seem like much but as a Venturer or a young Rover, money was not always easy to come by. This expense would have even been greater if I was required to purchase a new shirt for all the sections in which I assisted as a leader.

I recall another incident while manning the Rover Display at the Sportsmen's Show; A young individual approached the booth and started asking about Rovers and how we were connected with Scouting. He then asked the fellow beside me in what section he belonged. He replied that he was a Rover too even though he was wearing a gray shirt.

I agree that we should have the same coloured shirt from Cubs through to Rovers and for Leaders as well (with slight modifications to the Cub Uniform). I also feel that this should be a green shirt. The Cub uniform should be the same colour as the rest of the senior sections but designed with better durability such as less buttons and perhaps from a material similar to the one which they are presently using. Also, the uniforms should have a collar because without them they tend to look like T-shirts and perhaps not as tidy in appearance. This same shirt could be used for Beavers if necessary.

I look back to when I wore a beret while in the Scouting section; it sure was fun to toss around. We use to play tag with those berets. They were alot of fun; but not as part of the uniform. It seemed that at least half of the Troop had to buy a second beret because they would loose the first one or it would get damaged for one reason or another. Today as a Rover, I hesitate in wearing a beret for a variety of reasons. 1) While attending a moot, if we were to wear that beret for an extensive time over the course of the weekend, it may cause our hair to become oily and therefore more dirty, leading to a less tidy appearance by closing. 2) If the beret is worn for an extensive time most people find that they develop a "hat head" when they remove the beret. Baseball caps may be more comfortable to wear but they tend to take away from the "sharpness" of the uniform. Statsons look sharp, but tend to be a nuisance at times (not to mention expensive too). I have noticed that the Australians seem to have a practical sort of Bushman's style of head wear which seems very befitting of the Scouting movement.

The next concern I have is the sashes. What do we do about these sashes? Personally I'm not too keen on wearing a sash. I never have been and I probably never will be. But the problem is... Where do we put all those badges. For those crests which stay consistent from one section to the next, they could go directly on to the uniform the others need to be displayed in such a manner as to keep the uniform looking professional. The only suggestion I have for this part of the uniform is to change the Sash to a Vest.

This vest could be used similar to a campfire blanket displaying all sections and the awards attained in each or display only the achievements of that particular section. The beavers wear vests, and they look good too.

When it comes right down to it, the biggest concern we have is "What colour of Shirt will we wear?" As for berets and sashes, the individual will decide whether he or she really wants to wear one, however, they can not get around the Shirt issue. The disappointing part of this issue is that the "report" never recommended any other colour of shirt for the uniform. It gave us three choices of trousers/shorts/skirts/slacks, but the fact remains that tan was the only choice of shirt available to us. Now I heard mention that the colour of green was presented but only on a small scale; it never got too far.

This decision to go to tan has developed concern and resistance from members of this movement. Some are saying that they will never change. They would quit this Movement before they would wear a tan shirt. Leaders are telling their new recruits not to buy a uniform because they will have to buy a new one in a couple years. Some Crews will work around the theme of the Green Uniform as part of keeping the tradition.

There will almost always be resistance to change and perhaps I would not be as concerned over this issue realizing that thought, but the results of this survey, the comments I have received and the general discussions I have had lead me to believe that this is not a change of the people.

At this point it would appear that no matter what we say or do, like it or not, the tan shirt is official.

I would like to thank Dave Fallows - Regional Commissioner for Green Valleys Region, Peeter Kalaste - Provincial Field Executive for Green Valleys Region and all the many Rovers, Venturers, Leaders, Advisors and members for their valued input towards this survey.

Have a great Scouting season,


Wilf Niklaus

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wedding bells are ringing for Linda McMahon and John Reed from the 1st Dixie Co-ed Rover Crew. They will be tying the knot on October 14, 1989. Congratulations to you both.

Rovering Magazine would like to apologize for the lateness of this issue and the absence of August's issue. We truly regret any inconveniences this may have caused. Subscriptions will be extended an additional month to compensate for August's issue.

LETTERS TO THE -EDITOR-



AREA TWO

EDMONTON REGION

Brother Rovers:

It is at this time during our long history as a Section of Scouting that one must reflect on where we have been, where we are now and where the Rover Section is going in the future.

I call upon all Rovers during 1989/90 to unite and consider this year the year of the Rover Scout.

A unique project, never attempted before, is the manufacture of a portable display, one which will reflect nationally, all the Rover Crews in Canada.

For such a project, we would respectfully require a Crew flash, shield or crest from every Crew.

Understanding the significance of such a donation to this project, I can promise you on my Honour that your Crew Crest will be safe guarded and used strictly as part of the display in the promotion on Rovering.

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Dear Ontario Rovers,

In January 1989, all the registered Rover Crews in Ontario were mailed a package from me. Enclosed was an explanation of the National Rover Review Process, a questionnaire to fill out and mail back and an invitation to send a representative to a Rover Forum in March.

36 Crews responded by mail, and 16 representatives braved the horrible storm to attend the Forum. Congratulations to all those who have participated thus far in the Review. The number of responses does provide statistically relevant data; however, I hope to see a better show of support for the Rover Section in the next phase of the review. Remember this is your section! The only ones with the power to change the Rover Program for the better are yourselves!

The National Task Group has been sent the Ontario Input from the questionnaire and Forum, and early in the fall will have another task for us. Over the summer, the delegates to represent Ontario at the National Rover Conference in 1990 will be named. They will be given some training, and in the fall will be involved in the gathering of information from all the Rovers of Ontario again, to enable them to take your views to the Conference.

