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Rover Rant

By: Gerry "Bear" Carr

Hiedy Ho! Good Rovers, Roverettes, and Wanna-be's

The "words" are old ones with a new take on it.

"Succession Planning" Picture a new leader, bursting with fresh new ideas of places to go and people to see! They attend a Part 1 and come home more excited than before! Then they go to a Part 2 and return more pumped than ever! They are ready to bust with all the enthusiasm! BUT Bubbles, Akela, or Scouter Mort have been in that position for nigh on 40 years and have voiced "I will need to be carried out feet first". This is in spite of the fact that their drive and ambition to run a first class program became Ho-hum about 30 years ago.

Bubble BURST! There would be little incentive for that leader to hang around till you feel "I've had enough". It would be even less if the most frequent response to their great idea was "That'll never work" or "That's not the way I did it for 40 years". I speak only of myself when I say "it would not be long before you saw my little white behind disappear over the hill". It would be a hopeless situation, and I'd be homeless to boot(no group).

Here is where it get's real interesting!

I was cruzin the streets the other day. I looked in the rear-view and there was this "whitehead" driver tailgating me so close it was like he was in my car. I checked again and he WAS in my car. I checked the third time and realized "HOLY CRAP!!!! IT'S ME!!!! I started thinking I'm getting to old for all this. I began to ask myself "Who will do all the stuff I do?" I answered myself "Self" (old people talk to themselves a LOT) "Why those nice young Venturers and Rovers". I further queried "How can they take over if: 1. They don't know how to do things, and 2. I'm still here". [\(Continued next page ...\)](#)

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The answer if of course very clear . Learn to step back and give'em a chance. Be there to give advice and mentor the young'uns. I can't find the exact quote from B.P. (Baden-Powell) but it was something along the lines of "Train them. Let them practice. Let them lead". For the torch to be passed it must be given away. Learn to step back and let progression take it's course. Be there to help and advise.

Most of all if you are unable to relinquish your position of authority, encourage these new faces of scouting to seek out other groups which may need their skills. Every group in Wellington needs leaders in at least one section. You don't need to be hopeless or homeless unless you want it that way.

The weather is starting to get real nice and I'm gonna get out my mayonnaise and dust the winter dust off the apparatus.

Gerry "Bear" Carr
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Honours & Awards

By: Diane Hilborn, DAC Honours & Awards



Being congratulated for our years of service.

The Annual Wellington Honours & Awards Banquet was held on Wednesday, May 27th at Trinity Unity Church. On behalf of Wellington Area, we thank the members of 17th Guelph and the church for hosting the 2008-2009 Event with a sit-down dinner. The highlight of the evening was, of course, recognition of our volunteers. Every volunteer in Wellington Area deserves our appreciation for the countless hours they spend planning programs and activities, teaching youth valuable life lessons and skills, and being a positive role model in living the Scout Law. A list of this year's award recipients follows.

Milestone recognition in the form of pins and certificates for years of service were awarded to 33 Scouters totaling 325 years!

But that's just the tip of the iceberg for Wellington, as we have another 230+ Scouters not hitting milestone years and with 1 to 50+ years of service!

Certificates of Commendation for Outstanding Service to Scouting were presented to: Anne Bresee, Jeff Hilborn, Brian MacIsaac, Charles Mitchell, Shaun Redmond, Lesley Woodhouse and Phillip Woodhouse. These scouters were nominated for going beyond Program Standards by taking youth to CJ 07, running exceptional programs and contributing at the Area level, increasing membership and supporting sections as Group Committee members. Think about the volunteers in your group and let's get them nominated!

The Award for Fortitude is bestowed upon youth and adult members of Scouts Canada who, despite physical or mental impediments to their involvement, have made a significant contribution to the Movement. On April 2nd, and in front of her pack, the Award for Fortitude was presented to Juanita Carr. Juanita has been an inspiration to her cubs and their families, the members of 6th Guelph and fellow scouters for her continued dedication to the movement through a physically challenging year in her life. Congratulations and thank you, Juanita!

We recognized the recruitment efforts of eight Groups who maintained and in some cases exceeded 100% membership renewal this year. Keep up the great work!

And last, but not least, certificates were presented to our "Friends of Scouting" for providing resources and helping promote Scouting in Wellington Area.

Congratulations to the all recipients and thank you to those who submitted nominations for the 2008-2009 Scouting Year. Have a great summer!

