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EVENTS CALENDAR

AUGUST 1993

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Civic Holiday	3	4	5	6 Australia: 6th to 8th Rover Stage 4B, Days 3/4 - Mt. Keira	7
8	9	10	11	12 21st Wee Moot Glasgow, Kentucky, U.S.A. see ad	13 Australia: 14th & 15th North Shore/Penninsula Area - "McMOOT"	14 Animal House Dance see ad
15 to 16 Crispie Critter Bash, Camp Cove, Harrison Lake, B.C. Contact: Tony (604)583-9785	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Australia: North Met. Area Kalang Kup Soccer Day - & Rover Methods Course Day - J. Westside	23	24	25	26 ONE YEAR FROM TODAY "ROVERING FROM SEA TO SEA"	27	28 M & T MELTDOWN (SEE AD)
29	30	31 Australia: BRC Meeting 2:00 p.m. Pennant Hills			(604) 435-2001 COURTESY: SSMI POWER	17th to 19th to 20th: Vancouver
					Club Day, 1st to 3rd Xmas Eve 1993	18th to 19th: Victoria

EVENTS CALENDAR

SEPT 1993

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3 to 6 Klondike Moot Camp Dunlop, Kelowna, B.C. Contact: Paul Mozsar (604) 432-9007	4 Australia: 3rd to 5th - Rover Methods Course Days. 4th to 5th: Australia Normanhurst Rover's Car Rally
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 to 26 Search Moot '93 The Search For The Lost King	25 Australia: NSW Ball
26	27	28	29	30	2nd and 3rd King Buckskins off: Lada of Canada's best no-kill CUBA	2nd and 3rd King Buckskins off: Lada of Canada's best no-kill CUBA

EVENTS CALENDAR

OCT. 1993

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3	4	5	6 Articles should be on their way to the magazine. Mail to: 45 Islington Ave Kitchener, Ontario N2B1P3	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 to 17 Halloween Moot Burford, Ontario	16 & 17 The 36th Jamboree-On-The-Air (Jota)
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31					Rovering Magazine goes to press	



**KIMBERLEY FLOOD and GARY FEIERABEND
JUNE 26, 1993**

Members of the 11th Cambridge, and other Rovers, who formed the guard of honour at Kimberley and Gary's wedding. Kimberley's advisors, Marilyn Major was Maid of Honour, and Al Major played guitar and sang. The Reverend Bain Milroy, a former advisor, was the visiting officiate at the wedding ceremony



Kimberley receiving congratulations from two of many Rovers who were present.

FRIDAY THE 13TH - THE DAY AFTER

(Saturday, August 14th, 1993)

ANIMAL HOUSE BASH

**Hosted by 13th Mark Street, Peterborough Rovers
(THE BEAR CREW)**

\$6.00 WITH ADVANCE PAYMENT BY AUGUST 1, 1993

\$8.00 at the door

\$7.00 with single costume (animal or toga)

\$6.00 with animal costume and toga on one person

PLEASE BRING A DONATION FOR THE FOOD BANK

**Place: Mississauga Valley Community Centre
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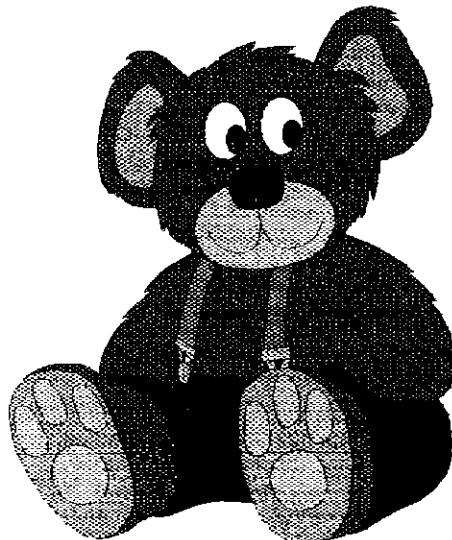
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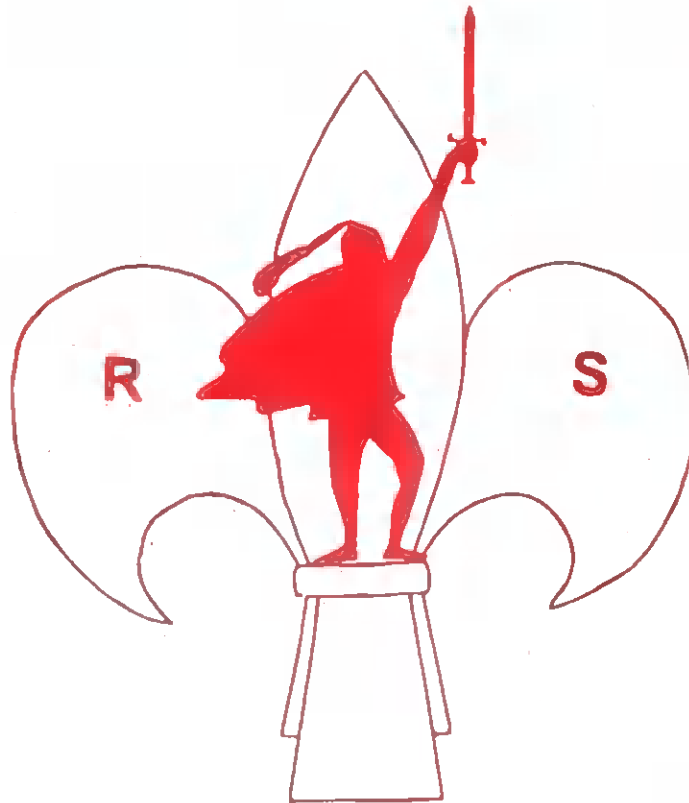
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Rose Nimmo (Mississauga) (416) 607-0945



Rovering from Sea to Sea



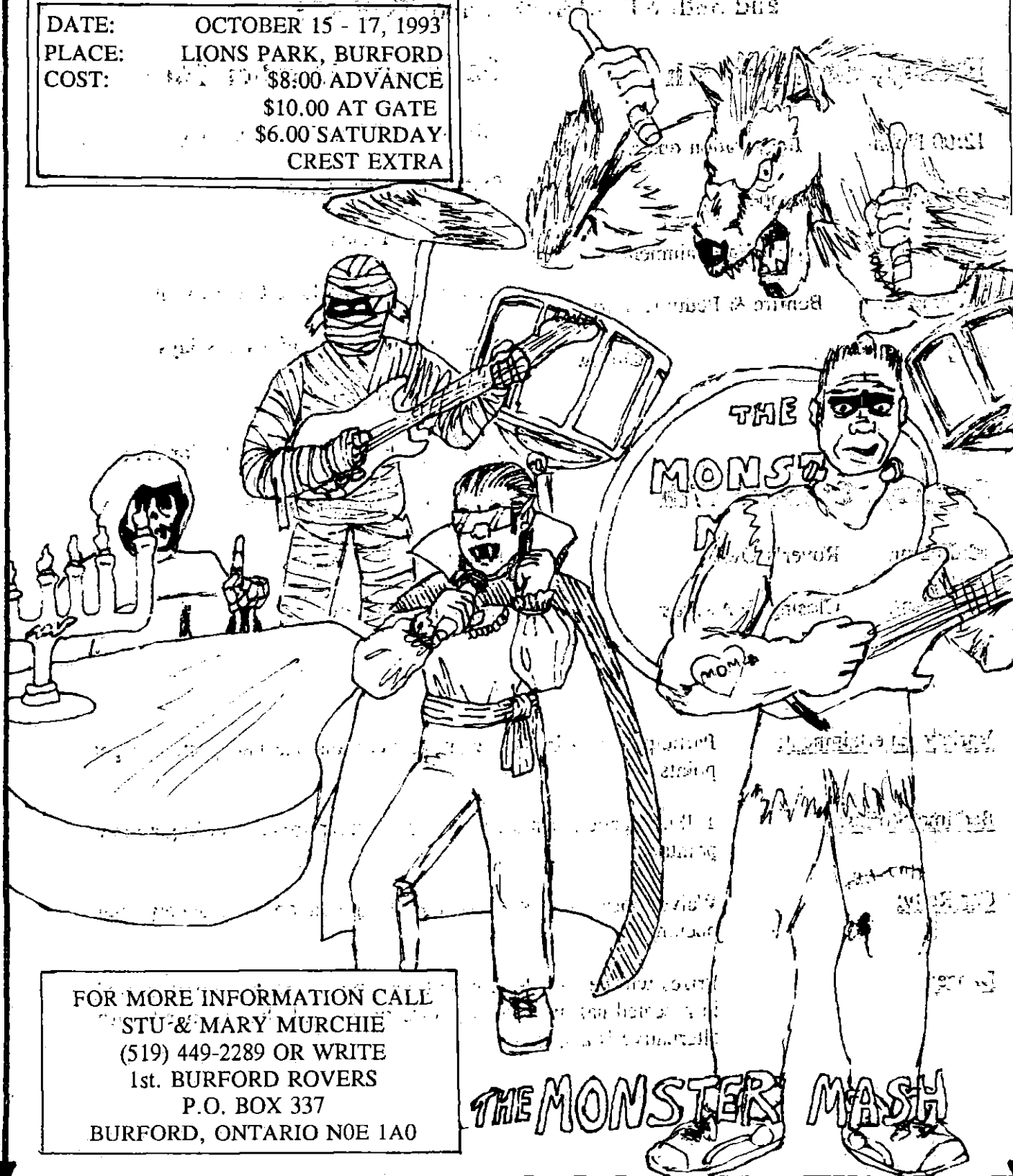
August 26 to September 4, 1994
Woodland Trails Scout Camp
Aurora, Ontario



1st. BURFORD ROVERS, 38th ST. MARKS & FRIENDS PRESENTS
THE 13th ANNUAL

HALLOWEEN MOOT

DATE: OCTOBER 15 - 17, 1993
PLACE: LIONS PARK, BURFORD
COST: \$8.00 ADVANCE
\$10.00 AT GATE
\$6.00 SATURDAY
CREST EXTRA



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THE MONSTER MASH

HALLOWE'EN MOOT 1993

Presented by 1st BURFORD ROVERS past and present
and 38th ST. MARK'S and FRIENDS

Friday, October 15th

12:00 Noon Registration opens
5:00 p.m. Supper
8:30 p.m. Variety Entertainment
12:00 Mid. Bonfire & Bedtime Stories
2:00 a.m. Curfew

Sunday, October 17th

10:00 a.m. Rover's Own
11:30 a.m. Closing & Awards

Saturday, October 16th

9:00 a.m. Official Camp Opening
9:45 a.m. Group Events
12:15 p.m. Lunch
1:30 p.m. Car Rally & Crew Events
3:00 p.m. Demonstrations/Displays
5:00 p.m. Supper
8:00 p.m. Form in parking lot for dance
8:30 p.m. Costume Dance
1:00 a.m. Bonfire
2:00 a.m. Curfew

Variety Entertainment:

Participate in Air band contest, skits and the unexpected to get points

Bedtime Stories:

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

Car Rally:

Waiver forms will be available at registration immediately after opening.