The basic results of the questionnaire and Forum questions are summarized below:

QUESTION 1 - asked what areas from the 1984 Review required further action, and in what priority order:

Handbook	50
Communications	41
Over Age Rovers	18
Direct Support	
to the section	9
Training	9
Contemporary issues	2
Rover program	
emphasis/objections	0

Note: A ballot/number system was used to tabulate the priorities.

QUESTION 2 - asked about the concerns and needs of the 18 to 26 year old Canadian:

Employment	52
Education	41
Family	19
Relationships	16
Government	15
Environment	12
Recreation	3
Alcohol and Drugs	1
Media	0
Canadian Society	0
Religion	0

QUESTION 3 - responses showed the Ontario Rovers have a good understanding of the intent of the statement that Rovers be "service oriented for adults". All Rovers are adults, and the Motto is Service.

QUESTION 4 - responses indicated the Rovers of Ontario feel there is a need for the Rover Advisor.

I wish all Ontario Rovers a great summer, and I look forward to hearing from all of you in the next step of the Rover Review in the Fall.

Yours in Scouting,

Sue Warren

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AUGUST COLUMN

THE SAGA CONCLUDES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Yes, it is true. F.N. (William) Goat has returned to his family.

Upon returning to his Nanaimo home William told great tales of his journeys around our great land. Apparently, he was abducted during the 1988 Camp Skeeter. His only memory is that a kind man in a green shirt offered him some hay that tasted kind of funny. From there he does not remember anything for a few weeks. Even after that his recollection is vague and clouded.

He spent a period of time in a dark box with only small air holes to look out through, and remembers at least three flights on a plane, one of them international. When asked if it was truly him in the photographs, William confessed that it indeed was, however the pictures were taken against his will.

William wishes to make a few things clear.

* No, he did not marry Donna. He finds her quite attractive and did live with her for a few months, but it was strictly on a fraternal basis. O.K. maybe not completely.

* The time that we reported he was on the West Coast coincides with his most successful attempt to escape. He chewed through the ropes that bound him in his prison and slipped out through a dog door (how degrading). After that it was a simple matter of hitching a ride on a cattle train and he was back in B.C. He did have one close call at a factory known as a slaughter house. Luckily, our fantastic government inspectors instantly realized that William was not a cow and fined the farmer for shipping "rotten tuna". William left during the confusion and made it all the way to the Horseshoe Bay Ferry terminal. He was disheartened to learn that the last run had just left and his final journey home would be delayed.

During the overnight wait, the man in a green shirt showed up and offered to take him to Nanaimo in a boat. William, having forgotten what had happened the last time he was with this man, agreed and joined the man on his yacht. The next thing William remembers is being in the Middle of the Ocean and being VERY Seasick. William knew this wasn't where he wanted to be.

After a voyage of several weeks they landed in a small cove. The grass was green, the sun shone brightly (but seemed to be in the wrong place) and it was nice and warm. This was a summer paradise, but it was December and it was the middle of Winter. The hills were covered with white spots that looked

like patches of snow. On closer inspection they turned out to be Millions of Sheep! William knew that this must be Hell, it definitely wasn't Nanaimo.

Shortly after arriving the ship was boarded by Customs agents. After checking the Visitor Visa for the man in a green shirt, he wanted to see Williams papers. William tried to explain that he was being held captive, but the Agent couldn't speak Goat. Not having any papers and being on the Quarantine list William was returned to Canadian Authorities in Ottawa. After a Goat translator was found, William was debriefed on the circumstances of his trip and handed a bus ticket to Nanaimo. Thus ends his Tail.

Beware!! The man in a green shirt is still at large!

It is an exciting time for the Vancouver Coast Region. As you would have read in the last report we have a new executive for our Roundtable. They have compiled a new mailing and phone list which is available from Steve Ilott ((604) 275-3259). We had our summer meeting and picnic. It was Great!! Thanks to all who attended and added their spirit. We are still discussing Nick Rooney's scars. We are looking forward to an exciting new year in Scouting.

The VCR Moot will be held on the October 20-22 weekend. Location and theme to be announced. Contact the Kitsilano Skookum Rover Crew for details.

OH YA!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

I ALMOST FORGOT!!!!!!!!!!!!

ROVENT. The most Incredible Event of the next decade.

Date: February 16-18, 1990.
Theme: A Night At the Movies
Contact: Ian Smith (604) 732-8002
Location: Manning Park B.C.
Temperature: Too cold to mention.

We have had our first planning meeting. I have 8 new people to work on my committee. We will be encouraging on-site activities. There is also a possibility of an on site radio station to broadcast information and music. We are contacting "hundreds" of movie stars in hope that they will show up and enhance our theme. I look forward to seeing you there. Watch for our ads in this magazine.

The next Rover Roundtable meeting in Vancouver Coast is September 12, 8 PM at Vancouver Scouthouse.

On July 21st, 22 Rovers from Vancouver Coast, Burnaby and the Fraser Valley have the honour of attending a traditional Japanese Buffet aboard the M.V. Fuji Maru. This is an event sponsored by the Blue Sea and Green Land Foundation. We have been asked to be ambassadors for B.C. and greet 500 Japanese youth who are on a journey that includes stops in San Francisco and Vancouver. It should be a memorable international event for all involved. It will also give the two Canadian representatives to the World Rover Conference in Tokyo, Japan this August an opportunity to practice their Japanese. Good Luck to Steve Ilott and Leslie McGee.

The Fraser Valley Moot and Raft Race were incredible. The mosquitoes were so big one crew bar-b-que'd one for dinner. Our congratulations to the 1st Yennadon Rover crew for their winning raft. It was only a mere 20 minutes ahead on the second place Beachcomber Craft. In third place (1st with a mixed crew) was 6th Chilliwack. An honourable mention to 2nd Burnaby South who took their design directly from a 1920's pioneering handbook. The following were the organizers of the Moot, they all deserve a slap, sorry I mean pat on the back for their efforts:

Darlene Senez	Pat Patterson
Nick Rooney	Erica Lobmeier
Lynette Larson	Dave Tilley

These are some of the young blood that will continue to keep B.C. on the leading edge of Rovering in Canada.

