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Happy Badging!

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THE  
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*Send in your articles, advertisements and letters!*

Dear Fellow Badgers,

Welcome to the special 40th Anniversary issue of The Canadian Badger! It has been a treat reading your submissions about your history with the Canadian Badger's Club and Scouting in general. Thank you for taking part in this milestone issue!

A great big and heartfelt THANK YOU to Reni Barlow, C0002, who not only submitted his personal history of his badge collecting, but also a written and illustrated history of the forming of The Canadian Badger's Club! The pictures Reni submitted are great as well and are included for everyone to enjoy. Reni mentions that he was a Venturer when he and the other founding members brought the Canadian Chapter of the International Badger's Club into being. If some Scouts, Venturers and Rovers from today would step forward and become instrumental to the club, imagine how badging in Canada would grow!

Many thanks also to the Prez for spearheading the project to bring our financials and bank information into the 21st Century. In the 22 years since Johnny O. opened the account (1993) we could not tell whether or not a proper account review had ever been done. The old style of cheques and the fact that they still were marked to the "care of John Ochitwa" at the address for Pacific Endura Paints in Surrey, B.C. were a pretty big indicator that it was time for a review!

I received one response from John Butters, C0500, concerning creating a Canadian Jamboree and Provincial Jamboree catalogue. John is all for such a listing, and I am sure there are more like minded members out there. These kind of lists do not just appear so if you're interested in helping with such a catalogue, please let me or our esteemed Cataloguer Gordon Ennis know. We can then create a group, or a committee if you will, to get the project done.

I hope that all of you enjoy this special anniversary issue and the anniversary badge you have received with this magazine, or in the case of you Digital subscribers, soon in the mail. I have enjoyed putting this issue together as well as all the issues this year. Enjoy the copy of the first issue of The Canadian Badger. We certainly have come a long, long way!

And Reni, as you read this, please do not be embarrassed about those early issues. You guys did great and you and your efforts for the Club are more appreciated than you may be aware. I am sure the entire membership will agree one hundred percent as I say:

**THANK YOU!!**

Anthony Palmer, Editor  
C0882



*From the Editor...*

# from the prez!

Hello Fellow Badgers

From the “Prez”....

.....Who is announcing a change. Welcome to Don Connors C0828 who has accepted the position of secretary / treasurer of our club. Commencing with the receipt of the December issue of the club magazine, please address all club business with financial aspects including renewals to Don Connors by mail to 5817 Gainsborough Place, Halifax, N.S. B3K 5S1 or you can contact Don via e-mail at [dconnors@eastlink.ca](mailto:dconnors@eastlink.ca)

It has taken a long time to complete this turnover as TD Bank required all five members of the executive to sign on a single sheet of paper while being physically present in a TD branch and it had to be transported from province to province by their internal mail system. Now considering Don lives in Halifax, NS, Ralph in St. Stephen, NB, Anthony in Morinville AB, Gord in Pitt Meadows BC and the Prez is in Mission BC and that after each signing, the single page had to be returned to Mission, to be sent on to the next signee, it has taken months.

After crossing Canada many times, the final step was sending the page to the original branch in Surrey where the late John Ochitwa opened the account in 1993. This also seemed to be the perfect time to modify the account name from the “CANADIAN CHAPTER OF THE IBC” to the name voted by the members in 2005. Many meetings with TD Bank and “THE CANADIAN BADGERS CLUB” is now on the new cheques.

In my badging friendship with Jim Fell C0095 of Flin Flon, MB, I learned that Scouts Canada has presented both he and his wife Jeanne with their sixty-five year membership pins. Jim tells me that he has slightly more time served than his wife as he joined several months ahead of Jeanne! Wonderful dedication to scouting!

2015 is the year we celebrate our 40th year as a club and each member will receive a new 40th year badge.

As a person of habit, it is with great pleasure that I wish you and yours health and happiness in the coming year. Oh, and of course, some little pieces of coloured cloth under the tree. Merry Christmas from “the Prez”

In Scouting,

Frank D. Smith.

*Congratulations to Jim and Jeanne Fell on a stupendous milestone! Also, as mentioned in the Editorial, members who receive their magazine electronically will receive their 40th Anniversary Badge separately in the mail. Members who receive their magazine by mail will receive their badge with the magazine.- editor.*

# The Early Years: Before the Beginning to CJ '77

Reni Barlow  
Life Member – C0002

I was one of two Venturers who led the formation of The Badgers Club – Canadian Chapter in 1975, and then managed it through the early years. Youth initiative and determination started the Club. Although we always hoped it would be successful, we never dreamed it would last 40 years.

The Chapter was very much a product of my early Scouting life, which began eight years before 1975. The story highlights the importance of small, seemingly insignificant personal events, the impact of a positive Scouting experience, and the important role it can play in enabling, and empowering youth leadership. Youth-led, Plan-Do-Review, Adventure, and SPICES are the elements of Scouts Canada's new *Canadian Path*, but they were all part of the Scouting I experienced – though more often in spite of my Scouters than because of them.

January 1967, Canada's Centennial year. I had just turned 8 and could hardly wait to join Cubs in the 242<sup>nd</sup> Toronto, which met in the basement of Presteign United church about a 5-minute walk from my house. I didn't know it then, but it was a time of major transition (and controversy) in Canadian Scouting – the implementation of *Scouts '68*, with new programs and uniforms. The older Cubs had green wool shirts and worked to earn two metal stars for their cap; I would work for five coloured stars, worn on the shoulder. I had a grey jersey with green trim, along with grey shorts, knee-socks, garter tabs, and a green Cub hat, all bought with great anticipation at Jack Fraser's in the mall. Shorts and knee-socks weren't ideal for mid-January, but I made the short run to the church each week without long pants over top. Braving the cold was a source of pride and added to the sense of adventure.

The day I was invested, I received my Collector badge – not for badges, but for insects, carefully preserved, identified, and mounted on pins in a box that I'd built myself. I also received a 1967 Centennial strip, which was later transferred from uniform to uniform and then briefly held a place in my badge collection until I replaced it with a mint version. Collecting satisfied my need to organize things systematically – a skill that's served me well through science and education degrees, a career in teaching, school administration, and finally as Executive Director of Canada's largest national youth science engagement organization.

As a Cub, my notion of a district was pretty vague. The 242<sup>nd</sup> Toronto was in the east-end's Monarch Park district and I received one of the square varieties as part of my investiture. I had no idea that it was one of the city's smallest districts, that within 3 years all Toronto districts would be amalgamated into "Scouts Toronto," or that my badge would become 'extinct' and later, rare. My district awareness came through annual events – parades, a hobby show, a Cuboree, and "Happy Daze," a musical revue modelled on the London, UK Scout Gang Show. Every Sunday afternoon through the winter about 70 Cubs, Scouts, and Rovers from around the district met to rehearse songs and skits ready for the show's 3-day spring run. It gave me my first experience on stage, and over 3 years helped build confidence, public speaking skills, and expanded the world of Scouting beyond my group.

In March 1970 we moved east to Scarborough. I'd had a miserable first year in Scouts; by the time we moved I had basically quit, but agreed to give the nearest troop – 2<sup>nd</sup> Scarborough East – a try. At first I was shocked – the handful of Scouts hardly wore uniforms and there wasn't much to meetings beyond floor hockey, but the leader – who it turned out had been on the verge of quitting – seemed rejuvenated by the new kid who was eager to earn badges and do Scout stuff. I ended up being more of a junior leader than a Scout, which suited me perfectly. Meetings improved, the troop grew, and I progressed quickly through the badge and award program to Pathfinder Scout – the Chief Scout's Award wasn't introduced until September 1973, almost a year after I'd moved on to Venturers.

My mother, who helped launch the Beaver program in Toronto, received *Scouting News*, the Greater Toronto Region's monthly newsletter. An article in early 1972 invited Scouts and Venturers to apply to represent the region at the 3<sup>rd</sup> New Brunswick Jamboree that summer. I had no idea what a jamboree was, but a Scouting adventure in another province sounded like a great way to spend a week. I applied, had a formal interview at the region office, and was thrilled to receive a letter a few weeks later informing me that I'd been accepted.

