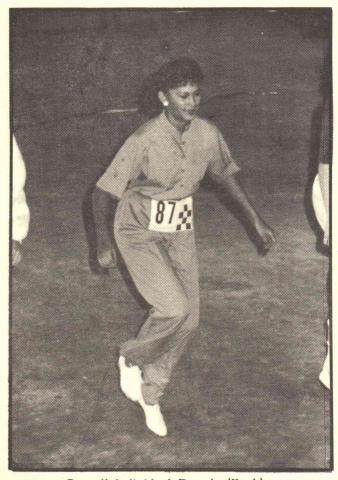
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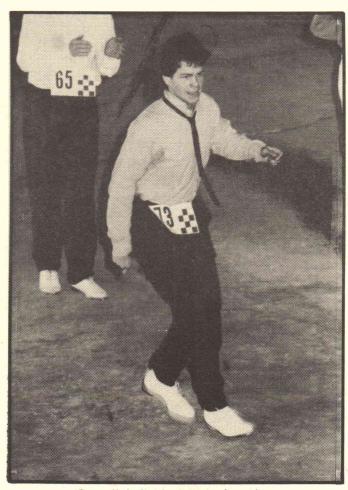
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What a show! Reed Davis Arizona Follow the Sun warned me once about mentioning names. He said that if you accidently leave anyone out, you're a dead duck. Well, I'll have to risk it. If I have omitted anyone, my apologies in advance.

First, let me state that I'm hooked! As I sat there hour after hour, with a numb posterior, the excitement built up with each group. Someone told me once, that Competitions are boring! I couldn't disagree more -- long perhaps, but not boring. The Judges are positioned strategically in front of the stage area, each succeeding group is lined up in the

wings, the audience mills, shifts, claps and cheers, the score sheets are gathered by runners and taken to a quiet tally room. At the end of three or four segments, earlier Competitor winners are announced and trophies are distributed. Out in the Courtyard, teams were doing a run-through sans music, or individual or duet dancers were giving it one more practice, costumes were adjusted, props and make-up checked, and then they filed in to wait their turn and clap and cheer for the other groups.

One of the most impressive aspects of Competitions is the poise of seasoned Competitors. A first-timer said that though he had been in hundreds of exhibitions, it was totally unnerving to be out there on stage, either with his team or by himself, with



Overall Individual Male (Buck)
BOBBY REEVUS, MAGNUM CLOGGERS

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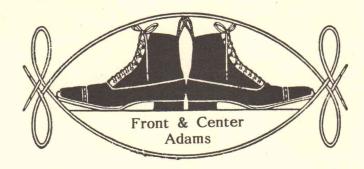
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This Editor THANKS all those nice folks who sent Get-Well cards! Old-Fashioned three week Influenza is yukky! And apologies to all of those folks who have correspondence buried in the pile of paperwork on my desk - I WILL get back to you.

NCCA Clog-A-Gram arrived with the second half of Clogging, from the Country to the Stage by Brigid M. Lay. This article was printed in July/August 1985 Dance Teacher Now. The second part was disappointing and did not live up to the first half I'm afraid. Since this Author took us up through the summer of 1985, it would appear as though she either did not complete her research or was heavily influenced by "certain" people. What a pity! I firmly believe that any researcher has an obligation to present all the facts fairly, otherwise they should pay the going Advertising rates. Bonnie Staley's Clog-A-Gram is an outstanding publication. We just hope that all those folks in Northern California know that there were some very notable Clogging Persons and Events missing from Ms. Lay's account - Persons who have had an incredible impact on our Clogging world.

NCCA Clog-A-Gram, by the way, is one of the few publications (and Groups) who publish minutes and Treasurer's Reports of all their meetings. The paper comes out ON TIME and is always interesting to read! Our Editorial Hat's Off Bonnie Staley!

Barb Shade, Footnoter Editor, sent me a copy of Michael Marlin's The Daily Clog. This one-sheet, two sided, double folded, typeset publication is apparently aimed at Washington, D.C. and surrounds. If ANY organization needed an outstanding example of a format, THIS IS IT! Of course Mr. Marlin's writing style is what sets it apart - terse, witty, and concise. It is published monthly, cost is \$6.00 per year: The Daily Clog, 6 Rollins Court, Rockville, Maryland, 20852. Editors: we are waiting for a reply about Reciprocity re Marlin and C.E.A.