On June 10th B.C. Rovers gathered at Camp Linley in Chilliwack for the Provincial Rover Conference. From early morning until late afternoon we discussed, argued about and fought over (in a friendly way) the many topics in preparation for the National Rover Conference in 1990. The B.C. Delegates to the Conference will be Paul Mazsar, Erica Lobmeier and Steve Strandt with the first alternate being Darlene Senez. After we had completed the agenda for the weekend, we sat down to a fabulous Dinner prepared by the Fraser Valley B.P. Guild. We finished off the evening with a hike up Tea Pot Hill and a Rover Campfire.

Burnaby Region is not present at this session of article writing. Their contributor Paul Mazsar, feels that a baseball game is more important. That's dedication for you. The same kind of dedication which has allowed an event to be cancelled. What event? The Burnaby Region softball Invitational and Bar-B-Que. No, you say, that isn't possible. You saw it advertised in Rovering Magazine, it therefore has to happen. RIGHT! WRONG! They don't have the skills to pull it together so they are cancelling it. OH WELL they will learn by watching the two great regions who surround them.

(I told you I would get even Paul)

The Canadian Contingent Leader for the World Rover Moot to be held in Australia in 1990-91 is Duncan Morgan from Northern Region. Anyone interested in attending is encouraged to register with Provincial Scouthouse ASAP so we can start planning.

Once again this year, Rovers are being invited to attend and participate in the Provincial Program Planning Workshop to be held at Rosemary Heights in September. One representative from each Region and the Executive of the Provincial Roundtable will participate in the Rover Section Program Planning Sessions.

Nominations for the Provincial Roundtable are open until the B.C./Alta Moot in September. If you are interested, get your name in before or at the Moot.

So, from Jack and Ian, Keep on Rovering and see you next time.

and to B.C. Rovers

B. C. ROVERING

Welcome to the October issue of the BC Rovering Article.

This article was typed by: Tony Lobmeier
Jack Prost
Ian Smith

On the date of October 5, 1989.

We are very happy to hear that the August issue will be in the mail to you soon.

Ian would like to bring everyone up to date on the upcoming ROVER, venturer winter camp.

ROVENT 1990

A Night At The Movies

Well, we are well on the way to the best year yet. We have a theme, a site, a plan and most important of all, the portable biffies are booked.

For all of you who have never been to Rovent I will try to describe it in a way that will do the 16th year of this event justice.

The location is Cambie Creek, Manning Park BC. (Snow Country)

This is an abandoned quarry during the summer, but in the third week of February, it becomes home to 700-1000 members of Scouting and Guiding. It is located in a Provincial Park 3 hours out of Vancouver. The temperature can get down in the negatives and the snow depth is usually in the area of 6 feet. But with some planning and basic equipment, life is quite comfortable.

The objective of the camp is to present an opportunity for these people to get together under unusual conditions, and survive.

This weekend of excitement has had a history of an unusual and a creative program. This year will be no exception. All groups will set their sites up to represent a scene from their favorite movie. Please we have seen the XXX, lets go for class. The highlight of the weekend will be the Talent Show and Dance. The Show will be based on such award shows as the Oscars, and the Grammys. The following dance will be an opportunity to donn you best Black Tie Formal Wear.

For information please contact Vancouver Scout House. (604) 879-5721. Or Ian Smith (604) 732-8002. (Chairman)

Now for the information that you don't want to hear. Don't get discouraged, once you attend you will come back for years.

There are a few basic site rules to remember:

- No Snow Caves
- No Hay
- All open fires must be elevated off the ground.

And the big one.

No Alcohol or Illegal Drugs.

Anyone who the Organizing committee becomes aware of who is consuming these substances, will be reported to their Regional Office. Remember, it's too cold to be stupid.

Come on out the camp fee's paid by the following dates are as follows:

- October to December 31, 1989.
\$10.00 per participant
- January 1, 1990 to January 30, 1990.
\$11.00 per participant
- February 1 to February 18
\$12.00 per participant
- After February 19
\$22.51 per participant.

Gee, Ian, that sounds like lots of fun!!!

I remember my first Rovent. It was about 8 years ago. Six of us spent 3 hours jammed into a Landrover with all our gear for the trip up. We arrived at the site and were greeted by a wierd guy dressed in leotards, leopard skin shorts, a superman shirt, and a flowing red cape. No, he wasn't from 81st Centennial! That was also the year it rained all day on the Saturday. The people who went skiing came back absolutely soaked and those who stayed back at camp mainly kept to their tents. The 1st Yennadon Venturers (not to be confused with the present day Rover Crew) camped themselves in a gully and to top it off dug holes to put their tents into. Needless to say, as the day progressed the level of water in the holes rose higher and higher to the point that when they returned from skiing, their air mattresses were floating away. That god their advisor had his camper along so they could dry off in it. Off course we of the 1st Whonnock company camped on the top of the snow and didn't get wet. We laughed long and hard about the Yennadon situation (of course only after we knew they would be all right). Even with the bad weather, I had a great time.

Two years later I was part of the Yennadon crew. Life works in strange ways, doesn't it.

Well Tony, my early memories of Rovent were of lots of snow, not rain.