Dance:

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

Jack O' Lantern Carving:

Vegetables will be distributed upon arrival at the moot (one per group). Carved vegetables must be turned in at registration by 10:00 p.m. Saturday. Vegetables will be judged and points will go towards the main trophy.

General Information:

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

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

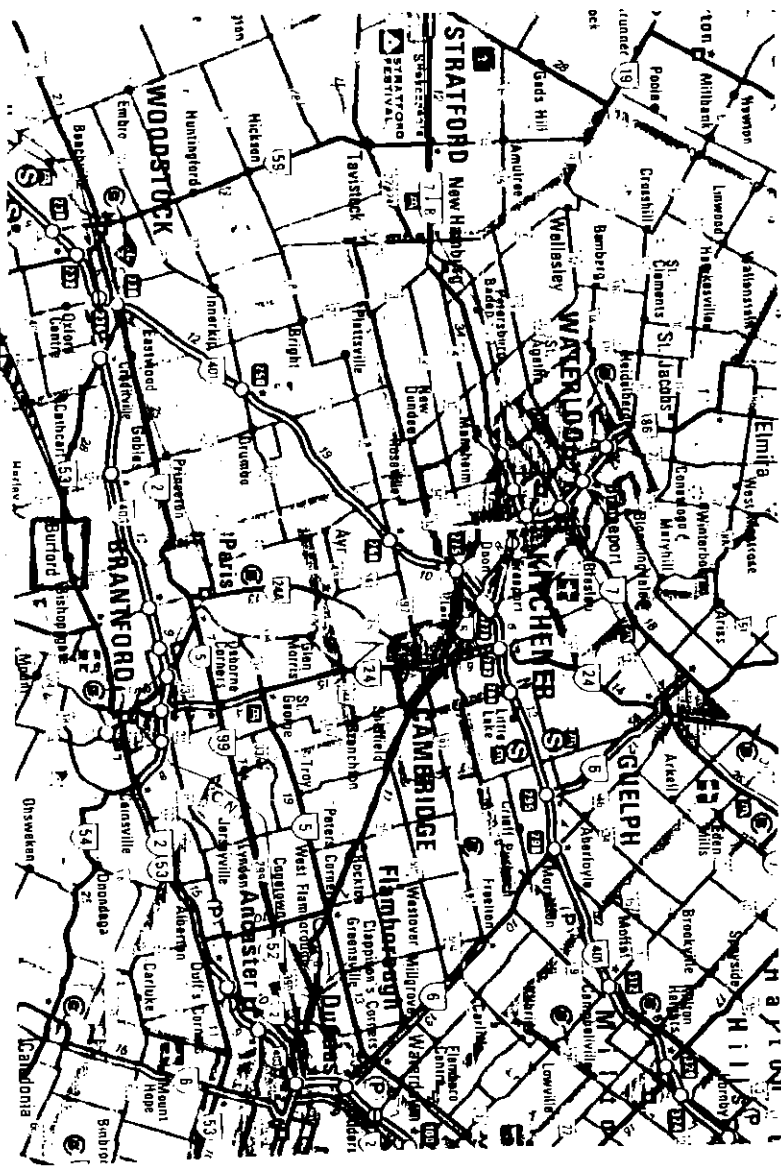
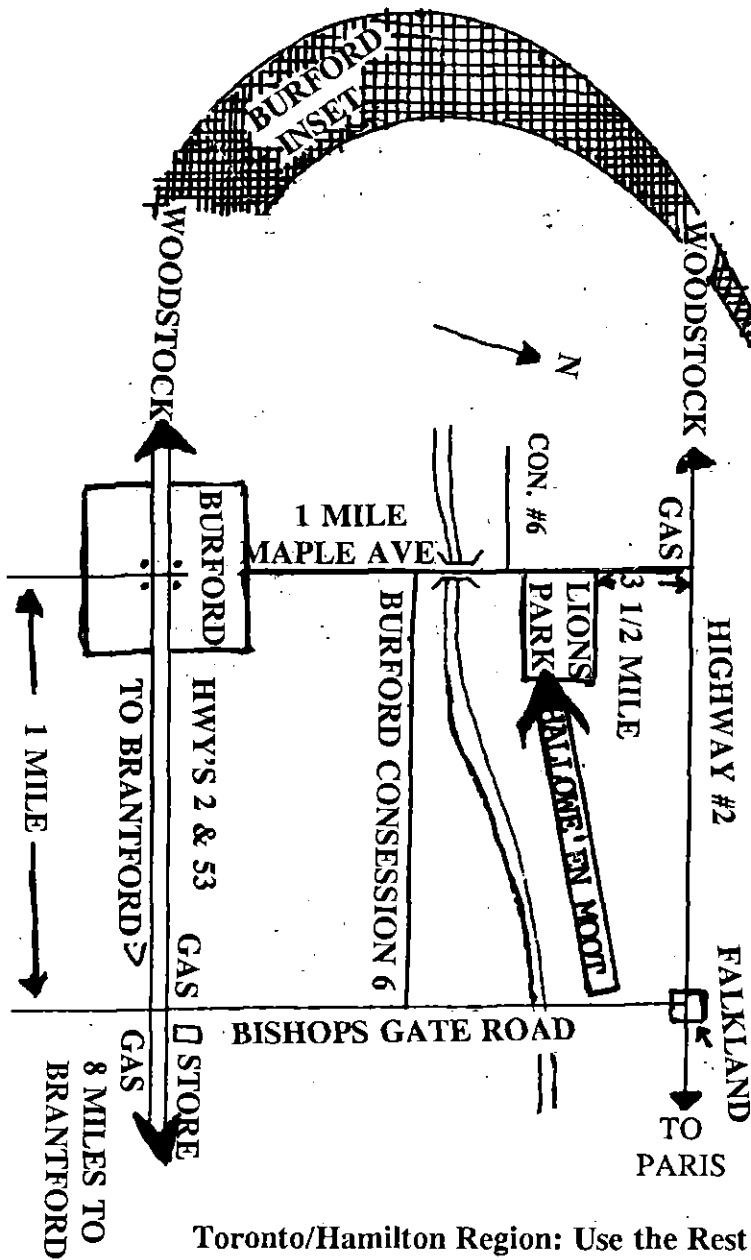
A Saturday lunch will be provided. Including day registration.

Crests are not included in the cost of day registration.

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

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All Rover and Ranger rules will be in effect.
2. Anyone found consuming, in possession of, or under the influence of alcoholic beverages or drugs while taking part in camp activities, risk arrest and the immediate expulsion of their entire group from camp.
3. Cutting of live trees will not be tolerated, wood will be provided.
4. NO GROUND FIRES! Fires must be eighteen (18) inches above ground.
5. The staff of *Hallowe'en Moot* are not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged articles.
6. The moot is open to all registered Rovers and Explorers. Rangers and Venturers are welcome.
7. Rangers wishing to attend must obtain private sanction.
8. Venturers must be sponsored by a registered Rover crew. Sponsoring crew and Venturer company must camp beside each other. Rover crew is responsible for all members in attendance. Problems from either group could result in immediate expulsion of both groups from camp without refund. Both groups should participate in weekend activities together.
9. All members of sections attending *Hallowe'en Moot* should be 16 years of age or over.
10. Car permits will be issued upon arrival. Permits must be shown when entering/exiting moot. Vehicles parked on site must stay on site. Sites assigned upon arrival.



Toronto/Hamilton Region: Use the Rest Acres off-ramp on HWY 403
 London/Windsor Region: Use HWY #401 to #403 to #53 east

PREREGISTRATION FORM:

Name of Crew, Company or Post: _____

Mailing Address: _____

(Please use postal or zip code) _____

Name of responsible adult attending camp: _____

Number attending: Weekend _____ Day _____

Registration fee: \$8.00 advance (prepaid and postmarked by October 2nd)

\$10.00 at the gate; after October 2nd

\$6.00 day rate: CREST EXTRA

Please enclose a list of the names of those attending.

Cheques Payable to: HALLOWE'EN MOOT

Send to: 1st Burford Rovers

P.O. Box #337

Burford, Ontario

Canada NOE 1A0

Any Problems or Questions?

Please call...

Stu or Mary Murchie (519) 449-2289



UPCOMING EVENTS

ONTARIO

AUGUST

14th
ANIMAL HOUSE DANCE

(sponsor: Bear Crew)

Mississauga, Ont.

Contact: Rose Nimmo

1-416-607-0945

SEPTEMBER

24 TO 26

Search Moot '93

"THE SEARCH FOR THE LOST KING"

OCTOBER

15 TO 17

HALLOWE'EN MOOT

(see ad)

16 to 17

36th JAMBOREE-ON-THE-AIR

NOVEMBER

OCTOBERFEST CELEBRATION

(date to be announced)

by 2nd Etobicoke Regnant Rovers

contacts: Heather Gillies

(416) 607-0749

B.C. Rovering

AUGUST

15 TO 16

CRISPIE CRITTER BASH

Camp Cove, Harrison Lake

Tony Tel: 583-9785

17th September

KLONDIKE MOOT

Camp Dunlop

Kelowna, BC

U.S.A.

AUGUST

12 to 15

21st WEE MOOT

Glasgow, Kentucky, U.S.A.

(see Ad)

The REP-ORRT

ONTARIO ROVER ROUNDTABLE

Ontario Blood Donor Challenge Awards

Participation Certificate

1st Waterloo Rover Crew

24th Kitchener Rover Crew

1st Wilmot "Greyhawk" Rover Crew

Category "A" Winner

7th Downsview Rover Crew

Category "B" Winner

11th Cambridge "Sir Galahad" Rover Crew

Category "C" Winner

1st Niagara "Sir Isaac Brock" Rover Crew

Silver Questor Awards

Robert Heath, 7th Downsview Rover Crew

Cara Trazzolo, 22nd Springville Rover Crew

Alan Wienczynk, 7th Fort William Rover Crew

Troy Mantle, 1st Wilmot "Greyhawk" Rover Crew

Award of Appreciation

Alex Thompson, who devoted many years of service towards Rovering.

