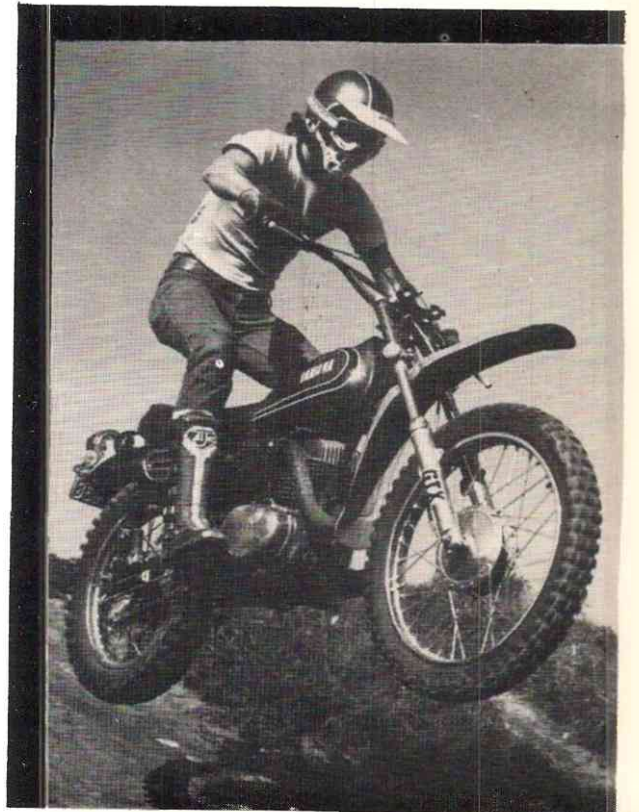
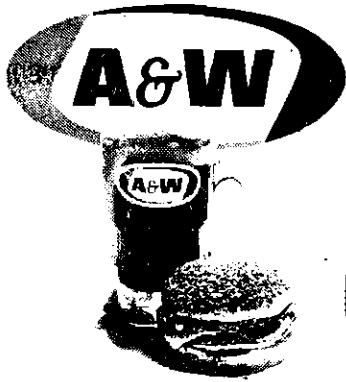


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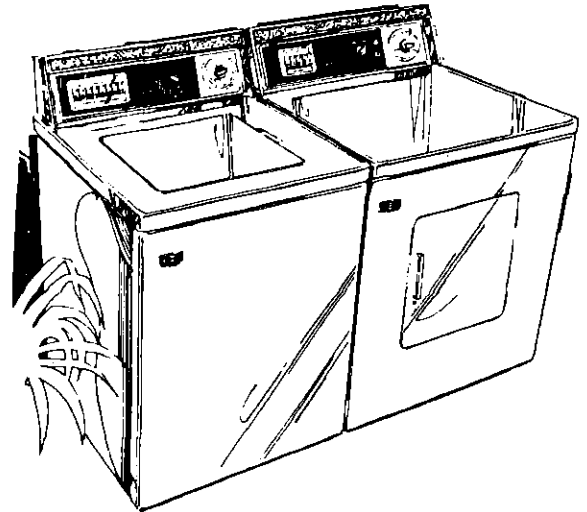
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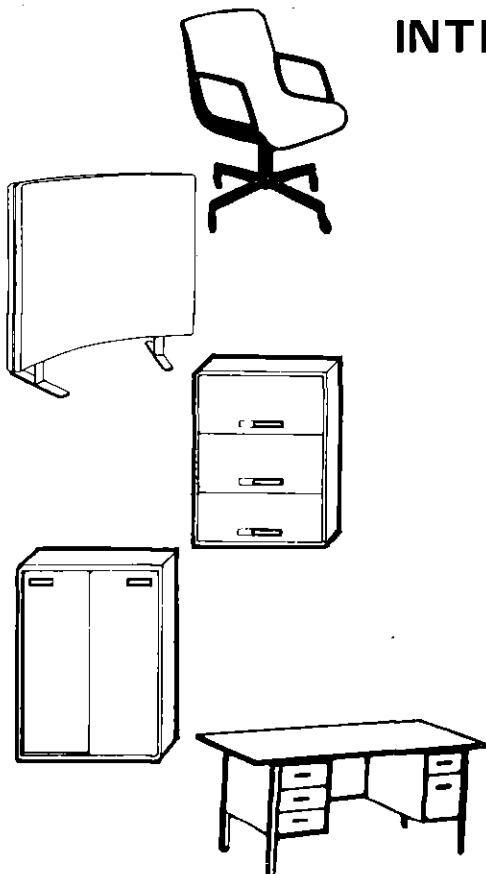
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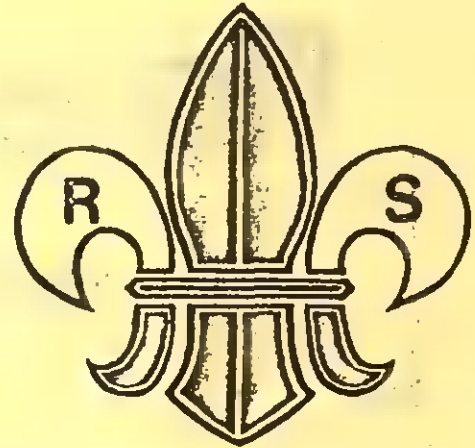
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26 Car Rally - 7th Downsview

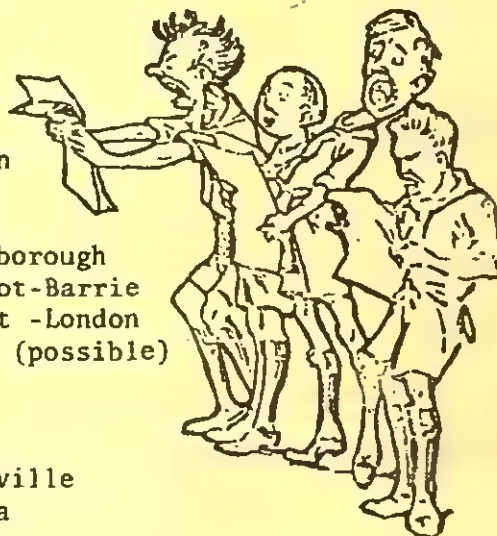
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1-2 Bump & Boogie final chapter-24th Cambridge Rovers
13 G.A.R.R.T. Oakville
29 St. George's Day Dinner and Dance - Green
Acres - Hosted by 9th Kitchener Rovers

May

5-7 Rover-Ranger
Olympics-Green-
wood Conservation
Area (Oshawa)

