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AUGUST 26 TO SEPTEMBER 4
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#### **B.C.ROVERING**

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17 - 19 Frazer Valley Region Moot Jason Farmer Ph. (604) 596 9569

# July 29 - Aug 1 Provincial Conference Morris Valley, near Harrison Collen Vince Ph. (604) 942-4129

#### September

24 - 25 Camp Raven Allouette Lake Leah Snelgrove (604) 985-8596

#### November

Medieval Feast Willoughby Hall Darlene Fitzgerald (604) 853-7130

Sweden

June 24 - July 4, 1996 10th World Moot Ransberg, Sweden

#### About the Cover:

Annual Sand Castle Competitions at Clam Harbour Beach, Nova Scotia. Average of 217 entries. In the Adult Class last year, the Crusader Rover Crew placed third and they have placed first many times. They are known as the winningest competitors.

### 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 momento 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.

#### Requirements:

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.

Consideration should be given to the nominee's position and the corresponding opportunity to render outstanding service beyond normal expectations.

Note: The nomination is confidential. To avoid possible disappointment, please do not advise the nominee in any way of your action on their behalf.

#### HONOURED WITH PREVIOUS R.S. DELL AWARDS

1982 - 37th Hamilton Co-ed Rovers

1983 - Ben Warren, 1st Niagara, Sir Isaac Brock Crew

1984 - Sue Emond - 1st Dixie Rover Crew

1985 - Timothy Halford, 75th Windsor Rover Crew

1986 - James Simmons, BP Rover Crew

1987 - Bohdan Mykolyn, Hamilton District

1988 - Don Sitler, 9th Kitchener Rover Crew

1989 - Skip Reynolds, Kincardine 🦠

1990 - Bob & Jane Graham, 75th Windsor Crew

1991 - Verna Dell, 37th Hamilton Crew

1992 - Stuart Murchie, 1st. Burford Rover Crew

1993 - Heather Archer, 1st Wilmot Rover Crew







### ROLAND S. DELL MEMORIAL AWARD



#### To the R.S. Dell Memorial Award Committee

Dear Rovers:
It is an honour to present for your consideration for the R.S.Dell Memorial Award
Name:
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Nominee is currently registered in Scouting as;
at
Name of Nominator:
Address:
Date;
Signature of Nominator
Please explain on a separate sheet(s) why you feel the nominee should receive the award, noting, Scouting, community and personal achievements.
Send completed applications to:
R.S. Dell Memorial Award c/o Ontario Rover Round Table Secretary

c/o Ontario Rover Round Table Secretary
Scouts Canada
9 Jackes Avenue
Toronto, Ontario. M4T 1E2



Dear Don:

I read in your column in the April Issue of Rovering Magazine about a request from John R. Yarrow of the 206th Toronto for books on Rovering. I have occasion to stop in at the London Region Office, Spencer Lodge, on a regular basis, primarily because it is the closest Scout Shop. I also recently attended a course at Spencer Lodge and had the opportunity to peruse their library. They have an excellent selection of books on Rovering (besides Rovering to Success) in the library. 1 talked with the office staff and while they will not photocopy a book for a person, they will allow you to read at your leisure or borrow the book (upon receipt of a piece of valuable 1D being left with them as a deposit) so that you can take it to a local quick copy centre, called Kinko's on Western Road, near the University of Western Ontario, to copy.

On a related note, the Field Executive, Sarah Ransome (nee Graham) is a former Rover (is there such a thing). Sarah was a Rover with the 75th Windsor Crew and her parents are past advisors there (as well as being past Great Lakes Key Three members). I must say. Sarah is a good example of finding a way to actually make money from Scouting (just joking). Sarah does a super job in London and is a great example of living Rovering ideals through out one's life.

The address for the London Region office is Scouts Canada, London Region Spencer Lodge 531 Windemere Road London, Ontario

Please note that the office hours are 9 to 5 Monday to Friday. Also note that next door to Spencer Lodge is Spencer Hall, a totally separate location that is a conference centre for the UWO. There is usually a lot of confusion about these two buildings.

I hope this information is of some help to John Yarrow and keep up the good work on the magazine.

Yours in Scouting Tom Wilson, President, Sydenham District (and a Rover Supporter)

#### Dear Rovering Magazine:

This year my father invented a colouring contest in the magazine. He had asked me to judge it and announce the winner at the St. George's Day Dinner and Dance. Apparently this was a thinly disguised ruse to get me to attend. It didn't work. He didn't receive any entries.

He really wanted me there to enjoy the expression on my face when the nominations for the Roger Awards were read. It wasn't until the day after the event that I was told I had been nominated in the Best Continuing Feature category.

I am currently wearing a special head brace to keep my ego from injuring my brain, ...NOT!!

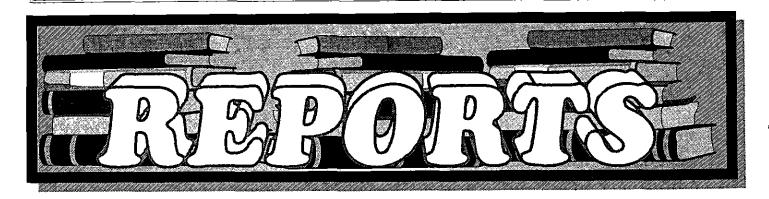
He also told me later, while at a moot, he had the occasion to run into one of the magazine's readers. She told him she liked my story so much she couldn't wait for the next issue and next installment.

In all seriousness, this is the first praise I have heard from complete strangers and these mean the most to me. This short novel was my first attempt in literally years to exercise my imagination on paper in the form of words.

I would like to thank the Magazine for allowing me the privilege of space for artistic expression and I would like to thank those who nominated my effort. I am the person responsible for giving *Roger* his three-dimensional form and I have never expected to own one.

By the way, the life of Derek Seidler is going to continue.....

John Sitler





5:00AM is definitely too early to get up to catch a ferry. So we didn't. Mind you, 5:45 isn't much better. But hey! What the heck. It's off to the B.C./Yukon Rover Roundtable meeting in Victoria. Paul and Marc are sitting in the ferry lineup waiting for our ride across the water. The mountain bike is on the back and the notebook is still running off it's batterier (we'll see how long that lasts), and Coca-Cola Polar Bea is on the dash.

Gord is on his motorbike and we should see him on the ferry. The plan is to get everyone at the Roundtable meeting to contribute to this edition of B.C.Rovering Mag. This should be interesting.

Victoria, B.C.. Capital of our beautiful province, site of the Commonwealth Games, home to 'Newly Weds or Nearly Deads', and the biggest thermal power generating station in B.C. (the Legislature).

Hi, it's Gord here. We're now on the ferry (Paul M, Marc R, Doug H, Paul E, Laura M, and moi. And, ha ha ha, people with motorcycles don't have to get up at 5:45 to catch ferries, do we Doug??? It's now 10 am, and after a coffee, well, ok, three coffees, we're feeling great.

Paul and Marc sampled the Breakfast Buffet. This is definitely not the usual ferry food. After four helping, we're ready for the meeting.