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Wellington Area Honours & Awards Recipients for 2008-2009

Long Service Awards

5 Years

Jamie Arnold, 1st Belwood
 Robert Askett, 27th Guelph
 Raymond Brooksbank, 1st Erin
 Tony Colangelo, 1st Rockwood
 Charlotte Cosgrove, 2nd Guelph
 Brian Davis, 3rd Guelph
 Robert Green, 9th Guelph
 Jeff Hilborn, 9th Guelph
 Joan Holland, 3rd Guelph
 Kevin Keegan, 9th Guelph
 Henry Kielar, 9th Guelph
 Walter Kowal, 26th Guelph
 Susan Pharand, 31st Guelph
 Robert Stephens, 17th Guelph

10 Years

Heather Gamblin, 1st Guelph Firefighters
 Shawn Jones, 6th Guelph
 Luc Desrochers, Service Team
 Brian Peebles, Service Team
 Julian Vines, 1st Belwood
 Terry Vines, 1st Belwood
 Wayne Zinger, Service Team

15 Years

Anne Bresee, 27th Guelph
 Robert Fairweather, 1st Elora

Long Service Awards

20 Years

Gerald Carr, 6th Guelph
 Juanita Carr, 6th Guelph
 Andrew Comar, 17th Guelph

Awards for Outstanding Service to Scouting Certificate of Commendation

Anne Bresee, 27th Guelph
 Jeff Hilborn, 9th Guelph
 Brian MacIsaac, 9th Guelph
 Charles Mitchell, 27th Guelph
 Shaun Redmond, 9th Guelph
 Lesley Woodhouse, 9th Guelph
 Phillip Woodhouse, 9th Guelph

100% Group Awards

1st Belwood Group
 1st Elora Group
 1st Erin Group
 2nd Guelph Group
 3rd Guelph Group
 7th Guelph Group
 26th Guelph Group
 31st Guelph Group

Friends of Scouting

Dairy Queen
 Domino's Pizza
 Guelph Mobile Signs

Rick Hawes, Service Team
 Gaspar Horvath, 29th Guelph
 Conrad Knabenschuh, Service Team
 Peter Gamblin, 1st Guelph Firefighters
 Doug Lemcke, 27th Guelph
 Michael Schaubel, 9th Guelph
 Charles Taylor, 1st Guelph Firefighters

Quality Computing
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The Award for Fortitude
 Juanita Carr, 6th Guelph

Summer is here, Enjoy!!!

By: Brian Peebles, DAC Communications

Usually my article is the first one you would read, it would talk about events that occurred like the All Sections Camp and the Honours and Awards Dinner and other good stuff about this issue of the Woggle. It was one of those days where Bear submitted his Rover Rant well before the deadline and let`s just say that I had a Brain Fart at the wrong time. So for this issue you get twice the Bear and a bonus Rover Rant!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the groups that have provided their Fall Registration dates. I will be contacting those groups who still need to provide the fall registration dates, as I'm looking at publishing the newspaper ads in August. Also in the Fall, if you have an event that you would like to submit to the Calendar please get that to me as soon as possible. I'm looking at releasing the final version of the calendar when groups hand in registration, as this allows me to verify the event information (dates, times, etc etc). I'll have draft copies of the Calendar at the Group Chair's and All Volunteer/Adventure Team meetings.

Other things to note about:

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- The All sections camp was a success, with about 200 participants in camp fun was had by all. Thanks goes out to Med-Vents from N. Waterloo, Skip and his security team, the DJ for the Venturer Dance; the camp committee; and the staff who started to work 1/2 a year ago. Thanks to Peter Jaspers -Fayer for posting some [photos of the camp](#).

- Congratulations to all those who received awards. We're not in it for the recognition, but it's nice when someone else is paying attention. Thanks to the 17th Guelph who hosted the event at Trinity United, Diane who coordinates the awards night, and the 40+ from most of the Groups who attended. Photos for the event are available [here](#).

- The Speed River Raft Race is on again this year. More details are listed in the [upcoming events](#).



Having fun getting wet!!! Did you know ...

Training for the Fall

By: Virginia Peebles, DAC Training

Now that we are all enjoying having our week nights back where we can put up our feet and relax(?) The Wood Badge course is set for the weekend of October 23 and 24. The module 1 will be held as an Introduction to Scouting at Barber Scout Camp on September 22, 30 and October 8th (attend 1 of the evenings). The weekend course location is at College Heights Secondary School.

So pencil the dates in and enjoy the rest of the summer!!

1st Scout Group

By: Diane Hilborn, Group Commissioner

Scouting returns to St. James Anglican Church (corner Glasgow & Paisley), home of the 1st Scout Group in Guelph!

Starting in September 2009 there will be a Beaver Colony and Cub Pack. We will be working towards establishing a Troop the following year. Meetings will be held Monday evenings - Beavers from 5:45 to 7:00 and Cubs from 7:00 to 8:30. Michelle Hilborn will be the Beaver Contact Leader and Tina McDonald the Akela. We are actively looking for colony and pack scouters to round out the leadership teams. For information, contact: Diane Hilborn, Group Commissioner, at rainbow9th@hotmail.com or by phone 519-766-9823.