The first year I went to Rovent was 10 years ago and did it snow?! We camped on the edge of McDermid Meadows in the shelter of the trees. We set up our 12x20 dining tent complete with wood stove (of course) and our 9x12 sleeping tent at 2 in the morning after digging through 4 feet of snow. The days were filled with very active outdoor activities like Snow shoe Races, and Tackle Frisbee. After a busy day outside we ate like Kings, Steak and Mushrooms until you couldn't eat any more. The evenings were loud and interesting with old time Rover Campfires and the Miss Strawberry Flats Contest. The winner (a classic) was Hilda the Huddelite from the 6th Chilliwack Crew. He would have taken it again the following years after making an appearance, but did not enter the Contest. Sunday morning at 7am we delivered hot chocolate to everyone in camp, after waking them up. Some of the people weren't too impressed with the time we chose but most were glad to see something hot after a cold night. The 6th Chilliwack Rovers won several of the awards to top off a great weekend.

Well Jack, I guess it is back to me.

My favorite memory of Rovent is on my first visit there (1984). It was also my first year returning to Scouting. I had been in Cubs and Scouts, but as with many had dropped out before Venturers. When I joined my Rover Crew, I was told that I would be attending a large scale winter camp. I had never done anything on this scale. But it was my Rover Crew so I trusted them.

So I set to preparing my supplies:

- One reasonably good 3 season bag
- Several borrowed 29.95 summer bags
- One pair Army Surplus Wool Pants
- Sweaters and misc other clothing.

After we arrived on site we selected our area. Then proceeded to dig out a big hole. We set up our tents in one corner, threw a tarp over the whole thing, and made walls with a roll of plastic. We then installed our homemade wood stove.

I thought this was great, not at all like Scouts, I liked being a Rover...

Then it was pointed out to me that I was not actually a Rover, I was something that I had not heard of. I was as L.T.S. and if I did well during the camp. I would be promoted to Squire. Gee...wouldn't that be great.

Our crew the Beachcombers, were on a mission. We were going try to make sure that everyone at camp got Leighed. We had brought 144 of them with us knowing very well, that they would be reused.

GLOBAL REPORT

SWIMMING SCOUTS EXCEED GOALS: The Swimming Marathon hosted by the Scouts and Guides in the Geneva area to raise funds for Scouting projects in the developing countries was successful beyond all expectations.

The amount raised by the event was 111,947 Swiss francs (\$62,366) compared to the original goal of 100,000 Swiss francs (\$55,710). The participants swam a total of 866 kilometres, 366 kilometres more than had been forecast.

The event was supported by local officials, as well as members of the diplomatic community of Geneva.

SCOUTING: THE IMAGE IS GOOD BUT THE REALITY MAY BE BETTER: Scouting and Guiding has an extremely good public image and generally enjoys a highly supportive press. These are two positive findings of a group set up in 1986 to study the public image of Scouting and Guiding in Europe. The report of the working group was presented at the European Region Conference held in Larnaca, Cyprus, in April this year.

The task of the working group was to define the image of Scouting and Guiding in Europe and make necessary recommendations.

The group collected together research done by national associations. Four substantial research reports were studied: two by the Dutch Association; one by the UK Scout Association; and one by the UK Girl Guide Association.

In addition, an analysis of press cuttings was done in the UK, Switzerland and Denmark, and a small survey of European International Commissioners was carried out.

The survey revealed that the International Commissioners feel the public is unaware of the strong international spirit of the Movement and does not realize how concerned Scouting is with present-day problems and issues. The International Commissioners felt the public unjustifiably regard Scouting as militaristic and old-fashioned.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Recognizing that Scouting needs a good image in order to reach its objectives in membership growth, adult recruitment, and fun raising, as well as in other areas, 13 recommendations were presented. Some of the suggestions are paraphrased as follows:

- *Associations should commission their own research on public opinion of the Movement;
- *Associations should define the audiences they wish to reach and the means needed to reach them;
- *Associations should carry out analyses of press cuttings in order to understand the image they project;

- *Public relations should be emphasized in training Scout leaders and the importance of bringing Scouting activities before the public eye should be stressed;
- *Public relations aspects of major events should be fully recognized;
- *The international aspect of Scouting should be better emphasized;
- *The role of the uniform should be reviewed by the associations, especially in relation to how it supports the objectives of the Movement.

UNDEREXPLOITED RESOURCE: The analysis of press cuttings showed that the press coverage was straight news reporting. The media did not impose a preconceived image on Scouting as has been contended by some. The coverage was described by the report as "a highly supportive and probably largely underexploited (and free) resource."

With regard to the uniform, it was pointed out that it is one part of the visual identity of the Movement. It is associated in the minds of the public with ideas and images of Scouting.

It was also noted that older Scouts have the need to express individuality which is restricted by a uniform but they also have a natural need to belong to a group which is promoted by the uniform. The fact that uniforms are regarded differently in different countries was also mentioned.

The report suggested setting up a working party to review the advantages and disadvantages of different types of uniforms taking into consideration the attitudes and opinions of varying age groups and divergent cultures.