Roland S. Dell Memorial Award

Stuart Murchie, 1st Burford Rover Crew, Green Valley Region

All of these awards (sponsored by the Ontario Rover Round Table) were presented at the St. George's Day Dinner and Dance in April by the Chairman Heather Archer. She was assisted by the Ontario Roundtable's Advisor Russ Kelk and the Provincial Commissioner,

Paul Jackson for the special presentation to Alex Thompson and the Roland S. Dell Memorial Award.

To: The National Council Of Scouts
Canada

Re; Uniform Changes for Rover Scouts

We the undersigned would like to see the Rover slide that we are now wearing replaced to the original red board epaulettes.

These board epaulettes were distinctive in colour and marking, and made us easily recognizable and distinguishable from leaders of other sections. They were also earned through many months of squireship requirements and presented in a meaningful ceremony, not something that was purchased and worn

Please let us wear this symbol of distinction on our uniform, because we wear it with pride.

signature address
crew

This is a condensed copy

I was very upset when the attached petition from an unknown Rover Crew came to my attention.

May I remind everyone that as registered members of Scouts Canada we are required to follow by the bylaws, policies and procedures.

The uniform that we proudly wear

states the following purposes:

1. Identifies that we are members of Scouts Canada and of the world organization of the Scout Movement.
2. To encourage pride in belonging to Scouting
3. Provides a common dress in which members from all segments of Canadian society can meet as equals.

The official uniform for the Rover Section is as follows:

Headwear: Navy blue beret with red coloured hat badge.

Neckwear: group, national, woodbadge neckerchief or navy tie.

Tie tac; gold maple leaf

Epaulettes: red with section ID.

Slacks/skirt: Navy

Shorts: Navy

Socks: navy

Stockings: navy knee length

Garter tabs: tan

Belt: red web

Shoes; black or brown

Note: Group neckerchief design, colour and material to be determined by group/section committee and approved by the next senior council, or at the option of the group/section committee the national neckerchief or

woodbadge neckerchief.

I do not understand where this anonymous Rover Crew is coming from, the only change is the size. They are distinctive in colour and markings.

They are easily recognizable and distinguishable from leaders of other sections. They are still earned through many months of squireship requirements and hopefully are presented in a meaningful ceremony. As for something that was purchased and worn - where did the old boards come from? and like the old boards, they too were purchased at your local Scout Shop.

submitted by
Heather Archer
Chairman, O.R.R.T.

EEK! ANOTHER COMMITTEE/TASK GROUP

Yet again Rovers are going to have their program effected by a politically correct all knowing panel.

My opinion of panels, committees, Task Forces and their like are as follows: A panel usually represents the personal views of politically inclined persons with little else to do, or little real experience.

A committee ends up with several viewpoints expressed, and little done, similar to Government: Long on procedure,

ATTAWANDERONK MOOT 1993



Serious
Discussions



Great Meals



Visiting
Friends



Out-of-step Chorus Line

ATTAWANDERONK MOOT 1993



I Call Hogs Like This



You Put "WHAT" In The Dinner



**The
Long
Trail
To
The
Little
House
In
The
Bush**

**Look at the Bib she is
bringing to dinner!**



ATTWANDERONK - A WEEK-END OF SMILING FACES!!

short on results

A task force usually gets the "job" done, but incurs serious casualties and maybe defeats its own purpose.

Communication is always a problem: Would your Crew rather discuss the National direction of the Rover Program, then fill out a questionnaire, or plan a service project, or play baseball for that matter. Perhaps it would be better to discuss this problem in a forum, at an event. I mean no insult to the task group on the future of Rovers for I don't know them, or their work well enough to do so.

WHAT ROVERS IS ABOUT FOR ME

The nature of Rovering age group is that we are all busy people. School, work, church, families, significant others and other things all place a demand on limited spaces of time. Getting a commitment from an 18 yr. old is like pulling teeth.

Service is a great motto, it comes in many forms, to oneself, ones community, and fellow Scouts it is service, able for the present.

Our crews Advisor is both Facilitator and Mentor to our crew. He brings, Rover experience, continuity, common sense, life experience, energy, suggestions, Crew history, and order to our crew.

A good advisor advises, not totalitarian or dictatorial at a meeting. A good advisor becomes a mentor, mine is. A fount of useful life experience available to counsel on any topic, with the flexibility to let you make up your own mind.

The Knighthood theme is not

inappropriate, or an all for me attitude!! It is about Honour, Morality, Clean Living and Good Citizenship. Older Rovers and Advisors inspire this in their squires.

One such occurrence of this occurred late last year. We got a fresh 18 yr. old into the Crew, with no scouting experience. He was accepted as a squire and began his Quests. He let us know of "HOT" stereos & other things illegally available at his high school. When I was informed of a \$50.00 stereo worth \$600.00 I took him aside and explained that I didn't buy stolen property and why.

I said:

I enjoy the comforts that I have earned, and I would prefer that they didn't get stolen. If I bought a hot stereo that thief has a market...if no one bought them, they would not be stolen by thieves to resell at \$50.00. I also informed him that people are judged by the company they keep, and the Crew's Round Table finds these activities distasteful.

I believe that this type of thing happens often in Rovers and advice/guidance is quite effective coming from peers. We have heard nothing of the sort since, and he has significantly cleaned up his act.

PEER PRESSURE CAN BE POSITIVE Too!!

If the age for Rovers was capped at 21 I would not have had any effect on this young man...if the program did not interest me at 25 I would not participate, I have a wife and child at home tuesday nights as does our advisor.

One reason that Scouting is so great, is that it has a positive effect on the young people involved. They take the Scout Law

into the world with them. I hope my daughter can enjoy that which I did throughout Scouting.

Personally, I often stop at the side of the road to help motorists in trouble, a good deed, I guess. When they ask if they can pay me for my trouble, I respond, "Send a donation to Scouts Canada if you wish."

Brent Potts
2nd Scarborough
Cedarbrook Rover Crew

Ed. Note: I first met Brent at a Graphic Art show, he was in a clip art booth. I approached and told him I needed clip art, not for the firm I work for, but for a magazine I print out for Rovers. His eyes practically popped out of his head, and he asked "ROVERING MAGAZINE!". I guess my mouth must of dropped, not expecting a reaction like that.

So we talked and I now have a nice book of clip art.

Brent wrote this in response to the reprint in the June issue of Rovering about the Contemporary Rover Task Group under the title of UPDATE, and he included a note at the end for me, it is as follows:

Don: Sorry this is so late coming to you for the August issue. My computer crashed, and is now back on line. Hope you can get it in, it will be my first published letter to anyone... I guess that shows how much I care about the subject....

Brent Potts



IS ANYBODY LISTENING

The Rover program is about to change, drastically. The motto, the age range, indeed the very focus of the section will change. Did you know? Do you care? Is anybody listening?

At the end of 1990, when all the conferences, surveys and discussions were done, we the Rovers of Scouts Canada completed a document entitled, "A Vision for Renewal". It contained our recommendations for revitalizing the Rover program. We promptly filed it in our "wait and see what happens" file. Nothing happened. All the time and effort that we put into addressing the deficiencies we recognized in our program was ignored. Not by National Council, Not by Provincial or Regional Councils but by us. After three years and no substantial effort on our part, National felt it needed to take action. The program section could have been scrapped altogether but it was felt that the section contained untapped potential. The Contemporary Rover Program Task Group has been charged with the task of re-creating the Rover program section of Scouts Canada. They are asking for your input. Did you know? Do you care? Is anybody listening?

In Greater Toronto Region, the Roundtable has prepared a proposal outlining how they envision the New Contemporary Rover program. The Rovers of the region have strongly endorsed it. The Regional Council is prepared to send it to National as the region's official position on the subject.

These Rovers knew the issues. They cared about the outcome. They were listened to. Your ORRT rep has a copy of this proposal. Do you know what your Roundtable is doing with it? Do you care? Is anybody listening to you?

We will need more than just platitudes on paper if such proposals are to become observable reality. We need action, action from you. Discuss the proposal with the Rovers in your region. Add to it or change it as you all see fit. Try to come to a consensus as to how the Rovers in your region feel the program should function. Once done, let's not make the same mistake we made in 1990. Let's do something with the document so that it's more than just paper. Let's participate in the process at every available opportunity to ensure that our input is considered, and considered important. Let's demonstrate to Scouts Canada and ourselves that we care enough about scouting to take an active part in its development. We are empowered, our Roundtables will be listened to, but only if we speak up and take action. Actions speak louder than words. Take the initiative to know the issues. Show you care about your future. Scouts Canada is listening.

Keep On Roving,
Sean Hume
1st Imperial Dragons

* for more background information see pages 17 and 27 of the May issue of LEADER magazine.

GOD STUFF



As I write this I am about to leave for CJ93 and when you read it we will be back. I'm looking forward to seeing what they do for Scout's Own since we were asked for a specific church on the registration form. Scouts Own can take many forms and can be either good or bad. Many of us have attended good and bad ones, but what makes them fall into these categories:

The Scout's Own that we remember generally have something which makes us remember them. It could be the setting, the songs or perhaps the message. The same is true whether they be good or bad memories. The main objective when doing any Scout's Own is to worship God in a meaningful way.

A camp I attend with our Scouts and Venturers has for the past two years had Scout's Own that were no good. Last year the minister gave a theological discourse which was above the heads of most of the

people there. This year the minister used a service out of "Let's Celebrate" but forgot there was a wind and he had no microphone. Needless to say we could not hear very much.

Here are two keys to success that were ignored. The first is know the age level to whom you are speaking and make sure that you can be heard.

When planning a service we try to pick songs that are well-known. As a consequence we tend to pick the same songs. There are lots of good songs out there that are really easy. One book that has a lot of these is "Songs for a Gospel People". This is not to say this is the only song book available, but it is certainly one of the most widely available in churches in Canada.

The whole Scout's Own should involve as many of the youth as possible. Give them prayers or readings to help them feel they are part of the service. There is nothing worse than someone or a group fidgeting because they are bored.

You might be asking where do we get a good Scout's Own. You might use the book "Let's Celebrate", but this book is getting rather old as you can see by the pictures which show Cubs in the uniform before the grey jersey. This book is still good, but watch the language as some is dated also. You can get Scout's Own from other Scouters or Guiders. As the saying goes "Seek and Ye shall find."

The length of a Scout's Own is not critical. It can be as long as you want or very short. At the Green Valleys Region Pre CJ camp I did a Scout's Own of one

prayer. Even Scout's Own can get rained out.