12-14 Canoe Moot-Peterborough
12-14 International Moot-Barrie
19-22 Fire Cracker Moot -London
27 O.R.R.T. Sudbury (possible)



June

8 G.A.R.R.T. - Oakville
23-25 Camas Moot-Oshawa

August

25 National Rover Moot - Incher Creek Alberta
(Ontario Contingent)
28 National Rover Moot - Opening

September

1 National Rover Moot Ends
29-30&Oct. 1 Scarecrow Moot - Burlington



Dear Rovers:

The snow lays crisp and heavy. Just right for a weekend of winter camping and cross-country skiing. It reminds me of the time when our District Rover Service Team organized a camping trip for our Rovers in Northern Ontario. Service Teams don't

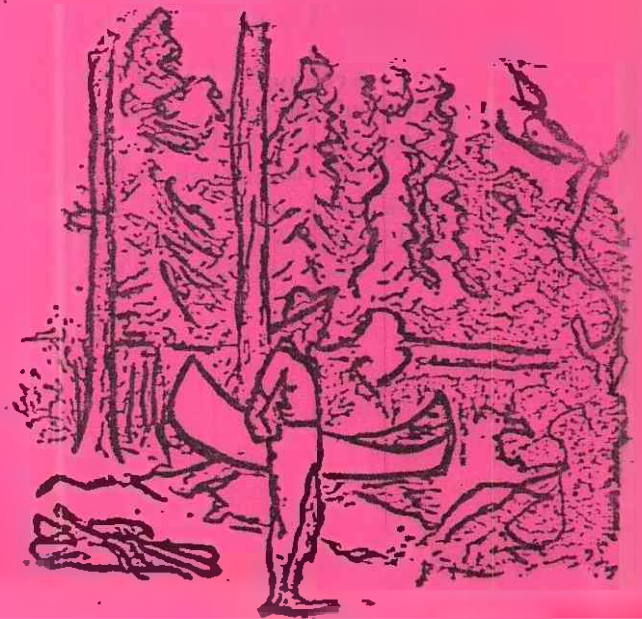
normally plan Rover activities, however, few of the fellows had been cross-country skiing so the Service Team called it a "Rover Training Weekend" (just another name for a heck of a lot of fun). On the Friday night we departed for the local ski rental store and for a few dollars we outfitted twenty Rovers from four crews with skis, boots and poles. Some of the fellows caught on to skiing so fast that they started skiing right out of the ski shop. Of course we managed to restrain the enthusiasm by carrying the enthusiasts to the cars where upon we dismantled them so that we could get them into the waiting vehicles. Four hours later we arrived at the abandoned Six Mile Lake Provincial Park.

Luckily there was a full moon and we managed to retrieve most of the novice Rovers who confidently skied down the forested slopes only to become ensnared in bush and branch on the trail. The weather for the rest of the weekend was clear blue and we all had a great time skiing through some of the most beautiful country in the world. The rocky slopes and pines were symbolic to us of the true Roving spirit. This spirit could be seen in each Rover in our group and we'll all remember those few days together for many years to come.

Speaking of Rover Spirit, I've had a sneak preview of the St. George's Day Dance. It will definitely be one of the most exciting events of the year. For those of you within driving distance please make every effort to attend.

Yours in Roving,

A.J. (Tony) Wallbank



ROVER

No-o-o!!!



Dear Tony:

I would like to make a suggestion that you may wish to include in an upcoming issue of "Rovering Magazine".

How often can you remember hearing at meetings the familiar questions "What is their Crew Address?" This has long been a minor problem of all crews (and companies) and with "Rovering" I believe you can help to eliminate this problem. Once or twice a year you can devote 1 or 2 pages to Crew mailing addresses.

Preferably you would want to include this in a Fall issue after new crews have been formed and old crews dismantled over summer.

This added feature of Rovering could increase your subscriptions as it would be the only regular listing of active Crews and Companies in Ontario and abroad that is readily available to anyone at almost anytime.

Although I have almost every issue since the magazine was first printed in 1974, I know some other who after reading our magazine soon chuck it into the nearest garbage basket ---- SIN!!!!

The magazine contains several excellent articles and if you look back over past issues it acts as a simple chronology of Rovering and Rangering events during the last 3 years.

Keep up the excellent work - Hope to see you soon.

Yours in Rovering,
Grant Fraser
10th Cambridge Sea Rovers

Fellow Rovers:

Greetings from Montreal! We enjoy your magazine and think that you are fortunate to have a good medium of communication between you numerous crews. I hope this response to your questionnaire is published in your letter section, because many Ontario Rovers may want to hear a Quebec response to your questionnaire (I hope). Anyway here it is:

Our crew believes that a Rover is in reality no different from any other young man or woman. The members of our crew do not want to be labelled "different" because they are Rovers. Perhaps the best way to explain this attitude is that we see ourselves more as young men and women participating in Rovering than seeing ourselves only as Rovers. Rovering itself is an act of participating collectively in the community and activities we plan for ourselves. This is my fifth year participating in Rovering and the reason why I joined Rovers is that my old fellow scouts and I were looking for something to keep us together. Rovering was suggested by a man who had been an advisor in a South Shore suburb of Montreal crew and he became our advisor. We have a co-ed crew and we find it not only viable but more enjoyable. Our crew has 16 members, 5 of which are girls. We started 4 years ago with a crew of 8. The main service activity we involve ourselves in is centred around our local parish church, and at times assisting our cub-pack. We also found that our fund raising activities can have a service aspect to them. For instance in the past we have delivered telephone books, held dances, and sold Christmas trees.

We enjoy camping and find that the closeness of the Tamaracouta Scout Reserve a positive advantage. We also try, as much as we can, to go skiing and snow-shoeing. After each meeting we enjoy a rigorous game of floor hockey and sometimes play teams from other crews. A function that Rovering can serve in Canada is dialogue between young Canadians.

It is hard for one to express a clear view of the purpose of Rovering. For one, I find that there are many things that Rovering should not be seen as, such as a conserving organization of order and morality. I also do not like the old myth that Scouting builds character and develops fine young men and women. I believe it is myths like these that hurt Rovering more than anything else. The myth that Scouting, or more specifically Rovering, develops an individual into a fine moral individual who will well adapt to society has scared many potential members from joining. Young people today have a strong desire to develop themselves freely, choose their own directions, and make their own judgement of right or wrong. This I believe best develops character and moral. Does one not value higher something chosen than something imposed? Do we not choose our own service projects? Therefore, we are freely participating in our communities rather than "serving" them. We must make clear that our motto of Service is not one that connotes obedience, but rather implies free participation, and that being a Rover is not necessarily someone who has accepted and is devoted pre-set principles.