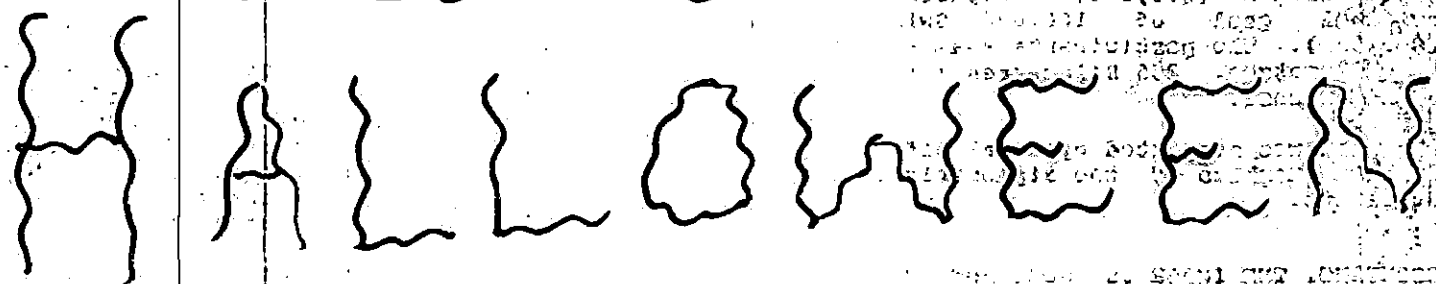
A FUND RAISING IDEA: Sometimes you can have it all. This seemed to be true with a fund-raising project carried out by the Geneva Scouts this month. They cooperated with a local newspaper to make and sell bread at a local fete - they even built the ovens in which the bread was baked. This activity raised 40,000 Swiss francs for community use; gave the Scouts high visibility as they carried out their work at the fete attended by hundreds of thousands of people; brought assured publicity for the Scouts in the newspaper with which they were working; and fed the hungry fairgoers.

HIKE FOR HUNGER IN TORONTO: More than 400 Scouts hiked in subfreezing weather across the city of Toronto, Canada, raising food in their first annual "Hike for Hunger". The Scouts from 28 groups collected a ton of food which was then donated to the Daily Bread Food Bank. It was one of the largest food drives ever organized by a local volunteer organization and was such a success that it was repeated in other Canadian areas. Extensive local collections were undertaken by Scouts in the United States last year.

11TH Cambridge - South Waterloo
District Rover Crew and

11TH Cambridge Venturer Company

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Car Rally & Dance

Saturday, October 28th

Car Rally 4:00 to 7:00

Dance 9:00 to 1:00

Don't Be Afraid Of the Dark!

\$5.00 per Car (with Costumes) \$25.00 without

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Please
Preregister by October 22

send to:

11th Cambridge Rovers
258 Hillcrest Rd.

Cambridge Ont, N3H 1B2

for more information call

(519) 653-9987

Instructions will be given after registration

* Arrangements can be made for overnight if necessary.
Please specify on registration form below

Crew / Company _____

Contact person _____

name

phone

of cars _____

at \$5.00

at \$25.00

for Dance _____

at \$5.00

at \$7.00

(can pay at door for Dance)

total =



2ND ROVER SYMPOSIUM TOKYO, JAPAN

This summer was one of the most exciting of my life. After World Jamboree '83 I didn't think I would be attending another international event unless it was held here in Canada. In April of this year the Rovers of Canada received an invitation that changed that. We were invited to send two delegates to the 2nd Rover Symposium hosted by the Boy Scouts of Nippon. They would provide the airfare providing it was within their budget this allowed the Rovers of B.C. to apply as we could qualify for the cheapest flight.

The invitation was presented to the B.C.-Yukon Provincial Rover Roundtable in April and we were asked to write a letter to the Provincial Commissioner stating why we would be the best representative to send. They were looking for a male and a female Rover who were active and involved in Rovering in their area. At the beginning of June the decision was made and Steve Ilott and myself were chosen to go. We had just 2 months to get ready to go.

We spent that time talking to Rovers, Scouters and Service Team members to get ourselves more conversant with where Scouting was and where it was going. We also talked to several Government agencies to get information on Canada to take with us.

We arrived in Tokyo for three days of home stay which gave us a wonderful introduction to Japanese Cultures and their lifestyles. From there we went to Oshima Island for 5 days of discussions and activities. There was 26 countries represented and our theme was Rovering. Who are we? What do we do? What kind of program do we have? What problems are we encountering? What can Japan do to increase their numbers? How do they differ from other countries? What can they do to improve international exchange?? These are some of the topics we discussed. I enjoyed participating in the symposium, talking and exchanging views with so many other countries. Communications was perhaps one of the most interesting aspects of the trip. Sometimes a problem but not one that was insurmountable. After Oshima we had a day and a half back in Tokyo where we could go either to Disneyland or Mt Fuji. I enjoyed the day at Disneyland and Steve experienced the climb up Mt. Fuji.

There is obviously much more to be said about the symposium and if there are people who are interested in more information or have specific questions, please write to me, I would be happy to send on the information.

One thing that I need from Rovers and Scouts in Canada is information and guidelines on Rover training ie. mates courses, etc. The information is for Rovers in Singapore who are hoping to run these types of courses.

My mailing address is: Mrs. Lesley McGee
20929 52 Ave.
Langley, B.C.
V3A 3T7

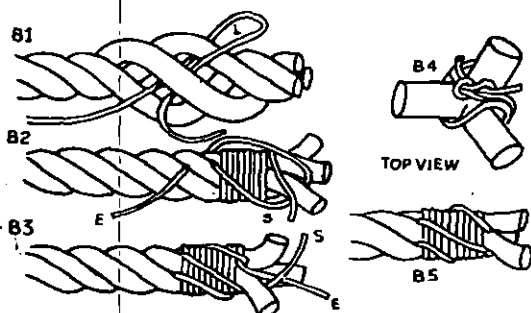
KNAUGHTY THOUGHTS

Take two feet of twine, double back about 3 inches, lay along the rope, near the end to be whipped, as you see in A 1. With the long end of the twine, wind round the rope a dozen times pulling each turn tight and making sure that it lies close to the previous turn. Pass the end S through the loop L as in A 2, do not let the turn slip.

Now pull the end E gently until the loop is about half way through the turns of the whipping, this will lock the ends as shown in the sketch A 4.

Finally cut off the twine close to the turns of the whipping, taking care not to cut the rope. Try your hand with various sizes of rope so that you become proficient with whippings of all kinds.