As I was packing, my mother gave me a small bag of badges – various districts and events that she'd acquired, plus some Ontario provincials and the new Scouts Toronto badges. She thought others at the jamboree might have badges to trade. A bit of a shy kid, those badges gave me an incentive to interact with other participants. While most were happy trading anything, my systematic collecting instinct quickly focused my efforts on provincial and district badges. By the end of the week I had at least one from every participating province. During the week I also decided that some of the badges my mother had given me might be better kept than traded. That turned out to be a wise decision, as she'd given me some old Toronto districts that were already difficult to find.

I returned home hooked on the jamboree experience and on badge trading, though the collector in me felt that there ought to be a way to know what badges were available – a list, similar to the ones for stamp and coin collectors. I started Venturers that fall and was excited to find that the Canadian Venturer Handbook included an address list of council offices. It occurred to me that those offices might help me build a list – and sell me their badges – especially if it was for a Venturer Personal Interest Challenge project. An intensive letter-writing campaign began, with badge purchases fueled by my earnings as a part-time gas station attendant. By the next summer – at age 14 – I headed off to the 1<sup>st</sup> Northwest Territories jamboree with a pretty impressive swop box, loaded with provincial, region, and district badges from coast to coast to coast. I felt ready to trade for anything and was fairly confident that I was well on my way to having a complete set of districts, though I had no way of knowing for sure without a list.

The NWT jamboree was a remarkable experience – my first encounter with the North, a chance to meet kids from western and northern Canada, and of course, more swapping. I traded a pile of badges to an Inuk for a sealskin (which I still have) and added many items to my collection, but the most significant event was meeting Bill Neil at a picnic table one afternoon – and discovering that he had a badge list. More impressive, his list wasn't just for Canada; it covered the whole world. We talked regularly during the week and I left Fort Smith with an International Badgers Club (IBC) application form – and my first Badgers Club friend.

I mailed my form and cheque as soon as I got home and was thrilled to receive the IBC catalogue some time later. I discovered that I had a pretty good collection of current districts, but that I was missing many of the extinct badges, which were rated (using one to four + signs) according to their rarity. Perhaps more importantly, I also received a list of the IBC members, which included about 15 Canadians. Although I was eager to swop with them, it seemed odd that there were so few Canadians in a club with hundreds of members in the UK, Australia, New Zealand, and other tantalizingly exotic parts of the world. Over the next two years, I learned why. The bi-monthly IBC magazine rarely had any Canadian information. There were numerous stories of meetings, badges, members, and of course lots of wants/swops ads, but almost nothing of interest to a collector of Canadian badges. Still, the list gave me new Canadian contacts and I sent letters to each of them to see if we could help each other.

Now firmly committed to an annual jamboree experience, I applied to be a member of the Ontario contingent to the 2<sup>nd</sup> BC & Yukon Jamboree in 1974. Although I was now a fairly intense Badger, I was careful to balance my swapping with the incredible Venturer program, which included my first rappelling experience, an overnight hike on Vancouver Island's west coast, and rain almost every day. Over the week I became good friends with Norm Paget, another Venturer in the contingent from Barrie. With a seemingly endless supply of Kempenfelt Bay badges, he caught the badge-swapping bug right away.

By the time we were flying back to Ontario we'd planned a road trip in Norm's car to visit a second jamboree that summer – the 3<sup>rd</sup> Québec Jamboree at Camp Tamaracouta – mostly to trade badges. We had no idea if they would even let us in, but we headed off anyway, confident that we could talk our way in, or that by wearing our uniforms we would look like we belonged. It was another great week, camping and visiting the jamboree every day. We added good Québec items to our collections, but our discussions increasingly focused on how to promote badge collecting across Canada. Norm joined the IBC and over the next year, we stayed in regular contact.

I turned 16 in January 1975, during what should have been my final year of high school; however, my life as a Venturer and Pack Scouter-in-Training, combined with building my Canadian collection, and part-time work meant that I would take one more year to complete the necessary credits. That summer I participated in the 14<sup>th</sup> World Jamboree – a chance to experience Scouting on its grandest stage, as well as my first opportunity to trade badges internationally and meet IBC members I'd only read about in the magazine. I was increasingly convinced that Canadian badge collectors – similar to those in Australia and New Zealand – needed their own chapter and asked several IBC executive members who were at the jamboree what was required. Their major underlying concern was

that some of the ‘unofficial’ or ‘rogue’ chapters had created their own badge coding/numbering systems that were inconsistent with the IBC scheme, which caused considerable confusion. I offered that an IBC-sanctioned Canadian chapter that used the IBC numbering system would better serve those who collected Canadian badges, improve the Canadian section of the catalogue, and act as a gateway to international collecting and IBC membership.

When I returned from Norway, discussions with Norm accelerated and we agreed that a meeting of Canadian IBC members and anyone else interested in badge collecting should be held. He quickly obtained approval from his district to organize and host the First Kempenfelt Bay Swaporee on the grounds of what would later become Molson Park and then Park Place in Barrie. Norm looked after the logistics while I coordinated the invitations and promotion. Although a few of the 16 who attended the October weekend event were skeptical, the discussions resulted in the formation of an IBC Canadian Chapter and a temporary executive, with Norm as chairman, Ron Freeman as secretary, John Glover as Chapter membership and treasurer, John Getgood as catalogue keeper, and me as temporary editor of the magazine, plus publicity and displays.

On December 2, 1975 the first issue of The Canadian Badger was mailed – delayed until then by a 43-day postal strike. The lead article described the aim of the new Chapter:

- To promote swapping and collecting on a Canadian level;
- To encourage and assist new Canadian members and collectors; and
- To promote the international club from a Canadian viewpoint rather than that of an ‘other territory.’

It also noted, “...we intend to complement the international magazine by providing Canadian-centred information as well as the Canadian lists of any members in a bi-monthly edition alternate with the international magazine. We also hope to publish a good number of badge histories, beginning this issue, which seems to be neglected in the international magazine, but add an interesting dimension to collecting.”

When I look back at those first issues, I'm a bit embarrassed by the poor quality. We couldn't afford professional printing, so Norm and I printed the magazine using a Gestetner machine in his mother's office. The machine worked by passing thick ink through a tissue paper stencil on a rotating drum. The stencil for each page was created by hand and printed separately. Text was added to the stencil using a manual typewriter, being careful not to press too forcefully otherwise the key punched a hole right through the stencil. Images, including those of badges for badge histories, were hand-drawn (be me) using a stylus to create lines and a burnishing tool to fill in areas. Later, we were able to incorporate halftone images generated from (film) photographs, and prepare the stencils from photocopied pages, but the first few issues were painstaking – especially compared with today's digital layout and printing technologies.

A month after the first issue was published I turned 17. I had my sights set on university – and a complete Canadian ‘name’ collection; at that point I was missing 50 districts. I never got into collecting varieties, mostly because it was too expensive; I used older varieties to trade for my name needs. By the summer of 1978 my list was down to 19 and when I finally sold my Canadian collection in 2003 I was only missing four. As my Canadian collecting slowed, I set out to acquire a complete name collection for the world – I was always a bit of an overachiever.

Around the same time as the Canadian Chapter was being formed, the National Office in Ottawa announced that the fourth national jamboree – and the first since 1961 – would be held at Cabot Provincial Park in PEI from July 2-11, 1977. There was considerable excitement across the country and during the Chapter's founding meeting in Barrie it was agreed that a badge display at the jamboree would be the perfect promotion. However, there were a few challenges: First, a jamboree badge display had never been done before, so no one knew what was required or how it would work; and second, so-called ‘professional’ badge traders had earned themselves a rather poor reputation. As the executive in charge of publicity and displays, they became my challenges.