Kevin Sellew's Clogmopolitan was sent to my former Co-Editor, Lindy Reyes, who was kind enough to share hers with me. It is a very professional lay-out, newsprint style. Simone Nichol's Advice to the Lovelorn Column is hilarious!. Just what Clogging has needed - its very own Abilgail VanBuren. Clogmopolitan, 5405 Timberline Ridge, Mobile, AL 36609. Write Kevin for a sample copy!

Update: Just received a large envelope from Kevin Sellew, with a January and February Clogmopolitan of my very own. Thanks, Kevin!

We've had a number of requests for BOOKS on Clogging. In our April issue, we hope to have some ads for same. Frank Bonner's CLOGGING and the Southern Appalachian Square Dance; Jerry Duke's Clog Dance in the Appalachians; Garland Steele's The Running Set Book; and Don and Heather Griffith's series on Competitions: How to get the Most out of Them. If there are any others currently in print, please let us know.

Our Editorial Hat's Off to Joe Kage, Special Events, Walt Disney World!! He is a truly caring person. He is exploring the idea of a Clogging EVENT OF THE YEAR, possibly at WDW River Country—with Cloggers, Two-Steppers and live Blue Grass music. Exciting? Yes, yes and yes! This Editor will keep you posted.

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By Steve Smith 281 Boiling Springs Dr. Lexington, Ky. 40505

Line Dance Competition



When you talk about Line Dances, you are talking about contemporary Clogging. Compared to the historical roots of traditional Clogging, line dance is but a newborn infant, but oh how fast that infant is growing! There are parts of the country where line dancing is practically synonymous with Clogging. These are generally locales where the proliferation of Clogging has been a recent occurrence, lacking the history of traditional clogging. I once met an Instructor from such an area, who made the remark that "mountain-style dancing is boring and not challenging". While I couldn't disagree more, his attitude reflects the strong impact that line dancing has had upon the Clogging community and the strength of its current popularity.

What about line dancing in competition? Most competitions now include the line dance category because of its popularity. The National Clogging and Hoedown Council sanctioned the Line Dance Category for NCHC sanctioned competitions in 1984. Below are a list of rules that are typical of what you might find stated in NCHC sanctioned competitions, governing the Line Dance category.

- 1) 95% of routine must be in a line or lines.
- 2) Figures are to be discouraged.
- No dancing as couples no Rise and Shine or individual freestyle.
- 4) At some point in routine, dancers must face all walls.
- No body contact of any kind with other dancers.
- 6) Any type of music may be used (Rock, Disco, Jazz, Bluegrass, etc.). Teams must provide their own music - on cassette tape or record.
- 7) Time limit 4 minutes. Five points deducted for every 30 seconds or portion thereof exceeding 4 minutes.
- 8) Minimum of 6 dancers any combination of male or female.
- 9) No interaction within two lines or interaction within the individual lines which will give the appearance of a sho or stage production.
- 10) No gymnastics or acrobatics.
- Girls may dress as boys in this category without penalty.

Line dances that win in competition are usually exquisitely precise (straight lines and identical movement with hands and feet), well-choreographed so that the routine fits the music, danced to upbeat music, and danced enthusiastically so that they are not tiresome to watch!

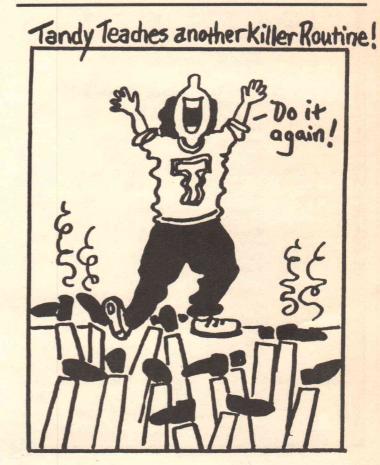
Team members must be drilled and drilled to become aware of what their hands are doing. Dancers must become aware of and be willing to compromise their own unique style of dancing so that the team can dance as ONE. It is the TEAM that must be stressed over and over, and individual attempts to stand out above the rest MUST be discouraged. This can be particularly difficult to achieve with talented young dancers. I have seen teams with several outstanding individual dancers get beat in competition by a team of moderately skilled dancers who danced together with precision. This is as it should be.