Yours in Rovering,
Robert Malloch, Mate
Oneida Rover Crew
Montreal, Quebec

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ARL Ed Bouthillier
Sixth Edmonton Moose Crew

Dear Editor:

At the recent 3rd Asia-Pacific Jamboree I managed to obtain a copy of your "Rovering" magazine. I would now like to order 1 years subscription and accordingly enclose a Bank Draft for \$3.00(Canadian). Could you also advise the annual airmail cost and I will forward the additional amount for this.

Yours in Rovering,

Barry Bailey
Baden Rover Crew
Palmerston North
New Zealand.

Dear Editor:

I received my first copy of "Rovering" today and have already read it from cover to cover. Congratulations to all who put this together and enclosed is \$3.00 for future copies.

The Crusaders (3 Port Credit) have come to life again under Barry Follet one of the early members when the Crew started. Five of them in full uniform (greens and blues) attended our church candle light service on Sunday night and there were many fine comments about their smartness and deportment. It sure gave me a neat thrill after being connected with Rovers for over thirty years.

This seems to point out the fact that Rovers have to advertize not so much through moots, dances etc. but by Service work in the Communities, Churches and with the young Cubs, Scouts and Venturers.

Since returning three years ago I find myself busier than ever in Service projects in my church and community. It is fun, so pay (monetary) except in knowing that someone benefits and rather selfishly I seem to benefit most, in the satisfaction I get.

Possibly you could start an exchange of ideas on Service Projects for individuals and Crews. Just an idea for what it is worth.

Keep up the good work and all the best for Christmas, and 1978.

Yours for Better Rovering,

Scotty Fleming
Mississauga



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the final chapter...



By. 24th CAMBRIDGE Rowers.

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24th Cambridge Spring Bump N Boogie
Final Chapter

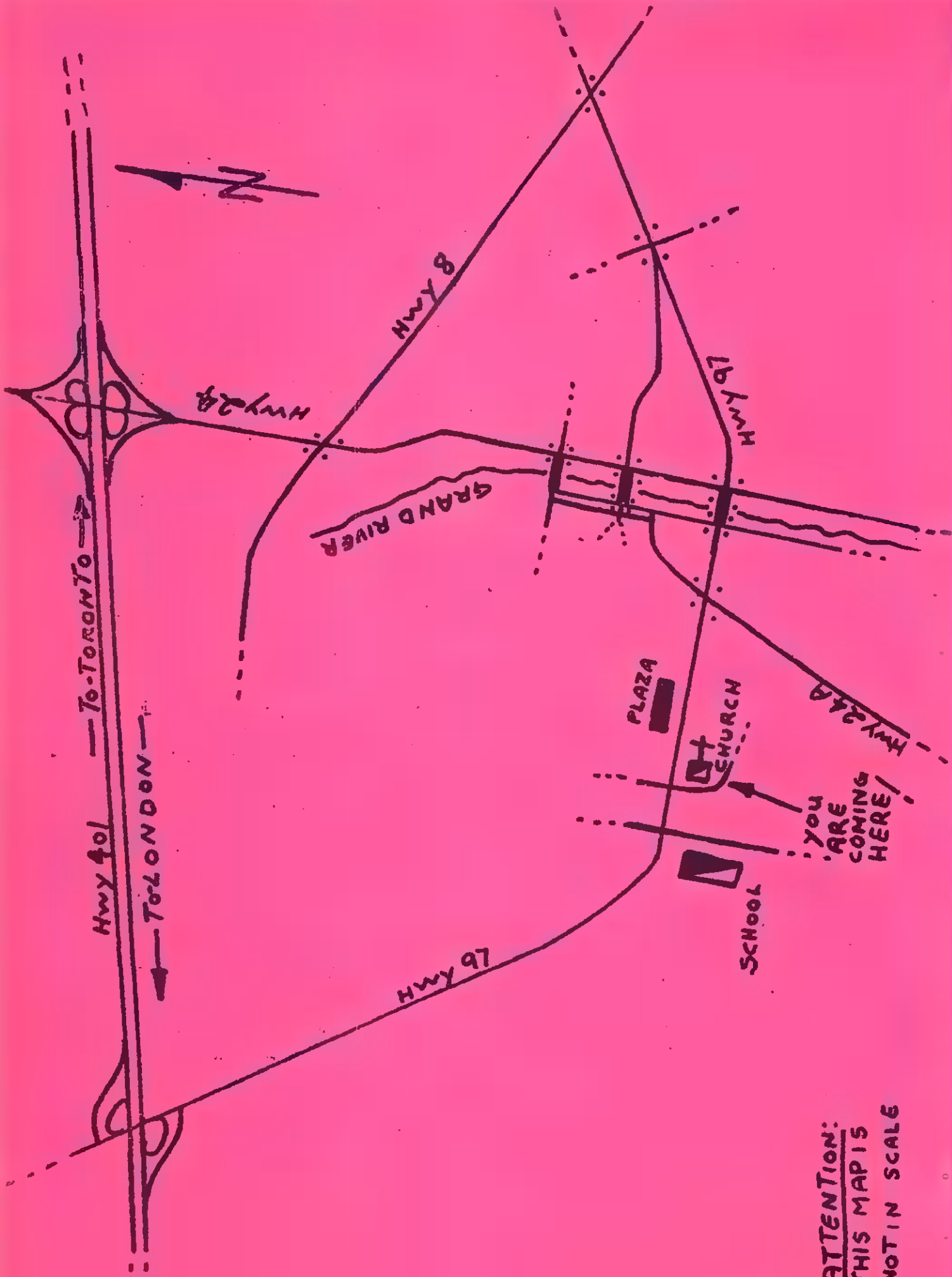
Our story begins 3 years ago when some of the members of the 24th Cambridge Rover Crew were trying to think of something, when suddenly like a bolt out of the blue a scathingly brilliant idea came to the crew sage. How about a really fine dance with lots of good music and good people. We can call it our Spring Bump N Boogie. Well the idea snowballed and in a fit of lethargy the preparations were made. Invitations sent out, finding halls, disc jockeys, all seem to have no end. When the day finally came Rovers and Rangers from all over Ontario and even N.Y. State arrived. The crew received the guests splendidly attired in blue T-shirts then announced boldly that this was indeed the Spring Bump N Boogie. After dancing till the wee hours of the morning, and the cake bake contest of the year, we extended the good old Cambridge hospitality to one and all and invited them to stay for the night. The next morning the crack chefs of the crew fresh from the battle of the cakes, united and put together a hardy breakfast of sausage and eggs for the hungry horde. After breakfast we had a short church service with our own Reverent Lego then a surprise event which had the contestants driving all over our beautiful city. Last year much the same happened. A few different faces, a few different activities, but again a good time had by all. Well this year we decided to close the book on this special event. Our reasons are many and varied, but we would like you to help us write our final chapter and be at St. John's Church in Cambridge, April 1 at 8:00 p.m. Bring along your dancing slippers and a \$3.00 bill. and we will look after the rest.