The process began with a letter to the National Office, which was followed by additional letters, phone discussions, and ultimately a proposal submitted to the CJ '77 Planning Committee that was approved at its May 3, 1976 meeting. I'm sure they had no idea that the proposal had been written by a Venturer. In addition to confirming conceptual and logistical details, we had to assure the committee that Scouters at the display would conduct their trading appropriately and that youth participants would be educated and encouraged to trade in accordance with Scouting values. This took on even greater importance a few months later after a Canadian IBC member, who was not a Canadian Chapter member, was ejected from the 1976 Alberta provincial jamboree for questionable trading, resulting in a ban on Scouters trading with boys. Early in the fall I received a letter from the CJ '77 Planning



Committee informing me that they had withdrawn their approval of the display due to Badgers having, “a somewhat less than desirable reputation as a result of attendance at past jamborees” and noting that at the jamboree, “the involvement of the Badgers Club members in trading should be actively discouraged.” Several phone conversations with National Office staff addressed their concerns and the display was reinstated; however, it was clear that they would be monitoring it closely. The Canadian Chapter’s Code of Ethics for badge trading was developed in response. I am pleased to see that it continues to be used at jamborees across the country – and was most recently included in Scouts Canada’s Contingent Guide for the 2015 World Jamboree in Japan.

Three members were selected to serve as information staff at the CJ ’77 display – John Getgood (the Chapter’s catalogue keeper), Al Hartrick, and Bill Neil. I chose not to be on the display staff, partly so I could represent the club to the jamboree Planning Committee independent of the display staff, particularly if any problems arose, but also because I wanted to take a patrol of my Scouts.

The display was prepared on 24x48-inch foam-core panels using my collection supplemented with borrowed items to fill the gaps. It was mounted between the poles of the marquee tent using a custom-built wooden top and bottom rail that enabled the panels to be removed and locked up each night for safekeeping. A hand-painted canvas banner decorated the doorway. To say that the display was a success would be a huge understatement. It was rated the third most popular area by the jamboree HQ staff and the comments received were exactly what we’d hoped for – including that the display staff and other Chapter members worked hard to ensure fair and honest trading. CJ ’77 was a significant milestone, firmly establishing the two-year-old club on the Canadian Scouting landscape and paving the way for the many provincial and national jamboree displays that have followed.

To a 16-year-old Venturer, 40 years is a very long time. Neither Norm and I, nor the rest of that first executive, started with a long-term plan. We were simply passionate about promoting a hobby we loved and focused on making the club as good as it could possibly be. In recent years, Scouts Canada has made significant changes to ensure that youth play a leadership role at every level and in every aspect of the organization. The Canadian Badger’s Club is a superb example of why this is important and the ability of youth to lead. I am hopeful that the club will use the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary to reflect on its origins and follow Scouts Canada’s lead to ensure that youth play a leading role in its future. Youth members could transition the catalogue to an online database, develop a mobile catalogue and member app, create an online swapping platform, or take the club in exciting new directions. I look forward to celebrating how the leadership and contributions of youth transformed the club by its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.



Bill Neil, one of three display staff at CJ’77, standing outside the display tent beside one of the hand-painted canvas banners that decorated the entrance.



The Toronto contingent to the 1972 NB Jamboree. I am circled in red – I was 13.





My collection after returning from the 1972 NB Jamboree. Not many badges, but almost all districts or provincial badges, including Ungava from Québec – probably the best badge I had at the time, though I didn't know it.



My patrol from the Ontario contingent to the 1st Northwest Territories Jamboree in 1973. I am circled in red – I was 14.





Participants and visitors line up to register and buy Swaporee crests. Norm Paget is seated at the table (with glasses). Reid Sheppard (hands in back pockets), Tony Sheppard (mug and beige jacket), and Robert Sheppard (red/blue plaid jacket) are in line. All three became members.



John Getgood organizes his swop box while a district volunteer with a security radio looks on. John became the Catalogue Keeper on the first 'temporary executive.'





Rick Davis, Kempenfelt Bay district commissioner welcomes swaporee participants at the opening ceremony. Norm Paget is seated on the deck. Rick became a member.



Rick Davis, Kempenfelt Bay district commissioner welcomes swaporee participants at the opening ceremony.





Dave Bushell (in the red 1st GTR jamboree jacket) makes notes while standing beside Mike Johnston who attended the Swaporee from Rochester NY.



John Glover (beige knitted hat with nametag) swops with Reid Sheppard (left – face and arm visible) and Bill White in the blue knitted cap.

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Temporary Editor - #1756 Reni Barlow

WE'RE HERE! ... LET THE BELLS RING OUT AND THE BANNERS

FLY ... WE'RE HERE!

Yes, despite uncooperative postal workers and the fast-approaching season of cheer, we've managed to put together Volume 1 Number 1 of THE CANADIAN BADGER. Before we go much farther though we'd better let you know just who WE are. WE are the temporarily appointed executive of the newly formed Canadian Chapter which came about at the 1st Kempenfelt Bay Swaporee. WE are as follows:

International Representative - #955 Miss Jane Walker

Chairman, Canadian Chapter - #1771 Norm Paget

Secretary - #1787 Ron Freeman

Canadian Chapter membership & Treasurer - #700 John Glover

Catalogue Keeper - #1755 John Getgood

Publicity & Displays - #1756 Reni Barlow

Our aim in forming the Canadian Chapter is threefold.

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So here we are, with a sigh of relief. Go ahead, read and enjoy, but now contribute. We don't have an endless supply of information, histories or wants lists, so if you think we're on the right track and you'd like to benefit, please help. We will publish any members Canadian wants and swops lists as well as any helpful information you can pass along. With that off our chests we look forward to the flood of lists and articles!?

WE would also like to wish all members a verry merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.





## Badge Histories



The Prince Albert Sask. district badge was designed by #800 Bill Neil. The green forest and the gateway symbolize Prince Albert's role as the 'Gateway to the North'



The Burlington Ont. District badge shows the head of Joseph Brant, Chief of the Mohawk Indian tribe which was closely associated with the early history of the area. The badge is bright red with white lettering. The indian appears in brown, black, yellow, red and white.

These histories were collected by former Badger, Denny May, PFE in Alberta for the Scout Leader.



The Battleford District Sask., centres on Fort Battleford, formerly an RCMP fort and now a historic museum. The yellow palisades and gate symbolize the fort. The colours, scarlet and gold pay tribute to the RCMP and the jumping fish and blue water indicate the North Saskatchewan river which runs through the district to the hunting and fishing grounds of the northwest.



Ken-Kee Council is named for the two Ontario towns within the district - Kenora and Keewatin. The black bridge depicts the dividing line between the towns. Lake of the Woods on which the towns are situated is shown in blue. The symbol and name are red, the trees in the foreground are dark green and those under the bridge are light green. The border is gold.

## NEW ADDITIONS

Occasionally we run into a member who can't figure out the odd codes which appear in various ads because they've failed to note the additions as they are listed. We cannot emphasize too strongly the need for having an up to date catalogue, as it eliminates confusion and speeds up swapping. The most recent international catalogue published was October 1974. If yours is much older and you haven't kept track of the additions, you can obtain the most recent version from #452 Les Rolfe in England at a cost of 36p or 90¢ approximately.

Here are the additions to the catalogue since the Swaporee:  
(based on #1755 John Getgood's Computer catalogue)

CAN/ONT. A5 ALGONKIN DIVISION (H)≠  
W11 WOODBINE

PSST! ..... Hey Badger, d'ya hear about the next swaporee? Early April 76 is the story. (final date in Feb.) Don't forget the code eh, 4/76. (NO Getgood, it's not a new issue!) You'd better be there. especially if you missed the last one. Rumour has it in eastern Toronto, maybe even Oshawa! Seeya there. And bring your stuff, OK?

