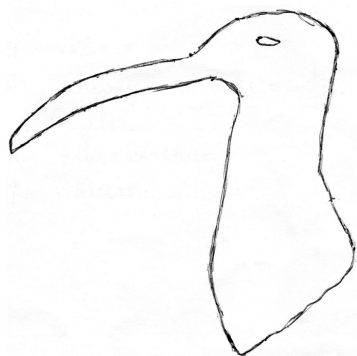
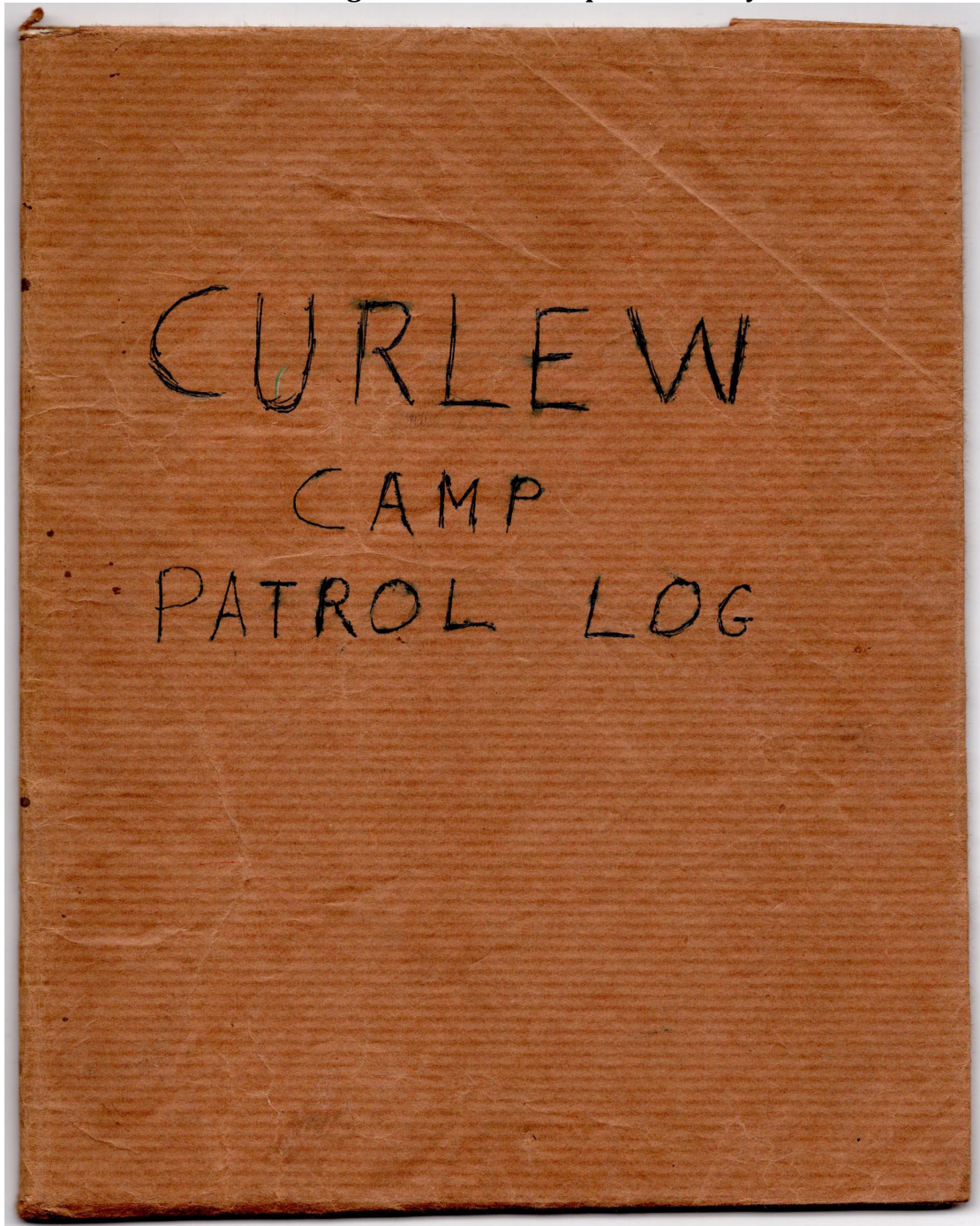


Curlew Patrol Log for Summer Camp 1963 at Tayvallich



CURLEW PATROL LOG

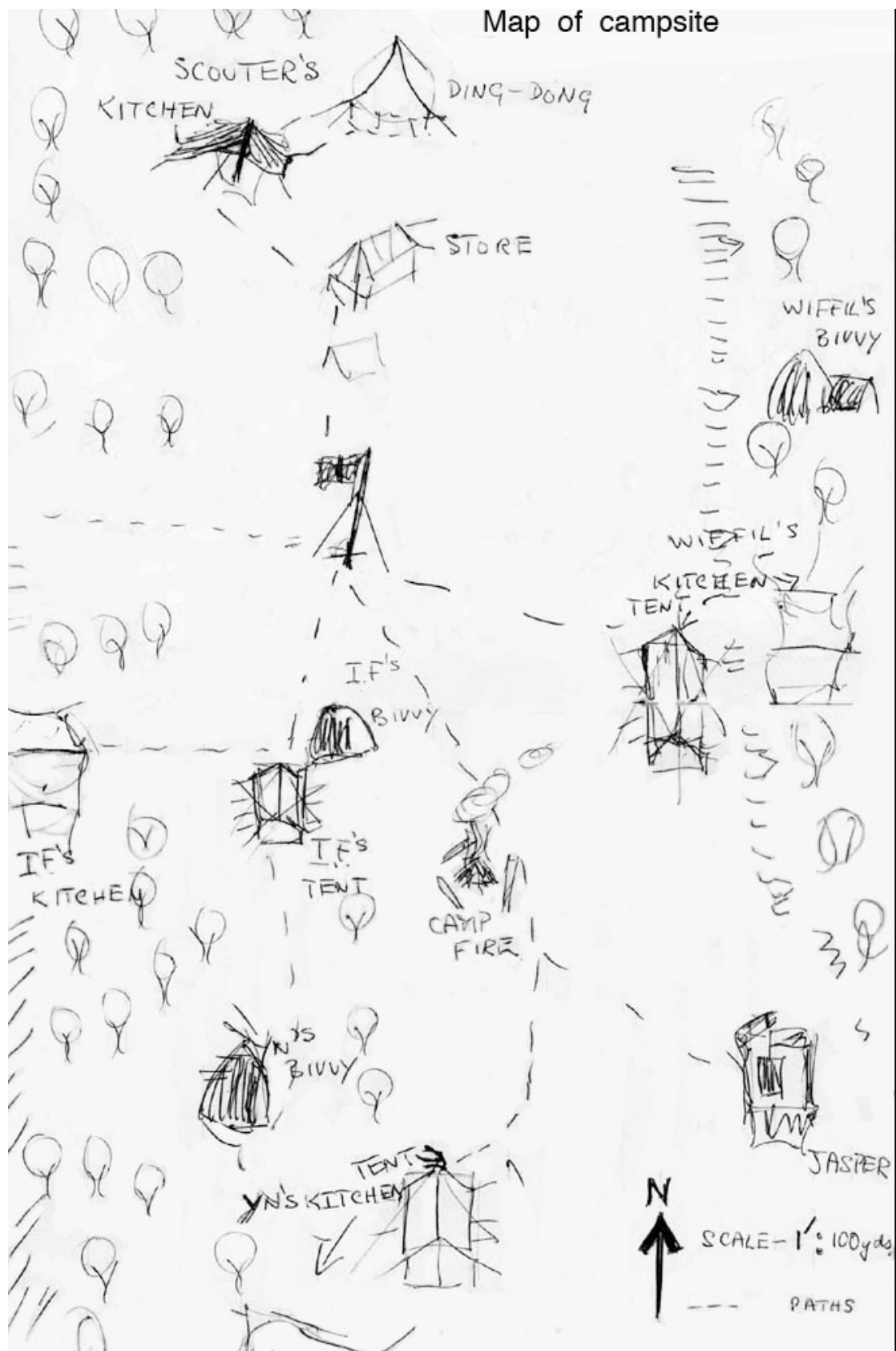
**70th Renfrewshire Boy Scouts
SUMMER CAMP 1963
at Portnacloiche, Tayvallich**