See you there.

24th Cambridge Rovers



No drugs or alcohol



ATTENTION:
THIS MAP IS
NOT IN SCALE

THE ROVER-IN-TRAINING STAGE

By Prempeh

(Some thoughts out loud from one who lusts Roving)

I stand newly invested as a Rover . . . Am I ready to assume the obligations before me?

- (a) To the best of my ability, act as sponsor to new squires coming into the crew.
- (b) To the best of my ability, serve as a member of the executive or a special committee when called upon to do so.
- (c) To the best of my ability, encourage enthusiastic participation in crew activities through my own personal example.
- (d) To the best of my ability, render service to myself, by investigating the many facets of life that lay before me, in the form of quests, and pass on my new found information to the crew.
- (e) To the best of my ability, encourage democracy and fair play in crew operations through my own personal example.
- (f) To the best of my ability, promote Roving in its best light and offer it to those I'll come to know, not already involved in Rovers.
- (g) To the best of my ability, do everything I can to preserve the honour of our crew and its continuation.

So you finally made it! You now have your epaulets which you worked hard to get. Incidentally, now that you are invested, you'll probably discover many "invested" Rovers in other crews who acquired their epaulets by different methods — some with little or no effort and others with a training program more demanding than yours.

It is in your interest to study these other methods and compare them to yours; out of such review, you could make recommendations for "improving" your crew's particular method of squireship training, or at least, ensure it is not becoming outdated; and, to those fellows who've gotten their epaulets as an ornament rather than as a milestone in education and development as you did, encourage them to study your's and other's methods.

You might also discover many differences between your crew program and other crew's programs — especially co-ed crews. That is because there never has been a specific program provided for Rovers, as is done in the other Scouting sections. We'll talk more of that later, but right now, I want to talk to you about what's in store for you as a Rover.

First of all, it is most important to realize that your training does not stop simply because you've become invested. You might look at the squireship more as a preparation and test to determine your ability and desire to undergo further training as a Rover. Just because a young fellow graduates from grade eight, does not mean he has finished his schooling. Indeed, it is the start of more intensive learning and he has completed basic skills only.

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Similarly, a tradesman spends many years as an apprentice, constantly learning and testing, to determine his ability and desire to advance to the journeyman level. Supervisors and middle management reach the plateau in business usually because through training, they have proven their ability and desire to command more responsibility and salary.

As a Squire, you have proven to your peers in the crew that you have desire and some ability to continue as a Rover. You now have the enviable task of recommending Squires for investiture, and you could, perhaps, consider this a "group management" decision. So, let us look at what this further training is and get on with it.

SPONSORSHIP -

Did the fellow sponsoring you do a good job? Maybe you were his first Squire to sponsor. Could you improve on his performance or, if you thought it excellent, could you emulate it? Consider it a duty to the crew or an act of service, but really, the job of junior sponsor is as much a form of training to you as it is to the Squire, and this is good, because you'll learn a great deal from the fellow who is in your position of not so long ago.

Don't treat the task of sponsorship too lightly. You may have an outline available to aid you in your job and your senior sponsor or Skipper will help you anyway they can. If you feel the Squireship program should be altered in any way, the crew council or court of honour is the place to 'air' your opinions. As long as you feel it is ^{adequate} adequate, it is in everyone's best interest if you follow it as close as possible, to ensure the basic training gets off on the right footing.

Look forward to sponsoring several fellows during your stay with the crew. Each one will serve as an education, practice for the future, and memorable experience.

CREW EXECUTIVE -

You've already learned during your time in the crew so far, that crew activities would not happen, were it not for some fellows who are elected to the positions of mate, assistant mate, scribe and treasurer. You may have under-estimated the importance of these positions, partially perhaps, because some people or positions have not been properly functioning; let's, at this time, therefore, briefly examine these vital crew jobs and then we'll see where you can fit in.

MATE -

This position is usually held by an older member of the crew since it carries the most responsibility and requires time and talent to do the job well. It has been held by newly invested Rovers before, however, so as far as you're concerned, it is an attainable position. Some of the mate's duties include: ensuring the crew meets regularly and is properly informed of planned or upcoming activities; seeing that other officers of the crew and special committees are carrying out their tasks; running business meetings; providing crew representation to various other meetings such as group committee, district and region; helping plan program; and encouraging questing.

MATE (Cont'd.)

Inevitably, the mate usually takes on even more than this but if he is doing his job effectively he will delegate a lot of work. Advisors or Skippers can provide guidance to the mate as can older Rovers and there usually is a mate's management course to learn at.

ASSISTANT MATE -

Basically, this position shadows the mate's job in that he assists the mate usually by sharing the load or taking over in his absence. This is a good learning position for the newly invested Rover — as much training can go on without the burden being placed completely on the shoulders of the mate. This position can also be used as an "Executive-at-large" — that is filling in for someone else when they are unable to attend or heading-up a special committee or taking on a special project.

SECRETARY -

A very important position responsible for several things generally described as written records and correspondence; this job, unfortunately is the one perhaps most neglected in Crew Structure and yet, could be one of the most rewarding to efficient incumbents. It is shied away from by most fellows because of the nature of the work, but if shared by many — one being in charge to delegate the work — the practical application, now, can be of immeasurable importance recording minutes, updating log entries, managing library and writing letters, in the future.

TREASURER -

Unlike the position of Secretary, the Treasurer's job is frequently sought after and also, frequently, is badly managed. The crew is a much more viable entity if it can manage a bank account, keep records of dues and registration straight, have successful fund-raising ventures, and make proper reports to group committee. Older fellows and Skip can help out here to advise best methods of doing the job, and as money matters become a major concern in any young man's life, you'd be wise to look at this post.

In summary, these are the four key jobs in the crew which you should involve yourself in during your stay. Not only are they large jobs unto themselves but they, together, form the crew executive which is responsible for ensuring there is a crew program and administering it. The practice you receive in planning, recording and reporting, conducting meetings and handling finances, is of tremendous value to you later in life, if not now, when it could become budgeting for the home, keeping records on insurances, taxes and mortgages or arranging for same, or being part of a committee in the Home and School, Church or Service Club.