#### 4th New Brunswick Jamboree

This SUMMER at Woolastook provincial park near Fredericton, New Brunswick will host their fourth provincial Jamboree from July 10-17. #1755 John Getgood anticipates that he will be attending so there may be a possibility of a display. Staff positions are likely available so if you'r interested, contact the jamboree committee at:  
151 King St. East  
St. John, N.B.

#### 6th Alberts Jamboree

'Jamgatta 76' will be held from July 24-31 at Camp Woods on Sylvan Lake near Red Deer, Alberta. The Jamboree fee is \$80.00 per boy and \$40.00 per leader, plus transportation. #1756 Reni Barlow and #1771 Norm Paget have expressed interest in attending, so a display is quite possible. It is also likely that our western members may be involved. Staff positions are available so contact the jamboree organizers at:  
5125-48th St.  
Red Deer, Alta.  
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????????? CAN JAM 77----- JAM CAN 77 ??????????

Canada's fourth national jamboree and the first since 1961 will take place from July 2-11, 1977 in Cabot Provincial Park, P.E.I., with about 15,000 Scouts and Venturers expected to attend. This number will include 5,000 Americans and many foreign patrols, each Scouting country being invited to send one. Participation is open to any registered Scout or Venturer who has satisfied his Scouter of his competence in camping skills. The jamboree fee has been set at \$75.00 plus food, approximately \$35.00, and transportation. 500 staff positions will be available so if you can't take your troop or company, there's lots of room. We intend to have a Badger's Club display at the jamboree but arrangements are still to be made. If you feel inventive or creative, the jamboree committee is looking for a name other than CAN JAM or JAM CAN and of course a badge design. Just think how you'd feel if you could say that you'd designed CAN/JAM 4, so get on it!

#1755. John Getgood, 280, Phillip St., Box A236, Waterloo, Ont., N2L 3X1  
WANTS. CAN/NAT. 3,5, /BC. 2,B1,2,3,6,9,10,C6,9,11,12,15,16,18,19,H1,  
 2,3,K3,5,M2,4,5,6,N4,Q1,R2,3,S4,V1,2,W2. /ALTA. 2,C2,8,D4,G4,5,6,K2,  
 L5,M6,N5,O1,P3,4,S5,T2,W5. /SASK. A1,E1,F1,H1,M1,R1,2,3,S1,3,4,W1.  
 /MAN. 2,A2,L2,3,N2,P6,S1,T3. /ONT. A3,4,B8,10,12,C6,10,E3,F4,H9,  
 K8,M2,5,N7,10,O7,P10,R5,S16,17,19,T1,8,Y4. /PQ. C3,4,D1,G1,H2,L3,6,  
 M1,4,N1,R2,3,S3,8,11,12,U1,Y1. /NB. C3,E1,F3,S1. /NS. D2,H1,L1,S2,T1,  
 V1,W1. /PEI. N1. /NFLD. C1,E1,G2,S1. /NWT. 2. /SC. ALL EXCEPT 1,A3,  
 C1,H1,L1,M1,Q1,S3,4. /CAFE. B1,G1,H1,M1,2,S1,Z1. /Jam. ALL. /GG. 1,  
 2,5A,6,13.



#1771 Norman Paget, 12 Meadowland Ave., Barrie, Ont., L4N 2Y4  
WANTS. CAN/ONT. A3,4,B4,6,8,11,12,C6,8,10,D2,3,E3,6,F4,5,G1,H2,9,I1,2,  
 K1,3,6,7,8,L2,6,M1,2,3,4,5,6,N5,6,10,O7,P2,10,11,R5,S16,17,19,T1,  
 6,8,V2,Y4. /JAM 1,3.

#1756. Reni Barlow 25 cougar Court Apt. 804; Scarborough, Ont.; M1J 3E5  
WANTS. CAN/NS. W1./NB. E1,S1./PQ. C1,3,G1,M3,4,S10. /ONT. A4,M5,N7,10,  
 P10,R5. /MAN. L2,T7. /SASK. A1. /ALTA. H1,K2,L2,5,N5,P4,R3,W5. /BC. C16,19,  
 H1,2,M4,6,N4,S4,  
SWOPS: Many CAN including EXT. Many overseas.



#700 John Glover, P.O. Box 801; Oshawa, Ont.; L1N 7H1  
WANTS. CAN/BC. 2,3,B3,4,6,9,10,C2,4,6,7,12,14,17,19,E3,F3,G3,H1,2;  
 K1,M1,2,4,N2,6,P1,Q1,S2,3,4,6,7,V1,W2. /ONT. B10,C6,10,E4,5,F1,4,5,  
 H2,3,13,I2,K8,L6,M2,3,4,P1,10,11,R5,S7,9,16,19,24,25,T1,6,8,V2,W1,  
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 Y1. /SASK. A1,2,B3,H1,P1,3,R1,3,5,S1,W1. /MAN. A2,B1,F1,I1,L1,2,3,4,N2;  
 O1,P1,P3,6,R1,S1,5,7,T1,3,5,6,7. /PQ. B1,C1,2,3,4,E2,3,G1,H1,2,L1,2,3,6,  
 M1,2,3,4,N1,2,4,P1,R2,3,S1,2,6,9,10,12,V1,W2,Y1. /NB. C3,E1,F1,2,E3,  
 G1,S1,S3,W1,Y1. /NS. H1,L1,P1,Q1,S1,T1,V1,W1,Y1. /PEI. N1. /NFLD. 1,C1,E1,  
 G1,2.

### Kempenfelt Bay Swaporee

There are still a considerable number of the crests issued for this event. Heres a chance to purchase badges for your campfire blanket. Available from Norman Paget #1771 (address above) for .60¢ each.



# Life Members - 40th Anniversary of The Canadian Badger's Club

Perhaps the most pleasant task the President of the Canadian Badgers' Club gets to perform is the recognition of club members who have not just assembled some pretty impressive badge collections, but whose dedication has enriched the collecting experience for all badgers.

It is my honour as your President to announce that Badgers Glen Wright, C0923 and John Witham, C0825 will each receive a Certificate of Life Membership at the 2016 Denis Charbonneau Memorial Swap Meet & Auction.

Glen and John join Life Members:

Reni Barlow, C0002  
Ray Crowther, C0324  
John Getgood, C0004  
Diane Kelly, C0076  
Jim Munns, C0028  
John Neysmith, C0124

And in memory:  
John Ochitwa  
W.J. "Badger Bill" Neil  
Denis Charbonneau.

Please join me in congratulating Glen and John!

In Scouting,

Frank D. Smith





# Member Histories - 40th Anniversary of The Canadian Badger's Club

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## **Ed Ermel, C0958**

I joined the Canadian Badger Club at CJ'89 - 26 years ago - at age 39. The person that most impressed me, at the time, was Don Allen. I had traded badges for about 20 years, at that time, but did not have them arranged in any way, except by province. I am grateful that there were, and are, a large number of other members who have helped me add to my collection.

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## **James Fell, C0095**

I joined the Canadian Badger's Club in August, 1976. I was 44 years old when I became a member. I was a youth collector as I joined Scouts in Melfort, Saskatchewan in 1945. I collected badges on a small scale at Provincial, Canadian and World Jamborees. In early years I was only trading for badges for my campfire blanket. When I became a Scouter I went to Jamborees as an offer of service Scouter and only traded in my free time. I cannot remember who convinced me to join but I think it could have been Badger Bill from Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. I have enjoyed meeting people on my travels. What I enjoy most is this past few years I have traders from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Alberta and British Columbia I talk to weekly on the phone and we both learn a lot and enjoy talking badging.

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## **Steve Kavanagh, C0331, Webmaster.**

I joined the Canadian Badgers Club sometime between 1979 and 1981. I had a small collection of district badges that my former Scoutmaster (my Dad) gave me when I rejoined scouting as an adult leader in 1977. They were all Quebec ribbons. I still have them. After joining the club, the first swap I made was with Badger Bill, who had sent me a letter as soon as my name was published in TCB. I attended CJ81 as staff at Sub-Camp Deer and made a few trades while there. By 1983, I was out of scouting, doing family & career stuff. My collection sat idle in a box.