The following are some teaching techniques to consider when "working" a line dance team for competition:

- 1) Have members perform the dance individually or in pairs. If they have been relying on the feet of the person in front of them for guidance, it will readily show.
- 2) Give handouts of the routine so that team members can practice at home. There is no excuse for not practicing between team rehearsals since line dances can be practiced individually. Make audio tapes for team members so they will have the music for individual practice.
- 3) Draw chalk lines or attach tape to the floor to practice the art (and hard work) of staying in straight lines. If you are fortunate enough to have a Video Camera, use it!
- 4) Learn the footwork and patterns first, the handwork second, and the head movements last.

GOOD LUCK!

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By Frank X. Bonner

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The banjo is the only original American folk instrument. It is similar (belonging to the family of near east chordophones used for accompaniment to long highly decorated modal songs) to instruments found in the east and near east both in India (sitar and sarod) and Egypt (plucked string instruments with a skintopped sounding box used for dancing and in orchestras of 600 instruments). Arabs may have brought this and other stringed instruments to the West African coast inhabited by the Negro. When Negroes from the Niger (River) and other northern regions came into contact with Moslems, they learned to play primitive lyres, fiddles, guitars and banjo-like (possibly the bonja, an African gourd with strings or the bonia, an offspring of the West African dojigger) instruments.

The banio was introduced to America by Negro slaves; there association with it is documented as early as 1754 and the "banjar" noted by Thomas Jefferson in his "Notes on Virginia" in 1782 as the chief Negro plantation instrument. These early banjos had three or four strings and were fretless. It was played by slaves and by white minstrels imitating Blacks in the minstrel shows of the 1830's and beyond. Credit for the addition of the famous fifth string is generally given to Joel Sweeney, a popular white minstrel from Appamattox, around 1831 although there is no proof of this.

Commercial banjos appeared around the Civil War era. The Sweeney 5-string version became the most popular throughout the country. The fiddle and banjo were first recorded as playing together in 1840 by Whitlock and Dick Meyer in a theater. But it probably happened much earlier and was not recorded, quite possibly on a southern plantation. Banjo and fiddle bands were known to exist in the South before the Civil War, as their raggy music influenced the minstrels of this time.

The 5-string banjo was introduced into the mountains after the Civil War. Perhaps it was a result of mountain people being exposed to it during the war or perhaps the result of visits by the minstrel shows, or migration of a few unkown banjo players. The mountain banjo pickers took the instrument and many tunes of the Negro and reworked them in their own original manner, often using modal tunings and licks.

In 19th Century America, dance was king. The dance music reflected the mixture of styles from the minstrel shows, the tunes, rhythm and syncopation of Negro music, and the melodies and flavor of music from the British Isles.

Although it was played by hundreds of thousands of Americans a hundred years ago, the 5-string banjo was all but abandoned by the 1940's, except in the mountain regions as the craze for ragtime and jazz in the early 1900's took precedence. The four string Page 6

or tenor banjo became more popular across the country. As so often occurs when folk music or dance is taken out of context and "staged", the prominent folk musician Pete Seegar noted that the tenor banjo was ruined by those who made athletic exhibitions out of their performances; the audiences were amazed but not moved by the music, not delighted by the rhythms.

However, the 5-string did survive; it was brought back out of the mountains largely with the advent of bluegrass music led by Bill Monroe and The Blue Grass Boys in the 1940's and early 1950's. The modern banjo style is for the most part an offshoot of Earl Scruggs and his three-finger style of picking. This too though may be on the road to extinction as the players bring in more and more exotic licks and less and less good dance music. As Pete Seegar suggested above: it is amazing, but not moving. The old-time traditional styles are still alive too, and if one looks hard enough they can be found in the perhaps smaller but maybe more cohesive (in terms of their love for this style of music) group of folk or country dancers and musicians all over the U.S.