MOOT MISSES



by mark

Rosemary House



MOOT MISSES



Aye, Aye, Captain! No, this isn't how the Sarnia Terra Nova Rangers respond to their leader Rosemary House. After 13 years of involvement in the guide movement, Rosemary has developed a good friendship with her Rangers. The Beatles, Carly Simon, and Jim Croce are her favourite recording artists.

From the pictures, we see no reason for her to be involved in such calorie burning sports as X-Country skiing, swimming, and gymnastics; but Rosemary says she enjoys it. Then she may head home, picking a few of her favourite flowers along the way, daisies. Then cook up her favourite calorie producing dish of lasagne? Sounds like a vicious circle to us Rosemary!

If you questioned her about going steady her advice would be enjoy life now, there is lots of time for that later; but the final choice is up to the individual. Her ambitions for the future include her continuing association with Rangers and experiencing life to its fullest.



St. George's Day Dinner and Dance



Presented by
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April 29 1978
6:30 p.m.

Sponsored by
the 9th Kitchener Rover Crew

at
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Kitchener

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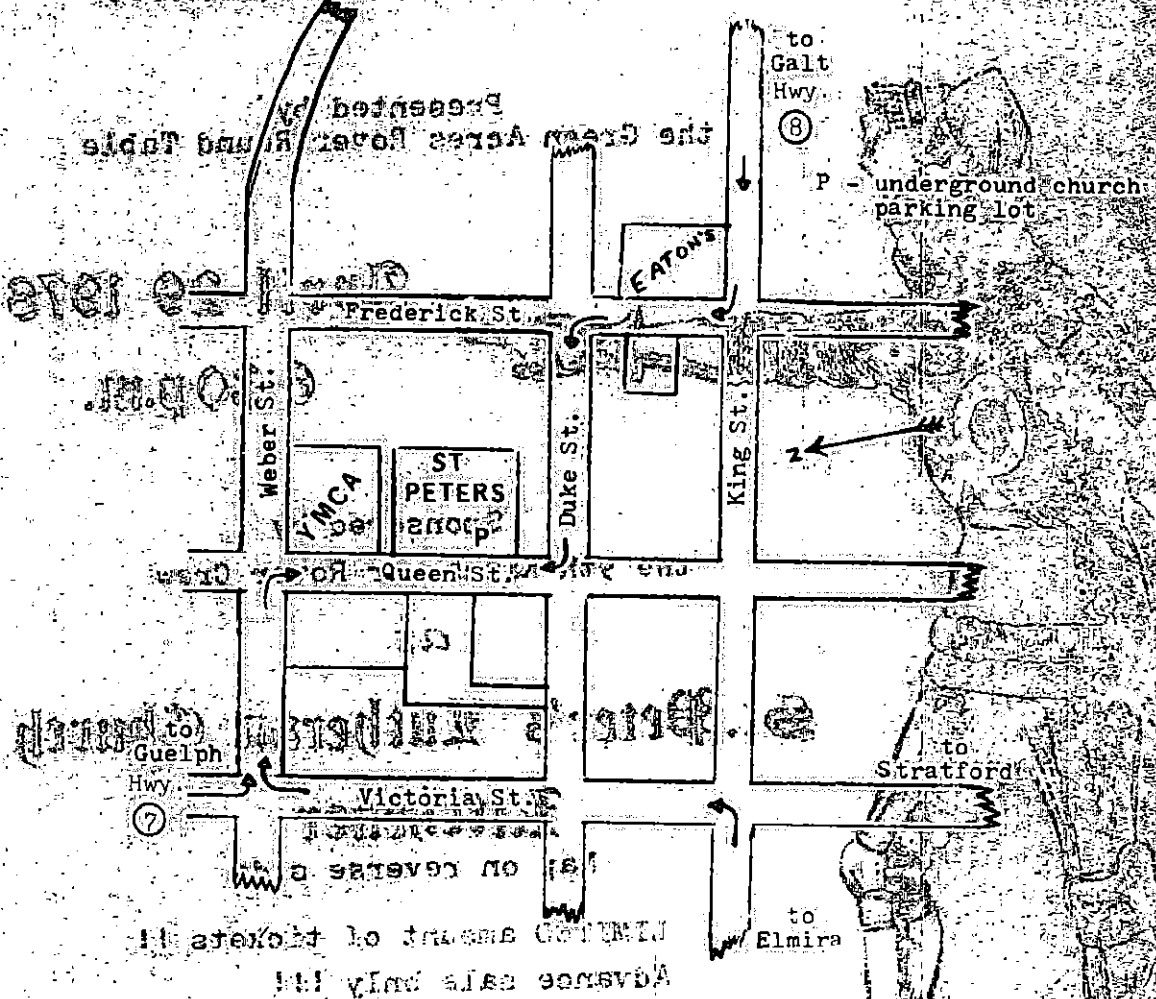
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St. George's Day Dinner and Dance



Ticket sales are now open to all members of the Scout Movement.

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(over the side)

Fill in the opposite side now !!

..... Enclose in an envelope and send to :
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A Humiliating Defeat for Buffalo's Screaming Eagles

Thanks to the help of 3 Vancouver Canucks, the goalie of the Rovers All-Star Team, (Ted Dea) was honed to a razors edge in a pre-game warm up at the Buffalo Auditorium Dunday December 11th.

Ted asked the threesome if they wanted a goalie to practise on, then went to suit up. It seemed that he wanted to try out a new set of skates before the game, or that's what everyone thought. It turned out that the thing he was so pleased about was there autographs which he got.

You played an excellent game "Tank" as did the other players on the team.

The Rovers were outnumbered by the Buffalo squadron but took the lead early in the first period, adding another goal later. The third Rovers goal came in the second period and close to the end of the third period "Tank" lost his shut-out. Even though it wasn't his fault. The final score was a decisive 3-1 victory for the

Rovers. During the first 2 periods temperatures rose on both teams but only in the latter part of the third did it come to a head, with fights at both ends of the ice. After the game was over it carried on when a few members of the Eagles tried to get into the Rovers dressing room. It ended up at the door with "Brute" and his brother Fuzy right in the thick of things. After pushing, shoving and punching had died down, the Rovers were talking about the game and the next one to come.