When doing a Scout's Own remember what your own beliefs are. You cannot compromise what you believe or else you are not being true to yourself. If you share what you believe then it will be meaningful for both you and the listened. There is no such thing, in my opinion, as religion neuter prayer or service since we bring ourselves to it. This was pointed out to me on my Crew Part 1, when I was asked to do a prayer the first day.

So have fun with those Scout's Own. Pick the brains of Scouters, Guiders or ministers and you will be amazed at what you can do.

In Christ,

Michael Wm. Diegel
(VE3PSD)

GGAD IT'S DAGG!!

Well, it's summer here on the West Coast, and even though the weather is a few degrees cooler than it should be, it has been fairly dry, and there a lot of distractions. I must confess that I have found it difficult to get up enthusiasm to sit down at my computer and write another (late) edition of GGAD IT'S DAGG (by the way, in case you're wondering, Don came up with that title, not me. At least he spelled my name right, unlike that of the Crew I am

associated with!) Anyway, because I'm late, and after that fairly serious and "heavy" contribution last time, I'll keep it brief this time.

I'd like to briefly continue on the theme of a number of articles (not just mine) which appeared in the June issue of ROVERING. I certainly agree with much of Sean Hume's article "Walk the Walk". It is very true that, as he says, "the questions have been asked, the answers given". Unfortunately, if you carefully read the article entitled "UPDATE" which appears in the same issue, *it becomes evident that the answers may not have been listened to.*

It is evident from this article that the task group has given a lot of thought to the perceived problems with the Rover program, but one wonders whether they have missed the boat in some areas, especially when they state their work will be guided by a number of "givens". The first of the four "givens" listed are quite sensible, but the next two are surprising to say the least. The encouraging thing is the last paragraph, where they state that, "we invite your comments, suggestions, and opinions". In other words, once again the questions are being asked, and the answers must be given. Read the entire article carefully, discuss it, and respond accordingly, even though may feel that you have gone through this process already. If we don't respond, we have nobody to blame but ourselves if the final Rover program doesn't look the way we'd like to.

When I started this article a few years ago, ROVERING magazine was at a very low ebb. My intent was not to provide a factual report type of article, but rather to generate some discussion in the Rover

community. Whether I have achieved that goal is open to question, but certainly the magazine is much bigger now. With the exception of B.C. Rovering, I can only recall one letter to the editor which directly referenced anything I have written, although one person did take the time to write to me directly about one particular issue I had raised. Perhaps I can claim some partial, indirect role in inspiring some of the newer contributions to the magazine, but who's to say? Anyway, it is evident from the Roger Award voting that I must have a few readers out there, which is very gratifying. I appreciate your readership and your votes, and will do my best to keep this article up to the standards that you are used to. But, once again, I ask that if you agree with me, and especially if you don't, please write in to the magazine and say so! Don would love to hear from you. Thanks again.

Yours in Rovering,

Bruce Dagg

NEWS FLASH

The following item appeared in "Scouting" Magazine (The U.S. version of Leader Magazine)

Sir Robert Baden-Powell founder of the Scouting Movement, was both a talented artist and writer.

A retired British army officer, B.P. authored six books, that told of his life, his era, and his philosophy, especially about Scouting.

Two Montana Boy Scouts Shane and Justin Stevens, 15 and 13 years old respectively, have obtained permission to reprint all six B.P. books.

They reproduced each title, including B.P.'s original illustrations, in 8 X 10 inch paper back editions.

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ROVENT '93

The Ontario Version

The following is a submission I'd like included in the next edition of Rovering Magazine. It is a preliminary announcement of my crew's annual Rover/Venturer moot, Rovent '93.

I am its coordinator this year, and will answer any questions regarding this event.

As crews begin to look forward to next fall (of course the summer's been planned for a long time!), 1st Kanata Rovers would like to remind everyone of Rovent '93, to be held on the weekend of October 22-24, 1993, at Camp Opemikon, just west of Perth, Ontario. This annual moot, now in its 5th year, is an opportunity for Venturers to learn about Rovering, and for everyone to have fun! Past events have included a siege competition, a medieval feast (where you provide the entertainment!), and of course, a quest! Attendance has been climbing steadily every year, and we hope to reach 200 moot-ers this year. More news will follow in future Rovering Magazines, as well as through ORRT and Usenet electronic news. Keep us in mind!

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Robert '93

Medieval Tourney

October 22, 23, 24, 1993

Camp Opemikon, Perth, Ontario

Robert, now in its 5th year, is an annual camp for Venturers and Rovers. Hosted by the 1st Kanata Venturers and Rovers, this camp strives to create communications between the two senior sections of Scouts Canada in order to make this transition from Venturers to Rovers as easy as possible. The camp features a Medieval Fair, a Quest and a Siege.

There will also be a Medieval Feast on Saturday evening.

Crews/Companies must bring materials for the Siege. This event involves building a machine capable of lobbing a grapefruit-sized projectile using a lever arm (no sling shots or cannons will be allowed this year). The siege machine should be made primarily of wood and must contain a target area of at least one square meter in area. Mobility is usually an asset as is distance and accuracy. Points for innovative and creative designs may be awarded.

Crews/Companies should also provide costumes, a group banner, and some form of entertainment for the Medieval Feast on Saturday. (We will provide a tape player if necessary but live music is encouraged).

Registration is 13\$. This fee includes activities, camp fees, and your very own crest. If the fee is received before October 18th, 1993, it also includes your meal on Saturday night. Please make cheques payable to the 1st Kanata Rovers. Check-in will begin at 4:00pm on Friday October 22nd. The camp is open to all registered Rovers and Venturers. All crews/companies must be accompanied by an adult leader. All groups must be self-contained. Tents only please (trailers and vehicles must be left in the parking lot).

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Accident Report

E d N o t e -

You may have seen this before, I know I have, yet every time I see it I get a chuckle. The article recently surfaced from a lost file of Wilf's, and he passed it on to me.

Dear Sir:

I am writing in response to your request for additional information. In block #3 of the accident reporting form I put "poor planning" as the cause of my accident. You said in your letter that I should explain more fully, and I trust that the following details will be sufficient.

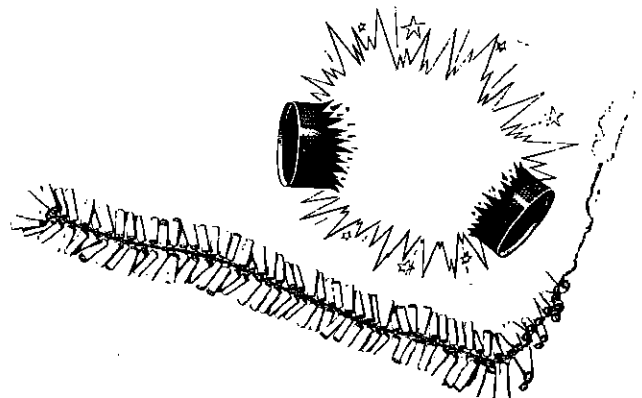
I am a bricklayer by trade. On the day of the accident I was working alone on the roof of a six story building. When I had completed my work I discovered that I had about 500 pounds of bricks left over. Rather than carry the bricks down by hand I decided to lower them in a barrel by using a pulley, which, fortunately was attached to the side of the building at the sixth floor.

Securing the rope at ground level, I went up to the roof, swung the barrel out, and loaded the bricks into it. Then I went back to the ground and untied the rope, holding tightly to ensure a slow descent of the 500 pounds of bricks. You will note in block #11 of the accident report that I weigh 135 pounds.

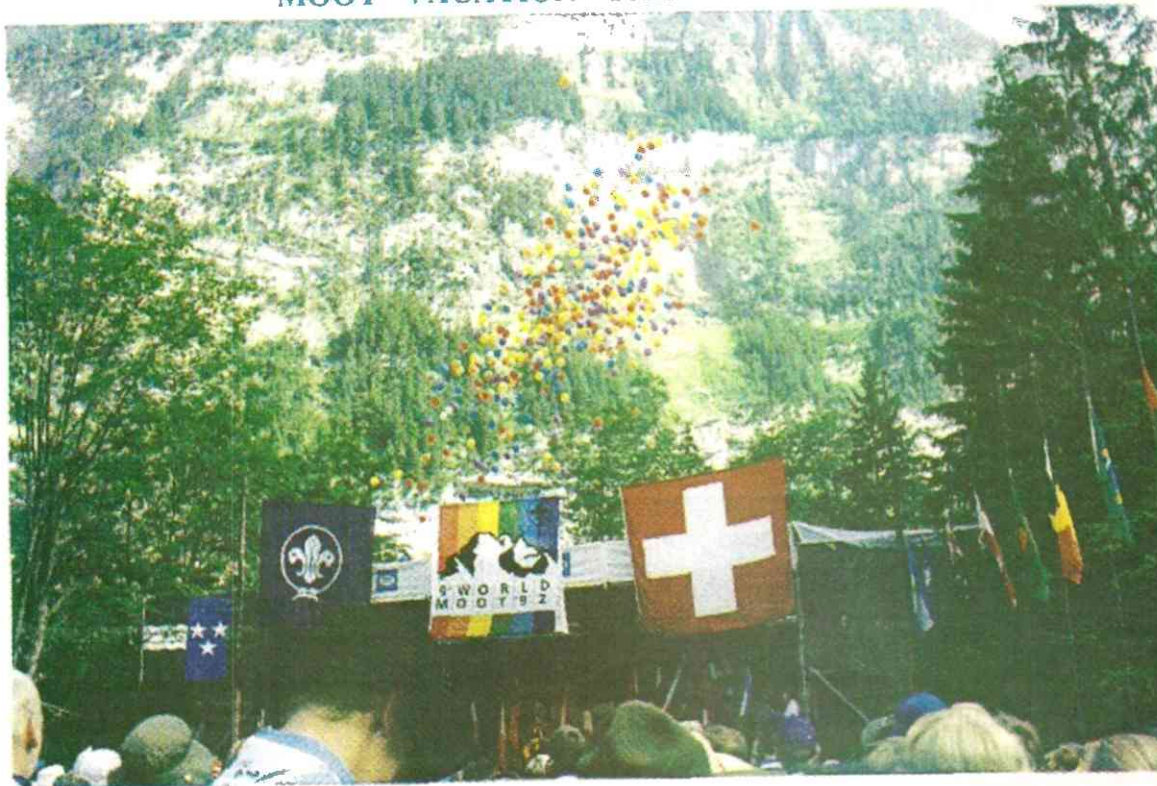
Due to my surprise at being jerked off the ground so suddenly I lost my

presence of mind and forgot to let go of the rope. Needless to say, I proceeded at a rather rapid rate up the side of the building. In the vicinity of the 3rd floor I met the barrel coming down. This explains the fractured skull and broken collar bone. Slowed only slightly, I continued my rapid ascent not stopping until the fingers of my right hand were two knuckles deep into the pulley. Fortunately, by this time I had regained my presence of mind and was able to hold tight to the rope in spite of my pain. At approximately the same time, however, the barrel of bricks hit the ground...and the bottom fell out of the barrel. Devoid of the weight of the bricks the barrel now weighed 50 pounds. I refer you again to my weight in block #11. As you might imagine I began a rapid decent down the side of the building.