The road into Willis Point is a rally drivers dream. Twisting and turning, rising and falling. What a hoot! Too bad the snows are still on the car. More on the meeting in the Provincial Report. After the meeting, it's back down the road of dreams to a Pub-style restaurant to get a bite to eat and watch the Canucks game....

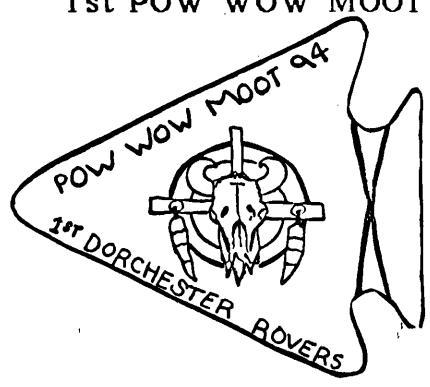
We have just returned from the restaurant where we witnessed the humiliating double overtime defeat of the Calgary (that's a big C for choke!) Flems. In attendance for this edition of Rovering Magazine are Marc Ramsay, Paul Mozsar, Cathy Oldham, Jason Sylvester, Miss Provincial - Colleen Vince, Derek Macdonald, Mike Hall, Chris (My team just got eliminated by the Canucks) Hodgkins, Doug Hastings, Lorie(I almost kissed Daryl) Parsley, Nadine Askey, Mike Beaton, and Daryl Ford.

#### Vancouver Coast Region

After a short period of recovery after the everpopular Rovent<sup>TM</sup>, it back into planning mode for next

### 1st DORCHESTER ROVERS

1st POW WOW MOOT



If you liked the Wee Moot then you'll love POW WOW. August 11—14/94. Registration is on a first come first serve basis. Packages now available. Includes Native Indian entertainment and a servive project. Location is CAMP BEL in Dorchester. For info. write: P.O. Box 72 Dorchester Ont. NOL IGO or call Chris (519) 268-3516, Darrell (519) 268-3421 or Fax Chris (519) 268-2491

# To All Rovers, Explorer Posts, Rover Alumni, Squires Announcing the 1st Dorchester Pow Wow Moot

We are inviting all Rovers, Explorer Posts, Rover Alumni and Squires to the Dorchester Pow Wow Moot on August 11-14/1994. The cost will be \$20 per person. If you can only come for the day on Saturday, there will be a fee of \$15 per person (A large portion of this fee is to cover the Native American dancers). Included in this registration package, you will find a registration form, a list of events and a few regulations that must be followed.

We strongly encourage that every effort be made to arrive, depart, open camp and close camp in standard dress uniform as outlined in the BP&P. Please come self-contained.

The Pow Wow moot will be a Native Indian theme. We will have Indian dancers for Saturday night and numerous hand crafts that may require extra costs for leather, such as moccasin boots and so on.

As you should already know, our motto is Service. During the day Friday, all of the participants will take part in a large service project for Camp BEL and the benefit of all the others that use it. The project has yet to be decided. It mainly depends on the number of participants, but we will let you know once a decision has been made. In return, we hope to be providing a pig roast and/or turkey dinner on Friday evening.

#### Parking

Parking will be supplied on the campgrounds, but no vehicles will be allowed to drive to the site. A tractor and hay wagon will be used to take 'gear' runs down to the flats where people are camped. You may use your vehicle(s) when called for, such as for pre-arranged off site tours.

#### Directions

Take highway 401 to highway #73, go north on #73 to jxn #29. Turn left. About 1/2 mile down the road, the campgrounds will be on the north (right) side of the road.

Dorchester is around 10 miles east of London, Ontario.

### Events (These events have yet to be securely scheduled)

Lacrosse tire shoot Lacrosse Indian leg wrestling Archery Repelling Canoe relays Bucking Bronco Obstacle course Black powder Native displays And still more... Monkey Bridge

Tomahawk throwing BB Guns Bosuns chair Leather crafts High Wire

#### Schedule

#### Thursday 12:00pm

- -Camp opens for arrival
- -Off camp activities ie Labatt, Walley World, Shopping etc (These activities and more are by choice, you can do what you please.)
- -On camp activities ie Lacrosse, Baseball, Football etc.

#### Friday

- -On camp activities for the morning
- -Opening at 1:00pm
- -Camp BEL service project at 1:30pm (To last the rest of the day)
- -Early evening dinner will be provided -> Hope to have pig roast and turkey (depends on the numbers)
- -Social time after dinner

#### Saturday

- -Events start at 9:00am
- -Lunch from 12:00pm 1:00pm
- -Events end at 4:00pm
- -6:00pm 9:00pm will have Indian dancers perform, and leather crafts will be available
- -Campfire at 9:30pm
- -Cracker barrel after campfire (will be provided)

#### Sunday

- -Rovers own at 10:30am
- -Closing at 11:00am

### Pow Wow Registration Sheet

1st Dorchester Rovers
P.O. Box 72
Dorchester Ont.,
NOL IGO

Please address questions to either:

Chris Patterson Darrell Somers

Phone #: (519) 268-7030 Phone #: (519) 268-3421

(519) 268-3516

Fax #: (519) 268-2491

year. Any volunteers for Rovent<sup>TM</sup> chairman?

Seeing as this report has taken a couple of weeks to complete, we can also report on the Jurassic Moot. It was a beautiful, sunny, warm weekend and the few of us that were there had a great time.

The Pterodactyl Kite flying brought out some imaginative designs. Participants were given some plastic, tape, and string and told to go at it. Bonus marks to Doug Hastings for his rendition of a Pterodactyl on his kite.

Other activities included Caveman Inventions.

Collen Vince came up with the original golf putter, and

Doug demonstrated his aim with his sling-shot.

The turn-out was a little on the disappointing side, but we'll find out why at the Vancouver Coast Roundtable AGM on May 15.

Garnet Ryder is organizing the BC Contingent for the Eh, Canadian Moot, and he has lined up a jacket and badge design. He has asked for everyone from BC who is going to get in touch with him. The Vancouver Coast Roundtable sent a \$500.00 startup donation to the Eh, Canadian Moot committee last year, and the percentage of that is coming back to the committee to be used to offset the cost of the jackets for VCR members of the BC Contingent..

The BP Trek Challenge is fast approaching. Early indications show that this years event will be bigger than ever. It's too bad that most of the early registrations have been Venturers and not Rovers. I guess that's what happens when you get old....

Nite Hike happened back in April. Thanks to all the Rover Crews out there that participated by running a station. With over 1200 participants and 200 staff, it was a big success. The weather even cooperated. How about that Aurora Borcalis!

#### Frascr Valley Region

They left, so there is no report. Oh, hold on, Doug is in the hot tub. Gord and Laura wimped out and went home early, so they missed out.

Doug (Tai Chi) Hastings is now arrived for the FVR report. Actually, he is wimping out and referring us to the report that Gord left.