In 1999, while at an extended family funeral, my wife's nephew asked if I was still in Scouts. "No" was my answer, but I added that I was still looking for a Scout Stetson hat. He suggested eBay. Thus began a long and expensive journey. I found 1 Stetson within weeks and continued to browse the Scout category. I started to collect proficiency badges (tan 57-68 series) which eventually led to a full-blown desire for more. Along the way, I found the box with my districts and started adding to them as well.

I am a charter member of the Scout Memorabilia Collectors of Canada, having served as the first President, and I have been the SMCC club webmaster (scoutalog.com) since 2003,

In April 2002, I learned that the Badgers Club Annual Montreal Swap Meet was coming up. I decided to attend. It was the last one held in the Montreal Scout office. On arrival and through the day, I was warmly welcomed by Denis Charbonneau and his team, in addition to the other attendees. I had such a good time, that when I got home to Brampton late Saturday night, I filled in the application form and re-newed my membership in the club.

I have had continuous attendance at Montreal since then, attended numerous swaps in Ontario, and had the privilege to attend CJ13, ADventure 14 & PJ 2015 as a member of the CBC Display Teams.

My collection has grown, but it seems the same 300 badges that elude me are also on most members lists, but I still keep looking through wants and swaps lists, local flea markets, eBay, postal/email auctions, and of course, the club website. I collect UK, Ireland, France, New Zealand, USA, Pacific Islands, jamborees, Scout Shop series, Trees, Apple Day etc. etc. etc.

I re-joined Scouts Canada a few years back and I am currently a Scouter ("Hawkeye") with my grandson's colony and this year added the title of "Akela" with 2nd Brampton Cubs. I am looking forward to narrowing my 300 list down further and to many more swap meets where I can negotiate with my club colleagues. It is certainly a fun-filled hobby. The chase is the best part.

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# Member Histories - 40th Anniversary of The Canadian Badger's Club

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## **Anthony Palmer, C0882, Editor, Prairie Region Representative**

In 1983 I was a Wolf Cub visiting my father who was an Offer of Service working at the Trading Post at the XV World Jamboree in Kananaskis Country, Alberta. I remember seeing the badge trading and the number of people taking part. A Scouter was handing out stickers for the XVI World Jamboree scheduled to be held at Cataract Scout Park near Sydney, Australia. I put my sticker on the cover of my Cub Book, which gave its life so that I may learn. I did indeed attend the XVI World Jamboree and at that Jamboree, in the badge swapping area, I met and received a wooden nickle from one William J. "Badger Bill" Neil. After returning to Canada, I sent Badger Bill a letter and he replied with a badge and a membership form for the Canadian Badger's Club. I filled out the form and got a cheque from my folks (after I paid them of course!). The first issue of The Canadian Badger I received was December, 1988. I have had the great honour of knowing many marvellous people through Scouting and the Canadian Badger's Club, some of which I have lost touch with and others who have Gone Home. I would like to thank every member who has been an influence on me, no matter how small or insignificant it may seem. May we be able to continue the legacy of the Canadian Badger's Club for another forty years!

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## **Frank.D. Smith C0684, President**

My father had been a scout in Victoria in the 1920's, my brother had been a Queen Scout and chosen to attend the 1957 WJ in England, so I was destined to also to be a boy scout. I joined Wolf Cubs in 1959, my brothers group, meeting in the basement of the United Church which my mother attended. We lived in a small rural community north of Victoria, near where the B.C. ferry from Vancouver now docks, Deep Cove. I spent 10 years in the same group 1st Deep cove, 6th Tsartlip. Yes Tsartlip BC T1a, yes a tough badge without a doubt, I have three, one on my green wool cub shirt, one on my green scout shirt (thanks mom for saving my old uniforms) and a mint one in my collection. I earned my Queen Scout in 1967 and attended the 1967 WJ in Idaho. I always felt a little ripped off, my brother went to England, the 1963 WJ was in Greece and the 1971 was in Japan and I got Idaho! My adult membership in The Boy Scouts of Canada started in 1980 when I went to sign up my oldest son in beavers and was told he would have to go on a waiting list BUT if I wanted to become a leader he could join right now. Since then have done many jobs, beaver, cub and scout leader, group quartermaster and secretary with two different groups. Along the way as well a regional director, Trees for Canada and Apple Day coordinator and district honours and awards person. I have been awarded a Medal of Good Service, Medal of Merit and a Silver Acorn along with the 100 year Centennial Medal. Jamborees are a favorite of mine and I really look forward to the "jamboree experience" counting the two of my youth I have attended as either with troop or on staff: 21. I've always been a collector, you name it, and I collected it. But it was when I was going to the 1st BC/Yukon jamboree in 1966, my old cub master gave me a paper bag full of badges and I was hooked. I joined the club in September 1983 after picking up a membership form at WJ83. Badger Bill contacted me early on in 1993 and asked me if I would like to be on the badge display team for CJ93 and shortly after that asked me, if I would be interested in standing for election as president. Well I did stand, was elected and here we are today, 22 years later.

This is as good as time as ever to let it be known that I will not be standing for re-election at CJ'17.

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# Welcome New Members!

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The memberships for the following expired in September 2015 and therefore they are no longer members of The Canadian Badger's Club:

Robert Bailey; C1279

Spencer Julien; C1289

Jim Pearce; C1190

Robert Caldwell; C1106

John Meyers; C1307

Jim Prince; C1041

Lavern Clark; C1242

Bohdan W. Mykolyn;  
C0065

Elizabeth Spencer-  
Spreeuw; C1303

Quinten Dreise; C1263

Dan Nelson; C1015

Jack Welsh; C1296

Holger Fischer; C1013

Ted Nikiforuk; C0338

Peter Ford; C1274

Tim Owen; C1302

Aram Joukadjian; C0418

If you know any of these folks please let them know they can always renew their membership. An application form with current rates is on the last page of the magazine. Happy Badging!

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**Chris Green C1053; 1742 India Avenue, Prince Rupert, British Columbia; V8J 2Y3**

*Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need Need*

- 1) The 1967 Champion Series - 4th Alberta-Mackenzie Jamboree - The one I need is Water Skiing
  - 2) Cub Proficiency Badges of 1953 or earlier. The Badges with narrow band stitching around the edge, Need Blue Observer & Gardener, Red First Aid and Guide, Green Athletes, Yellow Homecraft
  - 3) In the Shield Series with "Scouts Canada" on them - Hockey, Canoeing and Skiing
  - 4) Activity Crests in the 1994-95 Catalogue - Need Archery and Gunhandling (irregularly shaped).
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**Frank D. Smith C0684; 33601 First Avenue, Mission British Columbia; V2V 1H3. fdsmith@telus.net**

WANTED WANTED WANTED WANTED WANTED WANTED WANTED WANTED WANTED WANTED

Quinte Region ALERT BADGES

1978, 1998(staff),1999(Staff), 2006,  
2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014.

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**Anthony Palmer C0882; 9502 - 107 Street, Morinville, Alberta; T8R 1E2 badgerant@shaw.ca**

**Ontario**

CAN/ONT 03b Central Escarpment Council, woven dome

CAN/ONT C.16b Chatham-Kent Area, woven

CAN/ONT C.17b Credit Hills Area, woven

CAN/ONT O.09f Odawa Area, woven, lower right to top left stitching

CAN/ONT S.30c Skyline Area, woven, square

CAN/ONT S.31d Sunnybrook Area, woven, large square

CAN/ONT S.34d Simcoe Phoenix Area, woven, orange throughout wings and body, mouth not hooked

CAN/ONT W.06d Whitby Area printed

**New Brunswick**

CAN/NB 03b Council Badge, woven

CAN/NB F04b Fundy East Area, woven

Lots of district and early area stuff for trade, so drop me a line and...

