

ROVERING

MAGAZINE



ROLAND S. DELL MEMORIAL AWARD

A MEMORIAL TO "ROLY" DELL WHO DEVOTED HIMSELF TO
SCOUTING AND ROVERS UNSELFISHLY FOR OVER 30 YEARS.

The Roland S. Dell Memorial Award is presented annually to the Rover, Rover Advisor or Rover Crew who renders service of an outstanding nature at any level of Scouting or community work. The award is administered by The Ontario Rover Round Table and is limited to presently active members of Ontario Rovering.

A gift of \$100.00 will be granted to the recipient for donation to the Scouting charity of their choice upon approval by O.R.R.T. executive. A perpetual trophy is inscribed with the recipient's name and remains the property of the O.R.R.T. A keeper plaque is given as a memento of receiving this award.

The screening committee consists of three previous award recipients. In the case of a crew award, that crew will choose a delegate. Nominations are accepted up to December 31st for presentation in April. Nominations will stand for a further two consecutive years and may be updated if the nominator wishes.

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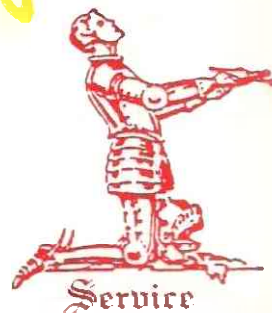
The nominated party must be currently registered in Scouting and have rendered noteworthy service to Rovering, Scouting in general and some service to youth outside scouting.

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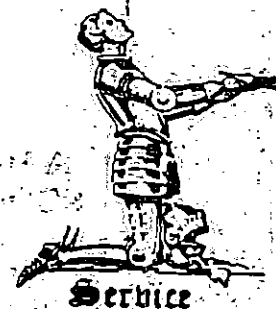
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- 1987 — Bohdan Mykolyn, Hamilton
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- 1989 — Skip Reynolds, Kincardine



ROLAND S. DELL MEMORIAL AWARD

To the R.S. Dell Memorial Award Committee



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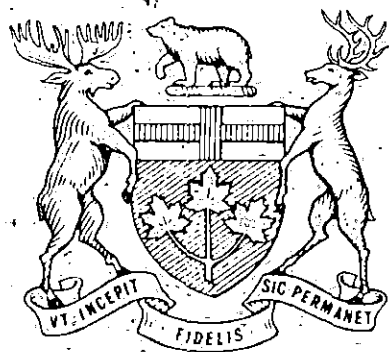
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August

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QUEBEC

February

16 West Island Car Rally II

contact: Flying Jaguars Rover

Crew

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Eric (514) 630-3749

16 Valentine's Day Dance

contact: Cobra Rovers

Danny Perla

(514) 527-0128

24 Quebec Rover Round Table

March

16 Masquerade Ball

Scylding Rovers

31 Bowling Madness II

contact: Flying Jaguars Rover

Crew

John (514) 630-3974

Eric (514) 630-3749

May

11 Trees for Canada

Victoria Day Weekend (17-20)

"The Moot" presents Hoodstock

Cobra Rover Crew

January 1992

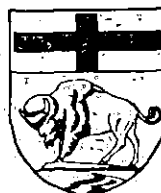
17-18-19 Club Med Moot

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671-1380



February

17 Scout Night with the Jets

Jets vs Nordiques, Winnipeg

LETTERS TO THE -EDITOR-

ROVERING MAGAZINE
c/o the editor

Dear Wilf

My name is Todd Page I am the Mate of The Paladins. The reason I am writing you is I have an idea for an article for the magazine.

The article would be kind of like Siskel & Eabert at the movies, except we would talk about moots instead of movies?

The article would give people that miss a moot a chance to find out exactly what they missed. It would also give those who did attend a way of remembering the good times they had at that moot(s).

People at the moot would be interviewed for the article, maybe two or three would make it to print. There would also be pictures, sayings, happenings & quotes from the moot(s). There might also be upcoming events & moots listed at the bottom (as were announced at the moot).

The PALADINS try to get out to as many moots as possible, this past year we have been to every moot in Ontario/Quebec with the exception of a couple in Quebec. Three of our members including myself will be attending the 8th World Moot in Australia. Next year we are planning to go to the Wee moot in Kentucky and Calumet Int. Camperee in PA. Myself with the help of my crew are willing to write this article for the magazine. If you are interested please contact me at: 545-9269 or 549-2584 (leave a message).

Yours in Rovering
Todd Page,
Mate, The PALADINS
(formally Stoney Creek Division
Rovers)

EDITOR; Now the whole world knows of your offer. We accept!!! Are you going to have a business card with have pen - will travel?

Dear Wilf;

I read Gary Dells article and would like to offer to help. An idea I had was to review some old Scout books. Between Mr. Simmons and myself we have an extensive library of book on Scouting and Baden Powell. Do you think that people might be interested in what books are out there and what info can be found in them. One of other bit of information for you. We are planning our Wee Moot for August 9,10,11. This is our 20th moot so should be a rather large time. Please include it on your calendar of events.

One more time...I want to thank you for the effort you put into the magazine. It must be really tough sometimes but don't believe there aren't any people who appreciate the job you do. You and the ones who help with the magazine probably do more to keep Rovering afloat than any of the professionals. They sure don't give any support or publicity to the movement. Keep it up and thanks.

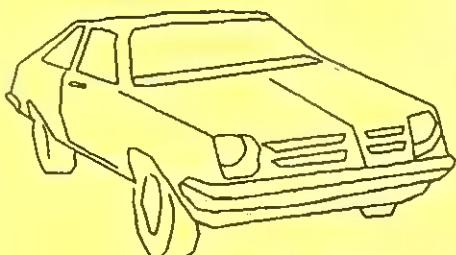
Brian Shill

EDITOR; Go for it, How would you like the title *The Book Worm*.

WHAT A ROVER

It all happened to me at Halloween Moot '90. I'm a new Rover relatively anyways. I met Sharon Rhys-Jones from 2nd Burlington. I don't know if you all know but Sharon has quite a history. I found this out by asking a lot of questions. And I didn't get a lot from Sharon either.

Sharon was in Guiding for a lot of years. She started out at 7 years as a Brownie and came through the organization. She became a Brownie Leader when she was 17, and by the sounds of it, she had every section. Most of you probably remember Sharon as the leader for the 1st Mount Hope Rangers. I found out Sharon's Rangers was the largest and most active group in



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Hamilton for the time she was the leader. Sharon left guiding because of a lot of political problems. I found this out by talking to one of her former Rangers. By the way 1st Mount Hope no longer exists, that must say something for Sharon.

Now, for Sharon's Scouting career. She first joined Rovers in 1981 in the 104th Hamilton, which from what I understand met at Participation House in Binbrook. The majority of the crew were mentally and physically disabled - with only 4 able-bodied members. I'm going through my quest now and I thought I had a challenge, until I heard what Sharon had to do. The crew did a lot of canoeing and kayaking, so Sharon had to teach a member of the crew to canoe. His name was Bill Wolk and he had cerebral palsy in the upper half of his body. Sharon's advisor made a paddle that Bill could hold by his toes. Sharon taught him in the Participation House pool. They then demonstrated their talent at a Rover Moot in Guelph. Sharon left Rovering when she was 20, when the crew closed because of the advisor's failing health.

But that wasn't Sharon's ending career in Rovers. She rejoined in 1987 at 2nd Burlington. She was Mate of the crew for the last 2 years and has recently given up her position and now is looking forward to her new position as an advisor. According to members of 2nd Burlington Sharon came in a time of desperate need. First of all their membership was low and they had a severe advisor problem. Sharon got rid of the advisor and pulled the membership up to 11 members. Sharon was Chairperson for the crew's moot - Scarecrow for the last 2 years and from what I hear the registration has doubled.

To continue she was Halton Region's Rep. on O.R.R.T. for 2 years and has just given up the position because of her age. Sharon has been a Cub leader for the last 3 years. At present her pack has 31 boys and from what I hear is very active.

Talking to Sharon, I found she has great love for Rovering and

she's really concerned where Rovers is going. I learned a lot from Sharon in the short time I talked to her and I only hope that I can be as half as good.

I'm not signing my name to this because I think Sharon would probably kill me. All I can say is "Sharon keep on Rovering and Girl Guides lost a hell of a person".

Yours in Rovering
Sharon's Rover Admirer

GLOBAL REPORT

U Fund Project List Issued

The Scout Universal Fund has published a new list of projects for which funding is needed. The list comprises 34 selected projects proposed by national Scout associations in 16 developing countries, who do not have the means to implement the projects without financial assistance from their brother Scouts elsewhere in the world. The projects relate to vital issues such as the environment, health and vocational training, and represent an opportunity for Scouts to gain and share knowledge and skills in these fields. Copies of the list are available in English and French from the World Scout Bureau.

Canada Issues Material on Child Abuse

The Boy Scouts of Canada have participated in the production of a training package on child abuse which has been published by the Council of National Youth-Serving Organizations and the Canadian Council on Children and Youth. *Put The Child First* is a package of training materials, including a video, intended to involve youth leaders in the national prevention efforts against the abuse of children. It is available in both English and French.