The Fraser Valley Moot is June 17 - 19 at Camp Lindley. The theme is '1920's Gangster Wars' and rumour has it that the 'The Revolution Against the Totalitarian Gangsters' may be making an appearance. Right Mike!? Call Jason Farmet @ 596-9569.

Camp Raven is Sept 24 - 25 at Allouette Lake at

a cost of \$12.00 per person with a limit of 125 people. Call Leah Snelgrove @ 985-8596.

Camp Mardi Gras is Sept 30 - Oct 2 at a yet to be determined location. Call Lance to harass about the location @ 597-IEGO (8103).

Gord (daddy) Reid is getting the boot at the next Roundtable meeting. He has been found guilty of pushing the lines of squireship too far.

The Fraser Valley Medieval Feast will be November 26 at Willoughby Hall (as per usual). Call Colleen (no, no, no! Don't put my name there), sorry, Darlene Fitzgerald @ 853-7130.

#### Islands Region

Camp Skeeter is fast approaching and registration have been slow in coming. Big report coming next issue.

1st Nanaimo Hillbillies are actively fund raising this year by silk screening t-shirts instead of making the dreaded apple pies, hey Paul! Also, for the first time in 1st Nanaimo history, the Rovers won the snow sculpture competition at Rovent. The crew is also investing in new crew jacket which should make their first appearance at Skeeter.

The crew is cooking for the Part 2 Woodbadge on Gabriola Island this weekend, and at Browne River in Courtney at the end of May. Other past and upcoming activities include selling hot dogs for the district, attending Family Camp and a Cuboree, and Camp Caillet work parties.

Congratulations to Donna Walden and Scott the Canoeist for their upcoming wedding. Does this mean they're both up the creek without a paddle? Nudge Nudge, Wink Wink, Say no more, Say no more!!!

#### Burnaby Region

Hello everyone!!! I'm finally at the helm of the keyboard. Now it is time for the Great BURNABY report. Still three Crews strong and very active.

Nite Hike was the big event in April for the Rovers. Both 2nd S.W. and 6th Centre Lake operated Registration, a hot chocolate stop, security, and check-out.

Regional Beaveree is taking place this weekend so everyone else is doing the service while Derek and I are here in Victoria.

I (Paul) am now an invested Rover Advisor for 6th C. L. and this Crew is very active. Planned events include: All sections camp, Camp Skeeter and Sailing Trip

to the San Juan Islands as part of the Gold Duke of Edinburgh Journey.

2nd S.W. hosted a bowling night after Rovent and had a great turnout. There was lots of leftover Rovent Cake to eat and everyone LOVED it! NOT!!

Other planned activities include: Camp Skeeter, Regional awards Ceremony, BP Trek, FVR Moot and the Conference.

I am travelling to Montreal to attend the National Youth Forum and National Semi-Annual Meetings. Next issue I will report on the outcome of these meetings.

#### Victoria Region

Lorie (I sleep with the Mate) Parsley denies everything.

Nadine invites all to her housewarming party on May 15th. Call 475-6615 for details! (Pretty gutsy of her to invite everyone considering it's already happened by now)

Car Rally, May 29, 1:00PM at Scout House Parking Lot, 505 Marigold Road. \$10.00 per car including 1 driver and 2 navigators, and \$5.00 per additional person. Call Jason @ 474-1316.

Nothing else is happening, wedding plans are going fine; send presents c\o Victoria Region Scouthouse.

#### Provincial Roundtable -

The meeting is taking place at the Willis Point Fire Hall and Recreation Centre. Five regions are being represented, and the hot tub sits in wait of the end of the meeting.

Special guests, albeit late, were Gary Ness - APC Rovers, Greg Nicholson - Provincial Service Team, Tony Hourd - Deputy Prov. Commissioner for Program.

Gary gave a talk on the Rover Task Group Review and circulated the report from National. Needless to say, this generated a lot of discussion. Those in attendance were encouraged to read the report and take it back to their Regions and Crews for discussion. Any suggestions, concerns, etc. should be audressed in a letter and sent to the Task Group for their consideration by the end of May.

The hottest topic that came up during the Task Group discussion was the 18 to 21 age group. Most were in agreement that their needed to be a developmental period for this age group, but this shouldn't be the limit for Rovers. Possible considerations would be to lengthen the Scout and Venturer Program, and make Rovers an adult

service section with ages of 22 to anywhere from 28 to 35. Then again, what about the World Scout Organization's direction of a 18 to 25 year old Rover Section?

Scouts Canada's Strategic Plan was discussed in length. Paul elaborated on National's growing acceptance of the youth input into their planning meetings. This impressed everyone and all agreed it was necessary. Nationals change towards support role instead of their directional role was also accepted quite positively. Scouting is for the youth, and they should be the ones that steer Scouting's direction.

The Eh' Canadian Moot was discussed. The B.C. Contingent badge was accepted with minor changes. Once the Contingent decides how many they want, they will be made available as a B.C. badge after the Moot. Costs TBA. The new B.C. Rover jacket was displayed, and orders should be placed through Garnet Ryder ASAP. Cost for the jackets is \$39.95 plus the government's share. You snooze, you lose!

A silkscreen design was accepted with the winning design coming from Miss Provincial - Colleen Vince. The silkscreen will be made available at most of the future Rover events and the cost for using it will be \$2.00 per print.

Marc received a letter from the 10th World Moot Organizing Committee with the current scoop on the next World Rover Moot.

Dates: June 24 - July 4, 1996 Age group: 18 - 25 years

Location: Ransberg, Sweden (near Karlstad)

Theme: "Spirit into Action"

Cost: Approx. \$450.00 (2,500 SEK)

The theme is "Spirit Into Action". The Scouting spirit provides the guidelines for action. Scouting action provides the means for sharing and strengthening the Scouting spirit. One cannot survive without the other. As a meeting point for young leaders from around the world, the Moot will provide an excellent opportunity to reflect upon the spirit and put into action.

The World Moot site will be Ransberg, Sweden. It is situated in the county of Värmland, in Western Sweden, near the River Klarälven, surrounded by forest and hills. It offers a campsite close to nature in a country rich with tradition and cultural heritage. The Moot site can easily accommodate 3000 participants. Karlstad is the closest town.

Home Hospitality will be offered in Swedish Scout families to World Moot participants. They suggest that you plan for Home Hospitality before the Moot. This is an opportunity to see more of Sweden, and take part in the typical Swedish mid-summer festivities in the days before the Moot. Sweden does not get much sunlight during the winter months, therefore the long summer days are a cause for celebration.

The Moot fee is approximately \$450.00 CDN (2,500 SEK) and includes the cost of the expedition as well as transportation from Karlstad to the Moot site and back again.

The programme is designed for young Scout leaders wishing to mature as human beings and to gain experience to become better leaders of tomorrow. They want to give everybody a maximum chance to meet people from other countries and the locals as well as offer interesting and stimulating activities. Their aim is not to train advanced skills but to encourage all participants to learn something, have taught somebody else something, share views, learn about the Swedish way of life, have served somebody in the local community, and have made lasting friendships.