In the vicinity of the third floor, I met the barrel coming up. This accounts for the tow fractured ankles and the lacerations of my legs and lower body. The encounter with the barrel slowed me enough to lessen my injuries when I fell into the pile of bricks and, fortunately, only three vertebra were cracked. I am sorry to report, however, that as I lay there on the bricks in great pain, and unable to stand, and watching the empty barrel six stories above me, I let go of the rope.



PAUL & MARC'S MOST EXCELLANT EUROPEAN
"MOOT" VACATION - PART IV - PHOTOS



The 9th World Moot is declared officially open!

Everyone is gathered for opening ceremonies



(Ed. note: these photo's accompany the text in the June issue.)

PAUL & MARC'S MOST EXCELLANT EUROPEAN
"MOOT" VACATION - PART IV - PHOTOS



Our group
of new friends
on Mont Aban.
The Universite
Canadiene
en France
is on the hill
in the background.



No explanation required

(Ed. note: these photo's accompany the text in the June issue.)



Swimming in Kandersteg

ENGLAND TO TIMBUCTOO (nearly!!)

by the Wandering-Duo, Ray & Inge Bates



Ray spent the month of December in Coventry, England attending a course at Coventry Technical College to attain a certificate to teach English to speakers of other languages (T.E.S.O.L.). It was a very intensive course and for Ray the oldest in his class quite a challenge to return to Coy/Tech after an absence of forty years. Ray passed the course which included practical teaching sessions with classes up to 20 students representing as many as eight nationalities. There were also sessions in

Coventry inner schools with children whose home language was not English, e.g. Punjabi or Bengali.

Meanwhile Inge did some exploring alone and visited Yorkshire, Durham (Including Hadrian's Wall) in England and the Scottish border country. In Yorkshire she met the parish priest of Pickering a town after which our home town of Pickering, Ontario Canada is named.

When Ray's courses were finished we spent Christmas with his parents in Anglesey, North Wales. After Christmas it was on the road again via the Dover/Calais ferry and a fast drive across northern France to be in Wendlingen, South Germany for the New Years celebration with Reinhard, Inge's brother and wife Heike together with infant son Marc. New Year (Sylvester) celebrations go off with a big bang in Germany where everyone lets off fireworks especially rockets at midnight. Altogether we spent a pleasant 10 days in Germany which gave us time to prepare ourselves for further travel south and equipped with 4 new tires on our van we set off.

Our first stop was at Neuchatel in the French speaking part of Switzerland and a reunion with a young travelling friend Gilles Mauron who stayed with us in Canada. In Canada Gilles had praised the light wines of Neuchatel and we were very impressed with the vintages (and effect!) as we sampled his grandfathers personal cellars. Still January, the weather was spring like and we enjoyed two days in Neuchatel visiting the steep old town and also taking a fast modern tram to the wine village of Avenir along the shores of Lac Neuchatel.

Half a days drive further west and

south and we were in Lyon for a reunion with Inge's sister Anneliese, husband Christian and daughter Stephanie. We stayed a week with them and with Anneliese as a guide explored Lyon and the surrounding countryside. A highlight in Lyon was a long visit to the Gallo-Romain Museum. It is a large multi-level museum showing Lyon's Roman past in a wonderful display of mosaics, statues and bronzes. The setting is on a hillside alongside an excavated Roman amphitheatre overlooking the Rhone River Valley.

From Lyons we headed south again via Le Puy and Carcassonne into the cold and snowswept Andorre. We entered over Pas de la Cosa at 2400 metres, passing by ski slopes before dropping into the French/Spanish consumer paradise of Andorra de Vela, where the streets are lined with stores full of electronic goods, alcohol, clothes and cheese. It was too cold to camp so we stayed in a hotel c/w satellite TV in every room. From Andorra we made a day long dash down the Spanish autoroute to Campello near Alicante and the villa of Ray's cousins in England, John and Jean Manning. The villa is normally unused during the winter and we were very happy to use it for 10 days and have a break from travelling. We did some local exploring, visiting Alicante, also taking the coastal train up to Benidorm. The Benidorm scene in winter is one full of British, Dutch, Belgian, German and not least of all Spanish pensioners. They all appeared to be having "fun in the sun" and enjoying themselves at lunchtime dances with live entertainment and fine dining.

Leaving Campello we headed west and south to Algeciras, the port of the Straights of Gibraltar and like Bing, Bob

and Dorothy we were "on the road to Morocco". Enroute we spent two nights in Granada, visiting the famous Alhambra Palace, and crossed the Sierra Nevada Mountains to camp on the Costa del Sol. From there it was only a short hop to Gibraltar to visit the rock and to check if the apes are still there. They are!! Van engine repairs delayed us for one week in Algeciras and whilst the van was in the repair shop we rented a small apartment on the Algeciras Bay campsite with a magnificent view of the Rock of Gibraltar. Everyday, travellers came and went from the campsite, many of them in converted trucks heading to cross the Sahara to west Africa. Amongst them we met Bob and Annmarie and their two children, two dogs and a cat. They are modern day British Hippies based on the Orkney Islands who have chosen the open road. They had just returned from 3 months in Morocco and were able to give us lots of advice and tips. Their next plan is to go overland to India and we feel they will manage it. Although we have guide books and maps it is from people like Bob and Annmarie that we get the "real information", and on the ground knowledge.

On February 18th we sailed for 1 1/2 hours across the Straights and landed at Ceuta the small Spanish enclave on the North African coast of Morocco. Within 10 minutes we were at the Ceuta/Moroccan border and 20 minutes later were in Morocco and on road to our first stop at Chefchaouen which was a good introduction to Morocco. It is a beautiful little mountain town with friendly polite people and a minimum of hassle and hustlers. Hashish is freely available in the Rif Mountains and even we "old squares" were offered a joint. The small restaurants around the main square in Chefchaouen all have second floor

and roof top areas which are reserved exclusively for the smoking of hashish (kif) and the playing of dominoes.

We journeyed on along and over the Rif to enter our first royal city at Fes. As we drove into the outskirts of Fes, the first of many Hassans we were to meet in Morocco came alongside our van on his moped and in German asked us if he could guide us to a camping ground. We agreed to this, and also on the next day Hassan became our guide through the Medina of Fes. Fes has a totally walled Medina with no motor vehicle access, all goods are transported on donkeys, mules or men. There are 450,000 people living within its walls and lots of traditional industry including the tanning and dying of leather. These are all manual industries and the smells are indescribable. Our Hassan led us through a small entrance in the side of an alley and we were looking at scenes from medieval times, with hundreds of workers heaving, scraping and stretching thousands of skins from goat to camel in the tanning area. In the drying section men worked in hip deep cold dye all day and every day. Some of the smaller finer goat skins for shoes were being dyed by hand, using expensive saffron, by a legion of little boys.

We travelled on from Fes visiting the holy city of Moullay Idris and ruined Volubilis the old Roman capital of the Roman province of Mauritania, enroute to our next campsite in the royal city of Meknes. Volubilis has many original mosaics of room size still in place from the time when it was a city populated by 12,000 people. In Meknes another friendly Hassan showed us around the old royal granaries and stables where over 10,000 horses were housed. A more modern sight was the royal

gold course of Hassan II surrounded by 3 metre thick ancient walls on which dozens of storks were nesting.

On the road south towards Marrakesh we met Yemani who turned out to be the ultimate Moroccan conman. His story was based on a broken down car that we did not see, on to a wedding invitation to his sisters wedding that day at 5 p.m., rental of wedding clothes, for us to wear, dancers and musicians, and to round it off some expensive non existent champagne. The scheme was working up to the point where we would be doing the paying for all of these good things when we politely dropped him off at a small town we were passing through.

A camping stop on the road, the Marrakesh was at the highest waterfall in Morocco, Cascades de Ouzoude. We camped there at 1500 meters on the edge of the falls, surrounded by a patchwork of small irrigated fields, while below us in the gorge was a wild jungle inhabited by tribes of monkeys. Near us on the edge of the falls were 10 little primitive water driven mills. They were so small that there was no room for the operators who sat outside, while inside grain in quantities as small as 5 kg. were ground into flour.

In Marrakesh we spent some time at the plaza of Dsemaa el Faa possibly the place where at least 95% of tourists in Morocco make a stop. The plaza is full of drink and food stalls interspersed with every imaginable form of human entertainment. There are story tellers, jugglers, musicians, monkey shows, snake charmers, con-men, escape artists, lots of bewildered package tourists and assorted crazies. In Marrakesh the weather was a little cool with snow on

the High Atlas nearby, so we headed down to the Atlantic coast staying in Essaouria and Agadir. The contrast between the small fishing town of Essaouria and the bustling slick European style resort of Agadir is startling. Many retired Europeans spend 3 months each winter in and around Agadir seeing little more of Morrocco than Agadir and the road to it from Tangier. We explored further south, camping along the way till south of the old caravan town of Guelmin, we came to a campsite in the desert named Camp Bou Jerif. Here in the shadow of a ruined French Legionnaire fort a retired French doctor Gut Dreumont and his wife Evy have built a wonderful camping complex including Berber tent accommodation and "clean" working showers and toilets. With a small staff they ran an excellent restaurant and bar. Their power is from a generator which runs from 7 p.m. till midnight. Late night entertainment is provided by Guy and his staff on drums, used gas and oil cans, and guests joining in with empty wine bottles and spoons. This camp gave us a good taste of the desert, but more was to come over the following weeks as we travelled back and forth over the High and AntiAtlas mountains into the edge of the Sahara passing along the "Kasbah Routes" of the Dades and Draa valleys. In the desert outport of Zagora is a sign pointing south on which is stated Timbuctoo 52 days (by camel). We took only one of these days to make a camel trip into the desert to a small oasis where our camel handlers cooked a wonderful Tajine (Morroccan stew) over hot coals laid in the sand.