CURLEW PATROL

<i>Michael</i> Nisbet	PL (<i>YN or Young Niz</i>)
<i>Charles</i> Davey	SECOND (<i>Chas</i>)
<i>John</i> Lyle	
<i>Roderick</i> MacArthur	
<i>Jim</i> Barr	

Editorial Notes

Christian names and nicknames have been added in italics



Editorial Notes

The hatched lines are in keeping with the campsite being on a ridge. The sketch also indicates that tarpaulins were used for kitchen shelters and that the Scouters had their own kitchen shelter, and slept in the Bell tent. The campsite itself might well have been quite compact with no available space for football or baseball, necessitating the need to go down to the 'car park'.

6th Aug 1963

Beginning of Camp

I start this log on a sunny day and end this script with a wet night.

We assembled for the journey to Ardrishaig at Gourock. We then boarded the "Loch Fyne" to take us there. When we reached Ardrishaig, there was a mad scramble to get off with your kit and help to unload the camp gear. We then got a bus¹ to Tayvallich² (our campsite).

We were dumped at the bottom of a rocky road³ and left to take our gear up, then the Store's⁴ man came. Charles⁵ and I were going down for our fourth time to collect more stuff. When we were bringing up the gear, we were stopped by the farmer and asked if we wanted any help. Before we could *answer*, he said there's a wheelbarrow over yonder, which we could use for our gear.

Our tea was an extra good one with sizzling sausages and baked beans..

Campfire soon came round and we were to hold the campfire in our kitchen. All the Scouts sat around the campfire & sang jolly, drank cocoa, and consumed I. Fraser's⁶ mum's cake.

Signed John Lyle

Editorial notes for 6th August 1963

1. It is believed that the bus and its driver were chartered specifically to carry the Scouts and their equipment from the pier to Carsaig Bay.

2. The campsite was actually about a mile west of Tayvallich on the south side of Carsaig Bay.

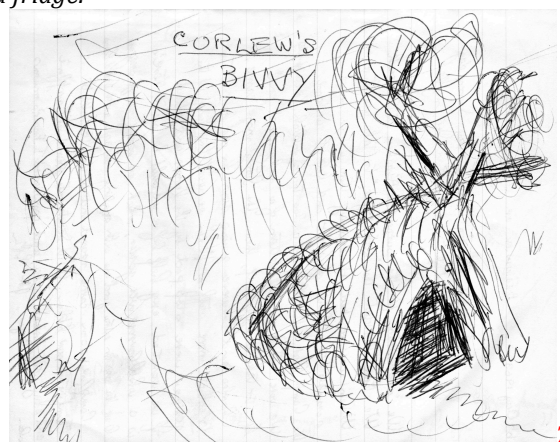
3. This was probably the track that led south towards Barnashalg from the coast road at Grid ref. 733875

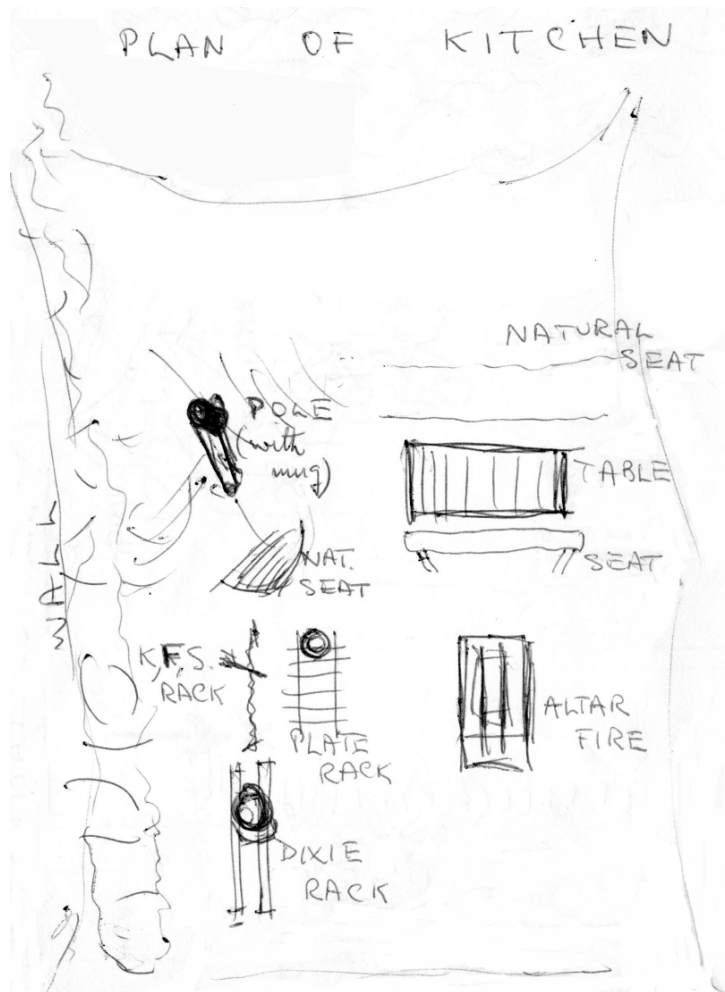
4. Not clear who the Stores man referred to. One possibility is that it was the local grocer delivering pre-ordered stores.

5. Charles Davey

6. Ian Fraser (IF), PL of the Bear Patrol in camp.

7. The sketches below indicate that a 'lean-to' bivvy was constructed, and that the kitchen shelter included several camp gadgets (altar fire, table and seats, plate rack, mug tree, Dixie rack, Knife fork and spoon rack, and fridge.





7th of August 1963

We started off the day rather dismally because it was raining. After breakfast and cleaning up, Bob¹ came round for inspection, but there were no marks given. When inspection was finished, we went down to the field² to play football and baseball. When games were finished, we came up for dinner. In the afternoon, our patrol had to dig Jasper³. When we finished, it was time for tea and it had to be extra special as Bob was coming to eat.

After tea, we went for a hike and at the end of it we climbed a hill of roughly 600 feet and looked onto the Atlantic.⁴

When we got back, we had a campfire where we sang loudly and drank cocoa.

Roderick McArthur

RK Miller 10⁵



Editorial notes for 7th August 1963

1. Scout Master Bob Miller.

2. The location of the field is still to be determined, but was clearly downhill of the campsite. Photographs suggest that it was close to the shore and may also have been termed the 'car park'.