Today clogging is done to almost any kind of upbeat music, not even closely related to traditional music. I've seen dancers perform routines using clog steps to classical music and waltzes. One Halloween several friends and I even went clogging at local disco dance halls much to the amazement or possible chagrin of the disco dancers. Using nontraditional music keeps interest up in those that may otherwise lean toward other forms of entertainment.

The "poor peoples instruments" (clapping hands, humming, foot stomping, toe tapping, tongue clucking, knee slapping, cheek slapping with the mouth open in an "AW" position, finger scraping across a washboard, drum or banjo head, spoon rattling, blocks, pots, pans and bell beating, etc.) are always available; formal band music is not essential to dance. Simple, yes, but as indicated by Pete and Mary Seegar the simplicity or monotony in music should not be feared as it allows the singer or dancer more room for creativity and improvisation.

Traditional (old time) music is recommended for clog and square dancing by this writer as it carries a richness describing the pioneer life of early America. Pete Seeger identifies this traditional or folk music with the kind of people that made America; it was a natural and intimate part of their everyday life and thus a window to the richness of a time past.

In promulgating your esoteric cogitations and in articulating your superficial, amiable and philosophical observations, beware of platitudinous ponderosity. Let your extemporaneous decantations and unpremeditated expiations have intelligibility and veracious vivacity, without rodomontade and thrasonical bombast. Avoid sedulously polysyllabic profundity, psittaceous vacuity and ventriloquial verbosity.

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By Cynde Kichukoff

Valentine's Day provided a perfect occasion for the "special" Cloggers and Square Dancers to team up for a delightful party. The Southern Night Cloggers (Orlando Bureau of Recreation) hosted the event and were honored by the visit of the Special Cloggers and the "Westmont Special Allemanders" a square dance group from the Altamonte Springs Department of Parks and Recreation.

The Special Cloggers from Altamonte Springs Recreation Department are the newest addition to Page 8

fortunate to have Kim Lyons as their Instructor, and Claudia Harris as Program Director.

It was marvelous to see these 40 young people join into the fun - a mixer, New York - New York, and mountain style dancing were the evenings fare.

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Our Pirate's Chest Competition has two purposes. The money in the Chests, and part of the overall proceeds from the entire Pirate's Ball, will be presented to Harry Anna Crippled Children's Hospital, an Elks project in Umatilla, Florida. The exterior decoration and design of each Chest will be competing for our Pirate's traveling Trophy, which has been won for the past two years by The Pony Express Cloggers, Kissimmee, Florida.

<u>Dress:</u> Our Friday Evening Dance will be "dress up" night. Club Outfit, best Clogging attire or your fanciest Country-Western duds. The folks at Cheyenne Saloon would especially like us to be in Clogging costume. Saturday workshops are casual. Saturday Evening is Clogging attire or Pirate's Costumes!

Our Pirate's Ball Afterparty will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Howard Johnson's Hotel Saturday April 26, 1986 beginning at 11 PM. Please bring fingerfoods to share; there will be a Cash Coke and Ice Bar. Bring your own liquid refreshments if you like. Music and dancing and maybe a skit or two - if your group has one to share, please bring it along!

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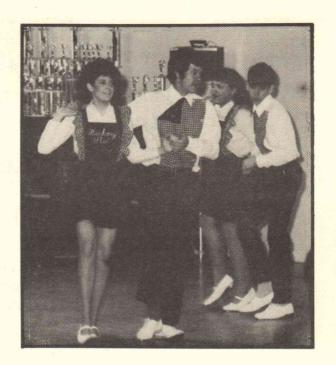
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the several Judges watching feet, hands, costume, smile -- pencil poised over a score sheet. His mouth turned to cotton, he couldn't hear the music, had no idea if his feet were even moving, and the few minutes on stage seemed like eternity! Though folks probably do have stage-fright or tension prior to every Competition, it is mostly not apparent to the audience. The key, of course, is practice. The incredible number of hours spent preparing for that few minutes on stage is, to steal a phrase, totally awesome!