We spent 7 weeks in Morrocco travelling 4700 kms., and found it to be an incredibly diverse country with very friendly people. At first some of the people can be

a bit of a pest with their constant requests to us as travellers to buy something they have to sell, from carpets to fossils. But this at least affords people contact and over a time one gets used to it. A typical coffee stop at an outdoor cafe in Morrocco involves buying two coffees for 5 dirham plus maybe 1 dirham tip. But it may also include a shoeshine 5 dir, beggar 2 dir, itinerant biscuit seller 3 dir, and, not least a car watched 2 dir. There is no government safety net in Morrocco and with high unemployment a living somehow has to be made, so what may be a minor irritation to a tourist is bread on the table to a Moroccan (7 dir - \$1.00 Canadian) (14 dir - 1 Pound). We were a little sorry to leave Morrocco and land back in Spain and the more formal atmosphere of Europe. Travelling via Seville we went to Portugal.

In Portugal we visited a few of the older towns as well as Lisbon and Oporto. In Lisbon a highlight was the Maritime museum with its excellent record of Portugals maritime and exploration history. In Oporto it was a visit 'with tasting', to the Sanderman Port Museum that made the highlight.

From Oporto we drove a couple of days across North Spain to enter France in the Biarritz area and on for a few pleasant days along the Dordogne river area. We based our camp in Bergerac and from there out explored some of the many small towns along the Dordogne and Veziers valleys. A very rewarding visit was made to the Lascoux II caves at Montignac. In these caves which are a reproduction only of the original, closed for preservation reasons, are wonderful ancient rock paintings rich in colour and dimension. Another short visit to Anneliese and family in Lyon, and then

we headed east across Switzerland to camp and reminisce a little at Constance on the German shore of Lake Constance. We had camped with Ellen and Karin (Daughters) almost 30 years perviously at the same campsite. Taking the lake ferries to Meersburg and Mainau Island we retraced some of Inge's tracks as a young 15 yr. old cyclist on her first trip away from home.

More nostalgia was in store for us in the next 10 days in Austria as we visited Innsbruck, Hallstatd, Wachau and Vienna. We had both been to most of these places as young cyclists. At Hallstatd we were dressed up in mining gear when we visited the ancient salt mines, originally mined by stone-aged man. On the Wachau section of the Danube we cruised from Melk to Krems, passing on the many toll castles and villages with fortified churches. In Vienna besides the usual sightseeing of beautiful buildings we had a wonderful evening at a small Heuriger in the suburb of Grinzing. To the sound of the melancholy Viennese songs accompanied by the 70 yr. old singer on accordion we drank the new wine under the shade of massive chestnut trees. Also in Vienna in honour of "der dritteman" we took a ride on the famous Prater big wheel which to our surprise we found, was originally built in England and shipped piece by piece to Vienna in the late 1800's. Another highlight of our visit to this very cultural city was a viewing of a wonderful Brûgel to Reubens exhibition in the Austrian National Art Museum.

The road to Hungary was due east and we took it to spend 3 pleasant weeks combining camping with spa-bathing in that most westernized of all the now free eastern European countries. We had about 3 days at each spa lying in water up to 38° C. with

varying chemical content. It seemed to do us good in getting rid of minor aches and pains. Our favourite spa was Hevis where the water comes from 150 meter deep springs emptying into a bathing pool 35 meters deep X 47000 square meters. The edge of the pool in Herviz is lined with red and pink water lilies and the pool is inhabited by thousands of tiny tropical guppy fish whose job is to eat the mosquito larvae. Besides loafing in spas we visited the Puszta (Prairie) area of eastern Hungary observing in a national park the traditional Hungarian Long Horn Cattle, spiral Horned Sheep and a surprise to us Native Water Buffalo. A Hungarian style cowboy show completed our visit to the Puszta and we finished off our Hungarian visit by a 3 day visit to Budapest. Here was so much to see in the twin cities of Buda and Pest that the only bathing we did was a recovery shower after a full shift of walking and sightseeing.

We found it hard to believe that with 12 months in Europe our time was running out and for the newly split Czechoslovakia we only had time for 5 days in Prague which lived up well to its reputation. A short week and a half in Germany to resell the van, and on the 23rd of June we flew home to Canada to be with our children for 5 weeks. We return to Europe via Paris in August and plan to head overland to be in south India/Sri Lanka for the 1993/94 winter.

HOW ABOUT THAT

Did anyone take note of the cover on the last issue of Rovering Magazine? Did you notice that part of the masthead was hidden in the trees? The lesson is if you hide or disguise something it's hard to tell who or what it is. Much like a lot of crews who bury their service projects. Somewhere back in the early years of Rovers, (before my time), the belief was if you do a service, you don't talk about it, if you did, it wasn't a service. That attitude has been passed down through many crews. I think it stems from the attitude that a service should have no reward attached to it, and that recognition is a type of reward.

In the back of this issue there are 2 pages from the last issue, when I finally started to read my June issue I found two sheets with the same page numbers 34 and 35. The next magazine under the one I picked up was o.k., I have no idea how many went out with the wrong pages so you will find pages 32 and 33 in the back of this issue.

Tracey Leacock makes good sense in the last issue and I thought those of you who were missing the last part of her submission should see it. Also to miss one and a half pages of Marc & Paul's Most Excellent European "Moot" Vacation part 4 would have been criminal.

This issue the experiment continues in coloured pictures. I am finding that when

a group of pictures are printed one side always seems to be out, and holding exact colour - long way to go on that. But, I was told with paper plates what do you expect? My answer, not perfection, but a little bit better.

I hear little rumours every now and then, one was about a petition to national about epaulettes, (Added in - just had conformation on that one see ORRT report), the other was rather vague, but it had something to do with Rovers setting up their own organization if National drops the axe. If there is someone working on that I have to give the credit for covering all options.

The last couple of months have been nostalgia plus, my wife and I have been to a Stag and Doe for two former crew members, who went together while in the crew, broke up and six years later came back together. At the event were a number of former crew members, how the conversation has changed, instead of cars, it's household repairs and mortgage rates, instead of styles and hairdo's, it was mommy talk.

While I was on the dance floor with the mother of two little girls, she remarked that she will never forget her time with the crew. It was a pleasure to be with a group who had the same ideals about life as she had. The only regret she had was that she felt she spent too much time on her service projects. She explained now that she is married with a family, she realizes that she has a whole lifetime to work on various service projects, that Rovers should have been more of preparation and growing time than it was. I told her there are those today that will agree, and disagree with her, as far as I'm concerned you should flip a coin in

the air, then it should stay there spinning, so no call is made one way or the other, it's up to the individual.

A couple of weeks later, we attended the wedding of Kimberley Flood. Nostalgia, you bet, my wife and I attended the wedding of her Rover Advisors, Marilyn & Al Major. And Kimberley's reception was held in the pavilion in the park where Ruth and I went dancing on Saturday nights. Ahh! the big band music, LIVE!

Two weeks later a Jack and Jill Baby shower, the slim and trim Blonde who was a barrel of energy at crew dances and parties, wasn't to energetic and she looked a little bigger, but still beautiful.

All three of these women are linked, they were part of a group of five that went to Harmony Moot in B.C. When they registered, for the Moot they requested that they be kept together. I made sure I was as far away from their campsite as I could get. My daughter told me the reason they wanted to be together, was this was the last time they would be together as a group, and that was the first and last time I saw the tears in my daughter's eyes.

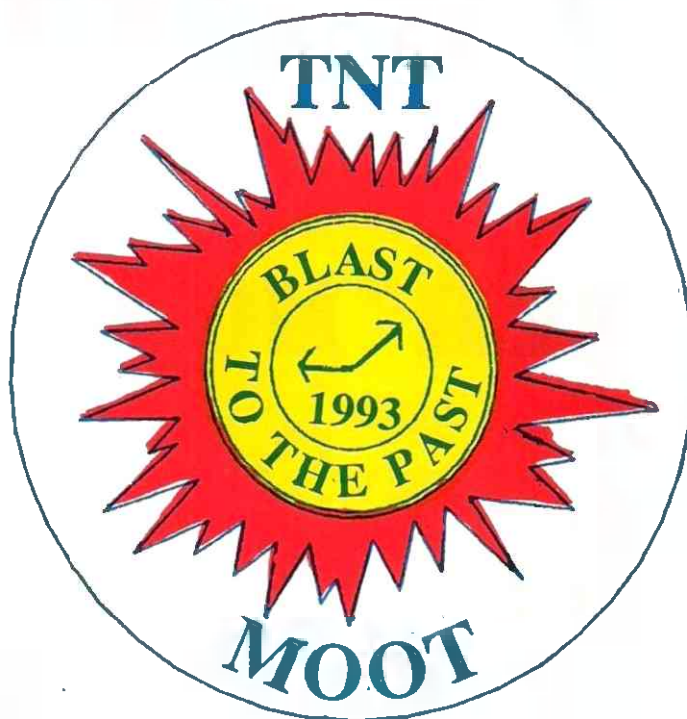
From that point on I think they all put out of their minds what they knew was going to happen. They all knew that this time in their lives was over, and it was time to take on the world, and I knew that I would never see another combination like them in the crew, there would be other combinations, but each one would be special in their own way. Some would be Gung-Ho! Rovers, some just fun and games, but all when they leave the crew, I hope, carry the feeling of brotherhood wherever they go!

Yep! It's been a nostalgic summer!

Keep On Rovering
Don



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SEPTEMBER 24-26



In a ceremony held at the Jubilee Auditorium, Jan Bacon, an advisor with the 76th Knights of Logres Rover Crew, received an award for, "MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED DONATIONS" from the Canadian Red Cross. Calgary Rovers and Venturers regularly do service for the Red Cross and each year serve at the Honours and Awards as ushers, coat checks and coffee and pop servers. As you can see from the photo, Calgary Rovers are in uniform transition, just like everyone else, but when Rovers, "dress for the occasion" they make a great showing.

Jamboree-on-the-Air

When Scouts want to meet young people from another country, they usually think of attending a World Jamboree or another international gathering. But few people realize that each year more than 400,000 Scouts and Guides "get together" over the airwaves for the annual Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA). Modern communication technology offers Scouts the exciting opportunity to make friends in other countries without even leaving home.

JOTA is an annual event in which Scouts and Guides all over the world speak to each other by means of amateur radio contacts. Scouting experiences are exchanged and ideas are shared via radio waves.

Since 1958 when the first Jamboree-on-the-Air was held, millions of Scouts and Guides have "met" each other through this event. Not only is it fun to talk to Scouts from other parts of the world, but it is also a chance to find out about other countries and about Scouting elsewhere. Many contacts made during JOTA have resulted in penpals and links between Scout troops that have lasted many years.