Scouts de France Celebrate 70th Anniversary

The "Scouts de France", the largest association belonging to the Federation French Scouting, has just celebrated its 70th anniversary. The anniversary was celebrated throughout France and in the French overseas territories.

The celebrations in Lyon, the second largest city, took on a European perspective, with Scouts representing other countries of the European Community attending the three-day camp, which brought together over 10,000 young people. Scouts from Czechoslovakia and Hungary were also there.

Scottish Scouts help brother Scouts in Hungary

A Scout troop in Ayrshire, Scotland, raised funds to purchase camping equipment for re-emerging Scout troops in Hungary. Three leaders and three Venture Scouts from Ayrshire drove to Hungary to hand over the equipment, including tents, rucksacks, sleeping bags, billies and stoves. The troop is eager to continue to help the development of Scouting in Hungary.

UK Scouts Support Operation Soraksan

Operation Soraksan is the worldwide campaign to fund the participation of Scouts from developing countries in the 17th World Jamboree in Korea next August.

In order to raise funds for the Operation, the Scout Association of the United Kingdom has put its special Jamboree contingent badge on general sale, and will donate the proceeds from the sale of the badge to Operation Soraksan.

Interamerican Regional Conference Elects New Committee

The XVII Interamerican Scout Conference, held in November in Montevideo, Uruguay, elected a new Regional Committee, which includes

two lady members, Geoff Wheatley, from Canada, was elected Chairman.

Representatives from 17 national Scout organizations participated in the Conference, which was inaugurated by President Luis Alberto Lacalle of Uruguay, a former Scout.

A significant outcome of the Conference's deliberations was the adoption of a resolution supporting the implementation of the Strategy for Scouting and Growth policies adopted by the 32nd World Scout Conference in July.

Soviet Youngsters Experience Scouting

Eight parties of Soviet youngsters have been visiting Scout groups in the United Kingdom as part of an exchange programme. The British Scout groups involved have, in turn, been visiting the young Soviets in their homeland.

An exchange programme was also conducted last July between the Boy Scouts of America and the USSR.

These youth exchanges have been encouraged by the Soviet authorities, who have shown an interest in Scouting.

World Scout Foundation Grant

The Board of the World Scout Foundation has decided to allocate a grant of 1.1 million Swiss Francs to the World Organization of the Scout Movement for the 1990/1991 fiscal year. This grant is likely to cover over 20 per cent of the World Organization's ordinary budget.

The Foundation raises primarily capital funds to enable the World Organization to provide services to Scouting worldwide. Thanks to the generosity of individuals, Scout associations, corporations and governments, the Foundation has been able to allocate a similar amount to the World Scout Organization on a regular basis in recent years.

Six Tonnes of Books for Rumania

The Guy de Larigaudie Rover crew from Geneva, Switzerland, organized a vast collection of books to be donated to libraries in three Rumanian towns.

As a result of the collection campaign, six tonnes of books were transported by the Rovers to Rumania, where all Western publications have been banned for the last 40 years.

Rumania was a founding member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement, but the Movement was suppressed there in 1937. Today, there is a great interest in Scouting in the country, and the World Scout Bureau has answered requests for information.

Australia

Scouts in the state of Victoria are participating in an aluminum can collection campaign, to raise funds to help to save an endangered species of tern which breeds along the Victorian coastline.

The Rovers of Australia are supporting the country's "One Billion Trees" programme, and have launched a National Rover Revegetation Project. Rovers will be involved in activities such as establishing seedling nurseries, replanting, maintaining plants and creating public awareness.

Australian Venture Scouts have been invited to submit their ideas on what action the Scout Association of Australia should take to address environmental issues, and what individual members of the Association should do to influence their friends to protect the environment.

Thailand

Scouts in the northeast of Thailand have planted 10,000 teak trees along a 13 kilometre (9 mile) stretch of road. The National Scout Organization of Thailand intends to expand the project nationwide. The

aim of the project is to help combat deforestation, to increase environmental awareness among young people and the local populations, and to reduce wood consumption through the promotion of cooking stoves.

Canada

The Boy Scouts of Canada has set up an Environmental Fund to receive contributions from corporations who wish to become "Environmental Sponsors" by supporting Scout environmental Projects. The aim of the fund is to encourage Scout groups and councils across Canada to undertake environmental activities, to provide financial support for such activities, and to increase public awareness and support of Scouting and its commitment to the environment. By contributing to the fund, the sponsors' public image as an 'environmentally friendly' corporation will be enhanced.

O.R.R.T. REPORT

Here is the long awaited O.R.R.T. Report. For those who are uninformed, the roundtable has been sailing through rough waters against the tide, but have no fears mates. The O.R.R.T. executive has banded together to steer the ship in the right direction. Our elections this year will be held at the January meeting in Toronto. There is also opening for Regional Reps in some regions; contact your regional commissioner or moi the chairman. 1990 is drawing to close which means submissions for the R S Dell award and the Blood Donor Challenge are due. Have you ever thought of winning a big, big, big, long, long, long car rally? Well the roundtable has \$500 available, no strings to anyone (a rover) who wants to run a "Rover 500". Think about it! Again our next meeting is in Toronto, at 9 Jackes Ave., Provincial Headquarters, at

11:00am, on January 13, 1991. Come out and voice your beef and show your support.

Yours in Rovering
Nick Kouhouliotis
O.R.R.T. Chairman

WORKS OF A.R.R.T.

Hello Fellow Servicetypes,

Well now that '91 is in full gear, our big thing for the summer is the Alberta Jamboree, which will be held at Camp Woods. The location is just 20 minutes west of Red Deer. For all you CRONIC campers out there, this is a good opportunity for you to meet up with old friends or to make new ones. More info will be forth coming.

In Alberta, the Christmas season has been very busy for us. Starting with the 6th Moose Grey Cup party (which as you know wasn't much fun for Alberta, sob!), the Greisbach Christmas party and the Atrebela Rover and Venture Christmas Dance and with all the other things that have happened, I say again, it has been busy.

In January, the Knights of Logross are holding their annual Funspeil and if I remember correctly, it is a lot of fun. About 5 A.M. people start to get a bit weary but nothing says you can't power snooze in between games. That is the big one in Calgary. In Edmonton, the big thing for us in January is the 22nd Mystery Challenge. If you want to know what it is you will have to come and see because it is a mystery. The only people that know about it are the 22nd. These are the new executives that were elected at our November general meeting:

CHAIR; Gerald Bizot
VICE-CHAIR; James Wall
SECRETARY; Cheryl Fiddler
TREASURER; Brent Nichols

Congratulations and Good Luck to all those that have excepted these gracious positions. (HA,HA!)
See you next column!

Yours in Rovering
James Wall
(Vice-Chairman)

HOW ABOUT THAT

I'm starting this column at 6:30 am. The birds woke me up. I've been down to the beach, watching the waves roll in. I think waves are like snowflakes - no two are the same.

My wife and I are in the Barbados, at a resort called 'The Coconut Creek Club'. The temperature must be in the 80's F. already and it sounds like a 1000 or so morning doves (or a bird quite similar) outside. Now if they could train them to sing in harmony.....

I don't know exactly what we will be doing down here, probably take each day as it comes. (I just figured it's costing 42 cents a minute - that doesn't hurt as much as the full price) - so we better do something than just lay in the sun, swim in the pool, snorkel in the Carribbean, eat great meals and drink 'ahem' orange juice. But that sounds pretty good also.

Last night the entertainment was a combo with what else - a steel drum *lead*. WOW! They just didn't get the feet a-tapping, *de who-o-o-o-o-o-le body got to jumpin, mon!*

Our cab driver was telling us that children start school at 3 1/2 and go to 16 - that's compulsory, each school has it's own uniform. Once you are in school the gates are locked till the end of the day. And, if mommy and daddy don't send their children to school, they can be fined \$1000.00 and up and be sent to jail for awhile. How about that - responsibility and discipline, taught with a sting.

We have met people from all over the world, and they're all sunburnt just like me. - Maybe our skin was different, (maybe we spoke different languages) - but we laughed and enjoyed each others company. I find it strange that countries can't get along like that.

I learned today that there are Rover crews on the island. Before leaving home I received information and phone numbers of whom to contact. You know that feeling when your going away that you forgot something; - the address book that I carefully copied the information I received is lying on the desk - at home.

At my place of employment we just finished printing 10,000 brochures on racial problems. When the printing plates arrived in the press department and I was checking the printing specs, there was a pleasant surprise. The school board used a photo on the front to show racial harmony - it was a picture of a cub, scout, brownie, guide and a leader representing five different cultures.

No news has arrived so far from the World Moot in Australia. We have a person over there that volunteered to work for *Rovering Magazine*; his main objective was to push for input from other countries - keep your fingers crossed.

In the last issue of *The Leader* there was an excellent article on date rape.

A few years ago, we published a continuing article on (I think it was 3 issues) sexual myths. The flack became very thick, one person wrote to say that this sort of thing had no place in *Rovering* and if we kept publishing, this person said, "I will cancel my subscription." We replied with a letter that was composed by the entire staff and published in the next issue. The staff said they felt they were right and the proof came at the Roger Awards. The people counting the votes told us that for *Best Continuing Article* all votes except one were for *Sexual Myths*.