**LET'S MAKE  
A DEAL**

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*wants & swaps ads*

*all advertisements are displayed in the order received!*

## Badger Gord Says Lets Trade

### World Jamboree Badges

I have duplicates including the Participant badge from Chile and other WJ's. Looking for the new 2015 Japan subcamps badges.

### New Traders

I am after: S30c-Skyline square, woven; S31d-large woven Sunnybrook. I have lots of new traders.

### ODD Oldies

	
I have many of these but need others please let me know if you have any to trade. Also looking for red felt Toronto badges.	I have many of the above but need: Bow-Mount Valley, Calgary Central, Elbow River, Mountview, Spiller, St. Georges.

Please email your wants list, and I will email you mine.

Gord Ennis, 110-19639 Meadow Gardens Way, Pitt Meadows, BC V3Y 2T5 [ennisgl@telus.net](mailto:ennisgl@telus.net)



# wants & swaps ads

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# *Regional Representative Reports*

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## **B.C. & Yukon Badge Report**

Here it is December already.

Unfortunately no new badges or varieties from B.C. and Yukon. At least not that has been seen yet?

For the collectors of “Challenge” badges; the new Canadian Path is an opportunity to add to the growing changes in challenge badge collecting. Now there are badges to collect from Beavers to Rovers. I believe the last set of Scout badges only lasted three years. So will be a desirable set to have.

As reported in several articles; Jamboree badges from both N.S. and B.C are very popular. I am starting to see more and more of them on the internet.

On a personal note I would like to thank our President Frank Smith for keeping everyone informed of my medical challenges. I would also thank all the members that sent good wishes via cards and emails. It has been and is a long struggle but I am doing well and back at the badge trading. So saying I am looking to trade for new issues from across the country. I have many old and new issues from B.C...

Best to you all for the Holiday Season; may you receive lots of badges for your various collections.

Yours in Collecting,  
Bill Thow, C1135  
B.C. & Yukon Badge Representative.

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## **Prairie Region Report**

Dear Fellow Badgers,

Unfortunately with my calendar I haven't been down to visit Calgary this year. The way the two Councils in Alberta are operating together I wouldn't really be surprised if Alberta became one big Council. Only time will tell!

I did contact Chinook Council in Calgary with a question about the Calgary Northwest LDS badge and whether or not it might actually be an LDS Stake badge. I received a response that it replaces Nose Hill East and Nose Hill West. When I asked for clarification whether or not non-LDS groups were expected to wear the Calgary Northwest LDS badge, I was told they could wear the Nose Hill East or West badges “if they wanted to”. So it remains unclear to me where the Calgary Northwest LDS badge fits in. Too bad they didn't just stick with wearing this badge!



There are two new badges out from the Prairies as of printing time:

Sunrise - Area 7 from Chinook Council and Woody Hills Area from Saskatchewan Council. These two and a slightly different Chinook Council badge will likely be updated in the March issue.

Merry Christmas!

Yours in Scouting and Friendship,  
Anthony Palmer, C0882  
Prairie Region Representative.



# *Regional Representative Reports*

## HAMILTON AREA SWAPMEET

I first saw badge swapping at CJ 89 in Prince Edward Island. I was better prepared at CJ 93 in Alberta, where I met some of the badgers including Scott Weaver who as it turned out was from my Scouting area. He was instrumental in getting me involved with his swap meet and then taking me for my first trip to Montreal to meet one and all.

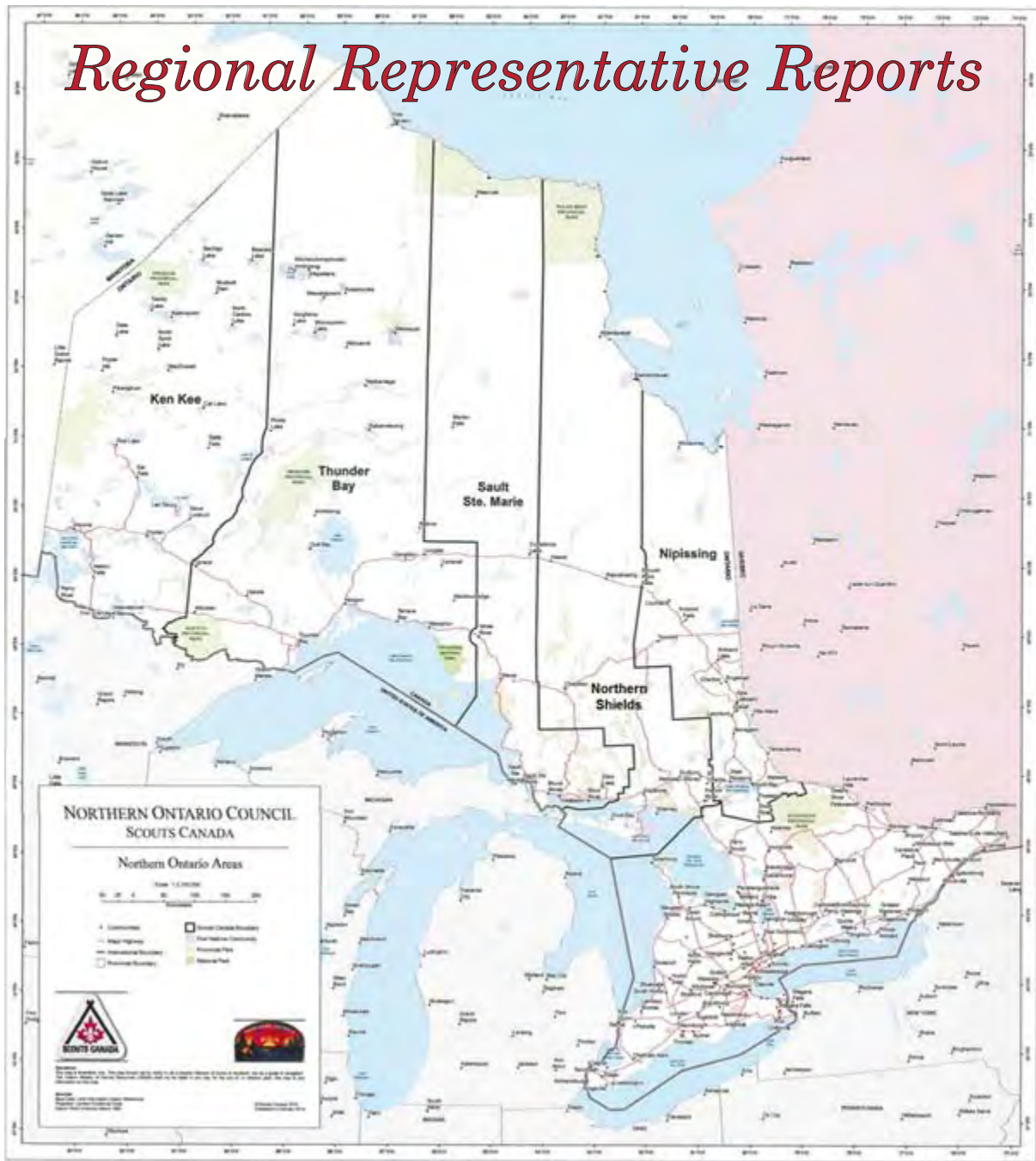
The Hamilton Swapmeet is one of the longest running meets in Ontario. It was started by Scott (not sure of the year). I joined with Scott in running it in 1993 when I joined the club. For the last approximately 15 years we have also had an auction with the funds going to Scouting in Hamilton. Unfortunately Scott passed away in 2005 but I continue the meet in his memory.

This year we had a smaller than usual attendance with around 35 to 40 throughout the day with one youth, one Guider and two American Scouters. The one who came the farthest was Doug Rudolph from Montreal. Over the years we have had a few good friends who have gone home, those I remember from our area are Don Axford, Ed and Iris Cutler, Nick Ebner and Scott Weaver.



Respectfully Tom Evanoff C 1012, West Ontario Rep.