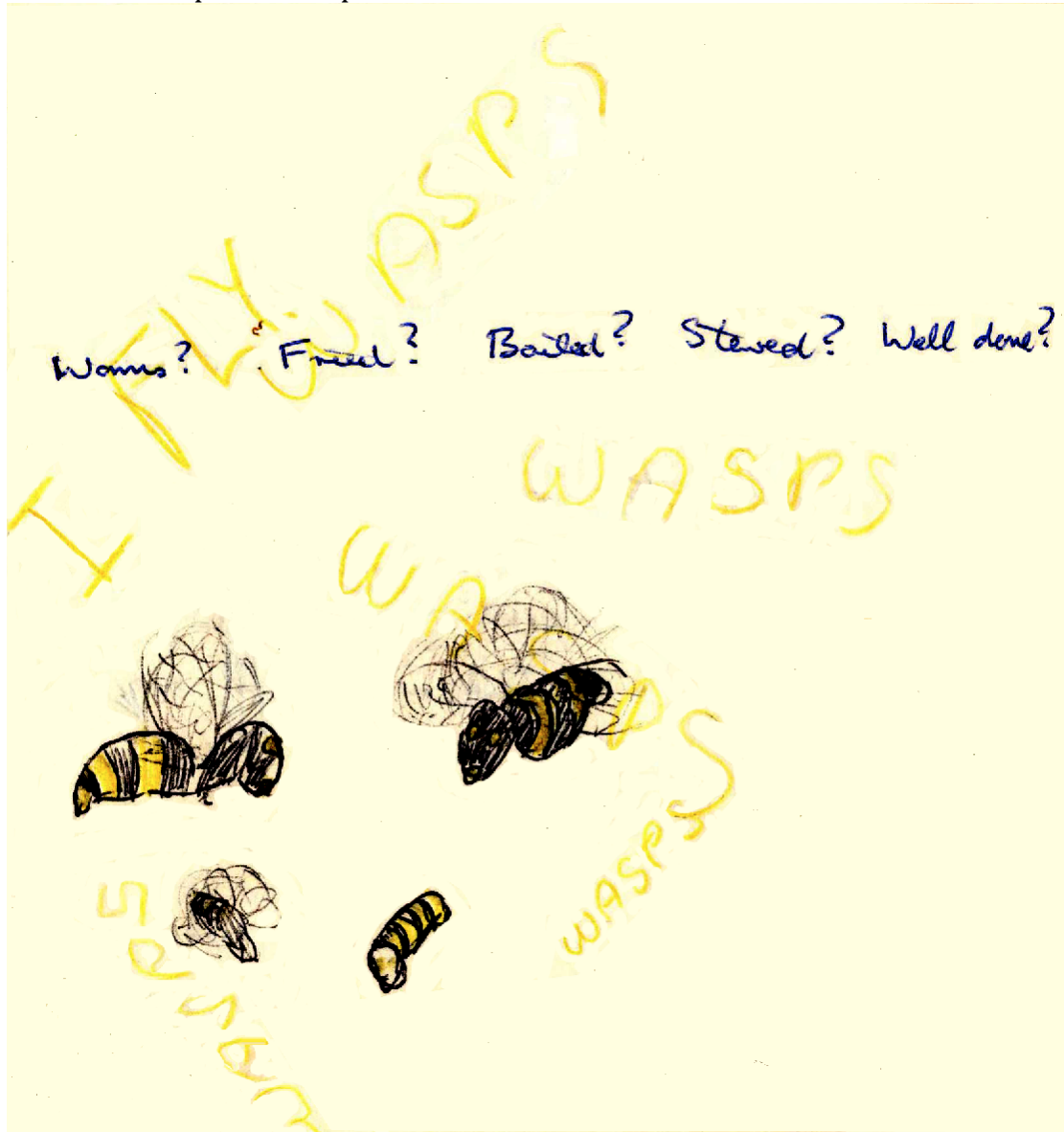
3. Jasper referred to the toilet or latrines. The name was adopted from a previous camp when a dog called Jasper was the first client for the newly dug latrines.

4. The route was not specified unfortunately. However, the troop log stated that it involved walking into Tayvallich (presumably by the road), then back to the campsite across the moors. There is a path leading west from the south end of Tayvallich to Barnashaig, where the track heading north towards the campsite could be picked up. However, the height gained on this route would be about 300 feet rather than 600 feet.

5. Log entry checked and scored by SM Bob Miller.

8th of August 1963

The day started fairly well for a change with a rather bright outlook from most of the members of Curlew patrol, apart from the fact that no one knew the time and, because of that, we were late up. I myself did not enjoy myself because of a rather stiff leg. The morning meal consisted of worms¹, eggs, bacon, bread, etc with the usual pest of wasps.



Flag up and inspection was a little late owing to misfortunes here and there, which was followed by a medical inspection.²

The game followed which I did not participate in as my foot was being doctored. The midday meal menu was macaroni and cheese.

The evening meal was happily placed on the altar fire and John³ was making his plate rack when the altar fire collapsed, throwing the meal and burning wood all over the place. John was burnt by a falling ember. He recovered very well as it was only a small ember.⁴ The stew and potatoes were eaten although they had been thrown all over and as it happened were very nice.

The altar fire was repaired using fewer stones.



Campfire was in Wiffil's⁵ kitchen at 9.15 p.m. We had a dump⁶ which was extra good.

After singing songs and afterwards Taps, we went to pit⁷ at 10.30 P.M.

M. Nisbet P.L.

How about an illustration of the altar file collapsing and the resulting consternation! 8 R. K. Miller S.M. Friday 9th 8

Editorial notes for 8th August 1963

1. This prompted a question from Bob Miller on the picture page that asked whether the worms had been fried, boiled, stewed or well done.

- 2. It is assumed that this was a medical examination carried out on Michael's leg, rather than a general medical examination of everyone in camp.*
- 3. John Lyle 1st Scout of the Curlew Patrol in camp*
- 4. At a later camp, he was not so lucky when hot cocoa spilled over his arm and he had to wear his arm in a sling for the rest of camp.*
- 5. Billy Phillips PL of the Eagle Patrol at camp*
- 6. Dumpling – traditionally cooked in camp by S.M. Bob Miller.*
- 7. Bed, sleeping bag, sleep etc etc.*
- 8. Additional comment and score provided by S.M. Bob Miller. The suggestion regarding the illustration was answered with the diagram of the damaged altar fire and the food on the ground.*

9th of August 1963

We had a very good day today. It was a bit windy at first, but it soon became a very sunny day. The Curlews and the Bears went out for a hike¹, while the Eagles went for a row in a boat². We had to cross a lot of bog and barbed wire fences until we got to a field where we settled down at a haystack for our packed lunches. We were halfway through them when the farmer came along and accused us of pulling down another haystack, after which we had to cross an extra unfavourite³ bog that we had to jump over. John Lyle managed to fall into it as *the* person in front of him was extra slow. We got to Tayvallich not long afterwards and got a ride in the bus with Al⁴, Oz⁵, Jeysy⁶ and Garbage^{7,8}. After tea, which was potatoes, beans, rice and prunes, Jeysy made everyone happy⁹. We had an unofficial game after tea and tried to pinch Yogi¹⁰. Campfire soon followed and then was followed by Pit.¹¹