Camp Corner

By: Gerry "Bear" Carr & Scouter Brian Millie, Camp Committee

Hello All

The "work nites" for the camp have been set as Tuesday nites this year. This will allow for an earlier start (6:30 PM) so more can be done before dusk. Most of the chores are outside.

You may wish to bring some work gloves, hearing protection, steel toe shoes, and a drink or snack.

Tasks will vary from week to week as needed.

This is open to leaders from ALL sections, Scouts, Venturers, Rovers.

It is a GREAT way for the youth to get their 40 hours of community service hours for high school graduation and a NIFTY C.W.B.M.S.C Volunteer crest. (all BEAUTIFUL 6" of it!!!).

Any Questions can contact us at barbercamp@wellington.on.scouts.ca

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of Guelph and surrounding area.**





Just Let Me Ramble

By: Conrad Knabenschuh, Area Commissioner

Hey Folks, it's been a while since I used this forum to chat with you. Normally, and continuously, I post everything that crosses my desk on the blog (www.scouter.ca). However, there are enough changes and exciting news that, heck, there's no choice. While I have lots to ramble on about, it ended up so long I've had to post it off the blog, read all the details at: <http://www.qualitycomputing.ca/WellingtonAC/JustLetMeRambleMay09.htm>.

So in brief form:

- Wellington All-Sections is history. Great fun, thanks to those who came out. If you weren't there you're not part of the solution. For those who complained about Barber being the location due to a smaller than expected registration; maybe if you had registered by the deadline it would have been Blue Heron. For those who were there, GREAT time had by all.
- Fall is approaching. Remember that leaders with less than 2 years of experience in their Section MUST take training within 1 year. We have our Woodbadge 1 scheduled for the fall. Take the introductory session on 1 of the 3 nights it's running (Tue Sep 22, Wed Sep 30, Thu Oct 8), and attend the other modules on Fri Oct 23 thru Sat Oct 24 (note, no Sun sessions required!).
- Youth Commissioner is Emily Oliver. Help her put together a functioning Youth Forum. We're seeing progress. From 2 Groups out at the first night in January, to 7 this last time. Remember, it's not her job go to do everything, just to make sure we're all together on the same page.
- Randy MacPherson will be DAC Beavers next year. You know Randy, lots of ideas, and he's building a team to make it happen! Glad to have you Randy!
- Sandy Marley is DAC Events for Wellington. If you attended the last All-Volunteers you know why and how. Full details in the full ramble. We'll be levying each Group for one person to become part of the Events team. Thanks Sandy, this should be good.
- All Volunteers & Service Team on the same night will continue. However, we'll do the All Volunteers first at 7:15pm, then the Service Team at 9:00pm briefly.
- Spring Registration is here. It will help, and should make all of our lives easier in the fall.



Special Thanks to Lesley Woodhouse from the 9th Guelph for putting this together.

Folks, I'll stop now, but remember, we're ALL part of Wellington Area. On the larger levels, we're all part of the Council, part of Scouts Canada, and WOSM. We work together, we grow together, we have fun together. If the

fun stops, if we're working apart, we're not a team, and we will continue to lose Groups and Members. I'm not in this, for that. My mandate is to leave Wellington in better shape than when I got it, and I'm going to do that, and you're going to help me while I help you! That's a threat!

Woggle Opt-in Subscription Notice

At the January 2008 All Volunteers Meeting, it was announced that in recognition of going green... Wellington Area will be limiting the number of printed copies of the Woggle and they will only be available through an opt-in subscription service. This option is designed for those who do not have access to the Wellington Area Website to download the eWoggle (electronic copy). The subscription service may carry a small fee to cover any costs associated with providing the service.

Therefore as of the new Scouting year September 2008, printed copies of the Woggle will only be available based on an opt-in subscription. To opt-in please contact Brian Peebles by email: woggle@wellington.on.scouts.ca or call him at 519-763-2316 and provide the following information:

- Name and Group
- Mailing address (Street, City, Postal Code)
- Phone Number and Email address

Area Events

Speed River Cleanup

According to the website opirgguelph.org the Speed River Clean up is June 13th, (not the 6th as mentioned in the Calendar) from 8:45 AM - 1:45 PM at Royal City Park. More information can be found on their website, as this is an excellent conservation project to work on for badge work.

Stoney Creek Camp

Stoney Creek International Scout Camp is the Weekend - June 5th to 7th, 2009 at Camp Nemo (note the new location) details are available at stoneycreekcamp.ca

Chief Scout and Queen Venturer Awards Ceremony

Is Sunday, June 14th, starting at 2:00pm at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Centre, 3063 South Service Road, Burlington.