I spoke with some of the Buckin' Mule families who were the hard working folks who kept the whole competition machinery working so smoothly. Some spent the entire two days in the score tally room, and not only did not get to see any of the Competition, but often missed meals. Door checkers, score sheet runners, T-Shirt sales and desk people; all agreed that when they next attend another teams Competition, they will have new appreciation for the Host Team.

There were, unfortunately, a few who were not good Sports. These first time Competitors will learn, we hope, that poor sportsmanship or downright ugly behavior will eventually make them outcasts because this kind of reputation news travels quickly and is simply not tolerated by other teams.

Rough attendance figures were: 350 dancers, and over 500 spectators. While many of those spectators were friends and families of the dancers, we spoke with quite a few Florida Instructors and dancers who were simply there to observe their first Competition. The overriding sentiment was that Competition per se was not at all what they had expected, and most all found it very intriguing. When asked if they or their Clubs were considering forming Competition Teams, many said they would now consider it, and Diana Allen, Green Cove Springs, Florida is completely won over, with Auditions and Team Rules already in the works. We were disappointed that Chris Rawls, Miami, Florida and his Magic City Cloggers were not present - he informed this Editor that they would be competing! (Perhaps he is worried about JoAnn Gibbs and her next Surprise! Comment please, Chris?)



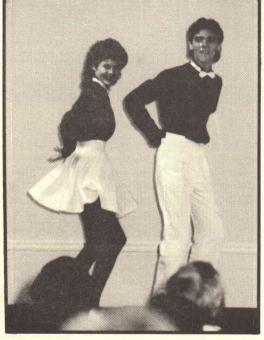




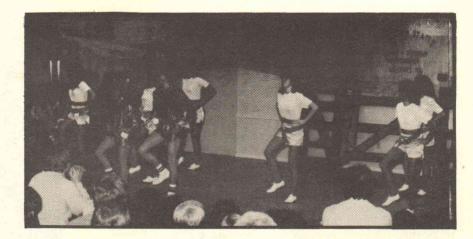


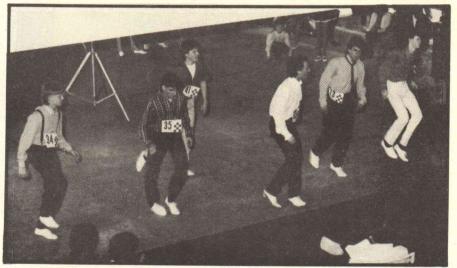
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The Winners!

Overall Novice Team SAWGRASS REVIEW, J.BENTON, FLORIDA

Overall Florida Grand Champion GOLD COAST CLOGGERS, B. KOHLER

Overall Grand Champion Team MELODY HOEDOWNERS, C WOODALL

Overall Individual Female (Clog) GINGER PETTY, WOODRIDGE

Overall Individual Male (Clog)
KERRY THOMAS, KERRY'S KLOG-A-LONGS

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Overall Individual Male (Buck)
BOBBY REEVUS, MAGNUM CLOGGERS

Sportsmanship Trophy
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This Editor was not able to get the winners of Duo and Duet. If someone will send their names, we will put it in the April issue.

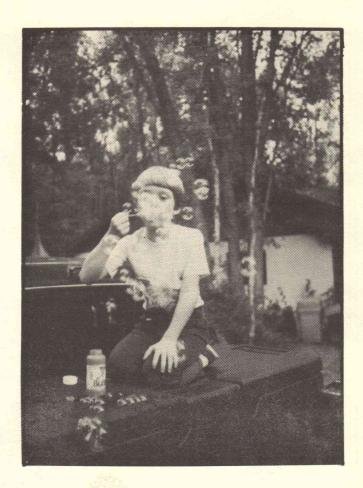
Our Editorial Hat's Off to all the very hard working Judges, who did an outstanding job. Rex Burdette, Garland Steele, Charlie and Shirley Burns, Julian Hardin, Jeff Driggs, Jean Stephenson, and Scott Chancey. Additionally, Miriam Dawson was present in her capacity as Official Scorekeeper for the National Clogging and Hoedown Council.

