6th National Senior Scout Adventure 1983/4



Experimenting with cooking in a Dutch oven is Scoutmaster Lawrie Dring of the 1st Yorkshire Baden-Powell Scout group, UK.

THE sixth National Senior Scout Adventure in the Great Witzenberg near Ceres this week offered a feast of activities for more than 600 Scouts from South Africa and overseas.

They tried their hands at a variety of tasks as they hiked in small groups between camps spread over a wide area. The Defence Force manned radio communications and transported groups to remote places.

At the headquarters camp Professor Elwyn Jenkins, Assistant District Commissioner for Scouting in Northern Transvaal, said the 1984 Adventure was the biggest so far.

"The Adventure is a vindication of the Scout Movement - all the Scouts are safe, yet working in hazardous conditions. There are so many things that could go wrong. It's discipline and good behaviour that pay off," he said.

A colourful figure at headquarters camp was kilted Scoutmaster Lawrie Dring of the 1st Yorkshire Baden-Powell

Group in England. "It's been a fantastic expedition, even though some of the boys who came with me have been feeling the heat," he said.

At the pioneering camp, in a thick forest of oaks, camp chief Denzil Roberts supervised groups working on projects such as making a bridge, a cableway, a diving platform, a merry-go-round and a paddle raft.

At the forestry camp known as the "Witzenberg Tie and Lumber Company" Scouts were shown how to use a chainsaw and climb trees using Canadian climbing-irons.

The Adventure ends tonight with a camp fire and award presentation at the main base, and the Scouts will be heading home early tomorrow.



Gold was the cry from Simon Miller- Cranko at the Gold Panning Base.

Moving into the bush are members of the 5th Windhoek Scout Group who broke a number of records during the Adventure.

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