# *Regional Representative Reports*



While reviewing Northern Ontario Council for an updated Varieties Catalogue (and new for 2016 Badge CD), I was able to find that Northern Ontario Council has been reorganized once again, this time into five Areas:

1. Ken-Kee Area
2. Thunder Bay Area
3. Sault Ste. Marie Area
4. Northern Shield Area
5. Northern Waters Area

According to Council, Ken-Kee is in the process of designing a badge and Sault Ste. Marie is working on a new name and a badge design. The map on the Northern Ontario Council website has been updated but is already out of date (the map shows Nipissing Area rather than Northern Waters Area). There will probably be some catalogue adjustments as these new Area badges are issued and the Areas that were replaced noted (for example: Sunset Area Northern Ontario is now part of the new Ken-Kee Area).

Happy Badging!

Anthony Palmer,  
C0882

## 40TH ANNIVERSARY BADGES FOR SALE!



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**FOURTH ANNUAL  
LONDON/TRI-SHORES**

**BADGE SWAP MEET & AUCTION**

**S.W.O Office, Spencer Lodge 531 Windermere Road  
London, Ontario  
January 30TH, 2016**

**SWAPPING: 9:00- 1:00**

**SILENT AUCTION: 9:00-1:00**

**LIVE AUCTION BEGINS AT 1:30**

**Auction proceeds to benefit London AREA SCOUT CAMPS**

*Scouting youth are encouraged to attend either as a Group or with a Parent or friend.*

**All youth in uniform will receive a free bag of badges**

*This is a great opportunity to get excited about collecting and to learn  
about the history of scouting badges from experienced collectors.*

**LUNCH WILL BE SERVED. (FREE WILL DONATION). THERE IS  
NO ENTRY FEE TO THIS EVENT.**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE  
AUCTION CONTACT**

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(Mention: The Canadian Badgers Club)**

**Admission \$10.00 Tables FREE (First come, first served)**

**Scouts under 18 in Uniform - free admission.**

**Doors open: Friday @ 4.00 pm.  
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**Information from: Glen T. Wright (865-984-8856) email: [ibcbadger@aol.com](mailto:ibcbadger@aol.com)**

**Please send badge donations to: Mike Assef 589 Dresden Place Tecumseh, ON. N8N 4B5  
[massef@mnsi.net](mailto:massef@mnsi.net)**

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Come one, come all. If you've never been to the Montreal Swap Meet, now is your chance. This will be the 39<sup>th</sup> year and it'll be better than ever. You'll never have to leave the comfort of the hotel <http://www.hotelsavings.com/booking/1006102> . Great accommodations, good food and if you wish to partake in some liquid refreshments, that too. Fantastic badge trading starts the minute you get there. Don't forget the annual Saturday night feast at Chenoy's <http://www.chenoys.com>

Now I need to pick your pockets. Again! Some things never change. Most of all the donations we get for the auction, come from a few, very generous donors. Without continued support from everyone, we can't keep going on. We need more support from everyone if we are to meet our goal of surpassing last year's total of \$3,018.12 which was donated to the World Brotherhood Fund. We need to be proud of the fact that over the years, the total the club has donated is **\$88,550.12**

The hall will be ready for everyone's arrival April 22<sup>ND</sup> at 4:00pm until 9:00pm and reopen at 9:00am, April 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2015 so mark your calendars early.

Please send all donations to me, Mike Assef 589 Dresden Place Tecumseh, ON. N8N 4B5. A.S.A.P. as this take quite a bit of time to set up.

Many thanks in advance,

Mike Assef



# WORLD BROTHERHOOD FUND

**Donations to the fund from the Canadian Badgers Club, because of the  
Montreal Swap Meet and Auction:**

<b>1978 Swap meet only</b>	<b>1979 Swap meet only</b>
<b>1980 \$ 50.00</b>	<b>1981 \$ 130.00</b>
<b>1982 \$ 140.00</b>	<b>1983 \$ 340.10</b>
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<b>1988 \$ 844.00</b>	<b>1989 \$ 1001.00</b>
<b>1990 \$ 1691.75</b>	<b>1991 \$ 1924.68</b>
<b>1992 \$ 1903.00</b>	<b>1993 \$ 1888.45</b>
<b>1994 \$ 2356.19</b>	<b>1995 \$ 2123.20</b>
<b>1996 \$ 2533.77</b>	<b>1997 \$ 3637.00</b>
<b>1998 \$ 3027.00</b>	<b>1999 \$ 3110.00</b>
<b>2000 \$ 3237.40</b>	<b>2001 \$ 3830.00</b>
<b>2002 \$ 3550.00</b>	<b>2003 \$ 3000.00</b>
<b>2004 \$ 4000.00</b>	<b>2005 \$ 4787.00</b>
<b>2006 \$ 3500.00</b>	<b>2007 \$ 4100.00</b>
<b>2008 \$ 4020.00</b>	<b>2009 \$ 2612.12</b>
<b>2010 \$ 4471.37</b>	<b>2011 \$ 4120.00</b>
<b>2012 \$3118.12</b>	<b>2013 \$ 1865.00</b>
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## Badge Chatter

Greetings from the cataloguer! I have heard from Steve Kavanagh, John Butters, Everett Dalmas, John Witham and Frank Smith re new finds and new releases of badges. Thanks.

This past while I had the pleasure of visiting Glen and Margaret Wright in Maryville, Tennessee. Glen has the best Canadian collection of listed badges in the world and it was a great pleasure to go through his Canadian albums (and badge albums from elsewhere as well). One thing I had an opportunity of doing was checking on a few badges I was unsure of. One such badge was Quebec, Eastern Lakeshore Montreal QC E2a and E2b. The current badge descriptions follows:

E2a Ribbon, rectangular 32mm x 65mm; "MONTREAL EASTERN LAKESHORE".[WJN-4]

E2b Ribbon, rectangular 34mm x 62mm; "MONTREAL EASTERN LAKESHORE". [WJN-4]

While that description seems clear it is less so if the badge is used and shrunk or trimmed in such a way as to make the outside badge measurements suspect. Since Glen had more than one badge of each I got out a trusty ruler and found the "a" issue had an inner design height between the name panels of 36mm whereas the "b" issue had an inner design height between the name panels of 32 mm. This is the blue sky and green hills portion of the badges shown below. I will add this to the description and I think it will help identify which badge you actually have.



Another description I examined was that of QC MISC 1a and 1b. I have always scratched my head over these two issues. The current description follows:



# BADGER GORD'S

- A) Silk screened, Circular; "BOY SCOUTS QUEBEC CANADA", Badge completely silk screened. [WJN-4]
- B) Silk screened, Circular; "BOY SCOUTS QUEBEC CANADA", Background silk screened and lettering and design are flocked or raised.

In examining Glen's "a" and "b" it was clear that the "a" issue has the maple leaf flocked but the letters, while raised, are not flocked and this should be clarified. The description of the "b" issue should clarify that the maple leaf and letters are both flocked. I had actually mislabeled my Miscellaneous 1a as a "b" issue!

Another interesting badge Glen had was an early Alberta provincial felt badge. It is shown below. It is like the 1c issue in that both have a khaki felt background. However the new find had a white panel at the top. There is by the nature of the badge making process at the time quite a bit of variance in old felt badges but the one with the white panel at the top (left badge in photo below) is very distinctive. Now my standard question; Does anyone else have one of these or know anything about their production?



While I am discussing prairie badges the Parkland badge (Saskatchewan P2) to the left is courtesy of John Witham. It looks almost identical to the P2c issue except it is a printed badge rather than a swiss weave. When I first starting writing this the badge was a mystery but we now know, courtesy of Michael Diegel, that it was a badge that went on non-scouting hats. It was not worn on the uniform and mainly used by adults so it does not meet any listing criteria. However, it is just the kind of oddity I like for my collection!