SAILMAKER'S WHIPPING



First open the strands near the end of the rope to be whipped, if possible, without unlaying the ends. Place the end of the twine between two strands of the rope, pass it around the third strand, and bring it out again between the strands through which it entered, B 1.

Close the strands again, leaving the large loop, L in the twine, and some inches of the end of the twine free; make several tight turns, working towards the end of the rope. Then without letting those turns become loose, put the loop L over the end of the same strand round which you passed the twine. This is important B 2.

Pull the end E until the twine is tight against the turns of the whipping, and is also lying snugly between the strands of the end of the rope.

Bring the end E up to the end of the rope and between the strands of the ends, to meet the standing part S as you see in B 3.

To finish off, join these two with a reef knot, pulling each part of the reef very tightly, making sure there is no slack; cut off the ends very short, B 4; force the strands together again, which has the effect of hiding the reef knot, and the finished whipping should look like B 5.

This is a good method of whipping as you do not have to pull the twine underneath the turns of the whipping with the risk of snapping the twine.

After you have done it a few times you will probably prefer it to any other way of whipping a laid rope.

HOW ABOUT THAT ---

Hope your summer is going good. My holiday plans were scuttled, but good! And to make matters worse, I thought that this year I was finally going to get to the Wee Moot in Kentucky. Oh well, the best laid plans of Mice and Men etc.

Did you see this newspaper article. Steven Spielberg, who directed such movies as Jaws and E.T., started making movies as a Scout to get his photography merit badge. He said "scouting built my self-confidence" and "I took out of scouting, then I never put back in. Here's my turn to put back in. That's why I'm here." He was addressing the 12th National Scout Jamboree and introduced a new cinematography merit badge. "I think the proudest moment of my entire life was when I became an eagle scout." Spielberg told a crowd of about 70,000 Scouts, Leaders, and Visitors.

This gem of attribute to scouting was buried deep within the paper. Why? Maybe because it wasn't bad news.

Ahem! Speaking of photography, the offer that I made in the last issue still holds. I don't want to be a Steven Spielberg, I just would like to see a promotional video on Rovers Made and Photographed by Rovers. Remember all crews contributing to this will be listed in the credits even if your slides/or video clips are not used!

How About This for all your skips - If you look in the mirror you can see what the younger generation's coming too.

Those who are willing to face the music may some day lead the band!

Why is it: When a piano is to be moved, so many offer to carry the bench.

Try This: How quickly can you find out what is so unusual about this paragraph? It looks so ordinary that you would think nothing was wrong with it all and, in fact, nothing is, but it is unusual. Why? If you study it and think about it you may find out, but I am not going to assist you in any way. You must do it without coaching. No doubt, if you work at it for long, it will dawn on you. Who knows? Go to work and try your skill. Par is about half an hour.

(See page 18 for the answer.)

How about all these summer movies; Ghostbusters II was ok - Batman (does that take me back a few years) was terrific. And one my wife and I thought was outstanding was "The Dead Poets Society." It carried a good message, in fact several messages. You can determine that for yourself if you see it.

Well that's it but I leave you with this thought: old age is good if you consider the alternative.

RELIGION AND ROVERING

As a seminarian I am often asked how I can be involved in a paramilitary organization such as Scouts-Canada. These people associate the uniform and the history of Baden-Powell with militarism and thus as being un-Christian.

We have kept the uniform as we have kept the religious aspect of Scouting. Baden-Powell founded Scouting on Christian principles, but the movement quickly developed into a movement which includes all religions. Is this a watering down of the Scouting and Guiding movements? No! It has in fact made all members of these movements brothers and sisters no matter where they are in the world or what their faith. This is a basic part of Christianity that all people are equal and we should tolerate all. Our movements have done this when many other organizations have failed.

But why do we still hold to this religious aspect? Every once in a while we hear of someone being denied membership, because they will not promise to do their duty to God. Scouts-Canada does not specify the God or the religion only that one have a belief. As I read the book "75 Years of Scouting in Canada" it amazed me to read that in the early years of the movement, Boy Scouts of Canada allowed the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints to sponsor Scouting. A very enlightened attitude for the times, as the Mormons were considered outside of Christianity.

This is one of the values which makes Scouting compatible with Christianity. We accept anyone no matter what their beliefs, as long as they have a belief. As a case in point the Troop that I have worked with when home from school is made up entirely of boys from outside the sponsoring church. But yet when we are camping we pray and worship together.

Rovering is also compatible with religion, because in all that we do we try to help other people and thus serve God. This can be anything from taking out the garbage to helping to pack food for the needy of your city. Rovers are "called" not to be selfish, but to give service to all people.

As I was writing this I remembered a bulletin cover that my church had last year. It had on it a picture of the 1983 World Jamboree at Kananaskis Country, Alberta. It tells how Scouts of many faiths were brought together and of the complexities of food. For the Lutheran chaplain at this event (as for others) worship was very complex, involving Scouts from many nations who spoke different languages. The Lutheran service used nine languages. These Scouts came together as brother and sister Scouts to worship God and celebrate their similarities.

For most Rovers, religion is more or less a part of their lives. Obviously for myself as a future pastor it means more. It is up to us to defend why we are members of Scouting. As I am a member of a church which does not have a strong Scouting tradition this can be hard for me at times. It was interesting to see the reaction of other students at my seminary this year when, for the second year in a row, I wore my uniform on B.P.'s birthday. People were now making positive comments about Scouting. My answer to people who ask why I am in Scouting is that I am a member of Scouting because I wish to serve God and humanity.

Yours in Christ

Michael Diegel

BULLETIN!

The Rover Mailing List was mailed in June 1989 to all crews included and to all Provincial Offices and "important people". Many thanks to Joe Turner and Bob Dire at Ontario Headquarters for their assistance.