I hope the leader doesn't get the flack we received. I hope the

advisors of *Ventures* and *Rovers* will carry this article to their groups for discussion and I hope the *Venturers* and *Rovers* take this very seriously.

A few years ago my crew was at a moot. There were six males and six females and a discussion arose about families and life. Eventually the talk got around to a frank discussion on male-female relations. I watched and listened, some of the conversation was related to the article *Date Rape*, some did not.

I saw the girls eyes open wide in astonishment at some of the comments the guys made and narrow to "if looks could kill". I saw the boys' mouths gape open and their puffed up male egos thoroughly lanced, from the sharp rebuttals from the girls. What it boiled down to was the guys and girls assumed they knew how their opposite number ticked. Just before we left our campsite to join in the evening events one of the girls looked right at me and said, "Skip you haven't said a word, what's your opinion?"

I told them that they covered the topics very well and I didn't have anything to add. I was happy with my answer. I don't think the young lady who asked it was, because she immediately came back with, "What is your opinion on sex?"

I had 12 pair of eyes and ears suddenly focused on me for about 10 seconds. You could have heard a feather drop in our campsite.

I think I suprised her and myself with my immediate answer, "I think it's great." That was followed by another 10 seconds of silence.

What followed next suprised me even more with no notes or forethought I started a lecture on sex. What follows may not be exactly letter-perfect but it is what I remember.

"Before you ask any more questions let me tell you how I feel about sex, what my beliefs are." Now the silence was to the point that my ears hurt.

"Sex is not a game. It is not a sport. It is not a challenge to

seduce nor be seduced. It is not a contest to see how many partners you can have. It is not a recreational past-time. I know there are a lot of magazines and articles and movies that portray sex as such. In the story of Peter Pan the children travel to Never-never Land. Well, contrary to popular belief, Never-never Land exists in our heads. It's when we take this fantasy and try to move it into reality. (Like the magazine's etcetera show) that we run into trouble. (When I look back - I must have been a prophet - because Aids had not really hit the headlines).

I believe there are two kinds of men - the human male animal and the human male. I believe women pursue romance and love. I believe the human male animal senses this and uses it in his quest of conquest. I believe the human male also senses this but has learned to control his biological urges so they don't control him.

I believe that couples should be good friends before they are lovers. I believe that sex is a celebration of love between two people who are totally committed to each other. I believe that all women are beautiful and should be treated specially. I guess another word for it would be chivalry.

The lecture ended about there because it was time to go. I couldn't help wondering - did I make any sense to these young people at all - until the girl who asked the initial question walked by squeezed my arm and said, "Question answered, and understood."

You young ones, out there are 17 - 27 years of age. To you life seems forever - it isn't. Yesterday my girlfriend and I talked about marriage - today we are planning retirement and you know what tomorrow will be.

I heard something the other day that went like this. - I looked with love and I saw love - and was blinded to all else.

Any comments? Keep on Rovering Don



Is There Life After 26?

by Nick Buchner - T.R.O.T.S.

This of course is a question that is going to face all Rovers sooner or later. Particularly for anyone who has been heavily involved themselves in Rovering, and benefited from the amazing range of opportunities it offers, turning 26 can come as a bit of a shock!

The Scout Association no doubt has hoped that all ex-Rovers will become leaders in another section of the Movement. This however, is a pretty unrealistic expectation, as not all ex-Rovers are prepared or able to make the necessary commitments, and not everyone is good leader material anyway.

Up to 8 or 9 years spent in Rovers can produce very strong friendships, and an amazing array of contacts. Particularly through activities such as climbing, caving and ski touring, which can all incorporate life-threatening situations, a great degree of trust develops. And as for Rovering spirit, it's pretty hard to beat the atmosphere amongst a Crew who have just won a competitive event or overcome a major difficulty, or amongst a group of Rovers who have spent a period of time together, on an expedition, at a major Moot or at somewhere like the Bogong Rover Ski Chalet.

So, what can ex-Rovers who want to continue undertaking similar activities do to keep that sort of

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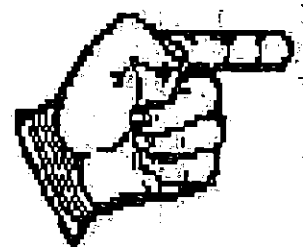
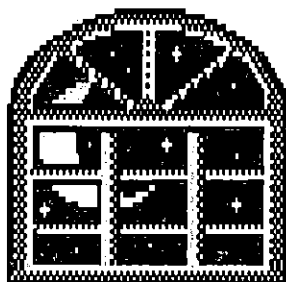
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spirit alive? Using the old maxim of "Once a Rover, Always a Rover", some Crews have a category of associate membership for their over-26's. This is all well and good, but as long as the leaving age is set as 26, their "associates" cannot actually remain members of the Scout Association. It's worthwhile noting that in New Zealand, where the Rover leaving age is 30, associates are officially recognised by their Association as members and continue on indefinitely, although they are not able to take any major role in the running of the Crew.

Ex-Rovers from a number of Crew around the place have got informal "umbrella" groups operating. They are the F.R.O.B.S. (Forest Rovers Old Boys), the T.R.O.T.S. (Turramurra Rovers over 26) and the Has Beens (ex-Platabeen Rovers). There are no doubt a few others too. Groups such as these usually get together on a regular basis for social functions, outdoor activities, and occasionally to participate in their old Crew's activities such as bootings, Christmas Parties, major projects etc. They also provide a valuable resource to the current Crew of people experienced in many aspects of Rovering. Groups such as these are a great way to keep the old spirit and contacts alive. Their members, however, have no official connection to the Scout Association, apart from those who may be leaders.

The same applies to the Baden-Powell Guild. The Guild is an organization of Ex-Scouting and Guiding people, and has several branches across N.S.W., as well as in every state. The Guild's members are not members of the Scout Association although it is represented on various Branch level Councils. Guild membership is also very much on the older side, usually ranging from about 50 years of age and up. An exception to this is a section of the Guild in Victoria known as C.A.S. TERRAS (Continuing Active Service - The Ex Rovers, Rangers and Associates). Many will have seen them in the Blue BP Guild

uniform, at National Moots, and operating stalls at Mudbash and Surfmoor. C.A.S. TERRAS meet regularly for a range of activities and have a membership of about 40 in the age range of 26 to about 40. It has been frequently suggested that something similar should be started in N.S.W., but as yet, no one has taken the initiative.

In 1988, the National Executive Committee cleared the way for the formation of what some have called "the 6th Section" - The Scout Fellowship. (That 6th after the existing four, plus Joey Scouts, the pre-cub age section that is gradually being introduced). The Fellowship is open to all adults aged 26 and over, and allows its members to actively serve Scouting and the Community, whilst also providing opportunity for social and other activities, limited only by the members' own wishes. Members of the Scout Fellowship are full members of the Scout Association and are required to take the Scout Promise. Warranted leaders cannot be actual Fellowship members, but there is nothing to stop them being involved in Fellowship activities. Introduction of the Fellowship is at the discretion of each Branch, and as yet, only the ACT and Western Australia Branches have Fellowship groups operating.

In the A.C.T., there are about 35 members in their Branch-based group. They meet monthly and are aged between 26 and 70, but with the majority currently being in their late 30's/early 40's. Activities have included running the coffee shop at the recent National Moot, constructing a chapel and tree planting at the Cottermouth campsite, and providing food at Gang Show rehearsals. In Western Australia, there are 7 functions of the Fellowship - 6 attached to groups, and one at a District level. The latter is predominantly recent ex-Rovers and undertakes various outdoor activities. All groups meet monthly and are similar to the A.C.T. group in their range of activities.

In N.S.W., information about the possibilities of starting up the

Scout Fellowship has been scarce, but it will surely only take a few people to approach Branch H.Q. to get the ball rolling. Fellowship groups can be formed at Group, District, Area or Branch level. The Scout Fellowship, with all the activity & service opportunities it can offer, combined with the privileges and obligations of full Scout Association membership, may be the best bet yet for ex-Rovers who still want to be involved with the Movement.

Finally for those who wish to make a clean break with Scouting, mention should be made of other organizations such as Apex (maximum age of 40), Rotoract (max. age of 28), the State Emergency Service, and Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade, to name a few. All offer some of the social and service activities available in Rovering, but with a narrower focus. There are also a range of bushwalking, caving and other outdoor clubs in most centres. Contacts for all these organizations and clubs can be found in the phone-book, or through local councils.

Then again, there will certainly always be those who just want to settle down in suburbia, start a nice sensible family, and do nice, sensible things in their spare time! All you need to do is take a few moments to remember the great experiences you've had in Scouting, and particularly Rovering, and you will probably realise that being over 26 is no reason for you to stop having such great experiences!

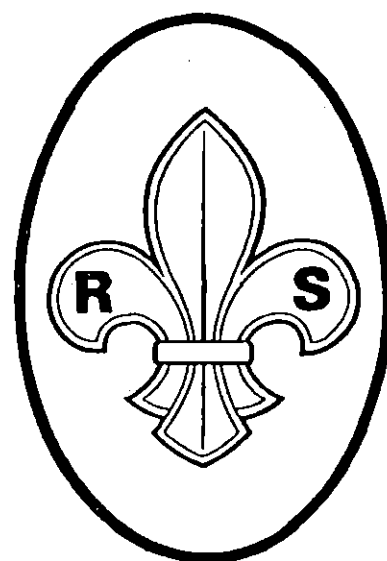
The foregoing article was taken from *Coming Events* published by the New South Wales Branch Rover Council of Australia. We published it because it applies to Canada, indeed world-wide. We have noticed an increasing number of 'old boys' (girls) who show up at moots. A fair number of Rovers end up as section leaders. But what about those who, because of various reasons have no desire or time to make a leadership commitment?