To make this possible, the Moot Crews will be mixed. The crew live together and cook together during the whole Moot. The information that we received seems to say that the Moot Crews will consist of the members of your particular expedition. This will allow for a truly mixed cultural experience and strong friendships to be established.

The four-day activities have yet to be defined. The one-day activities (on- and off-site) will include a wide variety of handicrafts, community projects, workshops, sports, sight-seeing, and outdoor activities. The Moot place will be the centre of activity during the Moot. It s a 24 hour cafe, activity centre, debate hall, stage, and handicraft hut.

More information is supposedly being forwarded to National. The Swedish organizers have the distinct advantage of being able to take all of the good ideas from the 8th and 9th World Moots, and learn from the bad. This Moot will be a must. If you can make it, go! You probably won't get another chance like this.

Thanks to the Victoria Region Rovers for the fantastic job they did organizing the Provincial Roundtable meeting. The relay race set-up by the fire department was great, and the Sega NHL Hockey games added a nice touch. An A+ for the hot Tub!

I guess this wraps up another edition of BC Rovering. Marc was hoping to have enough material

together to start up his new column this month, but alas, all his help was on Rover-time.

Now that the Canucks have obliterated the Dallas Stars from the playoffs, who will be next in the slaughter? I guess we'll just have to wait and see.

The following was submitted by Doug Hastings. Can you guess what events the first nine versus are describing? (Answers below)

### What We DO

Heat and light surrounded by snow where only insane Rovers would go.

Hot tubs brought to certain meetings to ensure numerous friendly greetings.

Paddle canoes on windy lakes and moon lit dances will let you feel great.

Frisbees and Hacking will be fun hike to lost waterfalls in the hot sun.

Eat like knights of the Roundtable be lord for the night if you are able.

Forty-six K; hiking all day over three mountains: short breaks on the way.

Watch kids hike through paths in the dark at challenging stations all through the park.

Under tarps fellowship is found because of rain which fall all around.

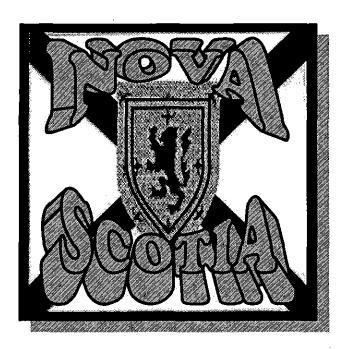
Helper are sure to remember thousands of children sleeping together.

We all do our best and still have fun when we work together the job gets done.

We have friends wherever we go part of the brotherhood spanning the globe.

We are Rovers; Please join us and learn to enjoy a life full of trust.

(Answers: Rovent<sup>™</sup>, Provincial Roundtable, Camp Raven, Camp Skeeter, Medieval Feast, BP Trek, Nite Hike, Rainbucket, Dream-On)



#### ROVER SERVICE

by Bernard Wile

Recently, Rovers have had to re-access their role in the Scouting community. Heavy scrutiny has put the program under a microscope, no one performs well in a spotlight except an actor.

'Rovering service is often as secretive as their ceremonies and programs, is this bad? Some sections of scouting are insisting we should be more public with our acts of service. Why is it we opt to only put a little plaque on a service project instead of making it public knowledge?

OK it was the Crusader Rovers who built the gate at Camp Harris, Dartmouth Regional Scout Camp! What did that just get me? Now I'm a horn blower. When publicity becomes the focus of a service project, then we have lost focus of what we are here for. When it becomes more important to us who sees us doing service, than who the service is for, maybe we should take a close look at whether or not it's really service. Tell me a camp planning committee which will invite Rovers to help, if their opinion of Rovering is "they're just a bunch of glory hounds", I wouldn't.

People say that Rovers are too secretive, everything with Rovering is a secret. I don't think that Rovers is a big secret, most of us are more than willing to talk about

a lot of the aspects of Rovers.

The operative word for Rovers is not secret but personal.

I took my investiture ceremony as very personal, I take my service as personal. I'm sorry I'm not trying to be secretive; it's just personal!

Each faction of scouting has its own little quirks, Beavers promote group activities, Cubs, group dynamics, Scouts, patrol and small group interaction, Venturers promote development in groups and leadership, but Rovers exemplifies the individual, the badge program is personal, the vigil is personal, the ceremonies etc...

Next time you see a Rover crew or Rover doing service, just be thankful that they are there and don't question their reasons for doing it.



5th Dartmough Marachd Rover Crew. Runner up 18 wheeler. Dartmouth South BP Week Mall Display. Congratulations!

#### RESPONSE TO HOT TOPIC

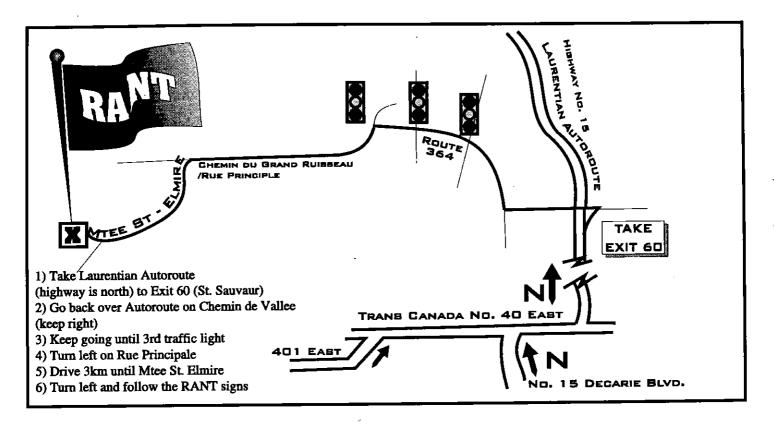
The article Hot Topic originally appeared in an earlier issue of The Excalibur. (Ed.)

"Strong drink makes weak men!"

It is an old saying, and is very true. Scouting is not about encouraging or approving of people being weak. It is, and always has been, a Movement dedicated to the improvement of its members.

It seems to me then, that it is a simple step of logic that alcohol is not to be used or carried at a Scouting camp, event, or activity of any kind. Anything other than this simple statement is just an attempt to complicate the issue and justify past actions and future intentions.





When: September 9th, 10th, and 11th, 1994

Where: Camp Kanawana, St. Sauveur Theme: Grease - "Rant Goes Fifties"

**Cost**: \$20 Pre-registration \$25 Late Registration

This year because the Rant is being held on a short weekend exchange-meal will take the place of the usual exchange lunch. If you are interested, please indicate below, the meal you would prefer to host.

- \* Breakfast will be provided on Sunday Morning.
- \* Be prepared for the Talent Show
- \* Be prepared for the Look-A-Like Contest. (Elvis and Marilyn Monroe)
- \* Venturers are welcomed with a leader or sponsor.
- \* Please indicate the names of people attending.
- \* All Ranger/Rover Rules are in effect.