Speed River Raft Race

It's back, the Speed River Raft Race is on June 20th (not the 13th as indicated in the calendar). Rules and the Registration form can be found [here](#).

Service Team Wrap up BBQ

Is Sunday, June 21st at 6:00pm, Conrad's house, 69 Rhonda Rd. Guelph.

4th Brant/Wellington Joint Sixer Second Camp

If you've attended before, you know spots fill up quickly and there's lots of fun to be had! Plan now to join us Saturday November 14 to Sunday, November 15 at Camp Impeesa with your Sixers and Seconds for a jam-packed learning opportunity. We cover knots, formal/informal campfire, duties of the Sixer/Second, Sixer Council, care of tents, meal planning and much more! Crafts, games, scavenger hunt, formal campfire and Scout's Own complete the weekend. Registration packages available in September 2009. For information, please contact Diane

Hilborn rainbow9th@hotmail.com 519-766-9823.

Rover Rant II

By: Gerry "Bear" Carr

Heidy ho Good Rovers, Roverettes, and Wannabe's!!!!!!

I know you were all disappointed with the Rover Rant last issue. There was a small glitch in the system and my gripes about the lack of responsibility at the camp was put in as The Rover Rant.

This issue you get to enjoy more than one episode in the "Life of Bear".

Here goes kiddies and buckle your seatbelts it's going to be a bumpy ride!

It has been a trying Scout season for many of the companies and crews this year. It is always a challenge to get a new group of people up and running. Personnel changes can dramatically alter the demographics of an existing section. Poor leadership either from an Advisor, Skip, President, or Mate can be detrimental to the good health and growth or development of a section.

This was surely the best year to observe why most companies and crews have clauses in their bylaws suggesting dating within the group is not a good idea. Teen romances are tenuous at best. Teen +10+10..... slightly better. Typically male and female split. Boy tells buddies "what a _____ she was". Trying to get their support (and put them off dating his ex), and telling the girls "how bad he was treated" hoping to date her friends. The girl is telling the girls "What a _____ he was" (so the girls won't date him) and telling the boys "how bad she was treated" so they will ask her out for a revenge date. To think we pay to go to the movies.... it don't get much better than this!!!!!!!

I think I am where I wanted to start this topic off. I describe most of the year's issues as "school yard shenanigans". I have lost track of the times I have heard this type of comment this year "I'm not going if that Bee with an ITCH is gonna be there!" "Dude wouldn't it be cool if I dated his (or her) EX!" "If (U no who) can host stuff why can't I" etc etc etc.

All I gotta say is grow up and move on. Ann Landers said "If life gives you a lemon make

Barber Big People Play Nites Summer 2009

I know you are all wondering when this fun and exciting event will take place!

Place: I bet you can guess!

Time: every TUESDAY nite starting @ 6:30(1800) till dusk

When: June till Sept

Who : Leaders, Advisors, Scouts, Venturers, Rovers

Activities will include but not limited to:

- Trim de trail
- Trim de treez
- Mow de lawn
- Paint de stuff
- Camp site beautification
- Do your own ting

I know you are thinking "What's in it for me?" I can only mention a few things, camaraderie, brotherhood, a sense of fulfillment, a chance to go to Timmies with us (after play), a chance to enjoy the company of the Grumpy Camp Guys, and most importantly a chance to spend time with "The Meanest Scouter in the World"

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lemonade". It's true not much you can do will change the eventual outcome. BTW I read the last chapter and we're all gonna die.

Eons ago when I was Troop Scouter and later Company Advisor I strived to make the section a place free from most of the school yard crap, ...everyone gets enough from other sources. Declare your Company or Crew a "Drama Free Zone", bullies need not apply!

The most important thing school taught me is tolerance for: slow people, personality handicapped people, bigots, angry people etc(pick a personality type). You are probably wondering "Why is tolerance so important? As I go through life I have realized I will not be bestest friends with everyone I meet. I have over the years worked alongside people who I would never have considered friend material. I tolerated them to earn a living(for them and me) at work, have kick ass activities, have an awesome camp. A few I meet will become friends with many things in common. Many will be acquaintances who I see at camp or work with(fewer things in common) and there are others("the tolerated") that I say hello and I am pleasant to because it's no skin off my nose to be courteous but I do not socialize with them beyond that point.

In closing I wanna say: "Can't we all just get on with the real business of having FUN!!!! and leave the school yard crap behind us"

BTW:I am looking for funding to create a home for "Battered Mushrooms"

Gerry "Bear" Carr
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The Back Pages

What else you need to know...

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