As of July 7, several have been returned-please note these crews are not getting mail by the address listed:

1st Newmarket, Ontario
5th Toronto, Ontario
2nd Agincourt, Ontario
2nd Welland, Ontario
Knights of the Peace Rover Crew, Alberta
194th Knights of the Wilderness, Alberta
118th Kerrisdale - Centennial Rover Crew, B.C.
31st Dunbar - Point Grey Rover Crew, B.C.

If you did not get a copy contact Sue Warren, 7129 Casey St., Niagara Falls, Ontario L2J 3P7.

Our new Ontario Rover Planning Group Manager is Keith Sinclair. If you have any questions suggestions, ideas, etc. he would be grateful to hear from you.

Correspondance can be mailed to:
Keith Sinclair
c/o Ontario Provincial Headquarters
9 Jackes Ave.
Toronto, Ontario
M4T 1E2

THE 8TH WORLD MOOT WILL YOU BE THERE?

For almost a decade, Australian Rovers have been working for the re-establishment of a World Scout event for young adults. The 8th World Moot, to be held in Australia from December 28, 1990 to January 9, 1991 is the result of their efforts. Open to all young adult Scouts and Leaders aged 18-25, the 8th World Moot represents a new and exciting challenge for Scouting. The eleven day Moot program provides all of the adventure, excitement and fun we've come to expect from our Australian friends, plus an opportunity to discuss serious issues of concern to young adults from a global perspective.

Four days have been set aside for "Expeditions Australia" your chance to try that activity you've always said you were gonna try someday. You can choose from thirty different programs ranging from gliding and scuba diving to "Beach Bonanza" and "Sun & Surf" (my personal preferences).

One day has been set aside for each of the five scout regions of the world to contribute to the international atmosphere of the Moot through displays, food and entertainment programs. Our opportunity, Inter-American Region Day, comes on December 31.

It is also planned that two days will be devoted to a World Youth Forum designed to give the young adults of scouting the opportunity to discuss the issues that affect them and their world.

Will you be there? The Australian planning group indicates to us that through the informal Rover network a number of individuals or crews have indicated their intention to attend the Moot. We would like to give them an accurate and official estimate as soon as we can. To that end I would appreciate receiving a letter of intent from any of you who are planning to attend. This will also enable us to establish communications for the exchange of information and schedules over the next few months.

Mail should be directed to:

Dunc Morgan
World Moot Contingent Leader
c/o B.C. & Yukon Council
Box 82580
North Burnaby B.C.
V5C 5Z1

Answer to How About That: Although the letter "E" is the most used letter in the english alphabet, here's a paragraph without a single "E".

ROVER BASIC



Nov. 10 - 11

The ROVER BASIC COURSE presents an overall view of ROVERING from the "Rovers" perspective for new or experienced Rovers, Advisors and friends of Rovering. (Please note this is NOT a Woodbadge Course)

A NEW COURSE FORMAT IS BEING INITIATED THIS YEAR...

Registration will be from 7:00 to 9:00 pm Friday night, with the first session starting at 9pm Friday and the course concluding by 5 pm Saturday afternoon.

Overnight accommodations will be provided at the First-Niagara Scout Hut (see map overleaf). Please bring sleeping bag, cot or air mattress, etc. that you require.

Saturday breakfast, Saturday lunch, coffee/tea, accommodation, course handouts and a good time for all - all for the low, low price of \$10.00.

This course is going to be held on Friday November 10 and Saturday November 11, 1989, and we do not require pre-registration, BUT if you know that you are coming, please let us know - it would be greatly appreciated and would make meal planning and handout preparation alot easier.