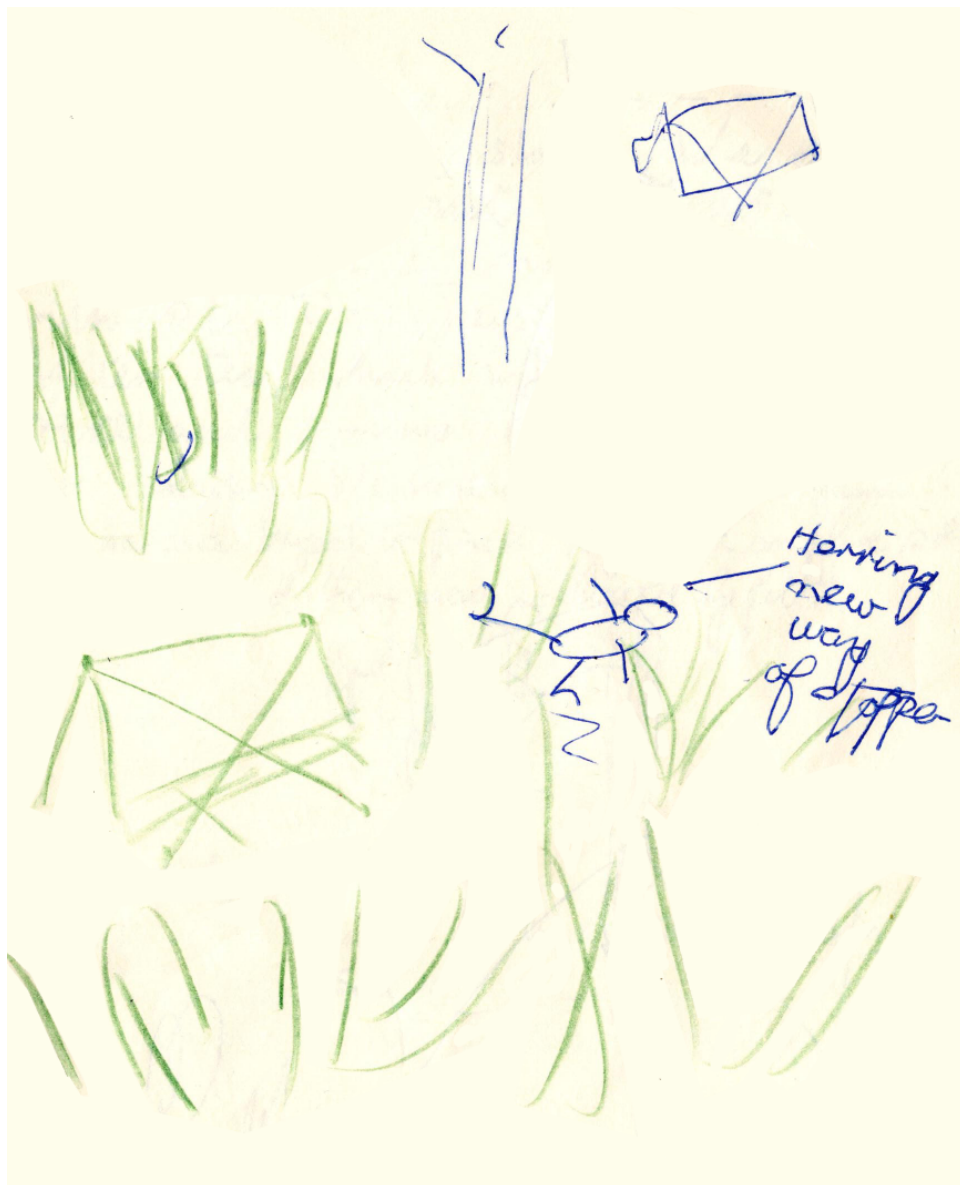


Signed John Lyle

Pretty good log – keep it up! 15, A. B. Cram (ASM) Sat 10th 12

Editorial notes for 9th August 1963

1. This would have been an unsupervised hike led by the P.L.s. Unfortunately, the route followed was not specified.
2. A description of this was given in the troop log report of the camp.
3. 'Favourite' was an in word at the time for something that was good.
4. A.S.M. Alastair Cram
5. Albert Runcie was Troop Leader until June 1963, but it is thought that he may have resigned as T.L. by summer camp to join the ranks of the Scouters, presumably as a Junior A.S.M.
6. Alan Jeyes, Second of the Fox Patrol, soon to be P.L.
7. It is believed that 'Garbage' might have referred to James Ramage.
8. The 9th August was a Friday and it is probable that Al, Oz, Alan Jeyes and James Ramage had just arrived for the camp. It appears that all four stayed for the weekend only.
9. Unfortunately, it is not known what Alan Jeyes did to make everyone happy. Perhaps his very presence was sufficient to do that, in which case, he must have had a very positive, cheerful attitude.
10. Yogi was a toy bear owned by Ian Fraser.
11. Bed, sleeping bag, sleep etc etc
12. Additional comment and score made by A.S.M. Alastair Cram.



Editorial note

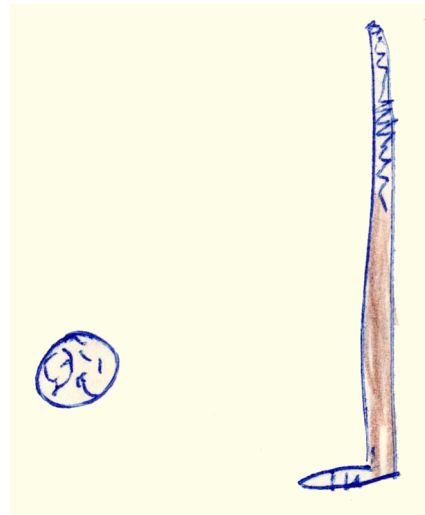
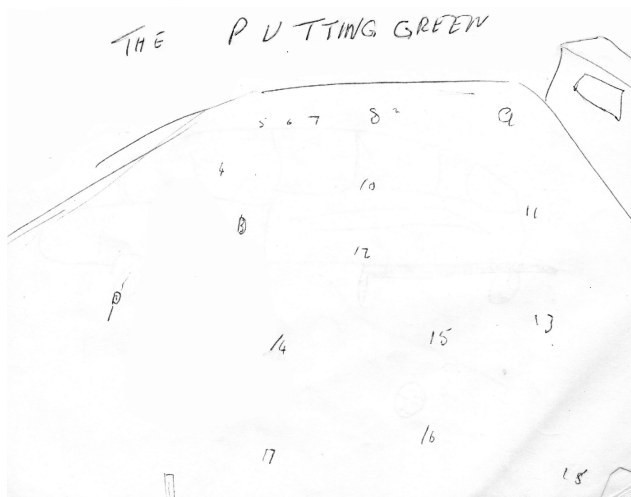
The significance of this sketch is not known.

Saturday 10th August, 1963

The day started for us at 7.15 P.M. when (bin is had we)¹ we collected the stores. We had eggs, cornflakes, & bread for breakfast.

We had arranged a trip to Lochgilphead where we could do anything until 7 P.M. when we went to pictures. During that time, Jeyes², Wiffil³, Bang Bang⁴, & Gifford⁵ went to a cafe and drank coffee and s.....? Jeyes¹ The others I don't know what they did. Herring⁶ and I⁷ went and saw part of the agricultural show at Lochgilphead. We then went back to the shelter⁸ to have dinner, which consisted of lettuce sandwiches, tomatoes and lots of other stuff which was?⁹ Herring and I went and wandered looking at the shops and went to the picture house looking to see how much it cost. The cost for children was stalls one shilling, Circle 1/6.

We then went and had a game of putting. Herring and I were first there and after our first round, still nobody came. On the second round, Herring and I versus Jim Barr and John Martin. We won 10 - 2. We then throw stones up to the and¹ tried to hit the ice cream tub.



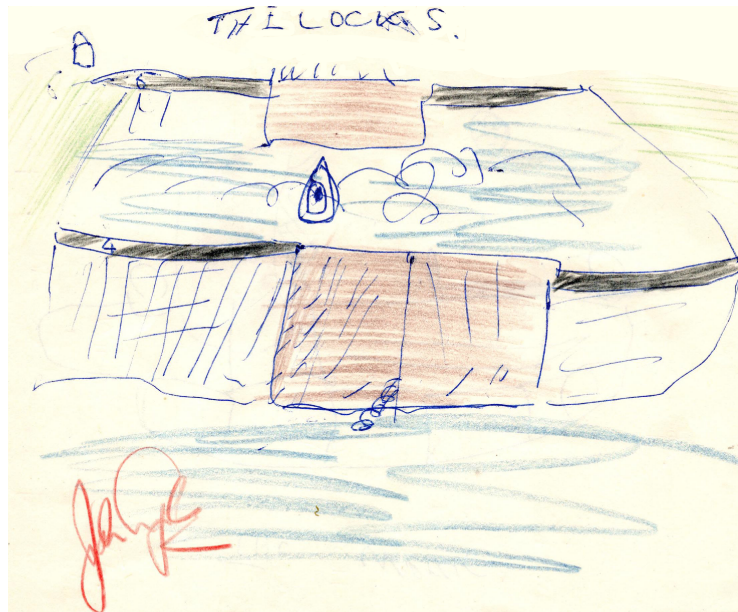
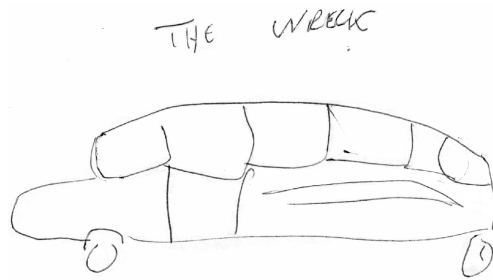
We went back to the shelter to have tea to find, -----not Scouts, but Mums and Dads¹⁰.