With no restrictions on age or on the number of participants, and at little or no expense, JOTA provides an opportunity for Scouts and Guides to contact each other by amateur radio. The radio stations are operated by licensed amateur radio operators. Many Scouts and leaders hold licences and have their own stations, but the majority participate in JOTA through stations operated by local radio clubs and individual radio amateurs. Today some operators even use television or computer-linked communications.

Members of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) are invited to take part in JOTA and to enjoy this international event together with Scouts.

1. DATE AND DURATION OF THE EVENT

The Jamboree-On-The-Air is organized to coincide with the third full weekend of October each year. The event starts at 00.00 hours local time on

the Saturday and concludes 48 hours later at 24.00 hours local time on the Sunday.

Each station can choose its own operating hours within this period.

2. HOW TO TAKE PART

First, contact a local amateur radio operator or amateur radio club and ask for help. Radio amateurs are enthusiastic about their hobby and most will be willing to help you participate in JOTA. Most Scout associations have appointed a National JOTA Organizer (NJO) who can put you in contact with a radio amateur. Otherwise the national amateur radio organization in your country will be able to give you the name and address of a radio amateur in your area. The radio operator may suggest that the Scouts visit his station during JOTA, or that he brings his equipment to your local headquarters or campsite. Often JOTA radio stations are set up in unusual locations, such as at the top of a mountain or on a boat.

3. LICENSING REGULATIONS

Radio amateurs have obtained a radio transmission licence from their national authorities. They have passed a technical examination to obtain this licence. License conditions vary from country to country. In some, Scouts may speak over the air themselves; in others, special permission can be obtained for Scouts to speak over the radio during the JOTA weekend. Where Scouts are not allowed to speak over the air, the licensed operator has to make the contacts. If the operator is not a Scout or leader, he will need a special briefing on Scouting and on your group. The operator should be able to talk about Scouting in your local area and be able to make friendly and informative exchanges on behalf of the Scouts present. The Scouts can help to brief the operator and tell him the sort of things they would like to find out from other Scouts.



4. RULES OF THE GAME

There are some basic rules to be followed:

- All radio operators must run their stations in strict accordance with their national licensing regulations.
- Stations should call "CQ Jamboree", or answer calling Scout stations to establish a contact.
- Any authorized frequency may be used. It is recommended that stations use the agreed World Scout Frequencies listed below. To avoid congestion, other close-by frequencies can be used as well.

World Scout Frequencies:

Band	SSB (phone)	CW (Morse)
80 m	3.740 & 3.940 MHz	3.590 MHz
40 m	7.090 MHz	7.030 MHz
20 m	14.290 MHz	14.070 MHz
17 m	18.140 MHz	18.080 MHz
15 m	21.360 MHz	21.140 MHz
12 m	24.960 MHz	24.910 MHz
10 m	28.990 MHz	28.190 MHz

- JOTA is not a contest. The idea is not to contact as many stations as possible during the weekend.
- All participating groups are asked to send a report of their activities to their National JOTA Organizer (NJO) after the event.
- NJOs are requested to send a national JOTA report to the World Scout Bureau for inclusion in the World JOTA Report.

The worldwide JOTA is organized in October. However, there are other times when Scouts can meet on the air. Radio Scouting stations are often organized in conjunction with a large camp or other international gathering of Scouts. Regular Scout nets (a pre-arranged time and frequency when operators meet) are organized nationally or regionally. An updated list of these nets can always be found in the latest World JOTA Report.

5. NATIONAL JOTA ORGANIZER

Each Scout association is requested to appoint a National JOTA Organizer (NJO), who is responsible for co-ordinating the JOTA participation of Scouts in his country. He can also serve as the point of contact for JOTA information, and can put Scouts into contact with radio amateurs and vice-versa.

The National JOTA Organizer:

- operates at national level within his Scout association (most NJOs are members of the international committee of their association);
- is preferably someone with his own amateur radio licence, or at least with a vast knowledge of amateur radio;
- is the Scout association's representative with the national amateur radio organization;
- has the required organizational skills to support participating Scout stations in his country;
- receives full organizational and financial support from the headquarters of his Scout association.

Countries with large numbers of Scouts taking part often have a team—a Radio Scouting Committee—to assist the NJO. The structure of this body differs from country to country, depending on local needs and regulations.

The NJO is requested to send a report of his country's JOTA activities to the World Scout Bureau after the event. It should describe the most important and interesting contacts that were made, and may contain ideas and comments, suggestions for future programmes. This information is used to compile the World JOTA Report.

6. WORLD JOTA TEAM

The World Scout Bureau's JOTA team provides the following information each year:

- *May*: the first JOTA circular is sent with the exact dates of the event, the theme and logo, programme suggestions, and information on large summer camps equipped with radio stations;
- *August*: a second JOTA circular is sent with the latest details and information, a report form for the national JOTA report from the NJO, and participation cards for each participating station;
- *March*: the World JOTA Report is published, containing statistical information on JOTA participation, activity reports from countries, a selection of newspaper articles and new programme ideas. The report is in English, with a French summary.

The information in the circulars and World JOTA Report can be used to publicise the event through national and local Scout magazines and newsletters. All JOTA information is always sent to the

international commissioner of all national Scout associations. An additional copy is sent directly to the NJO, if the World Scout Bureau has been informed of his name and address.

7. HB9S

The World Scout Bureau operates its own amateur radio station, with the call sign HB9S. There is a permanent radio room in the Bureau's Geneva offices, and the station is regularly on the air during Scout nets. HB9S operates during all JOTA weekends, with short breaks during the night. Transmitters are on the air simultaneously on the 10/15/20 metre, 160/80/40 metre and 0.7/2 metre bands. The World JOTA team is usually assisted to operate HB9S by World Bureau staff and an international team of Scout radio amateurs. Making contact with HB9S requires some patience, as many stations call at the same time. Please follow the instructions given by the operators and do not interfere with on-going contacts. The operators do their best. They make contact with Scout stations worldwide and speak to Scouts in as many languages as possible.

8. SCOUT STATION CALL SIGNS

Each licensed amateur radio station has a registration number, a call sign. The first one or two letters specify the country. Here are a few call signs of well-known Scout stations that can often be contacted:

HB9S	World Scout Bureau, Geneva, Switzerland
K2BSA	Boy Scouts of America, National Office, Dallas, USA
JA1YSS	Boy Scouts of Nippon, National Office, Tokyo, Japan
PA6JAM	Scouting Nederland, National Station, Sassenheim, Netherlands
5Z4KSA	The Kenya Scouts Association, Paxtu Station, Nyeri, Kenya
VK1BP	The Scout Association of Australia, National Station, Canberra, Australia
GB2GP	The Scout Association, Gilwell Park, London, UK

9. JOTA PROGRAMME ITEMS

The World Scout Bureau produces a number of items bearing the JOTA emblem. They can be used to promote the event, as souvenirs, or as gifts for those who have helped with the event.

- Participation card: Each year an attractive card illustrates the annual JOTA theme. The card can be given to Scouts who participate in the event. Supplies of the card can be ordered through the National JOTA Organizer.

- Stickers: Six Radio Scouting emblems in white on a purple background 15 x 21 cm sheet. Item 123A.
- Car badge: Radio Scouting emblem in white on a purple background. Item 304.
- Woven badge: Radio Scouting emblem in white on a purple background. Item 402. 7 x 4.5 cm.
- Radio Scouting emblem: Artwork sheets of the emblem in various sizes for use in publications, etc. Item 2640.
- World JOTA Report: Published annually. A summary of the reports received from NJOs, statistics on JOTA participation and programme ideas. Item 1310A.
- The JOTA Story: From the inception of JOTA to the present, author Len F. Jarrett describes the history of this worldwide event in detail, with information about the organization of the event and the evolution of participation figures over the years, reprints of all JOTA logos ever used, and quotes from World JOTA Reports.

Current prices of items can be obtained from the World Scout Bureau.

10. PROGRAMME IDEAS AND ACTIVITIES

Here are a number of JOTA programme ideas to stimulate your imagination:

Before the event:

- Send a report of your plans for the weekend to local newspapers. Ask if a reporter and/or photographer could visit the station.
- Ask a radio operator to talk about amateur radio communications. Visit his station to actually see how it works. Learn about radio waves and their propagation.
- Design special QSL cards for the JOTA weekend. Organize a competition to select the one the troop will print. Find a way to print your own cards or prepare lots of different handmade cards.
- Find an unusual location for your JOTA station.
- Design and practice building a suitable antenna tower.
- Find out about commercial radio or television. How are programmes made? Visit a recording studio. How does a radio receiver work? Build a simple receiver.
- Learn about electricity. How is it produced? Learn how to carry out simple electrical repairs such as how to fix a blown fuse. Visit an electricity generating station.
- Practise using a personal computer. Write some simple programmes. Learn how to work with a programme that keeps track of all the stations you contact during JOTA.

- Learn and practice Morse code. Use a computer to teach you the code.
- Find out about other countries and prepare questions to ask over the air.
- Practice talking into microphones using radio operating procedures and jargon.
- Find out about your local area in order to be able to answer questions from Scouts in other countries.
- Learn a few greetings in other languages.

During the JOTA weekend:

- The continuing story. Make up the beginning of a short, imaginative ten-line story. Read it out to the station with whom you are in contact. Ask them to add the next part of the story and pass it on to the next Scout station with whom they make contact. If you receive such a story by radio from another Scout group, write it down in your station report. This activity is also very well suited for RTTY (telex) and packet-radio contacts.
- The global weather situation. Take a large wall map of the world. Ask the Scouts with whom you speak to give you the local weather report. Mark it on the map for the area where they are located. A newspaper weather report will show you how to do this. At the end of the weekend you will have a global weather picture.
- Determine the distance between each radio contact that you make and add them all up. Can you reach 100,000 km in one JOTA weekend?
- Make a simple drawing. Give instructions to Scouts over the radio as to how to draw the same picture, line by line, without telling them what the picture is. Can they reconstruct your drawing and tell you what it is?
- Each Scout patrol is given 20 metres of ordinary electrical wire. Using their imagination, can they construct a "super antenna" with which the radio operator can make a contact?
- Find out how to say "Scout" and "Guide" in at least ten different languages. Make a list, and use it each time the occasion occurs.
- Learn to sing the first few lines of a song in a foreign language. Find some Scouts on the radio from the country where the song comes from, sing the song to them and see if they can join in.
- Arrange a weekend camp and set up a JOTA station at the site. Erect antenna towers. Arrange a programme of camp activities.
- Invite parents and other friends to visit your JOTA station to see what you are doing.
- Organize a weekend hike and take portable radio equipment with you.
- Ask each Scout to keep his own personal logbook. Include details of the names of the

Scouts contacted, their address and other information.