PLEASE use the tear off sheet provided below. ***Catch the Spirit...***



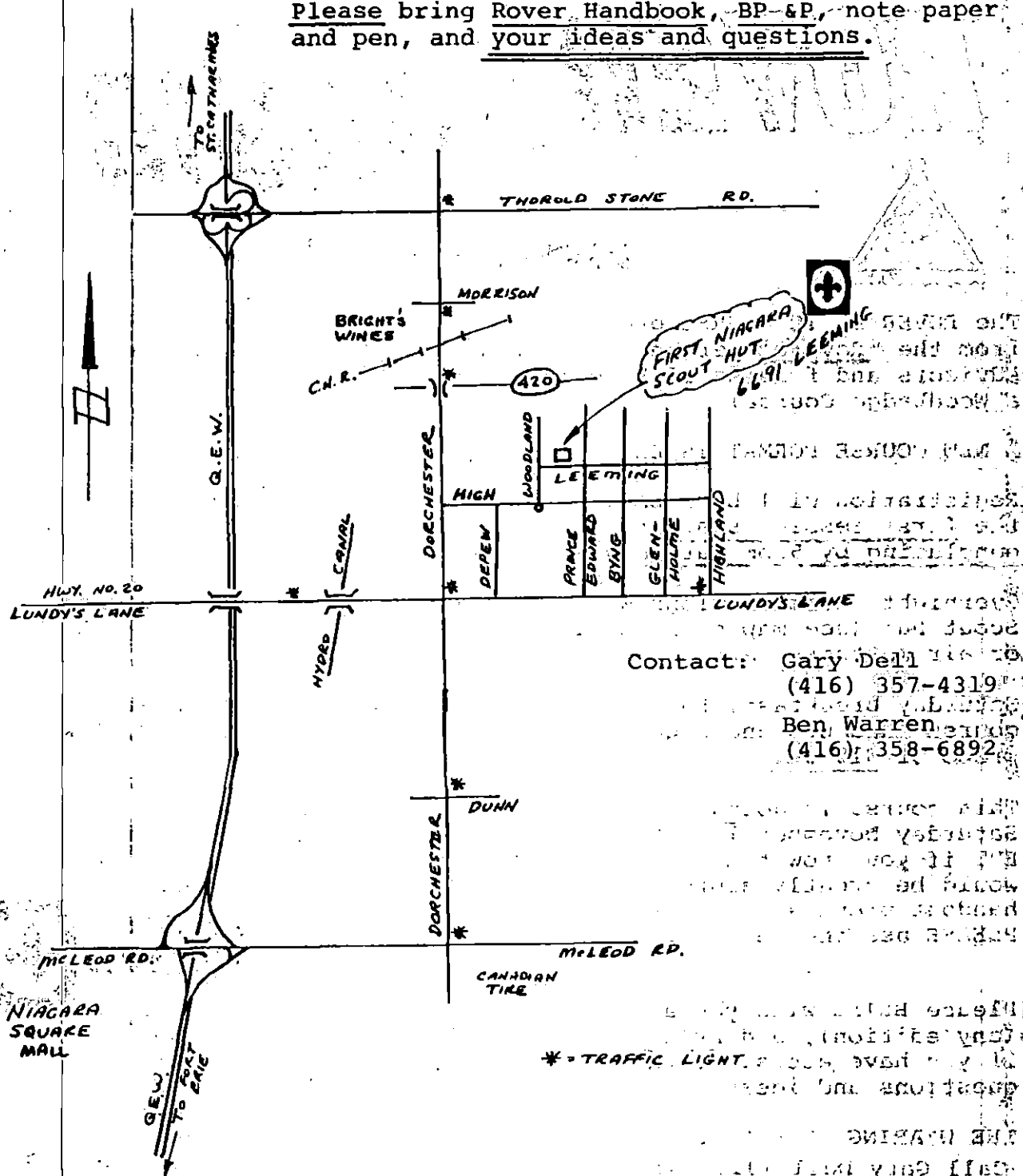
Please BRING with you a copy of the Canadian Rover Handbook, (any edition), and Bylaws, Policies and Procedures (BP&P) if you have access to them, note paper and pen, and your questions and ideas.

THE WEARING OF FULL UNIFORM IS REQUESTED FOR ALL SESSIONS

Call Gary Dell (416) 357-4319 or Ben Warren 358-6892, or mail

Find enclosed registration for _____ persons at \$10.00 each for a total of \$_____, to attend the ROVER BASIC COURSE, November 10 and 11, 1989. (Please list individuals attending below.)

Please bring Rover Handbook, BP & P, note paper and pen, and your ideas and questions.



Contact: Gary Dell (416) 357-4319
Ben Warren (416) 358-6892

Group Name: _____
Contact person: name _____
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★ MAJOR ★ CONTRIBUTIONS

Dear Fellow Strummers:

Hi, y'all! I learned that from Brian Shields of the Baden-Powell Rover Crew in Kentucky. I was fortunate enough to attend the 19th Wee Moot in Glasgow Kentucky this year and along with 96 others had a really great time. I had holiday time prior to the moot so Clare (our Skip) and I toured around Kentucky and used the "Hotel (Brian) Shields" as a base for three nights! (for which we are ever-so grateful Brian). Kentucky is probably best known for its horses and bluegrass, but this state is dripping in history! The Civil War shrines and memorabilia, documents and re-enactments of battles leave you with a sense of being there at that time. Take all of this and the spectacular hills and you just don't want to go home! The lifestyles don't seem to have changed much in the small towns, with its farms scattered practically everywhere, and it seems like you could stop the car, go over to that old wooden porch swing and just listen to the stories of past lives. On the way back from Kentucky, I heard a song from the Judds called "Guardian Angel". I was looking out the window at all those hills that seem to hold you, and for just a moment I felt that old familiar lump in my throat!

Keep On Strummin'

Al Major

"Guardian Angel" - The Judds

G

A hundred year old photograph

C

Stares out from a frame

G

And if you look real close, you'll see

D

Our eyes are just the same

G

I never met them face-to-face

C

C/G

But I still know them well

G

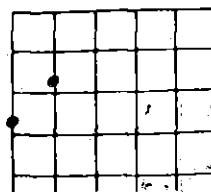
From the stories my dear

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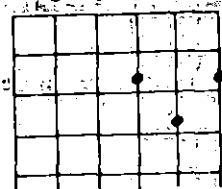
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Grandmama tells

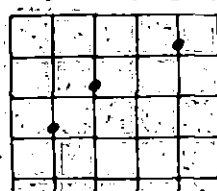
G
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D
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C
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G
Elijah was a farmer

C
He knew how to make things grow

G
And Fanny vowed she'd follow him

D
Wherever he would go

G
As things turned out, they never left

Am/G
Their small Kentucky farm

G G/F# C
But he kept her fed

D G
She kept him warm

CHORUS

D C
They're my Guardian Angels

G D
And I know they can see

G G/F# Em
Every step I take

C D
They are watching over me

G D
I might not know where I'm going

G/D C
But I'm sure where I come from

G C
They're my Guardian Angels

D G
And I'm their special one

G
Sometimes when I'm tired, I feel

C
Elijah take my arm

G
He says "Keep-a-goin' hard work"

D
Never did a body harm

G
And when I'm really troubled

Am/G
And I don't know what to do

Em
Then he whispers, "Just do your best"

D G
We're awful proud of you

CHORUS

G
A hundred year old photograph

C
Stares out from a frame

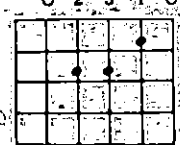
G
And if you look real close, you'll see

D G
Our eyes are just the same

Em
o 2 3 o o o



Am
o 2 3 1 o



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