We then went to the chip shop and brought sixpence worth of chips and noticing Jeyes, Bill⁴, Wiffil, and Gifford still drinking and s.....g?

We then went to the shelter. After tea, Jeyse, Wiffil, Bill⁴, Gifford and myself went for a walk. We went to the picture¹¹ and watched "the Traitors"¹² and "If a man Answers?"¹³ Till coming out the pictures, it would be 10.30 P.M., getting to the bus 11 P.M., we arrived at Tayvallich at 11.30. We got to pit at midnight.

Signed John Lyle



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Well done. In fact, pretty br.....! 13 RK Miller Sunday 11th15

Editorial notes for 10th August 1963

1. Writing is indistinct here
2. Alan Jeyes, Second of the Fox Patrol, soon to be PL.
3. Billy Phillips PL of the Eagle Patrol at camp
4. Billy Gunn., Second of the Bear Patrol in camp.
5. Gifford Lind, Second of the Eagle Patrol in camp
6. Gordon Paterson, 1st Scout of the Eagle Patrol in camp
7. John Lyle 1st Scout of the Curlew Patrol in camp
8. Possibly close to the putting green
9. No comment made on the quality. The scribe in the troop log was a bit more outspoken.
10. Parents usually came to visit the campsite on the Sunday, but some parents may have decided to make a weekend of it and just happened to be visiting Lochgilphead at the same time as the Scouts.
11. The picture house was probably the Empire Cinema in Union Street which had 356 seats. In 1990, it briefly became a snooker hall, then a Travel Lodge. In 1960, the cinema was hired out for 6 weeks to the film company that was shooting several scenes in the Lochgilphead area for the James Bond movie "From Russia with Love". The cinema was used to show the cast what had been shot each day. Those attending the 'fleapit' in 1963 might have been surprised to learn that the building was originally built as part of the 1938 Empire Exhibition held in Bellahouston Park in Glasgow. Once the exhibition was over the building was dismantled and rebuilt in Lochgilphead.
12. The Traitors was a film released in 1962. It was an espionage story telling how British and American security agents outwitted ruthless and cunning traitors trying to steal secret project plans. Stars included Patrick Allen, Jacqueline Ellis and James Maxwell.
13. If a man Answers was released in 1962 as a romantic comedy and starred Bobby Darin and Sandra Dee
14. Presumably the locks leading into the Crinan Canal at Ardrishaig.
15. Additional comment and score made by SM Bob Miller.

Sunday the 11th 1963

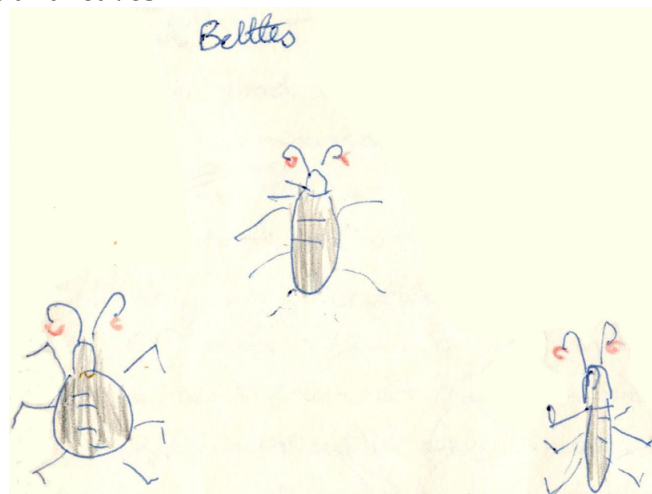
Beginning the day at 7.15 A.M., to find the weather was drizzly. We had bacon and eggs for breakfast followed by pruddge¹ and chits². Inspection was at 10 A.M. with the marks for *the* Camp Championship; the Curlews found that they were well in the lead with 186 points. *When* inspection was finished, Nizz³ (our PL) *went* back to the site in a good mood.

After changing, we went down to the car park⁴ and *played* football. When we reached the C.P.⁴, we found parents as it was visiting day⁵. We carried on with our football. It was Tayvallich Wanderers versus Ardrishaig United. The result was TW 6, A.V. 10.

A lot of boys came down after the game and went away with their parents. Very few boys were left at the campsite.

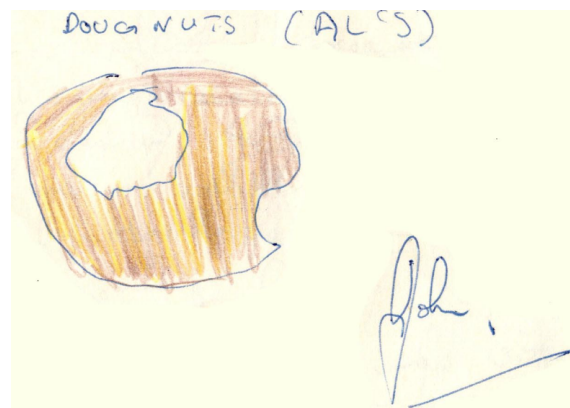
At lunchtime, the patrols were very cut down. Wiffil⁶ dined with I.F.⁷ and did not get finished until about 3 P.M. We finished at 2 P.M. after finishing one of the best lunches of camp yet, of course. NIZZ⁸ is a good cook, so we all enjoyed it.

It was announced that the church service was at 7 P.M., but were to assemble down at the car park at 6.30 P.M. and to collect something for Monday. We collected beetles and leaves.

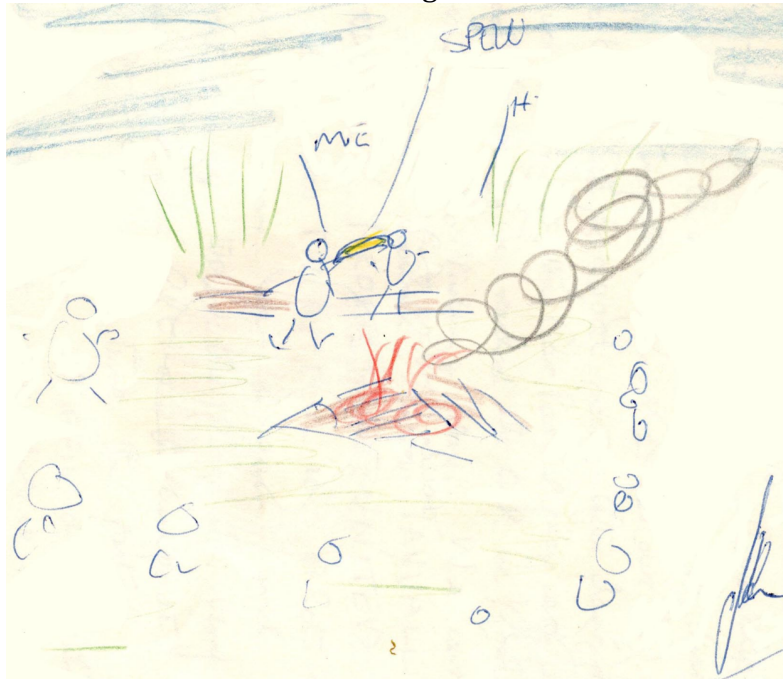


Having tea very quickly, we went down to the C.P.⁴ We went to church⁹ and sat out the service.