- Set up an information section with maps, atlases, encyclopaedias and other sources. As soon as a contact is made, Scouts can quickly find out a few details about the country or region and about Scouting in that area.
- Plot contacts made on a world map.
- Log contacts made with a computer logging programme and print the details for the QSL cards.
- Prepare and publish a JOTA newsletter. Invite the local press to your station. Ask a newspaper photographer to take some photos.
- Prepare a quiz. Ask the questions over the air. Send souvenir prizes to those stations that give the right answers.
- Organize games which involve devising a simple way to send messages.
- Build simple electronic circuits. Several countries have instruction booklets available on this subject, with many ideas for simple circuits.
- Organize a fox hunt, where Scouts have to locate a small hidden transmitter. This can include the use of a map and compass.

After the event:

- Write to the Scouts contacted. Establish individual (penpal) or troop links. Send a badge from your country and other information about your area and Scouting.
- Send a report of your weekend activities to the local newspaper.
- Send a full report to your National JOTA Organizer, who sends his national JOTA report to the World Scout Bureau in Geneva.
- Start planning to participate next year.

Examples of radio jargon used by radio amateurs:

CQ Jamboree: A request for any other JOTA station to answer your call.

CW: Morse code mode of sending messages.

Phone: Voice mode of sending messages.

Packet: Electronic mode of sending messages using personal computers.

RTTY: Radio teletype type or telex mode of sending messages.

SSB: Single Side Band, a transmission mode.

HAM: An amateur radio operator.

LOG: A written record with details of contacts made.

Net: A regular pre-arranged time and frequency when operators meet on the air.

QSL Card: A postcard sent by each station to acknowledge the contacts made. One side of the card normally carries a design. The other side gives the technical details of the contact.

Q Code: The Q code was originally developed as a way of sending shorthand messages in Morse code. However, it is still used by operators for voice communications.

The following codes are commonly used: Followed by a "?", they constitute a question.

Code	Question	Answer
QRA:	What is your call sign?	My call sign is ...
QRM:	Do you have interference?	I have interference.
QRN:	Do you have static interference?	I have static interference.
QRT:	Should I close down?	Please close down.
QRV:	Are you ready to receive messages?	I am ready to receive messages.
QRX:	When will you call me?	I will call you at ... hrs.
QRZ:	Please repeat your call sign?	My call sign is ...
QSB:	Are my signals fading?	Your signals are fading.
QSL:	Are you receiving me?	I am receiving you.
QSP:	Do you have a message for ... (another station)?	I have a message for ...
QSY:	Should I change frequency?	Please transmit on ...
QTH:	What is your location?	My location is ...
QTR:	What is the exact time?	The exact time is ...

The phonetic alphabet

When using radio communications, words and call signs are liable to be misunderstood because some words and letters sound similar. This problem is overcome by using a phonetic alphabet. The following alphabet is used by amateur radio operators:

Letter	Word	Pronunciation	Letter	Word	Pronunciation
A	ALPHA	AL fah	U	UNIFORM	YOU nee FORM
B	BRAVO	BRAH voh	V	VICTOR	VIK tah
C	CHARLIE	CHAR lee	W	WHISKEY	WISS key
D	DELTA	DELL tah	X	X-RAY	ECKS ray
E	ECHO	Eck oh	Y	YANKEE	YANG key
F	FOXTROT	FOKS trot	Z	ZULU	ZOO loo
G	GOLF	GOLF			
H	HOTEL	HOH tell			
I	INDIA	IN dee AH			
J	JULIETT	JEW lee ETT			
K	KILO	KEY loh			
L	LIMA	LEE mah			
M	MIKE	MIKE			
N	NOVEMBER	NO vem BER			
O	OSCAR	OSS car			
P	PAPA	PAH pah			
Q	QUEBEC	KWEE beck			
R	ROMEO	ROW me OH			
S	SIERRA	SEE air RAH			
T	TANGO	TANG go			

Number	Pronunciation
1	WUN
2	TOO
3	THUH ree
4	FO wer
5	FI yiv
6	SIX
7	SEVEN
8	AIT
9	NINER
0	ZERO

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A hand-drawn map of the Paris area. The map shows several roads: HWY 403 running vertically on the left, HWY #2 running vertically in the center, and HWY 24A running horizontally at the bottom. A horizontal road labeled 'PUTT TOWN Rd' intersects HWY #2. Another horizontal road labeled 'HYR Rd' is below it. A road labeled 'WATERBURY Rd' runs vertically on the right. A road labeled 'RIVER Rd' runs horizontally on the far right. A river labeled 'RIVER' flows from the top right towards the bottom right. A bridge labeled 'GLOBAL TOWER' crosses the river. A rectangular area labeled 'IMPELOR' is located near the top right. A road labeled 'REST HOUSE Rd' branches off HWY 403. A road labeled 'LIFE ST' branches off PUTT TOWN Rd. A road labeled 'SILVER ST' branches off HYR Rd. A road labeled 'PENCE MOUNT CAMP' branches off WATERBURY Rd. The word 'PARIS' is written in large letters at the bottom left.



Rest time by
the underground river.

PAUL & MARC'S MOST EXCELLANT EUROPEAN
"MOOT" VACATION - PART IV - PHOTOS



A fellow Spelunker heads
into a very small hole!

(Ed. note: these photo's accompany the text in the June issue.)

the wrong end of the scale is being adjusted. By 19 young adults are in the workforce or at post-secondary institutions, and they are interacting daily with colleagues of all ages. The 19 year olds have to be comfortable with 26 year olds. If 8 year's worth of Rovers can handle the age difference, the one year that has a problem should not have priority over the rest. Learning to interact with people of all ages as equals is just part of growing up.

Finally, in most cases, where Venturers do not move up to Rovers, it is probably because they don't really know what Rovers are. Cutting the number of years one can be a Rover won't particularly encourage Venturers to move up, but it will cut the number of Rovers registered in Canada by a significant amount. Where do you hope to pick up those numbers again?

Tracey Leacock, Seymour Vespula Rovers

MARC & PAUL'S MOST EXCELLENT EUROPEAN 'MOOT' VACATION - PART IV

July 21, 1992. 7:20 AM Rise and Shine! Made our way down to the dining room, and devoured breakfast (if that's possible with the Continental Breakfast).

Sitting on the balcony of the youth

hostel, high up on Mont Alban, the view of Nice is fantastic. To the right is Vieux Nice. This is the original port of Nice, and has many interesting old stores and cafés to explore. Past Vieux Nice to the North and West is Nice itself. It will remind you a bit of LA with the permanent layer of smog hovering over the city, but much smaller and less planned.

The airport built out over the water is quite evident, and one can periodically see a Concord dropping in for a visit. The Paillon River, which used to run through the centre of Nice, is now covered by the beautifully landscaped Promenade du Paillon. There are numerous fountains and grassy areas to relax and enjoy the warm Mediterranean sun.

Nice is very much a tourist city, with many of the shops and cafés geared towards the trade. Watch out for the cover charges on the night clubs as they are definitely aimed at the foreigners.

Made our way down the mountain and did the Bank thing. We took a rather circuitous route to the train station to rent some real transportation for the day.

Our vehicle of choice, mostly due to financial considerations, was a Volkswagen Polo. At 395F per day (\$100.00 per day), we were lucky that there were five of us to split the bill. Oh no!!!! Marc's driving!

Headed over to Euro-Marché; affectionately known as Euro-Hell to the local Canadians up at the Université Canadien en France located just up the hill from Nice. Euro-Marché is kind of like Great Canadian Superstore over here. The girls bought beach-mats, and we all chipped

in for lunch stuff. Why are we in a mall?

Now equipped with food, beach-mats, and suntan lotion, we were off to San Tropez. To my surprise, we came upon toll booths on the freeway. Being the sneaky type that I am, I decided to exit just before the booths and take the secondary roads. Being the sneaky types that the French are, they put toll-booths on the exits. Arghh!!

Did the scenic route to St.Raphael, and took a wrong turn to St.Tropez. The mountain route is very nice, but rather long. The traffic was gross down by the water, so we found a less populated beach between St.Rapheal and St.Tropez. Unfortunately, it wasn't anywhere near as nice as St.Tropez.

Hit the freeway all the way back to Nice, and only hit two toll booths. They have a really neat idea to save on road maintenance costs. Instead of paying some overpaid union guy (or gal) to sit and hold a slow sign, they have a mechanical dummy doing it. We always thought that was a mindless job.

Grabbed some more food at Euro-Hell, and drove back up to the Hostel. We were treated to dinner by our travelling companions. Good food!

Cleaned up and then did the diary thing before returning to the Hostel's lounge. Paul grabbed a cold Heineken beer from the pop machine, and I grabbed a Coke. They were the same price.

6:30 AM, rise and shine. NOT!!! Snooze button time; got up at 7:00. Much better. And guess what!? Continental breaky again! Had to rush down to the train station to reserve our couchette for the ride

to Paris. Back to the Hostel by 9:30, and had to wait foreeeeeeever for the two from CA to get ready to go. We all headed up to castle Aaaaarrrrggggghhhhhh!!!! (Just kidding ☺, if yo watch the "Holy Grail" you should get that one). Actually, it was Fort Mont Alban. Couldn't get inside because of renos, but the view of Nice and Villefranche was good (see photo).

Dropped the others off downtown and said our farewells.☺ Grabbed a box, tape, and lots of Coke at Euro-hell, and headed for the Post Office. For some unknown reason, the French Postal Service has decided to stop Sea-Mail service. I guess we won't be mailing the box home yet.

Time for one last trip to the beach. Yes!!!! After 4 hours of absolute hell ☺ on the beaches of Nice, we grabbed some food and headed for the train. Luckily for our sunburns, we slept in the air-conditioned comfort of our couchettes.

Paris was upon us at 8:00 AM. We finally managed to get in touch with our local Scouting contact, Christine, and she came down and led us to our accommodation for the next few days. Christine lived too far out of town, so she got us a room in an apartment with an English teacher from North Carolina. Christine is a cub leader, and works for RJ Reynolds Tobacco Co.

Christine invited us to a restaurant near work, and we had lunch with her workmates. Pizza!! Half of the lunch was on the company. We were lucky that Christine had the time off to show us around as she had just recently had her appendix out.

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MILES STARTS WITH A
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