For more information please contact me at (514) 458-4428. Send the registration forms to me, Michelle Bentley at: 106 Selkirk, P.O. Box 703, Hudson, Quebec, JOP 1HO. (Checks can be made payable to Michelle Bentley)

REGISTRATION FORM (Please register before July 15th, 1994)

Unit/Crew/Company Name:

Contact Person:

Address:

No. of people:

Arrival: Friday PM. 

Saturday AM. 

PM. 

Exchange Meal: Lunch Saturday 

Supper Saturday 

Doesn't Matter 

Amount Paid: \$\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_ (people) = \$\_\_\_\_\_

One can say that a Rover is over legal age, and is therefore entitled to drink as, and when, they please. But not all Rovers are over legal age, myself being one of them.

On a different note, one could say that:

"Oh, I'm a responsible drinker, I won't get drunk and make a fool of myself and the Movement." But it only takes once and then all Rovers are branded in some minds. Unfortunate, but true.

Personally, I feel that one could go so far as to say that one must be careful about mixing alcohol and Scouting when not in uniform, at any event. We are supposed to live the Scout Law, and we made a Promise at investiture. We do not give those up when we take off the lovely tan shirt do we? So why is it that we can take off the responsibility we all carry full time for the public image of the Movement? And, it is a full time task. One person who is not a member might see a member in uniform at a Scouting event, and later that night see that member leglessly drunk. They do not make a distinction nine times out of ten.

To return to the world within the Movement, what does a 13 or 14 year old Scout think when he sees Rovers, who he knows are youth members like him, drinking at a camp or event? He looks at someone he has seen as a role model and thinks: "Well, the Rovers do it, so it must be cool, I should do it too!" Or he thinks: "Boy, are those Rovers ever slack and disgusting. I'm not ever going to listen to anything they have to say again, and I'm definitely not going to join Rovers if that's all they do."

Think about it, People! We are Rovers every day, all day, you can't peel it off. People depend on us, they look up to us, and we must always be ready to Serve, not be drunk after indulging ourselves, or not available because we have finished work for the day and gone drinking. Interpret the Promise and Law as adults, not kids in Junior High who are breaking the rules for the sake of it.

Yours in Service, Brian Trim

#### ROUND TABLE WK-END MARCH 11 -13 CHESTER, N.S.

by Bernard Wile

Well, so ends another successful Round Table week-end and as promised it was fun, informative, and a good argument (I mean debate) all in one. The debate over changing the terms of the Round table to non-knighthood names is heating up, but that's an issue for the Table to decide.

The 1st Chester Rover crew was the host of the Round Table for its first time and made a very good impression on the rest of the province.

There was a personal development course held on Saturday from 10 am. to 6pm. with a number of excellent lecturers, thanks to Mary Edwards and her organization efforts. I found the course very helpful and it was my second development course. There was pizza and pop for all after the course, as well as a few movies to tide us over until the night's fun began. The Chester Curling Rink was opened to us at 1am. to 3am. Curling is one sport I had never tried before, but to tell the truth, I loved it, and now I am looking forward to the prospect of a Rover Funspiel being held this time next year.

This time on Sunday morning, we were actually up early to head to the links. Yes! The local golf course for a round of sno golf.

This proved not only a lot of fun but quite a technique builder. My stroke improved remarkably through the game, if I ever try golf in its proper form, I think I will truly shine or if I ever take up tennis with golf clubs I may be in for a championship. Chester has a lovely little golf course with many sand traps and other features we noted as we walked over them on the crusted snow that covered everything.

Upon return to the Scout hall we were greeted by crepes, what a delight, the executive made breakfast in appreciation for the support they have received all year (a little early to start campaigning now) and we ate in appreciation for their efforts on a cold Sunday morning. Thanks to Matt, Cathy, and Marc for the crepes, and the year so far, it has been great fun and we are only getting started.

Peter Service, vice-mate of the Round Table, and the only recipient in Nova Scotia of the Religion in Life Award for the Rover Level at this time, seemed the perfect choice to conduct the Rover's Own this fine morning. The Rover's Own was attended and appreciated by all, excellent service Peter.

In keeping with tradition, the Round Table started at precisely 1 pm. in the Scout hall with representation from: 3rd Boundry Bay Notorious Knights, Crusader Crew, 1st Timberlea B Crew, 52nd Halifax Police Crew, 53rd Halifax Fire Rovers, 1st Milford Crew, and 1st Aldershot, finally as a voting crew. Absent were Lancers, 12th Sackville, Guardians of the Golden Grail and a newly registered crew in Cape Breton. Also missing was Jeff Lynds of Talisman, efforts are in the works to keep these people informed.

A few highlights and lowlights of the week-end were even more people got to the events than usual. We only had one confrontation on the golf course, but it was a biggie, we also had one injury, but it was a little one, just a crushed finger. We finally saw the 52nd Halifax Police Rovers at the Round Table for the first time this year. 1st Timberlea "B" was attending since the split with 1st Timberlea and they appear eager and strong

Rovering
Sea to Sea seems to
be a big issue,
many people are
now interested in
going. The Round
Table committee
vows to have some
proposals for the
next table.



Vicemate NSRRT Peter Service, 53rd Halifax Fire Rovers and the rest of the executive.

**NSRRT SKI MOOT '94** 

by Bernard Wile

Upon arrival at the camp in Vaughn Nova Scotia, I found a lovely 3 bedroom. 2 level house tucked away in the woods, on the edge of a lake. The house brandished a NSRRT JAN '94 banner.

(Something like the one in the February '94 issue of Rovering Magazine, page 5? ED.)

Inside I found a number of familiar faces who had arrived before me. There was Brian our host and Sean and Nancy of the Crusader crew. With me were, Matt, the

Mate of the Round Table and Joyce of the Crusader crew. New to the round table faces was Holly Thomas also a Crusader Rover. Arriving shortly after us was Mike a Lancer Rover.

Rounding out our cast of characters, were Heather, Jay and George of the soon to be registered 1st. Aylesford Rover crew. We spent most of the night and part of the morning getting acquainted. (cards were involved)

Come morning 10 am. or so we took to the ice, Joyce and Holly with their skis on and Sean, Matt, Brian, and myself with a football. After a bit of horseplay we quickly came inside to warm up and get ready for the ski slopes. Between 11:30 and noon we met the members of 1st Milford Crew and a couple more Crusaders, for a day of skiing, Martock. A ski bump as it was later called by our Notorious Knight.

Later in the evening I had to return to the city to pickup our Marachd representative, and on returning to camp was greeted by the sore and limping survivors of a day on the slopes.

Milford Crew and Advisor joined our happy little camping group, but was soon separated to begin their Vigil, for a midnight investiture ceremony, on the lake. (Most crews are opting for Round Table Investitures, instead of sponsoring crews). Not to detail the investiture, but the invested Rovers of three crews invested three members of a new crew under a bright 3/4 moon with big fluffy snow flakes and freezing temperatures. It was memorable.

Most people racked out early that night and arose late Sunday morning and began to pack, to make room for those coming for the Round Table meeting. A few of us and a few early arrivers, hike up the lake to look at another nice cabin.