In this age of conservation, does it make sense to let a resource of ex-members slip through

our fingers to finally end up in other service organizations? Would it be possible and practicable to have a loosely organized cadre of ex-Rovers-Scouts-Guides-Rangers?

We didn't think this can be handled by people in the Movement, but rather organized by those who are 'graduates' so to speak. Comments are invited.

Rovering Magazine



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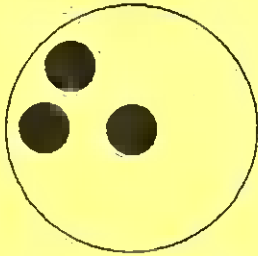
This is the newly elected Ontario Rover Roundtable's Executive for the upcoming Scouting year, 1990-1991:

Chairman:	Nick Koukoulitis
Vice-Chairman:	Heather Archer
(Public Relations)	
Vice-Chairman:	Joanne Linton
(National Rover Review)	
Treasurer:	Patrick Senson
Recording Secretary:	Adam Edmonds
Past Chairman:	Ernie Richards
Advisor:	Russ Kelk

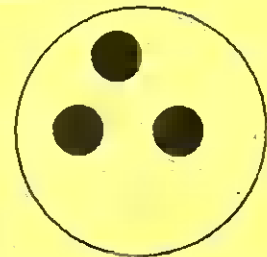
(Typist's note: I apologize for inserting this item here and not with the O.R.R.T. Report. The Report had already been laid up and was press-ready when this list arrived.)

FLYING JAGUARS ROVER CREW
PRESENTS

**BOWLING
MADNESS**



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PLACE: LAURENTIAN LANES
222 Mtee de Liesse (Cote de Liesse)
DATE: SUNDAY, MARCH 31st, 1991
COST: \$9.00/PERSON including SHOES
TIME: 1:00 PM

3 GAME TOURNAMENT

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL:

JOHN at 630-3974 ERIC at 630-3749

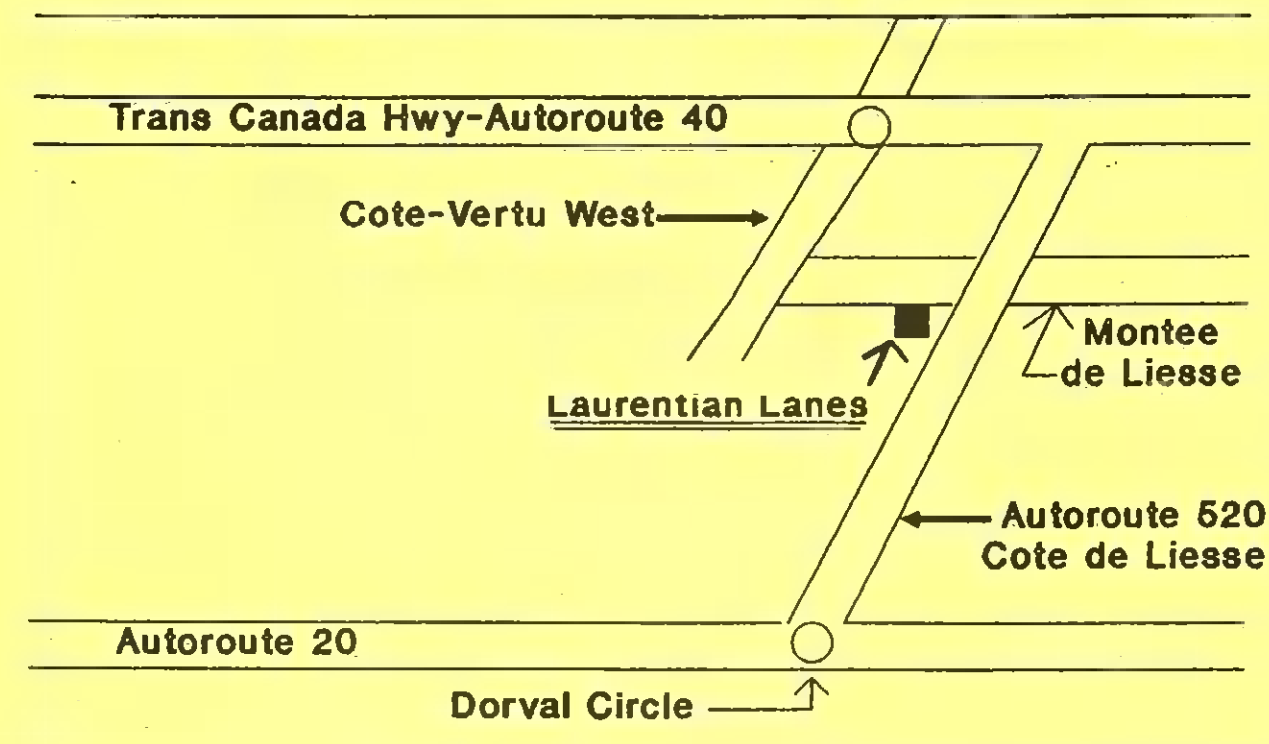
**ROVERS/RANGERS/VENTURERS
EVERYONE and ANYONE WELCOME**

turn over for registration details!

Please register by mail or phone by Saturday, March 16th
at the latest so that Laurentian can be advised.

THANKS!

Please make cheques payable to: **BEACONSFIELD ROVERS**
534 Beaconsfield Blvd.
Beaconsfield, QC
H9W 4C9



BOWLING MADNESS II

GROUP: _____

OF PEOPLE: _____

@ \$9.00/PERSON: \$ _____

* if someone is bringing bowling shoes their cost will be
\$8.00/person

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 No. 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.).

PLEASE PRINT PLAINLY

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 the past year in order of preference.

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

D. _____

4. Name the best continuing feature to appear in Rovering Magazine during the past year.

5. Name the best feature to appear in Rovering Magazine during the past year.

Send your nomination-vote to: "ROGER AWARDS"
c/o 45 Islington Avenue
KITCHENER, ONTARIO
N2B 1P3

Awards will be presented at the St. George's Day Dinner & Dance in April.

CHRISTMAS QUIZ ANSWERS

- 1) Frank Robb founded a troop in Inverurie Scotland in 1906.
 - 2) The original patrol names were Curlew, Raven, Wolf and Bull.
 - 3) *Scouting for Boys* was published in four volumes.
 - 4) Earl Grey was the first Chief Scout of Canada.
 - 5) The Kings Flag was presented to the troop with the most Kings Scouts in it.
 - 6) In 1919 Frederick Perrott moved from the Boy Scouts of Canada to the Boy Scouts of America as Deputy National Field Commissioner for New England.
 - 7) The original colour of the Senior Boy epaulets was maroon.
 - 8) Rodney Wood was the first Gilwell trainer in Canada.
 - 9) The oldest person at the 1990 Blue Springs Reunion took his Gilwell training in 1923.
 - 10) The first New Brunswick Rover Moot was held in 1925.
 - 11) The first Canadian Rover Gilwell training was held in 1930.
 - 12) The Rambler Badge was originally made of metal.
 - 13) Eleven people from Canada attended the World Moot at Kandersteg Switzerland in 1931.
 - 14) When a Scout group helped to start new groups they received the B.P. Honour Pennant.
 - 15) The 1940 Canadian Moot was cancelled because too many had enlisted in the Armed Services.
The next moot was to be called the Peace and Victory Celebration Moot.
 - 16) The theme of the 10th Ontario Moot was Training for Citizenship.
 - 17) The 4th National Moot was held at Camp Scout Mekinac in 1962.
 - 18) The trial period of co-ed crews ended 31 Dec. 1973.
 - 19) In 1974 Rovers went co-ed.
 - 20) The colour of the pre-1968 button hole badge was silver.
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Scoring:

20	- Congratulations you are B.P.
15-19	- You did your research well.
10-14	- New to Rovers and just read all the material.
5-9	- Oh no, time to read the handbook again.
1-4	- Who thought up the trick questions anyway?
0	- Are you alive?

BE SWEPT AWAY...

***At the 14th Annual
St. George's Day
Dinner & Dance***



April 20, 1991

**Featuring the 14th Annual
Presentation of the
Roger Awards**

THIS IS WHAT..... the 14th Annual St. George's Day Dinner & Dance and the 14th Annual Roger Awards.
 Sponsored by the 9th Kitchener Rover Crew (and the Donnacona Rangers).



THIS IS WHERE

St. Peter's Lutheran Church
 Kitchener, Ontario

THIS IS WHEN

Saturday, April 20, 1991
 6:30 p.m.