Proceeding home to camp, we saw two youths¹⁰ on a morton bela¹⁰. Campfire was at 11 P.M., following cocoa at 11.30 P.M.. There was Al's¹¹ doughnut, a coconut cake, and choc. cake.



“All of a sudden”, Herring¹² went *and* spewed himself all over me with , then had Taps. I went back to the tent atonelling¹⁰ a sweet smell hem!¹⁰ hem!¹⁰



Signed John Lyle

Well done! Keep up the good work with plenty illustrations. 13, R.K. Miller.
Monday 12th¹³

Editorial notes for 11th August 1963

1. Porridge
2. Chits were generally sandwiches or pieces of bread with jam.
3. Michael Nisbet, PL of the Curlew Patrol in camp
4. The location of the car park has not yet been determined
5. The 11th August was a Sunday, which was the day when parents could turn up at the camp to have a look round and take their son out for a meal.
6. Billy Phillips PL of the Eagle Patrol at camp
7. Ian Fraser (IF), PL of the Bear Patrol in camp
8. NIZZ (as opposed to Nizz) was normally used to indicate John Nisbet. However, on this occasion it must have been Michael Nisbet.
9. Tayvallich Church
10. Writing is indistinct here
11. ASM Alastair Cram
12. Gordon Paterson, 1st Scout of the Eagle Patrol in camp
13. Comment and score provided by Scout Master Bob Miller.

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BOB FALLING OVER
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Monday 12th 1963

Today was a beautiful day and *it* was a pleasure “to rise and shine”. Getting out of pitt¹, we went down to wash. I² had to wash five things, Scout jersey, jersey, jeans, and face, hands and knees.³

We had eggs and cornflakes, jammy chits⁴ and tea.

Inspection was followed and our marks were read; we were still in the lead with 219 points.

We had to make buivwack⁵ that afternoon, which is a hut made out of branches and ferns.

Games were played down at the car park⁶. We had a game of baseball *with* “Tayvallich Tigers” v “Ardrishaig Lions” in which the score was for Tayvallich Tigers 1-0.

The(n) came football, Tayvallich Wanderers v Ardrishaig United. Tayvallich Wanderers were victorious; the score was 13 – 4.

We then were able to have a swim. The water was quite warm but not warm enough.

We then went up to the site to make dinner. We had macaroni and cheese and chips and tea, which was really tea in place of dinner.

We then washed dishes and got ready to make the buivwack.

Charles⁷ was away out with his mum and dad for lunch and tea.



We were in the middle of *making* the hut when Nizz's⁸ Mum and Dad came to see him, which delayed the *work*. *After* finishing the bivouac, we were all puffed out. Dinner was extra late that night as the stores had not come and had to be collected. Nizz⁸ went into town for the stores and left us to get on with *it*. When he came back, we had the fire going and the potatoes on.

Campfire soon followed and we were told about a night hike⁹. Nizz was the only one that went who was in the tent.

John Lyle

12 Pretty favourite, but how's about another scribe. A. Runcie. How do you spell bivouac?¹⁰

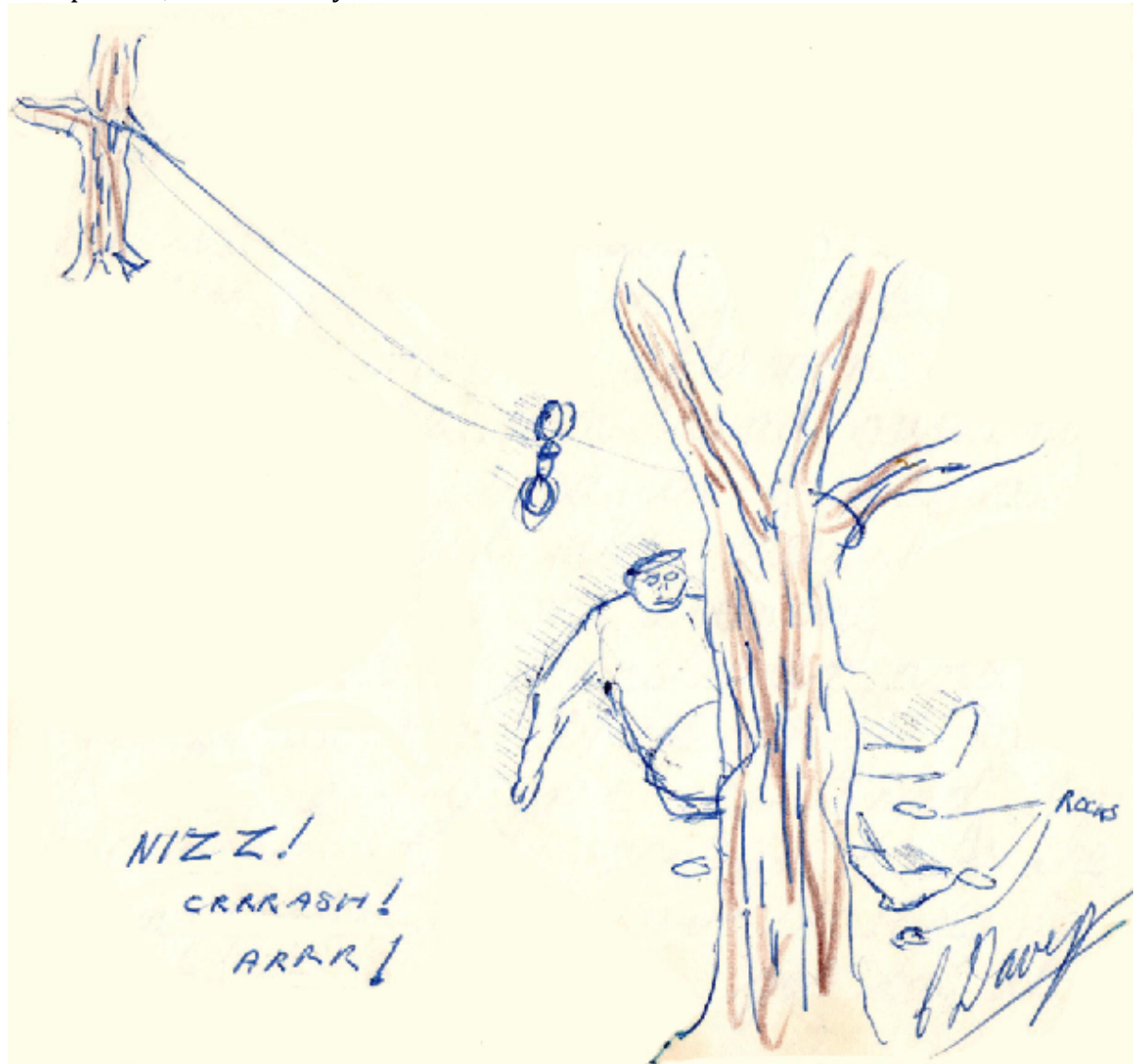
Editorial notes for 12th August 1963

- 1. Pit referred to bed, sleeping bag, sleep etc etc*
- 2. John Lyle 1st Scout of the Curlew Patrol in camp*
- 3. Presumably this was because Gordon Paterson had been sick over John at campfire the previous evening.*
- 4. Chits were generally sandwiches or pieces of bread with jam.*
- 5. Bivouak*
- 6. The location of the car park has not yet been determined*
- 7. Charles Davey of the Curlew Patrol at camp*
- 8. Michael Nisbet, PL of the Curlew Patrol in camp*
- 9. At other summer camps during the Bob Miller era as Scout Master, a night hike was organised that usually involved only the Scouters and PLs, and which lasted until the early hours of the morning. However, the details of this night hike were not recorded.*
- 10. Additional comments and score made by A.S.M. Albert Runcie.*