At the traditional time of 1 pm. the Round Table was called to order. There were representatives from; Guardians of the Golden Grail, Lancers, Crusader, Maracbd, 1st. Chester, 1st Milford, 1st Aylesford, 53rd Halifax Fire, and 3rd Boundry Bay Notorious Knights. Absent were 1st Timberlea, 52nd Halifax Police, 12th Sackville RCMP, Talisman, and Voyager, more effort is going to be made to get these Crews to the next table.

The Round Table lasted about 2 1/2 hours. We discussed changing the traditional knighthood terms to more neutral terms in our constitution and we talked about what our involvement in Scotia Jam '95 would be. We even heard from the Rovering Sea to Sea committee, who are awaiting the second info pack. We talked on a number of other subjects but this is all published in the Excalibur.



Rover Moot, Millers Lake 1932. S.J. Librey may be in picture. Stuart Macleod is fifth from left, second row.

### Nova Scotia Rover Round Table Mates Report

When last we met we were close to thirty strong snuggled away in a nice quite little cabin in the middle of the woods.

To those who braved the drive on Sunday, I thank you, and for those who arrived on Friday and Saturday, what a great time we had.

Also, many special thanks to Brian MacInnis for the-use of his parents cottage and to those of you who stayed and helped clean up. It was greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to 1st Milford in becoming the second crew to be invested into the World Wide Brotherhood of Rovers. It was a great honour and privilege for Mike, Brian Trim, Bernie, Brian MacInnis, and myself, to do.

As our Round Table grows in volume and strength, I must remind all the crews it is important that we all must be heard. However, we do have a proper etiquette and protocol to follow. So, please refer to the Nova Scotia Rover Round Table Constitution and By-laws and read 3.0, memberships, subsection 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, and 3.5. This should solve any confusion and complaints I received about law and order at the last Round Table.

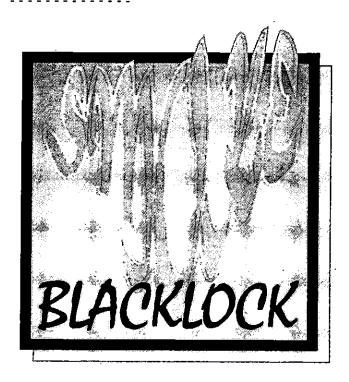
But, besides that, the next Round Table is weeks away. The Development course is on Saturday, with the Round Table on Sunday at 1 p.m., as usual.

This is a worth while course. It is the seed that

helps develop the roots and foundations of every crew. Also with golf, ice skating, and pizza movie party planned, there shouldn't be a dull moment.

Well I hope to see everyone in a couple of weeks, so until then.

Yours in Rovering, and Service to All: Matthew Pardy



## CREW THEMES KR "SMOKE" BLACKLOCK

Many nasty things are said about "Theme" Crews. Many nice things are said about "Theme" Crews. The only things they all have in common is that they are usually said by people who don't know what they are talking about.

In reality, most Crews operate under a theme, which develops from week to week. The theme could be education, service, outdoor activities, Scout leadership or anything else and might last from a month to twenty years. These informal themes give a basis of the crew program and activities. The Crew is no different in this respect than a Troop or Company. However when we talk about "Theme Crews" we usually are referring to a permanent defined theme which may or may not be followed.

#### KNIGHTHOOD THEME

Many Crews are operated on the "Knighthood Theme" which forms a basis for ceremonies and terminology in the crew. Very few Crews do anything beyond this, although a few Crews take part in the medieval activities of the Society for Creative Anachronism or similar groups. This is an interesting activity but is restricted to a very few Crews. All of Rovering is based on the Knighthood Theme in the sense of personal development toward a life of community service. The Terms "Round Table" and "Squire", are Knighthood based and the Investiture Ceremonies written by BP and by Bishop are both symbolically an entry into the rights and responsibilities of Knighthood. Beyond this most Crews have no Knighthood program at all.

#### VOCATIONAL CREWS

Part of the Rover concept is to develop yourself for your suture career. If there is sufficient interest in a particular vocation it can form the basis of the Crew program. Many Crews start off with a particular vocational theme such as Police or Fire training. These can form the basis of an excellent program developing skills in the field which you intend to enter as a career. Support in training, facilities and equipment can improve your program immensely, as long as the Crew is committed to that theme but, if the sponsor tries to remove the Scouting emphasis and exchange it for a purely vocational emphasis it becomes a Cadet system for the sponsor. If your Crew is considering a vocational theme you want to clearly establish how much of your program will be controlled by the sponsor and how much by yourselves. The Rover activities shared with other Crews are important to you as a social and spiritual development opportunity and a program that isolates you from Rovering and Scouting will rob you of these opportunities.

#### OTHER THEMES

Many Crews start off as theme Crews with a special interest theme. Often these are Service oriented such as Search and Rescue, or First Aid crews. These can be great opportunities for training, service and experience, and can be fantastic Crews so long as all the members continue to be interested in this level of commitment to that theme. The down side is that someone whose interest stops at a lower level, or who is unprepared to commit the

required time is left with the choice of taking part or dropping out. When the number of interested Rovers drops off the Crew will either change themes or die. These special Crews also risk the same problems as the vocational Crews in having the theme sponsor take over from the Rover program to create a "cadet" movement under the Rover name.

#### ANNUAL THEMES

Many Crews have found that rather than having a fixed permanent theme, it works better to plan a years programs with a theme or special interest to work around. This may be the same as last years theme or perhaps a totally new direction, but will be the choice of the Crew at this time. A Crew with a theme of Service (Children's hospital, First Aid, Community Parks) and a theme for activities (travel, party, canoeing) you will be able to plan for today, and adapt for tomorrow's members. Instead of the Crew being tied to a specialty which continues until the members change you plan on the Crew continuing and the theme changing.

## FINDING A PROGRAM K.R. "SMOKE" BLACKLOCK

Your Crew is now looking for programming ideas to give you a chance to develop yourselves and at the same time give you a lot of fun. If your program ignores the fun aspect you will find your crew collapsing as the members go elsewhere for enjoyment and relaxation. If your program ignores Service and development in order to have nothing but fun you might as well be at a daycare center. Plan a balanced program which mixes fun, Service and development and also mixes the interests of all members of the Crew.

Set aside an evening for program planning, with a time limit set, and some refreshments to follow. The time limit should allow no more than one and a half hours at this stage. When the time is up you drop the subject until next time. Next time you start from where you stopped and again have a time limit.

First of all, a brainstorming session will pull out a lot of good ideas, a lot of poor ideas and a lot of vast and half vast ideas. Do not editorialize or comment at this time. Write it down and move on. A Flip Chart or Chalk Board is best for this purpose so everyone can see what is suggested. Make sure you are getting suggestions from everyone in the Crew and make your list a long one. When your list is complete you divide it into sub lists: Service; Physical Development; Social Development; Spiritual Development; Mental Development. Some suggestions will fit in more than one category so put them on all the lists suitable.