THIS IS WHY

To enjoy yourself, and celebrate our Patron Saint's day, also to honour the Roger Award recipients

THIS IS WHO

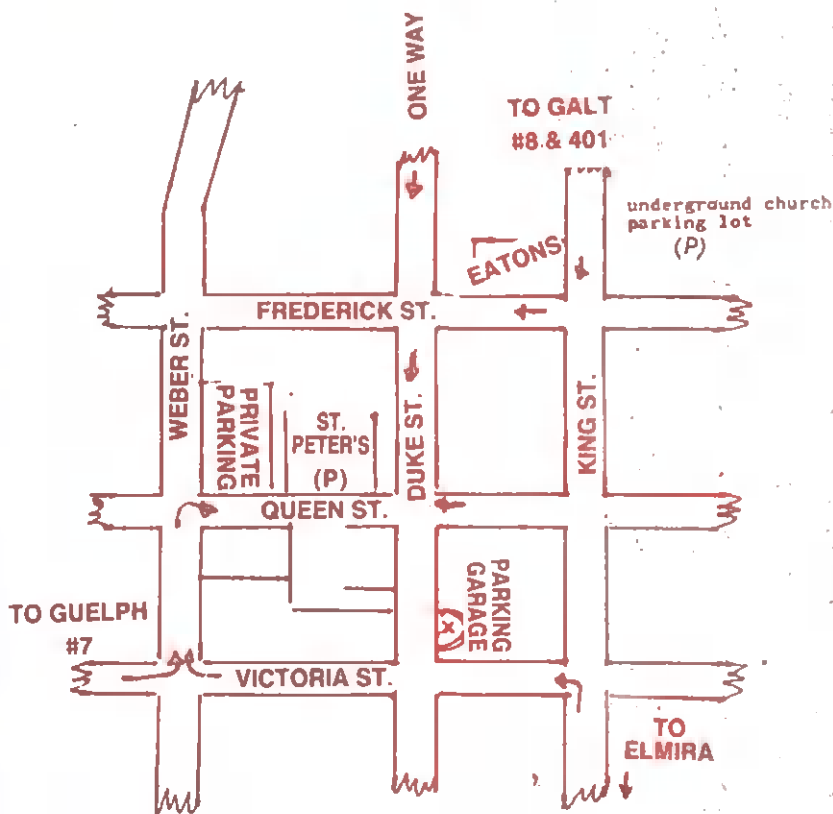
All Rovers and Rangers, their leaders and special friends. Please note due to a limited number of tickets, you would be advised to order well in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door. Semi-formal attire would be appreciated.

THIS WAS EXPECTED

Price \$8.50, includes corsage for the ladies, dinner and dance.

SEND YOUR ORDER TO ..

The 9th Kitchener Rover Crew
 c/o Treasurer
 45 Islington Avenue
 Kitchener, Ontario
 N2B 1P3



Name Crew

Address

City or whatever

Postal code Phone No. ()

No. of tickets _____ @ \$8.50 = \$ _____ total.

Make cheques/money orders payable to 9th Kitchener Rover Crew.

An Open Letter To The Rovers of Canada

Dear Fellow Rovers:

As my tenure on the National Program Committee representing Rovers draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your tremendous support.

However, most importantly I'm very proud to have served you and congratulate each and every one of you for the hard work you've done over the past three years!

Through your guidance, feedback, information and general support we were able to conduct a very successful, extensive and practical review of the Rover Program.

YOU HAVE PUT ROVERING BACK ON THE MAP IN CANADA!

I personally believe that our Rover Program is well ahead of where it was three years ago. Rovers and Advisors are now communicating more effectively on a national basis, sharing new ideas, implementing new initiatives and supporting many council endeavours at all levels. All of this and more because everyone has worked together in that "good ole" Rovering Spirit.

However, the work has just begun. In this issue of "Rovering" you will find the final report of our review which was presented to the National Program Forum in November. Along with these National Recommendations there are now Provincial Action Plans in place. We all need to work on the implementation of these important strategies. Now is the time to offer yourself to work with your province and the National Council on these action plans and recommendations.

Please get in touch with your Provincial Rover Contact, Provincial Commissioner or Provincial Executive Director to find out where you can help. Oh yes, continue to send in your articles to the "Leader" Magazine and your photos to the National Communications Service for the calendar. Why not offer before you're asked, why not request before you're requested of?

Thanks again for your hard work in Rovering and I look forward to hearing about great things happening in Rovers across Canada!

Sincerely, As Always,


Tim Halford

GOD Stuff

As I write this article we are entering a new phase in the history of the world. We are in a war situation and may someday be faced with Canadian casualties. Some question, how they as Christians, can be involved in a war and wonder how it can be declared a Holy war by Iraq. Let us not forget that in World War II many in the Christian world called it a Holy War. In fact, both sides called it this.

"Peace is the will of God. So the church confesses in every time and place, and so it prays: 'For the peace from above....for the peace of the whole world,....and for the unity of all...' Announcing the reign of God the church awaits with eager longing the appearing of the kingdom when God will 'bind heaven and earth in a single peace.'"

So begins a social statement on "Peace and Politics" of the Old Lutheran Church of America. The statement says that working for peace is our gift of the Gospel and so we should bear witness to it. War destroys the creation of God and as stewards of God we are called to protect creation, including humanity.

"Peace with God is a gift that is not of this world(John 14:27), which the world can neither give nor take away. Yet those to whom it is given are sent into the world(John 20:21; Matt. 28:19-20), not removed from it (John 17:5). Christians see in the struggle and suffering of the present world a deep

yearning for the consummation of God's reconciling peace (Rom. 8:18-25). Subjected in hope to this convulsion and pain the world is the place of God's work."

According to this document, war is a result of hatred among people and that aggression and vengeance are violations of the will of God.

The church and its members are called to share the Word of God which calls for the unity of all people (eg. Gal. 3:28). A unity in which there are no divisions or hatred, because of race or national origin. We pray the kingdom of God may come, in the Lord's prayer, to give us hope for peace and the future.

At times we, as members of Boy Scouts of Canada are seen as being militaristic. The opposite is the case. B.P. had as one of his objectives in Scouting to establish a worldwide brotherhood. One in which all people would be united in a common goal. That goal being peace.

During World War II Scouts and Rovers performed 'War Service'. They gave service to help the community and country. Let us pray that this 'war' never comes to 'War Service', but let us live up to our motto of SERVICE.

We pray for a speedy end to this war, so that all humanity may live in peace and in brotherhood. Be with all those who serve and their families. Amen.

THE MOOT

PRESENTS

WOODSTOCK

**The COBRA CREW HIPPIES invite you
for a peaceful weekend of protest for
"your right to PARTY".**

WHO: All registered Rovers, Rangers & Venturers

WHERE: Kamp Kanawana (1 hour north of Montreal)

WHEN: May 17-20, 1991

COST: \$20.00 (Includes 1 dinner, 1 breakfast,
3 nights indoor accomodations)

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 26, 1991

LATE REGISTRATION IS \$20.00 BUT NO DINNER

FORMORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Heather Scott (514) 626-8369

Danny Perla (514) 527-0128

or write to: Cobra Rover Crew

C/O 5121 Dalhousie St.

Pierrefond, Quebec

H8Z 2L3

PEACE AND LOVE

COBRA ROVER CREW

THE MOOT presents WOODSTOCK

MAY 17-20, 1991

FRIDAY

16:00 - on Gates open (registration)
22:00 - 23:30 Concert Highlites
23:30 - 24:00 Mates' Meeting
24:00 - on Late Night Frolic

SATURDAY

10:00 - 10:30 Opening Ceremonies
10:30 - 12:00 Peace Rally
12:00 - 13:30 Lunch
13:30 - 16:00 Join Together
(group events)
16:00 - 17:30 Skinny Dipping in the Pond
(lake activity)
18:00 - 19:30 Dinner (compliments of The Cobra Crew for pre-
registered guests)
20:00 - Hippies 'R' Us
24:00 - Sing Song
(camp fire)

SUNDAY

10:00 - 10:30 Ranger/Venturer/Rover's Own
10:30 - 12:00 Take it Easy
12:00 - 13:00 Lunch
13:00 - 16:00 Come Together
(crew events)
16:00 - 18:00 Hit the Road Jack
(car rally)
18:00 - 20:30 Dinner
20:30 - 21:30 Honours and Appreciations
(closing)
21:30 - on When the Lights Go Down
(dance)

MONDAY

9:00 - 11:00 Breakfast (compliments of The Cobra Crew)
Arrangements can be made for those who depart
early.
12:00 Peace and Love

THE ABOVE SCHEDULE IS TENTATIVE

COBRA ROVER CREW
THE MOOT presents WOODSTOCK
MAY 17 - 20, 1991
PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Crew: _____
Crew Spokeperson: _____
Address: _____
Telephone: _____

Number of Pre-registered persons _____ X \$20.00 = \$ _____
Refundable Deposit of \$10.00 per cabin. \$ _____
Total Amount Enclosed.....\$ _____

Please indicate if you wish to participate in the Lunch Exchange Program

YES NO

Please make all cheques payable to COBRA ROVER CREW

Mailing Address: COBRA ROVER CREW
c/o Andrea Scott
5121 Dalhousie St.
Pierrefonds, Quebec
H8Z 2L3

ALL PRE-REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE APRIL 26, 1991

PEACE
AND
LOVE

**DAN BEARD DISTRICT
OF THE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
ARE CORDIALLY INVITING OUR
CANADIAN FRIENDS
TO OUR
CITY IN THE WOODS
SHOW & DO APRIL 19-21, 1991
THE SHOW & DO WILL BE HELD IN
IN THE HEART OF N.Y.C.**