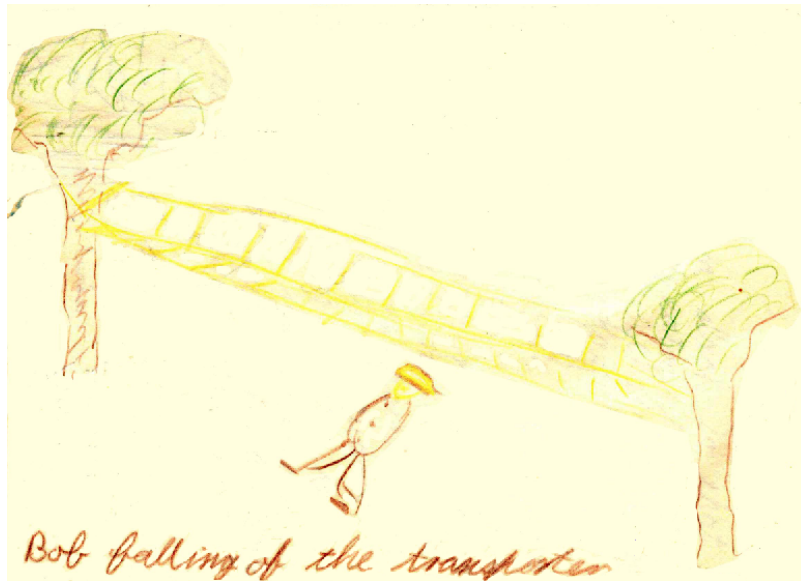
Tuesday 13th of August

The day started with a rather gloomy outlook on the weather. This morning, we found we were still top in the championship with about 30 points from our nearest rival. After inspection came games with which the result was 2-1 in rounders and 4-2 in football. Yogi¹ came of course.

The afternoon was clear and the sun came out and Y.N². and I.F.³ try to build a transporter⁴, but alas they failed to do it.



In the evening, the Eagles built a transporter⁵ and made it, so Bob⁶ tried to get over it, but every time he tried to get over it he couldn't. As the transporter was now starting to slacken so everybody got on it to make it extra slack so that it could be made extra tight for the next day.



After that, Douglas⁷ started to chase Bob with prickly things⁸ and Bob fell. After this little incident, Bob started to chase Douglas. All this time, Y.N. and I.F. had been mapping and were back in the store tent trying to figure out why one point didn't join another⁹. About a quarter past ten, campfire started and we had all the usual songs. The Eagles made up a camp song¹⁰ and the cocoa was extra good.

Roger MacArthur¹¹

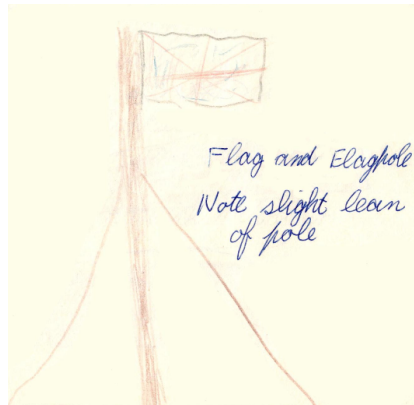
Well done, Curlews. R.K. Miller, Wednesday 14th, 15. Keep it up.¹²

Editorial notes for 13th August 1963

1. Yogi was a cuddly Yogi Bear toy that Ian Fraser (PL of the Bears) brought to camp, having purchased it at Blackpool. Presumably it was the patrol mascot.
2. Michael Nisbet, PL of the Curlew Patrol in camp
3. Ian Fraser (IF), PL of the Bear Patrol in camp
4. Otherwise known as an aerial runway
5. According to the Troop Log, this was a monkey bridge
6. Scout Master Bob Miller.
7. Douglas Clements of the Eagle Patrol.
8. Gorse perhaps
9. This might have been an attempt to map the perimeter of the campsite
- 10 This is written out in full in the troop log.
11. Roderick McArthur (2nd Scout of the Curlew Patrol in camp)
12. Additional comments and score made by SM Bob Miller

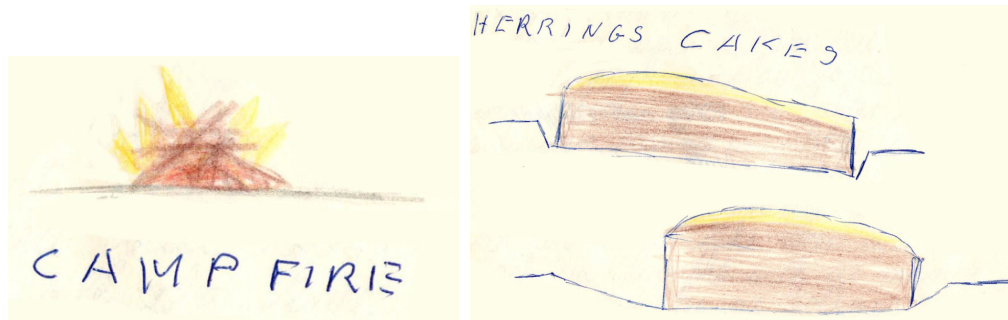
Wednesday, 14 August

Today's morning was great; the sun shone brightly and there was only a slight breeze. We (the Curlews) got up extra late at 9 A.M. and were rushed all the time till inspection.



At flagbreak and etc., we found we were still at the head of the patrol championship, but the gap was closing. After the tents were inspected, we all rambled down to the car park to play football, where the result was 7-5 after the winning side were losing 4-2.

After dinner, which was really tea, John Lyle, Jim Barr and myself (Roderick McArthur) went on an 8-mile hike¹. When we came back, we brought with us many things, examples as follows, one bone for John's woggle, one grasshopper in a matchbox and various other things. While we were away, everybody went out to an island² and Bob³ started a collection of marine creatures⁴. At night, Herring⁵ made two cakes; both were scrumptious and we had them for campfire with the cocoa.



There weren't very many songs at the campfire as we were all tired, especially Y.N.⁶ who nearly went to sleep at the campfire. At 11.30 P.M., we stopped campfire and went to pit⁷ ready for the next day to come.

Roderick MacArthur

Well-written log 13 RK Miller Thursday 15th.⁸

Editorial notes for 14th August 1963

- 1. Details of the route were not provided.*
- 2. The island has not been identified. However. There is an elongated island parallel to the mainland where the Scouts were camping, and this might have been accessible at low tide.*
- 3. Scout Master Bob Miller.*
- 4. Presumably specimens obtained from rock pools.*
- 5. Gordon Paterson, 1st Scout of the Eagle Patrol in camp*
- 6. Michael Nisbet, PL of the Curlew Patrol in camp*
- 7. Pit referred to bed, sleeping bag, sleep etc etc*
- 8. Additional comment and mark made by SM Bob Miller*

Thursday the 15th

I was awake to find the day wet and dismal. The breakfast was soon ready and we had porridge and eggs. Clearing up, it was soon time for inspection. We found that the Eagle was 27 ahead of us but the Curlews were not daunted yet; we had some gadgets and points to gain.

After inspection, we went to see about hay making with the farmer¹ but the farmer was not in the field that he was supposed to be, so we trudged through the damp fields to the farm and found the Farmer in his byre. He said that it was too wet for the job. So we went down to the car park² to play baseball and football. When we got there, we found that a caravan *was* on our football pitch. Bob³ was in goal and we were 2 down. I said to Bob to go out and *score* instead of me and by full-time the score was 6-4 for us. Along came lunch and we had stew, onions, carrots and potatoes. We had peaches and custard for 2nd course.