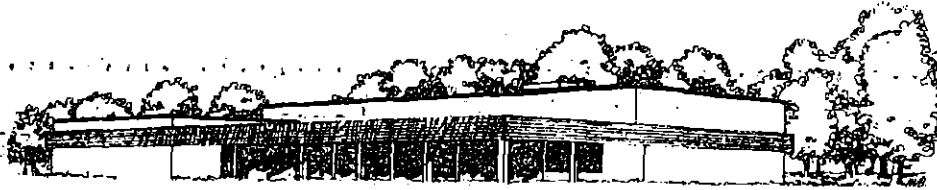
I found out later that the Screaming Eagles are the best in juvenile from Buffalo and they don't lose very often, but when the Rover All-Star Team play them the Canadian's rarely lose.

Once again, it was a great game to win.

Yours in Roving and Rangering,

Mitch

24th Cambridge Crew



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The True Organic Canoe

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D.G. Kozlousky

Now and again I go to the wilderness in a canoe. I'm particular about how I go, however, because I don't want to take the technological world with me. I go in a cedar canoe, beautifully made of wood and canvas and varnish and human hands and love. Such a canoe, in materials and workmanship, is a direct and legitimate offspring of the finest of all North American aboriginal craft, the birchbark. It pushes its way across a wilderness lake in a manner that can only be achieved when men and materials are natural to the context, and behave softly, quietly.

An aluminium canoe is something else again. The bowels of the earth are ripped open, and bauxite is removed. (Will you dig it or spend your allotted portion of living experience building the huge machines that do this monstrous work?) The bauxite is transported to a refinery. (Will you transport it, will you refine it?) Huge amounts of electricity are used to reduce it to metallic aluminum. (Will you dig the coal or drill for the oil; will you breathe the fumes of its generation; will you furnish the steel and the swaths for its transmission; will you lead the accompanying lives?) The molded sheets are sent to an aircraft factory, slipped into huge presses:

Wham! (one canoe half) (Will you stand at the press?)

Wham! (another half canoe) (WILL YOU STAND AT THE PRESS)

Rat, tat, tat, tat, the rivets are driven home (ah, the quiet of a wilderness lake)

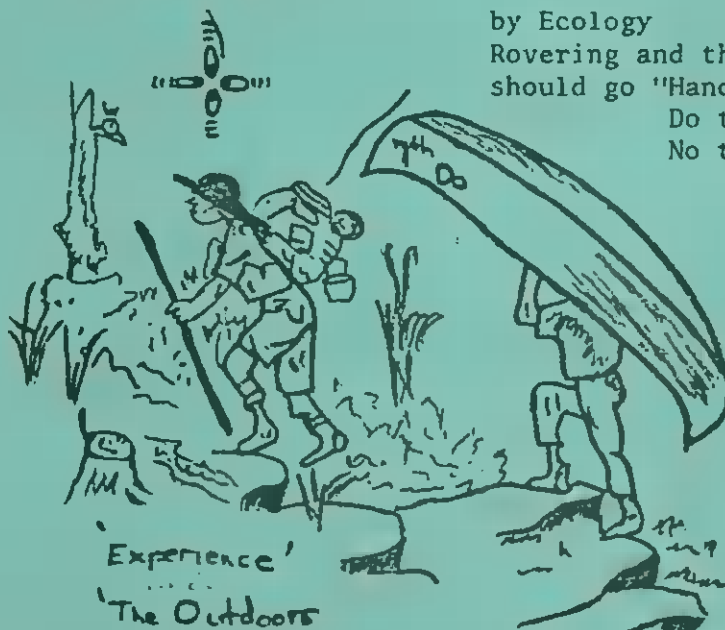
Wham!

Wham!

Rat, tat, tat, tat.....

To canoe in an aluminum canoe, is like making love to an ice-cube. I would push my entrance into the calling stillness of the mysterious wilderness in a craft composed of wood and canvas and men's hands and hearts and imagination, an organic man vessel.

True, the aluminum canoe does not leak, But if I merely wanted to keep my rear end dry, I'd have stayed at home in my backyard where there isn't any water.



by Ecology

Rovering and the outdoor wilderness
should go "Hand in Hand"

Do they?

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ARE YOU COMING?

Yessirree folks, the '78 National Rover Moot is closer than next year's round-up so yuh better saddle up the ol' mule and head on out here so yuh don't miss any of the festivities. I'm goin' cuz I wouldn't miss it even for a piece of ole Miss Trilby's apple pie. Here's some information so yuh can git thar' too.

WHERE? Camp Impeesa at Pincher Creek, Alberta . . . right in the Rocky Mountains.

WHEN? August 28 - September 1, 1978. The camp will be open 3 days before and 3 days after the Moot for your convenience.

WHO? All registered Rovers and Venturers. NOTE: Venturers must register with and be responsible to their sponsoring Rover Crew.

HOW MUCH? Registration fee will be \$30.00.

WHAT'S HAPPENING? Day trip to Waterton National Park, rodeo games, waterfront, hike up Table Mountain, Moot glut, competitions, service project, overnight hike for the brave and hardy, Moot supper and other assorted good times.

WHAT'S NEEDED? Each crew should come self-contained although a camp grocery store will be able to provide a limited selection of foodstuffs.

PARKING? Parking facilities will be available at the camp.

HOW TO REGISTER? Registration forms and complete information will be sent out in mid-October and will be sent to all Crews which we have addresses for. To insure that your Crew is on our mailing list, send it to:

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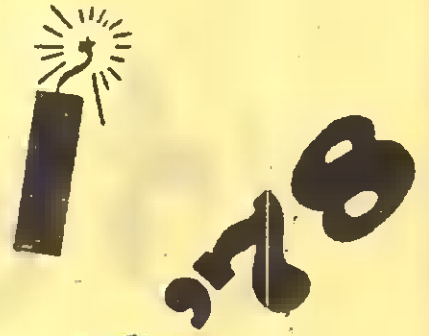




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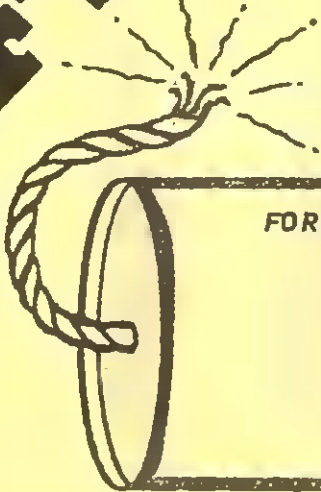


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SNOWBALL '78

Last week I had the experience of attending snowball '78. I say experience with true justification, because it ended as being far from a pleasure. As a Rover, I sincerely want to attend any and every social function possible, but sometimes my wallet curtails my activities. So, to get the best of both worlds, I decided to go as a "day-tripper", along with Lego, to spend Saturday at the moot without having to pay the full \$5.00 fee. I would have been more than willing to pay a token sum of two or three dollar, but 37th Hamilton had other ideas. We spent the day at the Moot, mostly socializing and playing cards then leaving, when the hall was closed to prepare for the dance and to have our supper. Upon returning at around eight o'clock with the dance in progress, we were set upon by a big bearded "gentleman" by the name of Ted Hoyl. He not too graciously informed us that we either had to shell out the full \$5.00 to stay for the dance, or else go home. When we protested, he said that it was going towards a good cause ---- (possibly a pair of pants to match their jackets?).