When the sorting is done, take one list at a time and check to see if anyone has anything to add. After any additions have been put on all lists go back to the first list and start discussing each item. Do not drop any item unless you vote on it. This ensures every one has a chance to express their concerns and interests. When the list is pared to half a dozen choices under each heading start trying to fit them into a program with something for each part in a cycle of 4 or 5 meetings. Those items that fell into two or three of the lists are great.

If you try to balance the program to include Round Table Activities with other Crews, Activities strictly with active members of your own Crew, Activities with former members of your crew and occasionally some with spouses, mates and dates. Quiet times and wild times, party times and work times, Small groups and Large gatherings, don't get in a rut. The whole crew need not be involved in every activity but should be included in most.

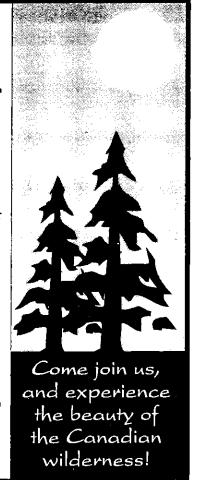
The best person to arrange facilities, times etc. for an activity is the person who suggested it. He or she should be the one to call for prices, reservations etc. to get the activity off the ground. This too is part of the Mental and Social development of the activity. Finances can be a problem in a Crew with differing situations. Take into consideration that activities with a champagne flavour may cause problems for the starving student in your midst. The women with the car may not be able to absorb the cost of driving it every trip. Consider these factors when

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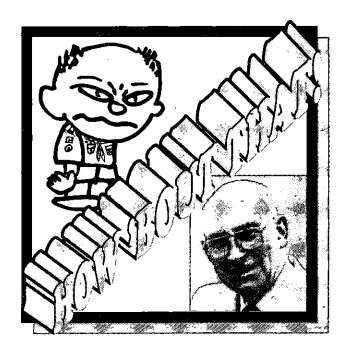


programming and try to find ways to balance the costs so no one is financially hurt by the Crew. Each Rover has to plan for Food, Shelter, Clothing, etc. and it is not fair to place anyone in a position where the costs of Crew activities is placing them in financial embarrassment. Some members may be embarrassed to mention the problems which will possibly cost you a good member rather than have them admit to being broke.

Check to find out if your plans will offend or exclude any members. If any of your members are physically disadvantaged, you will need to amend activities to allow them to take part. Honest discussion will help to decide if your member with a missing limb or with M.S. is prepared to go winter hiking in the mountains or would just as soon sit it out. Our crew has backpacked, canyon crawled, explored caves and many other activities with members who were physically challenged and, although we were sometimes a little slow, we have always had fun.

When your program is written you have a guide line for the years program. This can be altered by consensus of the membership at any time when something better offers. Remember to watch to ensure that the favoured activities of one member or part of the Crew do not end up to be the only activities carried out.

In your Crew log, keep a record of the activities including what arrangements were made, contact names, costs, and whether everyone enjoyed it. This becomes a goldmine of information for future planning, for other Crews, and for Scouters of other sections. If the activity turns out to be a great one, write it up for the Scout Leader so others can use the idea.



Once again I was amazed at the way the St. George's Dinner & Dance was accomplished. This year a number of church activities reduced the time we had in erecting the castle and sundry decorations. The dinner menu was altered to allow Rover Gilbert Asmus to create one of his amazing wok stir-frys. He accomplished it by training two Rangers as his assistants, and they worked three woks much to the delight of the guests. Gilbert also ran a contest for the guests to list the ingredients that he used, and for the thirty of you who tried and failed, here is the list of ingredients that he used: Rice, Soya Sauce, Spanish Onions, Green Peppers, Red Peppers, Coconut, Garlic, Shrimp, Chicken, Squid, Crab, Carrots, Peas, Pineapple, Mushrooms and Green Onions.

Oh!! by the way, the 9th wishes to thank all those who did not enter the colouring contest that was in the last magazine, you saved them \$27.

Another great hit of the evening was the dessert that the Rangers made using Girl Guide cookies as a principal ingredient. I must admit I watched it being made and had some grave doubts -but it turned out fantastic. For all who request the recipe (it seemed like everyone) here it is as supplied by Girl Guides of Canada plus a few embellishments:

Miniature Cherry Cheesecakes

24 Girl Guide Cookie halves filling removed 24 medium size paper muffin cups 28oz (250 g) Cream Cheese 3/4 cup sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla

2 eggs

1 can of cherry pie filling

Preheat oven to 325 degrees F. Line muffin trays with medium size paper muffin cups. In the bottom of each cup, place a Girl Guide Cookie half.

Combine cream cheese, sugar, vanilla and eggs, mixing at medium speed on electric mixer until well blended. Spoon cheese mixture over Girl Guide Cookie, filling each cup 3/4 full. Bake for 20 minutes.

Cool before removing from pan. Top with cherry pie filling and chill for one hour prior to serving.

At Donnacona Rangers we half the cream cheese mix - we add white icing to 1/2 and brown icing to the other half. Cut back on 3/4 cup of sugar.

We put chocolate cream cheese filling on white cookies and white filling on chocolate cookies

OR

put all the icing in all of the cream cheese mixture.

Happy Eating - Donnacona Rangers

The dinner was followed by the Blood Donor Awards (which I didn't hear most of, because I was out in the kitchen) so I will just say that several crews were presented with certificates.

The 11th Cambridge made a presentation to their Skip, Al Major for his help and encouragement. A wall rug of the crew's crest, hand made by the crew.

The Roger Awards once again were very close in all six categories. The following is a list of the nominees, with the winners in ITALICS.

The nominees for the two best moots of 1993 were:

Scarecrow Moot, TNT - Blast from the Past Moot, Scruff the Dragon Moot, Club Med Moot, Looney Tunes Moot, Rovent, Attawanderonk, Search Moot, Kindergarten Moot, 21st Wee Moot, Klondike Moot, Snowball Moot, Hallowe'en Moot, Medivial Fair Moot and Bear Bash. The nominations for the Best Single Feature Article in Rovering Magazine in 1993 were:

Is Anybody Listening? - What G.T.R. Rovers Are Doing, - More Dinasaur Thoughts and Don't Quit Poem.

The nominations for the Best Continuing Article in Rovering Magazine in 1993 were:

Marc & Paul's Excellant Adventure

How About That, B.C. Rovering, God Stuff, Smoke, and The Secret Sharer (Sailboat Story)

Nominees for Dedication to Rangers were:

Shelia Jeffery, Marilyn Major, and Shirley Simon

Nominees for Dedication to Rovers were:

Ian Campbell, Marilyn Major, Billy Macquire, Don Sitler, Al Major, Paul Mosar, Stu Murchie, Joan Pringle, Kevin Gable, Todd Page, Thomas McKecknie, Robert Heath, Jack Ryder.

(three of the above Rogers are waiting to be packaged and shipped, they will be sent out shortly)

The Rolland S. Dell Memorial Award was presented to Heather Archer of the 1st Wilmot Rover Crew and past Chairperson of O.R.R.T.