**FOR GROUPS WHO WISH TO HAVE AN
EXTENDED STAY. LODGING WILL BE AVAILABLE
AT GOVERNOR'S ISLAND. IF INTERESTED
DROP A LINE TO: NORMAN KARA
125-05 18TH AVENUE
COLLEGE POINT, NEW YORK, 11356
OR CALL (718) 961-5626**

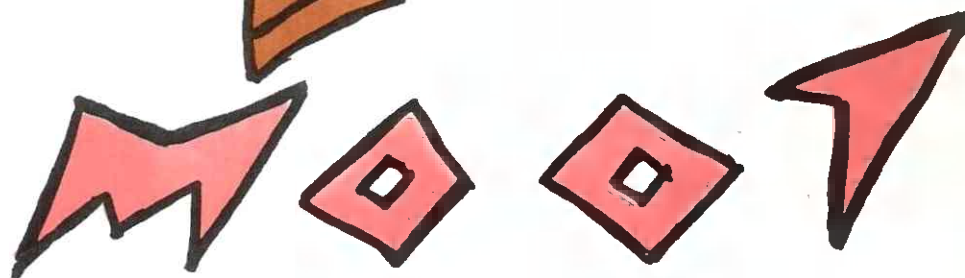
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JAN.
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Auberge
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Québec



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\$8⁰⁰
(gst & pst) \$63⁵⁰

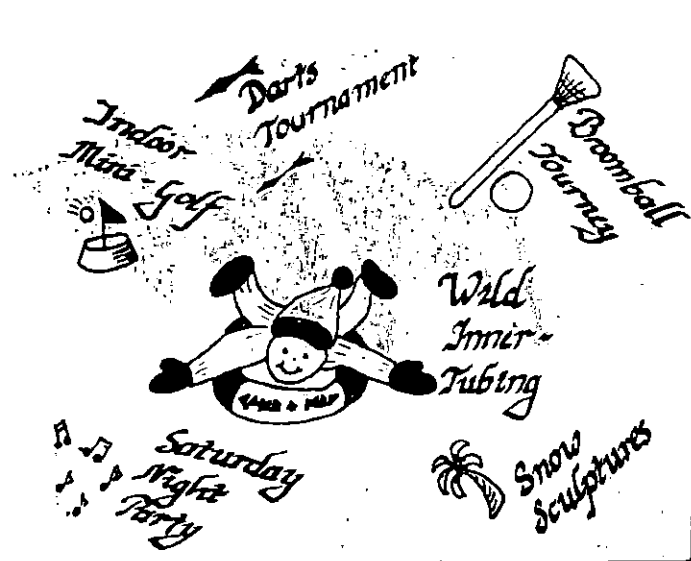
\$15⁰⁰
\$2⁰⁰
(gst & pst) \$17³⁰

INDOOR ACCOMMODATIONS + 4 MEALS

\$10 deposit (per person), postmarked Oct. 1, 1991
Late registration, \$65⁰⁰ + \$8⁰⁰ gst & pst = \$73⁰⁰ per person.

FEND FOR YOURSELVES in the snow (no meals)
\$5 deposit (per person), postmarked Oct. 1, 1991
Late registration, \$20⁰⁰ + \$2⁰⁰ gst & pst = \$22⁰⁰ per person.

All balances due: Dec. 1, 1991



Luxurious accommodations
 Cross-country style inn
 Fireplace lounge
 Spacious common rooms
 Hot showers
 Only a sleeping bag needed
 All dishes are provided
 Many indoor activities
 Many outdoor activities



REGISTER EARLY ~ ONLY 100 PLACES INDOORS

For more information, write:

CLUB*MED MOOT

c/o Janice Wright
 422 Cometa
 St. Lambert, Qué.
 J4R 2A4

or contact:

Janice Wright
 (514) 672-4604
 or Sara - Jane de Serres
 Glenn Bradley
 (514) 671-1380

ALL PARTICIPANTS must be at least 18 years old

ALL CHECKS made payable to Link-Excalibur Moot

BALANCES submitted after Dec. 1, 1991 will lose registration prior

I would like more information for Club*Med Moot 1992 ☐

I would like to register — people, — indoor
 — outdoor

Group name: _____

Contact: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Amount included: _____

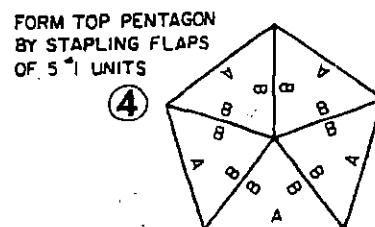
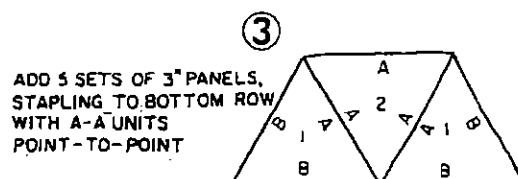
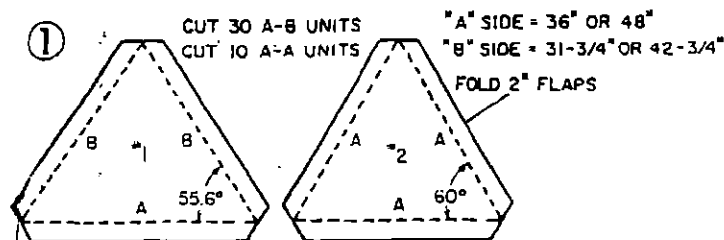




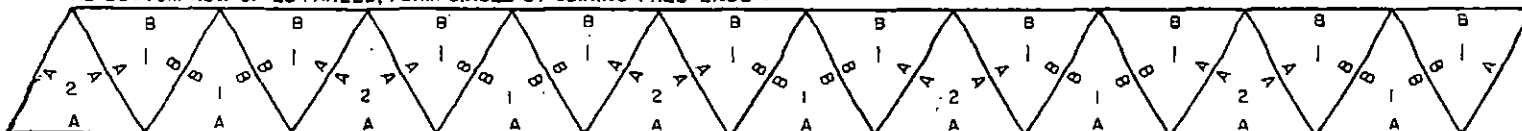
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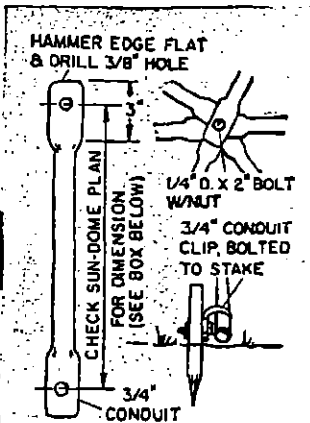
RECYCLED MATERIALS MAKE GREAT CAMP STRUCTURES

Tired of tents and want something a little more like home? Perusing an old issue of a popular science magazine revealed a source for designing and building various types of geodesic domes as camp shelters. Materials such as carpet tubes, corrugated cardboard and electrical conduit form the geometric structures that are light, easily assembled and can be made from scrap. Although this demonstration was originally the effort of architecture students, better looking structures intended for repeated use could be made using the same patterns. Will these shelters be the next wave at future Moots? Let *Rovering Magazine* know if they begin to blossom at any event you attend. (Pictures would be appreciated).



MAKE BOTTOM ROW OF 20 PANELS, FORM CIRCLE BY JOINING FREE ENDS

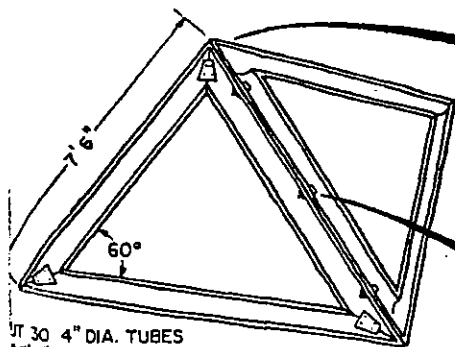




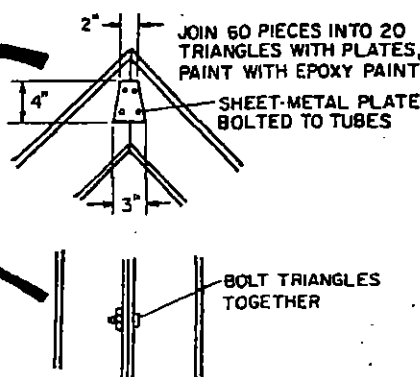
Conduit version of PS Sun Dome was so strong you could climb it, despite front access gap. Weatherproof skin (and

ground cover) was 6-mil polyethylene film—black for privacy. Clear film makes a fine greenhouse.