So, like lambs to the slaughter, we coughed up \$5.00 each but not without some pain to the wallet. Now that I think about it, I would have been just as good to go home because that last scene totally spoiled my night. People kept asking me why I was so depressed - I find it hard to smile when I've just been stung.

There were a lot of other people that we knew were there and hadn't paid, we told this to Ted Hoyle and he asked up to point them out and he would make them pay. But, it would take someone rather low to fink on a "Brother Rover" so we let it go. Then our friend (or was if fiend?) stopped the dance just when things were cookin to give their awards out. I learned later that this has always been their policy, which is wrong, for then what's the point of staying for closing?

If you will recall in an earlier issue, we ran a page that took the form of a satirical, fictitious moot called the "Rip-Off" Moot, well I think that the Rip-Off Moot has moved from fiction to fact in the form of Snowball '78.

Yours in Roving

Jim Murray



Just Truckin - We Must Believe

"If you can keep a cool head when those about you are losing theirs; then the world is yours".

Within the Scouting movement, our Rover membership is relatively small. There are those who even feel that Rovers will vanish from Canada in the not too distant future. The noose is tightening, 'we're on a sinking ship', they say.

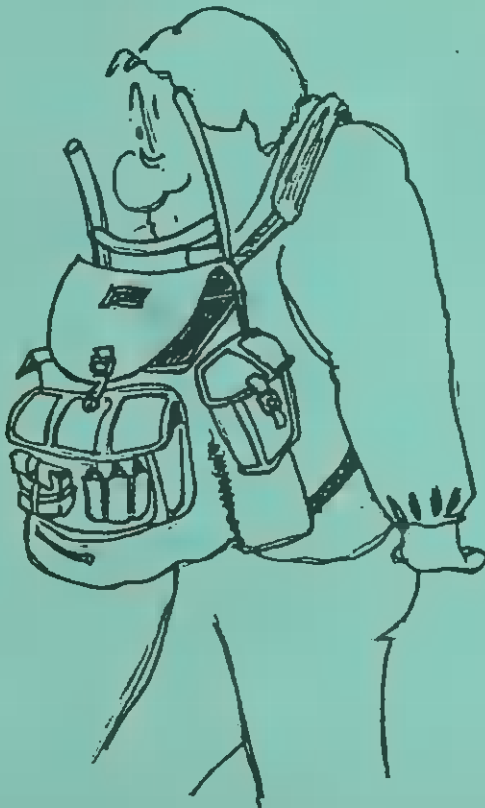
With all of this negative thinking throughout Scouting and Rovering circles, how can we ourselves believe anything else? Rovers, so long as I've been a member, have been notorious fighters. And now the time is right --- hold your head high, stand tall, and be damned proud to be a ROVER!

If we truly believe in the Rover Scout movement, lets all of us try and show a little commitment, blow our horns loud - that all might hear. Lets us, you and I together, get off our butts, and spread Rovering to every nook and cranny, every small town, every city, across this country.

We must believe in the "Rovering Brotherhood," what it stands for - and the spirit of a "TRUE ROVER". Be proud, spread the word, tell others about it, and soon we'll have our place on the Scouting map once more. Rovering will then grow, and be even stronger, than ever it was before.

Yours in Rovering,

Lego!
Greg Lengyell, Magazine Staff



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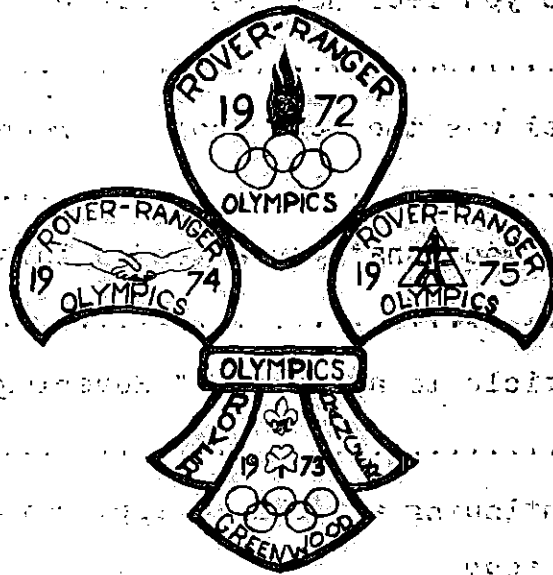
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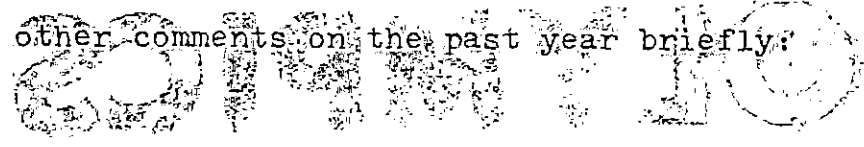
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We need your response to the questionnaire below, please complete at your next meeting, or complete it yourself and mail at once.

1. Name a person who you feel has had a sincere dedication to Rovering.....
2. Name what you feel was the best moot in Green Acres Region in 1977.....
3. Name the best new moot that you attended this year (1977).....
4. Name the best article to appear in "Rovering Magazine" during 1977.....
5. Name the best continuing article to appear in "Rovering Magazine" during 1977.....
6. List any other comments on the past year briefly:



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East Vancouver Rover Crew
c/o Same Address

Vancouver B.C.; a unique city likened unto no other I have ever seen, is one place every Rover should visit if given the opportunity. Here we find one of our Canadian show places of true culture and recreation abounds. People of many national origins make this city what it really is. Bridges are everywhere - Cambie Street and Seven Arrows and others piece the town together. And in the midst of it all there is a beautiful, scenic greenbelt - one Stanley park.

It rains a lot here, but when the sun shines everyone in town (the politicians too) head for their beloved park. Whether sunning at the beach, touring the zoo, sightseeing or just relaxing neath the shade of a tall maple tree, its all good, exciting, and that's fine by me.

Rovers here are like other Vancouverites, as they too take full advantage of the situation. One such person is Jim Lamphier, the crew advisor for the East Vancouver Rover Crew.