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No more teasing JoAnn Gibbs! The complexity of selecting a site for the CLOG National Convention is mind-boggeling! Not only does the Convention Center have to be LARGE (for a totally unknown number of Cloggers and Spectators), it has to be divisible into three or four large workshop rooms, have one enormous room with plenty of seating for the evening galas, and plenty of dancing room too, have hard floors (no carpet), and decent acoustics, and space for vendors and food concessions. Then there are the equally important aspects of hotels, parking, airport, and local support personnel. There are so many factors involved, that it is this Editor's opinion that no one place will ever be optimum. I sure wouldn't want to be in JoAnn's tap shoes. While I know that there were probably some technical difficulties in Mobile '84 and Louisville '85, overall those Convention Centers and accomodations were outstanding, as were the Instructors, Performances and Co-ordination of the entire program, The next one in November 1986 will probably be even better, wherever it is. Rather than complain about what "wasn't". I prefer to compliment what "was"! I'll be there in '86!





You have all seen those "Gramma's Brag Books" I'm sure! Almost 8 years old, Grandson Preston is above, perched on Gramma's red truck blowing big bubbles. Shortly after the photo was taken, the bottle of bubbles accidently spilled. The Car-Wash couldn't figure out why the back end of the truck foamed up higher than the cab, and had to be run through the rinser twice - I didn't say a word!!

Grandson Jason 9 months old in this photo, decided to help Gramma in the Office, but couldn't decide which issue tasted best. Grandmother Editors Brag too!

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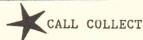
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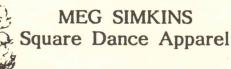
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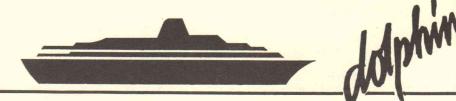
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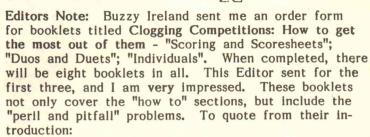
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TELL IT TO THE JUDGES

By Don and Heather Griffith



"After having judged hundreds of hours and thousands of dancers, we submit these pages with a great deal of affection for those youngsters (and oldsters) who win and lose so gracefully and in the process grow stronger and richer for their clogging competition experiences."

They are written with a great deal of love for Clogging and Cloggers. We hope to have a profile of Don and Heather in our next issue. Suffice to say, I respect anyone who is willing to commit their ideas to paper. They are extremely well written, and we know of no other printed, up-to-date material on Competitions. We urge you to read them. If you have questions, Don and Heather have graciously agreed to pen a column for The Double Toe Times each month. We feel this adds a much needed but so far little known dimension to our paper. I have often thought "who are the Judges?", "sure I have seen a score sheet, but what do the Judges think?" If there are other Judges who have a contribution, PLEASE send it. I am certain that Don and Heather would welcome dialog on this very important aspect of Competition!

Heather and I are delighted to write a Column for The Double Toe Times! We will answer any reader's questions about Clogging Competition - if you have a question, write to:

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Observe other teams, and work to apply what you have learned. Read comments on your score sheets. Talk to judges about how you might improve. Read the literature. Videotape other teams when you can (not to copy a routine, but to see what makes a good team) - timing, compatibility with each other and the routine itself. Videotape your team. Compare the two as objectively as possible.

Most importantly -PRACTICE! More points are deducted in any competition for inadequate preparation than for any other reason, including step difficulty, figure complexity, or dress. Practice, practice, practice, and then do it one more time!

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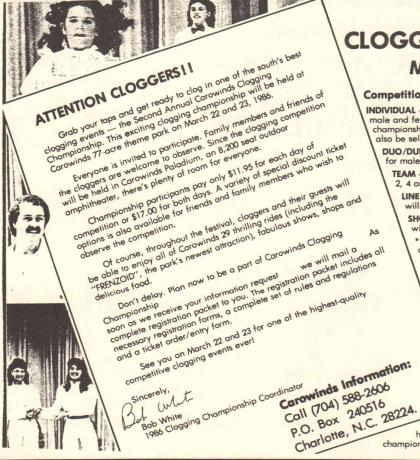
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