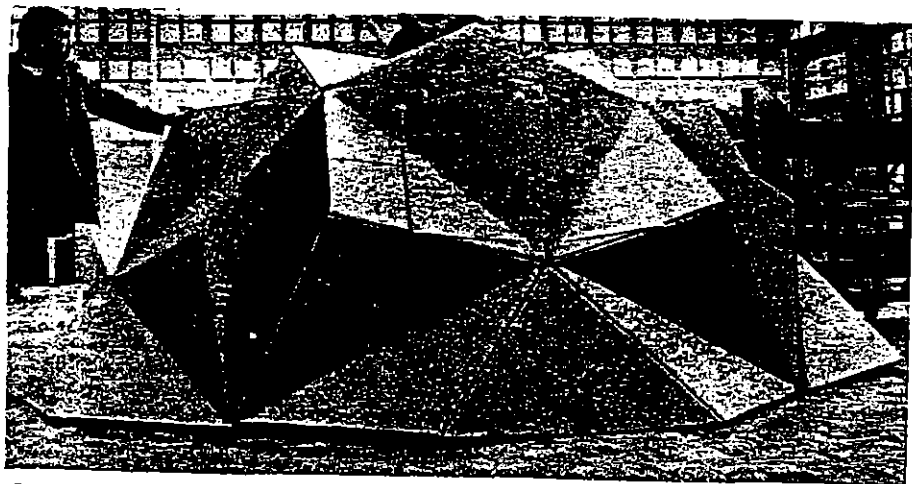
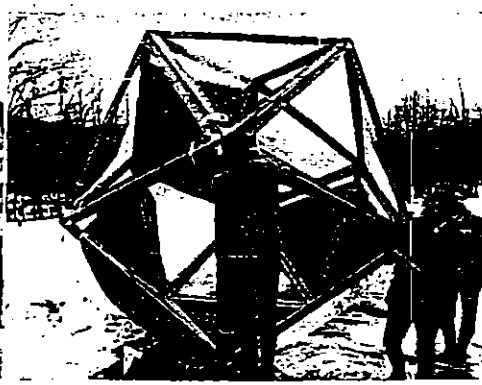
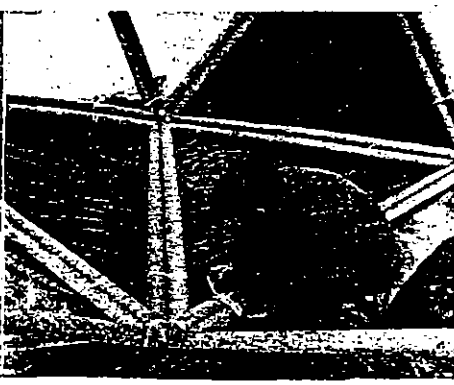
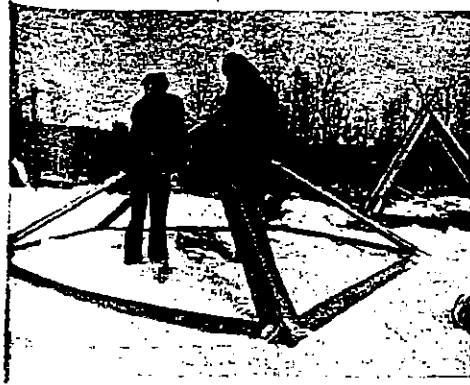
Discarded carpet tubes frame a sturdy icosahedron



UT 30 4" DIA. TUBES
37'6" LENGTHS, MITER
ED, SLIT INTO HALVES

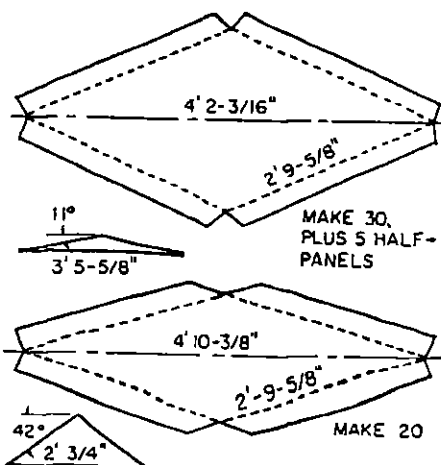


Ten feet tall with twenty faces framed with split and mitered cardboard tubes, this plastic-sheathed icosahedron was one of Quick City's imposing structures. As sketches and photos show, equilateral triangles were prefabricated with bolted-on joiner plates. Then triangles were bolted together (with wrappings of package tape for temporary connection). For larger floor space, you can stop with a $\frac{5}{8}$ icosahedron; full shape requires final five-triangle peak similar to starting assembly in first photo. Structure was designed and built by Louis Aiese and Anthony Villano. Tubes are yours for the asking at carpet stores.



Dome is strong enough to support two adults, yet light enough for two to carry. Door gap doesn't seriously weaken struc-

ture. Interior headroom is cramped in this $\frac{3}{8}$ dome; planned $\frac{5}{8}$ version will be 10 feet high for full livability.





**SCOUTS
CANADA**

**ROVER PROGRAM REVIEW
FINAL REPORT
AND
RECOMMENDATIONS**

**National Program Committee
October 1990**

"A VISION OF THE FUTURE"

Preamble:

As a result of the important step taken by the National Council in approving the 1984 National Rover Review recommendations, it was quite apparent that the Council had laid the foundation for "A Vision of the Future". It realized that Scouting could play a major role in the development of the 18 - 26 year old adult if it so wished.

It is obvious to those closely associated with the Rover Section that it can have a tremendous impact on our movement by developing leaders for other sections, council events, committee work as well as board involvement and membership. Moreover, just as essential, Scouting develops Rovers to be community leaders, in roles ranging from volunteer work to professional careers. Rover age adults do play an important role in our society. The Scouting movement can develop mechanisms to increase the quality and quantity of Rovering through providing this vital age group with appropriate opportunities, direction and most of all, commitment.

To effectively explore the endless potential of the Rover Program, and continue the evident vision of the 1984 Rover Review, a major National Rover Program Review and Conference was proposed to the National Program Committee in January of 1988. The National Program Committee is mandated by the National Council to review each of Scouting's five program sections on a regular basis. To fully carry out this mandate, it was proposed that a National Rover Conference and the preparatory work leading up to its conduct be the tool used to conduct this Rover Cyclical Review. It should be pointed out that the intent was not only to produce a set of National recommendations, but also to produce Provincial recommendations and goals to ensure implementation of the appropriate findings. This detailed process was facilitated by a Canada wide representative task group to ensure the continued success and ongoing maintenance and growth in the Rover Section.

The purpose and objectives of the "National Rover Task Group" was to assess the existing Rover Program by:

- 1) Re-examining the progress to date and any further action required to fully implement the recommendations developed from the 1984 Rover Program Review.
- 2) Determining how the needs of 18 - 26 year old adults are being met in relation to Scouting's program objectives and the Rover program emphasis.
- 3) Clarifying the intent of the statement, "Service oriented for adults", as contained in the 1984 recommendations.
- 4) Examining the role of and need for the position of Crew Advisor and Assistant Advisor in relation to the section being designated for adults.
- 5) Developing a set of harmonious provincial and national recommendations and goals that would ensure the continued success, ongoing maintenance and growth of the Rover Section.

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The following steps were undertaken in order to fully achieve the above stated purpose and objectives:

Step # 1

A network of Provincial Rover Contacts (P.R.C.'s) was established in order to facilitate effective communication flow to the Rovers of each Provincial Council.

Step # 2

Review proposal presented to National Program Committee for endorsement.

Step # 3

Presented review proposal to the National Program Forum for approval, with support given by all provinces, (May 1988).

Step # 4

Through feedback from P.R.C.'s, National Program Forum and the National Program Committee, confirmed purpose and objectives of review.

Step # 5

At the National Program Forum, determined Provincial progress to date in relation to 1984 recommendations (November 1988).

Step # 6

The National Rover Task Group reviewed information and feedback received and developed an "information request" (based on the four approved objectives), to be circulated to all Provincial Rover Contacts (December 1988).

Step # 7

"Information request" sent to each Provincial Rover Contact for distribution to Rover membership (January 1989).

Step # 8

National Rover Task Group consolidated and prioritized data provided through "P.R.C.'s" and Provincial Commissioners at the National Program Forum (April 1989).

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Step # 9

Data shared with National Program Forum, endorsement of priorities sought and received (May 1989).

Step # 10

Conference delegates requested to be selected by Provincial Councils, (June - September 1989).

Step # 11

Development of various communication tools to ensure that every Rover, Advisor or concerned Scouting member was fully aware of the review being conducted. These tools included:

- 1) The Leader Magazine
- 2) The Rovering Magazine
- 3) Direct mailing to all Rover Crews in Canada
- 4) Provincial Newsletter ads and articles
- 5) A constant flow of direct communication to Provincial Commissioners, Provincial Executive Directors and Provincial Rover Contacts (January 1988 - August 1990).

Step # 12

Key topic areas and specific questions for the conference were finalized based on "Information Requests" from the Rovers of Canada (September 1989).

Step # 13

Information package with "Pre-conference Delegate tasks" sent to all confirmed delegates and appropriate provincial personnel (October 1989). Delegates to establish best means to collect data and accomplish tasks.

Step # 14

Continued follow-up with all Delegates, Provincial Commissioners, Provincial Executive Directors and Provincial Rover Contacts to ensure a "broad-based" participation in all aspects of the review and pending conference (October 1989 - August 1990).

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Step # 15

Conference design finalized by National Rover Task Group to accomplish the five objectives of the review, (January - July 1990).

Step # 16

Delegate Progress Report requested (January 1990 and May 1990).

Step # 17

Conference Delegate Bulletins distributed (February 1990 - July 1990).