As it was the day before we went, that afternoon we were to clear up. But Rod⁴, Jim⁵ and myself⁶ had to go into the village and draw a certain mould⁷. We bought presents for the family at home and went to look for this mould. We were told by some campers *there* was no such thing. After getting back to camp, we reported to Bob. We tasted some of his fish and it was lovely. We went to our kitchen to find that our tea was made. After clearing up, we started to dismantle things like *the* table and altar fire.



Bob's dumpling



Campfire (smudge caused by a bumpy bus)

Campfire was not long after that. We had a beautiful dumpling. After singing various number of songs, we had taps. When NIZZ⁸ came, there was a stench⁹ in the tent as we had been busy.

Signed John Lyle.

Sorry but the bus went over a bump! And the L.F is bit vibratory too! ¹⁰

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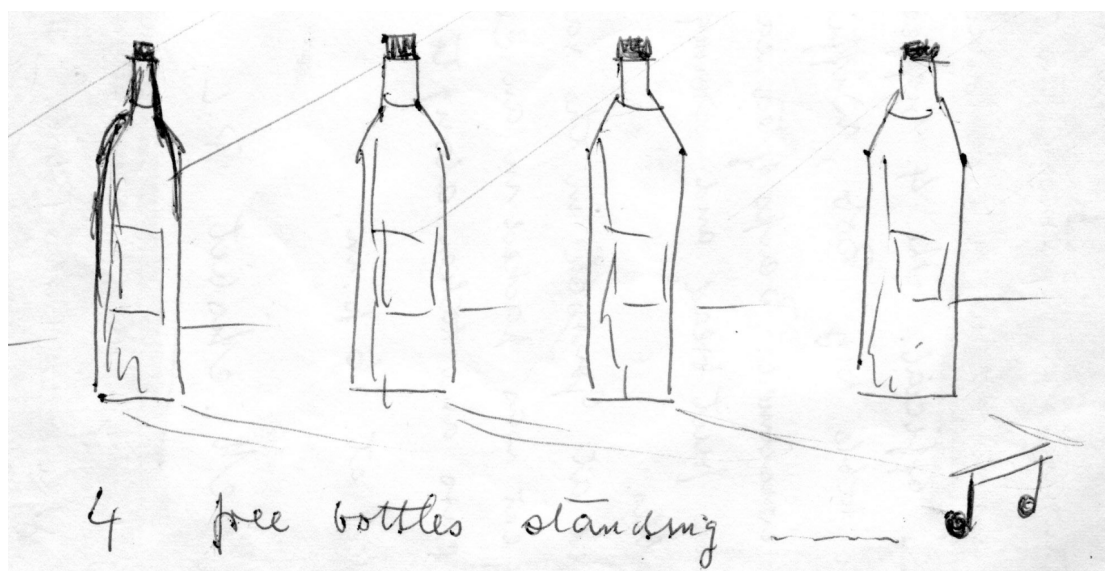
Editorial notes for 15th August 1963

- 1. It was normal for the Scouts to carry out some sort of service project in camp as a sign of their gratitude to the farmer or land owner who granted permission to camp.*
- 2. Games were played at what was identified as the 'car park'. It is probable that this was not an actual car park but a piece of flat ground where people occasionally parked. The location of the 'car park' has not yet been determined.*
- 3. Scout Master Bob Miller.*
- 4. Roderick McArthur (2nd Scout of the Curlew Patrol in camp)*
- 5. Jim Barr, last Scout of the Curlew Patrol in camp*
- 6. John Lyle 1st Scout of the Curlew Patrol in camp*
- 7. Presumably this was a fungus that had caught the attention of Bob Miller.*
- 8. Michael Nisbet, PL of the Curlew Patrol in camp*
- 9. The word is indistinct but looks like 'stench'..*
- 10. Additional comment by John Lyle who was clearly writing up the log on the journey back home on the 16th. There is a smudge which was caused by the bus journey. The L.F. refers to the Loch Fyne passenger boat. Patrol logs often did not cover the last day or two, but at this camp, the patrol championship was very tight and it is likely that the Curlew Patrol were getting their log up to date in the hope of catching up with the Eagle Patrol.*
- 11. A mark of 13 was given, possibly by Bob Miller. The mark was presumably added to the championship score during the trip back on the Loch Fyne.*

Friday, 16 August

Bob¹ appeared at the tent door at 7 a.m. sharp and got us out of pit². The fire was lit in Bob's kitchen and we breakfasted in patrols – 1 Bears, 2 Curlews, 3 Eagles. We had cornflakes, bacon and egg and jam chits³.

At 8.30 approx., we began dismantling shelters and tents and, from 9.30 onwards, the gear was carried down to the car park by wheel-barrow⁴. Everything was down by 10.30 and the bus⁵ arrived 15 minutes later. The gear was loaded and we piled in on top of that. We got to Ardrishaig at 12 o'clock and, after unloading the gear, we had lunch in the waiting room. The chits³ were excellent (mostly because of Wiffil's Hand Protector sauce⁶) and so were the tinned pears. The L.F.⁷ arrived at 1 P.M. and we managed to get the gear on before it left 5 minutes later. Bob (after finding his scorebook) calculated the score⁸ in the lounge soon afterwards. The Final score was 1. Eagles 561. 2. Curlews 505. 3. Bears 334.



Note:

On Thursday evening Y.N.⁹, I.F.¹⁰, W.D.¹¹, Bang-Bang¹² and G.L.¹³ helped a man who owned a dairy with his motor boat. The following day, we accepted his offer of a free bottle of lem¹⁴ each in Ard.¹⁵

Having warned the Chief Steward¹⁶, we went to the restaurant for afternoon tea at 3.10 P.M. Somebody announced us on the loudspeaker which was extra official. The 4 biggest Gannets sat at one table viz Bob¹, Wiffil¹¹, I.F.¹², and Y.N.⁹. We consumed 3 cups of tea each, two platefuls of bread and fruit bread and scrounged extras from other tables.

We arrived at Gourock in the rain 30 minutes late. The gear was packed in an Electricity van¹⁷ and other cars and taken along to the hall. We parted at 6 P.M.

M. Nisbet P.L.

A good log with promise of great things to come from the Curlew Patrol. The Curlews became the first patrol to have had all its members at Summer Camp in the one year. Well done!¹⁸
Robert K. Miller S.M. 70th

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1. Scout Master Bob Miller.
2. Pit referred to bed, sleeping bag, sleep etc etc
3. Chits were generally sandwiches or pieces of bread with jam.
4. The wheelbarrow was lent to the Scouts by a friend of the farmer on whose land the troop was camped. It must have been invaluable considering the distance that had to be travelled back to the road.
5. It is assumed that a local bus was chartered to take the Scouts and their equipment from Carsaig Bay to Ardrishaig.
6. It is not known what this referred to.
7. The passenger ferry called the Loch Fyne.
8. This was the score for the Patrol Championship in camp. The Eagle patrol won and was made up of

*Billy Phillips (Wiffel),
Gifford Lind,
Gordon Paterson (Herring),
David Flockhart (Bouncer),
Douglas Clements, and
Robert Morrison.*

It had been a close fought battle between the Curlew and the Eagle, with Curlew taking a substantial early lead, only to be 'hunted down' by the Eagle who won at the end.

9. Michael Nisbet, PL of the Curlew Patrol in camp
10. Ian Fraser (IF), PL of the Bear Patrol in camp
11. Billy Phillips PL of the Eagle Patrol at camp
12. Billy Gunn, Second of the Bear Patrol in camp.
13. Gifford Lind, Second of the Eagle Patrol in camp
14. Lemonade
15. Ardrishaig
16. It is not known why a warning was deemed necessary or whether a warning was indeed provided.
17. Possibly this was organized through an obliging parent.
18. Additional comment made by S.M. Bob Miller