Jim, as previously noted, is an advisor in Rovering - a seasoned veteran of 13 years in the association with the Rover program. He makes it quite clear as to just what Rovering is all about for him and his crew.

A Rover is an individual person, with his or her own needs, desires, and above all - a unique personality. Here is a section of Scouting where we see the emergence of a young adult on the threshold of taking up their place in our society. Rovering is the section where a group of young people are bound together by friendships and common interests, to achieve whatever they set out to do. Getting involved in many things, that's the name of the game; Rovers is a logical step up the ladder from Scouts, and so it was for Jim.

The East Vancouver Rover Crew is traditional in some ways, but always on the lookout for ways to make Rovering a meaningful experience. "We take a modern approach to things, and we're always on the lookout for community service," Jim writes. We have a good bunch here - co-ed - with nine males and seven females. They are a young crew - only two years old, but an active bunch.

The crew does all kinds of service work, both to Scouting and on an individual basis. A big service project for this crew each year is a Variety Club Telethon to collect money for crippled children. Recently, too, they spent a great deal of time raising funds to finance a trip (7,500 miles) from Vancouver to the Wee Moot in Glasgow Kentucky 1977.

Rovering is worthwhile for Jim and his crew. It promotes a learning atmosphere for all members, through service, and exposure to the world around. Our program has a definite purpose in Canada, Jim admits - helping young men and women to take up the challenge of becoming responsible members of the movement and citizens in our Canadian society.

We've got to stop kicking about the same old rusty-dusty topics we've been rehashing for years; co-ed, uniform, service or a few other topics. Let's get on with the present and look to the future Jim points out, get off our butts, put down our glass of beer, and really put Rovering where it belongs - where everyone can see us, right up front.

Yours in Rovering,
Lego! Greg Lengyell
Magazine Staff

Kevin Johansen
c/o
Same Address

1st Saskatoon Rovers
c/o Mr. J. Coleman
2401 B. Melrose Avenue
Saskatoon, Sask. T6G 0B7

"Canada's Bread Basket", as it has been called - Saskatchewan is nothing more than a stance of flat boring countryside. So it has been said by many travellers both past and present, though I for one might disagree. This portion of our "Canadian West" can be a fascinating place, if only one might take the time, if even to study the beauty of the land.

Here, you can see for miles; the little white church seems only a stone-throw away, when in actual facts its some five miles down the road. Who says our eyes aren't deceiving now and then? And here too, in the summer it is a world of splendor.

The towering stocks of wheat, oats and barley are swaying gently in the wind. The sun sets, and behold ----instant beauty, as the fields are afire, shining like miles of solid gold.

Here in the midst of this golden splendor we have one of our country's newest crews - 1st Saskatoon Rovers, and one crew member Kevin Johansen.

Kevin has been a Rover, but a few weeks (months now) and in his new crew, has the top job - Rover Mate. Congratulations boy!

As a young Rover Kevin's perception of what it's all about is plain and simple. "A Rover", he says, "is physically, mentally, and socially involved in the community surrounding him. Personal enjoyment, is a big factor too, though," so he goes on to say, "at least in my books!" Service, responsibility and lots of fun activity is why this young man joined our Rover Scout brotherhood.

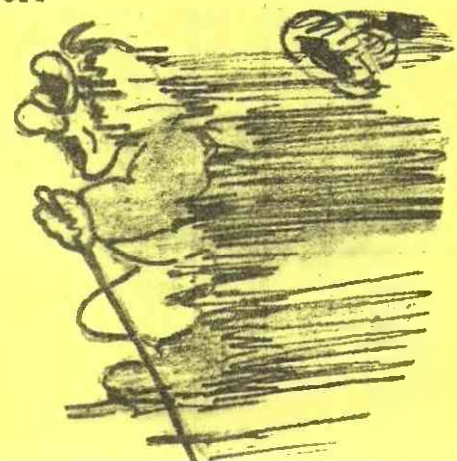
This crew of Rovers is relatively small yet, only three members and their advisor. It's their first year in the movement, and hopefully many more years will follow in succession, as the crew matures, adds more Rovers, and really picks up steam. "We aren't too active yet", Kevin writes, but we will be given a little time". There is a lot to be done out there!

Stike another blow for traditional Rovering. This crew is another group which has picked up on "Ye Olde Knighthood".

Rovers do have a purpose, at least in Saskatoon, they do. Here it means, Service to the community, to the best of our ability. Rovering is very beneficial too, Kevin writes in closing. Service can take many forms and we intend to try a few things.

No problems yet, he finishes his letter, saying that Rovers need to be involved, doing things that count; make people stand and take notice. Good luck guys, and all the best for the crew in 1978. Hope you have a good year; and do drop us a line again.

Yours in Rovering,
Lego! Greg Lengyell
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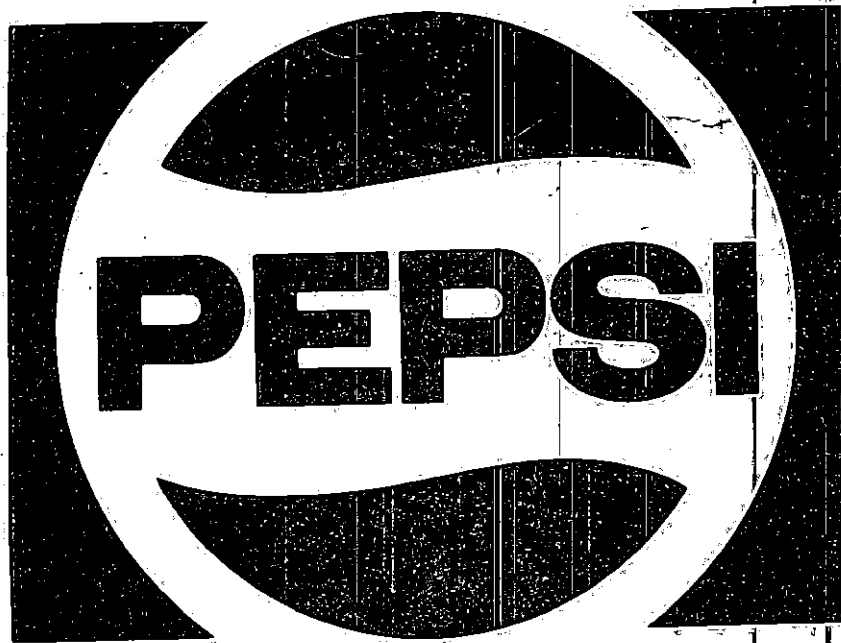
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