If you think this issue of the magazine is late you are right. At this moment, 11:30 p.m., I am sitting at a picnic table under the light of a coleman lantern at "Q" Moot in Quebec. I should be at home doing pre-press work on the magazine. How did this happen, read on.

On Thursday, May 20, at 11p.m. five of us from 9K and Donnacona drove 10 hours and arrived at the camp in Quebec at 9:00 a.m. Friday morning. We were glad we did flat campsites were next to non-existent. The remaining four from our group left Friday at 1.00 p.m. arriving at the camp at 8 hours later, they didn't stop for dinners and snacks like we did. The weather started out and remained beautiful, and the company for the weekend superb.

On Friday evening as everyone else was arriving, the five of us and two guests sat down to a surprise dinner prepared by Gilbert and Bob, Chicken Cordon Bleu with all the trimmings, the meals for the weekend started like this and just got better.

Later I sat in on a campfire in which a game called "Truth" was underway, (I had the feeling it was started by Madonna). After having my ears singed, I blushingly beat a hasty retreat - how times have changed!

On our volunteer sheet I signed up to do Saturday morning's breakfast. I prepared the sausages, home fries, and when I started the scrambled eggs with onion and cheese, I gleefully announced at 6:30 a.m. that breakfast would by ready in five minutes. Somebody mumbled," Don't ever let him volunteer for breakfast again" That cut me to the quick, ha! Ha! HA!

On Saturday noon we hosted 9 Rangers from the 3rd Chateauguay Rangers, for a lunch of sloppy Joes, (known to the crew as Sloppy George's as the mix contained left over turkey from the St. George's dinner) green salads, egg salads, finger food, with chocolate pudding and watermelon for desert. 10 litres of fruit punch was mixed in a 20 litre container before we left home, and froze it solid, to this we added ginger ale, it made a refreshing drink after the mornings competitions. On Sunday the Rangers hosted us, sub sandwiches, and a number of squares, sinfully fattening.

I know I am going on about the moot but it's hard to write about anything else when it's right in front of you. The sponsors of the moot came up with a new twist, a game called "King's Quest" based on the computer game of the same name. Without getting detailed, you have a puzzle to solve, it has four sections, each section has six questions, you had to acquire the answers by asking the right questions from the character players scattered throughout the camp. The characters were wizards, princesses, knights, sleeping beauty, enchanted ladies etc. If you didn't get the right answer, you could ask for a clue, which would take you to another area of the camp, to meet with another character. When you met a character you had to do a task or fight a knight etc. If you were unlucky, you could have spent the afternoon chasing down the actors asking a total of 240 questions to solve the puzzle. I personally think the people who worked on this game have a real winner once the rough edges are smoothed out.

HO! HO! HO! no it's not Santa Claus, but my crew has just returned from a slave auction with a slave "Steph" one half of the Quebec Columnists "Steph and Jules". Guess who is making breakfast at 6:00 a.m. tomorrow?

Every time I go to these Quebec Moots I meet new Rovers and Rangers and I find myself wishing I could spend more time to get to know more of them and to know them better.

At the host crew dinner I sat at a table with 4 Quebec Rovers and received the impression that they wish the government and the separtistes would shut up and get on with building Canada as the nation we all know it could be.

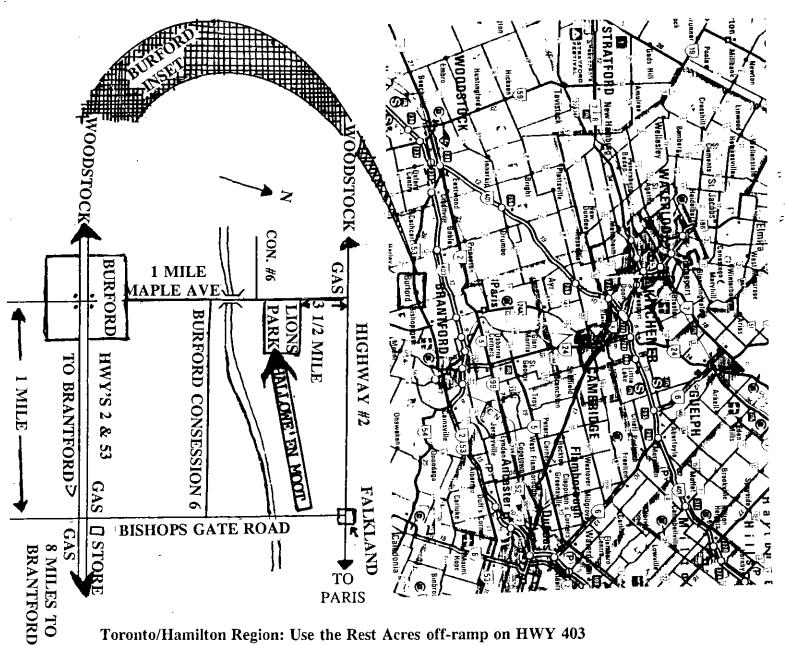
One of my dinner companions, Don Machaen, dropped by our campsite this evening (Sat), just to say hello, we talked for two and half hours, all about Rovers. While we spoke I couldn't help but think of Bernie Wiles of Nova Scotia. We have never met, just spoke on the phone. While Don spoke I heard the same dedication, the same enthusiasm, the same Rover desires, that I heard in Bernie's voice, and I thought, as long as there are young people like these in Rovers, Rovering will never die.

In closing a true story as related to me by a Rover who serves as a Scouter: A group of Scouts and their leaders were X-skiing, the Scouts were 11 to 13 years of age. Now whether the Scouts were baiting their leaders or they were serious we will never know, but, after lights went out and they were all in their bunks, one Scout asked if anyone had seen any new X-rated movies, the replies came quickly and several said they were gross. One 11 year old sent the leaders into quiet hysterics, when he said, "Do really know what is really gross?" and the cabin was silent when he gave his answer, "I haven't had sex in 11 years."

Laugh and the world will laugh with you. Cry and you cry alone.

Keep on Rovering, Don

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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.
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Cheques Payable to: HALLOWE'EN MOOT
Send to: 1st Burford Rovers
P.O. Box #337
Burford, Ontario Any Problems or Questions?

Please call...

Stu or Mary Murchie (519) 449-2289

# HALLOWE'EN MOOT 1994

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

Friday, October 14th		Saturday, October 15th
12:00 Noon	Registration opens	9:00 a.m. Official Camp Opening
5:00 p.m.	Supper	9:45 a.m. Group Events
8:30 p.m.	Variety Entertainment	12:15 p.m. Lunch
12:00 Mid.	Bonfire & Bedtime Stories	1;30 p.m. Car Rally & Crew Events
2:00 a.m.	Curfew	3:00 p.m. Demonstrations/Displays
		5:00 p.m. Supper
		8:00 p.m. Form in parking lot for dance
Sunday,	October 16th	8:30 p.m. Costume Dance
10:00 a.m.	Rover's Own	1:00 a.m. Bonfire
11:30 a.m.	Closing & Awards	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

Prizes will be awarded for best costumes. The dance will be need 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