Step # 18

Conducted five day long Conference to achieve purpose and objectives.

Step # 19

Present proposed National Recommendations as well as Provincial Recommendations and goals to National Program Committee for approval (September 1990). Clarify and adjust as required.

Step # 20

Present proposed National recommendations and goals to National Program Forum to seek endorsement. Provincial recommendations and goals circulated for information, (November 1990).

Step # 21

Commence implementation of approved recommendations and goals at all levels. This is a critical component of the entire process, (January 1991).

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CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

Each day at the conference a different objective was addressed through plenary sessions, small group discussions, and provincial delegate meetings in order to consolidate, recommend, and finalize provincial findings into National recommendations as well as provincial action plans. At each step guidance and input was provided by the National Rover Task Group, Program, and the A.V.S.R. committee representatives as well as the National Commissioner. Additional information was shared on behalf of the National Communications Committee. These provincial action plans were then reviewed to ensure that they were consistent with the National recommendations.

The following are some general observations on each conference objective:

Contemporary Issues

The primary concern was substance (alcohol and illicit drug) use and abuse in Rovering and society in general. There is a particular concern over the use of alcohol. When is it appropriate in Scouting and when is it not? How does Scouting deal with repeat abusers and inappropriate users?

The environment was also a major concern. The delegates felt that Rovers need to be more involved and to be seen by the public as better "environmental citizens".

The topic of multiculturalism in Scouting was discussed. Delegates questioned why Canada's cultural diversity is not better represented in Rovering. What can be done to encourage more representative participation?

Service

Based on the trade show presentations made by the provincial delegate teams, service to Scouting and the community is a very important part of the current Rover program. A frustration was expressed that councils and the general public are not aware of the quantity, and, more importantly, the quality of service that Rovers can and are performing. The delegates proposed to integrate a Rovering display and a service-oriented national Rover moot into CJ '93 in order to increase Scouting's awareness of Rovering, particularly to Scouts and Venturers.

Through liaison with local volunteer service bureaus, the participants felt that resources could be developed to allow Rovers to perform more valuable types of service to their community as crews and individuals. Rovers in Canada are currently involved in many service roles and want to use these opportunities as a way of attracting 18-26 year-olds to

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the Rover program.

1984 Review Follow-up

Provincial feedback and conference discussion identified a high national percentage of crews that are registering Rovers who exceed the current age limit. There is a genuine desire to resolve this issue so that crews may benefit from the wealth of skills and knowledge of these people. Delegates felt that the increasing number of Rovers interrupting their active participation in the crew for continuing education dictated a more flexible upper age limit.

The delegates identified major differences in the training offered to Rovers and age restriction limits imposed by provinces. A more effective approach to Rover training would be achieved by applying the same criteria nationally.

Advisor

90% of the delegates reported that there is a need for an advisor. However, as the needs of the age group vary so widely, it became apparent that no single model is applicable. A more flexible approach appears to be warranted. There was consensus around the attitudes, knowledge, and skills required for advisors, regardless of age.

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NATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Preamble:

The National Program Committee wishes to stress the need for a joint effort on the part of the Rovers themselves and the appropriate National and Provincial bodies in the implementation of the recommendations which follow. It is recognised that in order for progress to be made, involvement at all levels of Scouting must occur. The delegates attending the 1990 Rover Conference made such a commitment. The implementation phase of these recommendations is a critical component of moving the Rover program forward.

AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY: PROGRAM

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
Substance Abuse	-Share identified resources and incorporate into the Rover Handbook information on substance abuse (alcohol and illicit drugs) which encourages a healthy life style and responsible behaviour.
Environment	-Increase emphasis on the use of environmental service projects in support of the Rover Program through inclusion in the Rover Handbook and appropriate training materials. (A.V.S.R.).
Health & Physical Fitness	-Establish a "clearing house" for information and resources dealing with contemporary issues affecting Rover age adults (Substance abuse; suicide; alternative life styles; AIDS; pregnancy; abortion; sex; family planning; stress; etc), for sharing through the establishment of a Provincial Rover Contact newsletter; Rover Handbook; the <u>Leader Magazine</u> ; and other appropriate Rovering/Scouting publications.
Employment	-As an option within the Rover Program, implement a vocational focus modeled after the present Vocational Venturer program with guidelines, support and promotional materials appropriate to Rover age adults. (Communications).

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<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
Rover Badge Scheme	-Examine the present badge scheme in order to establish a clear set of contemporary requirements and standards for the Rover Program including areas of Health and Physical Fitness; Environment; Service; Multiculturalism; Canadian Society; interpersonal, communications and problem solving skills.
National Competition	-Develop a National Rover Crew competition to recognize excellence in an environmental service project of an extended duration with significant impact.
Handbook	-Develop additional content for the Rover Handbook based on the contemporary needs of 18-26 year olds confirmed as a result of the Rover Review. Also include an identification of the attitudes required of an Advisor to be effective and information on the range of their role.
Communications	-Include content on the utilization of Rovers as a resource in Leader and Council Handbooks and Volunteer Recruitment and Development guidelines. (A.V.S.R.)
Crew Advisor	<p>-Amend B.P.& P., Section V, "Requirements for Section Leadership, Rover Crew", P.44, to read as follows:</p> <p>Scouters in a Rover Crew are called Rover Advisors. A crew may have more than one Advisor. A Rover Advisor must be at least 21 years of age.</p> <p>The Advisor's role may range from full participation in the operation of the crew to serving as an on - call resource person for one or more crews. Rovers should be involved in the selection of Advisors based on their attitudes being compatible with the needs of the Rover crew. An Advisor may be a Rover.</p>
Moot	-Consider providing the opportunity for a National Service Moot, the main focus of which would be to provide service to CJ'93 and subsequent National Jamborees. (CJ Planning).

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<u>ITEM</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
Service/Communications	-Provide a team; establish a plan and budget; assemble, operate and disassemble a display at CJ '93, and subsequent National Jamborees on how Canadian Rovers are providing meaningful service to their communities. (CJ'93 Program).
Canadian Society	-Utilize the Rover Contact Network and the National Program Forum to share concrete initiatives undertaken by Rovers within each province to increase participation with and inclusion of members from all segments of Canadian Society.

AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY: A.V.S.R.

Substance Abuse	-Incorporate the appropriate information and resources to explore the topic of substance abuse (alcohol and illicit drugs) for inclusion within the specific Volunteer Recruitment and Development Program directed toward the Rover Section encouraging a healthy lifestyle and responsible behaviour. -Develop content for Service Team and Councilman training to broaden awareness of the issue of substance abuse (alcohol and illicit drugs) and the mechanisms to deal with inappropriate behaviour.
Environment	-Incorporate the appropriate information and resources to address environmental issues for inclusion within specific learning objectives of the Volunteer Recruitment and Development Program directed toward the Rover Section.
Former Rovers	-Encourage the formation of a local grouping of former Rovers to act as a resource to Rover Crews.
Training	-Design and implement a program of training for members of the Rover section which would include components related to problem solving, communication and decision making skills while fulfilling the Program Objective and Rover Program Emphasis, incorporating the Aim and Principles of Scouts Canada.
Training	-Establish contemporary guidelines for the Volunteer Recruitment and Development process of Rover Advisors and Wood Badge II training for Rover Advisors consistent with materials made available in support of the other program sections.

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Service	-Establish a process whereby Rovers are directly involved in the creation of a video on "What is Rovering" encompassing the aim; objectives; principles; typical activities; purpose; Promise; Law; Motto; and characteristics of Rovers.
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AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY: COMMUNICATIONS

Environment	-Ensure that the Rover section participation in environmentally significant situations is promoted and clearly depicted.
Communications	-Within the 1991 - 1994 Communication Strategy ensure that materials developed realistically reflect present day Rovering for the purpose of attracting new Rover age members. (Program)
Service/Communications	-Identify through Provincial Councils and then make all councils aware of available audio-visual resources featuring Rovers performing meaningful service projects.

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REVIEW CONCLUSION

Based on two and a half years of in depth study through extensive consultation across Canada, culminating at the five day National Rover conference, it became apparent that members of the Rover section possess a high level of enthusiasm, commitment, and potential. Delegates tackled the very difficult task of addressing the conference objectives utilizing their abilities to the fullest. It was obvious throughout the process that their commitment to Scouts Canada and their willingness to examine and improve their program section was truly sincere.

As the conference progressed, it became clear that Rovers display similar strengths and weaknesses as reflected within the general population in that age group. This was supported, not only by their input, but also by numerous in depth studies such as "Youth in Canada Today."

It also became clear that, as a movement, Scouts Canada has done little to effectively address the developmental needs of this age group. Rather it would appear that past attempts to identify and address these needs missed the mark.

FINAL RECOMMENDATION

In order to effectively harness the promise of the Rover age group and address its needs, Scouts Canada, in all its facets, requires the will to move the "vision" of what Rovers could be forward.

Therefore, the National Program Committee recommends that the necessary resources of Scouts Canada at all levels, including members of the Rover section, be applied to the implementation of the recommendations of the National Program Review and resultant provincial action plans. Further, that ten years hence, an in depth review shall be conducted to determine whether significant progress has been made in meeting the needs of this age group. Based on the findings, a decision shall be made whether to continue this program section.



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