BADGE  
CHALLENGE

To change subjects a bit one thing that has struck me about our catalogue is the need to re-look at the star system depicting badge rarity. The simple fact of the matter is that for districts that have more than one variety of badge some might be rare and some common. Our system rates the district as a whole and this nicety of varying scarcity between varieties is missed. For instance, Alberta West Wind District (W2) has a swiss embroidered on felt "a" issue that is virtually impossible to get whereas the "b" issue is much more common. The result being no stars are assigned against this district. The New Zealand Badgers club catalogue has a much more specific system where star ratings are given for individual varieties. So the "a" issue in this West Wind example would probably have \*\*\*\*\* whereas the "b" issue would have less stars if any. I have asked Frank Smith to lead a similar initiative for Canada where individual varieties are rated on a star system and he has kindly agreed. I am leaving it up to him to contact others on a provincial or council basis as he sees fit, if at all, to assist. Thanks Frank.

I thought I would include in this issue of Badge Chatter a couple of non-listed anniversary badges. After all, I for one like to collect such oddities. I was not aware of the following until my visit with Glen. (There were many other interesting anniversaries too but space is too short to show all.)





# BADGER GORD'S

BADGER CHALLENGE

Frank Simth picked up this neat Sault Ste. Marie anniversary badge at the recent jamboree held in BC. Does anyone know if it was a uniform badge or not? It is the right size to be one, not that this means it was a uniform issue. If listable, I understand, from Anthony Palmer who has been in touch with Northern Ontario Council, that the boundaries of the Sault may have changed back in 2013 with Lake Superior Area becoming a part of it so a new coding might be in order too. Stay tuned.

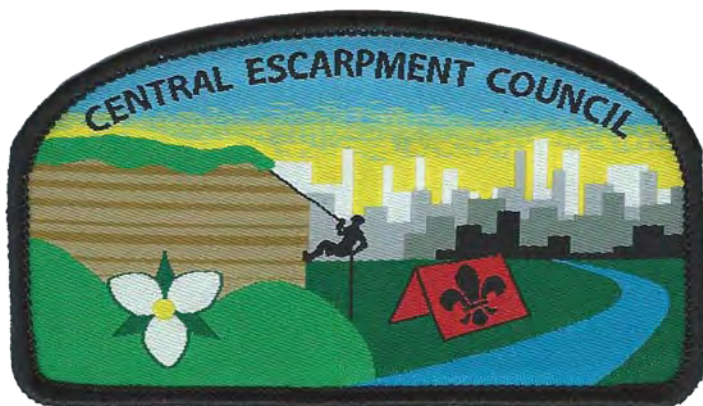


To change topics, late July and early August saw World Jamboree 23 take place. It was in Kirar-hama, Yamaguchi City, Yamaguchi Prefecture, Japan. This one had over 30,000 in attendance and judging by EBay almost as many badges! (Well, maybe not quite as many.) I was lucky enough to trade for a participant badge (thank you Will Conners) and for those that collect these items I enclose a scan. I envy those members of the club that got to attend and hopefully they have some articles on their adventure in this or future magazines. Oh, I'm still looking for the subcamp badges!

I thank all who bring new badges to my attention. And remember, if I don't know about a badge I can't list it! Please contact me with your finds or answers to questions at: [ennisgl@telus.net](mailto:ennisgl@telus.net). Once again I would like to thank the club's regional reps: Bill Thow, Anthony Palmer, Everett Dalmas, Tom Evanoff, Dave Winter, and Serge Janelle. Again, if anyone else wants to assist with Quebec badges please let me know.

**Gord Ennis**

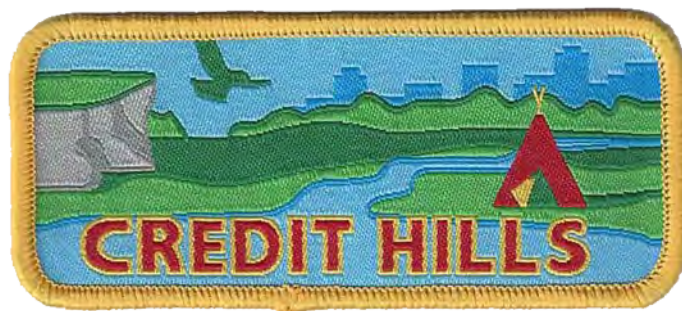
# *This issue's new badges*



CAN/ONT 3.B



CAN/ONT C.16.B



CAN/ONT C.17.B



CAN/ONT W.06.D



CAN/NB R.03.C

The Badge Committee has decided to add the following badge to the varieties listing. This badge was likely overlooked when it first came out and was recently discovered. Check the update for the proper listing.



CAN/ALTA W.05A

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# **VARIETIES CATALOGUE**

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## ALBERTA (CAN/ALTA.)

### EXT W.5 WHISPERING HILLS [NA]

- A) Swiss, rolled edge, rectangular. 73mm x 43mm; light green lettering, light blue background, no stitched line above hills. "WHISPERING HILLS". [TCB-40/4]
- B) Swiss, rolled edge, rectangular 77mm x 49mm; light green lettering, light blue background, stitched line above hills. "WHISPERING HILLS".
- C) Swiss, rolled edge, rectangular 75mm x 53mm; light green lettering, medium blue background, stitched line above hills. "WHISPERING HILLS".
- D) Swiss, rolled edge, rectangular 75mm x 51mm; dark green lettering, medium blue background, stitched line above hills. "WHISPERING HILLS". [TCB-14/3]

*NOTE: District defunct, badge reissued by Northern Alberta Region.*

## ONTARIO (CAN/ONT.)

### COUNCIL

#### 3 CENTRAL ESCARPMENT

- A) Woven, high definition, backed and bound, square, rounded corners. "CENTRAL ESCARPMENT". [TCB 37/1]
- B) Woven, high definition, backed and bound, truncated dome shape. "CENTRAL ESCARPMENT COUNCIL". [TCB 40/4]  
*Previously coded as ONT C.15.D [TCB-38/4]*

#### C.16 CHATHAM KENT [7-TS]

- A) Swiss, rolled edge, square, rounded corners. "CHATHAM KENT". [TCB-28/2]
- B) Woven, high definition, backed and bound, rectangle, rounded corners. "CHATHAM - KENT". [TCB-40/4]

#### C.17 CREDIT HILLS [3-CE]

- A) Woven, high definition, backed and bound, almost square except arc rather than straight bottom edge. "CREDIT HILLS". [TCB-37/1]
- B) Woven, high definition, backed and bound, rectangle, rounded corners. "CREDIT HILLS". [TCB-40/4]

### W.6 WHITBY

#### DISTRICT [WP]

- A) Swiss, Cut edge, Square; "WHITBY DISTRICT", Various shades of blue background.[CBB,WJN-3]
- B) Swiss, Rolled edge, Square; "WHITBY DISTRICT". [TCB-22/3]

#### AREA [9-WP]

- C) Swiss, Rolled edge, Square; "WHITBY AREA". [TCB-27/4]
- D) Printed, high definition, backed and bound, rectangle, rounded corners. "WHITBY AREA". [TCB-40/4]

## NEW BRUNSWICK (CAN/N.B.)

### R.3 RIVORTON AREA

- A) Swiss,rolled edge, pentagon shape. "RIVORTON AREA". [TCB-31/4]
- B) Woven, high definition, rectangular, rounded corners. Outdoor scene with crescent moon and 3 stars. Misspelled area name. "RIVERTON AREA NEW BRUNSWICK, CANADA". [TCB-40/3]
- C) Woven, high definition, rectangular, rounded corners. Outdoor scene with crescent moon and 3 stars. "RIVORTON AREA NEW BRUNSWICK, CANADA". [TCB-40/4]



# THIS ISSUE'S FEATURED LISTING

## CAN/NB R.3 RIVORTON AREA

- A) Swiss, rolled edge, irregular.
- B) Woven, high definition, rectangular, rounded corners; Outdoor scene with crescent moon and three stars, name misspelled.
- C) Woven, high definition, rectangular, rounded corners; Outdoor scene with crescent moon and three stars, name spelled correctly.

*Area formed by F.01 Fredericton District, O.01 Oromocto District and R.01 River Region District.*



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