



# YFA TRAVEL DOCUMENT

*Seeing the world with the YFC Discovery Programme*

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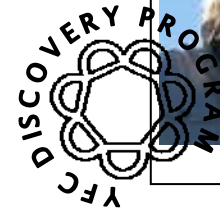
CLUB: Ridware YFC

DESTINATION: Canada

TYPE OF TRIP: U21's 4H Homestay exchange

DURATION: 5 weeks

DATES OF TRAVEL: 2007



## DESCRIPTION OF TRIP:

*4H is the Canadian equivalent of YFC but the maximum age is 21. My exchangee, Whitney came from the province of New Brunswick and this is where I spent most my time in Canada.*

*My first 2 weeks were spent with my exchanges family on a small mixed beef cattle farm in the South East of the province. The Estabrooks' family were very welcoming and I soon felt at home, I helped with some of the daily chores on the farm and most days went visiting many attractions and sites. I went to P.E.I (Prince Edward Island) which is an island connected to new Brunswick with a 13km bridge. I also visited Shediac which is a small fishing village on the coast and is home to the largest Lobster sculpture in the World. I went to the Maritime fall fair, in the province of Nova Scotia - I got to see members of Whitney's 4H club trimming, clipping and showing cattle for one of their 4H competitions. I also went along to watch a Rodeo, which was a really amazing experience.*



*My Third week was spent with Kourtney and her husband Dave in St John, in the south of the province. Again this was a lovely filled week, myself and Kourtney are both Pharmacy technicians and I went with her to work to see how its done in a different country, I got to see a lot of the local area including passing over the border into the USA.*



*My next 10 days were spent North of the province on an Ayrshire dairy farm on the outskirts of the village of Pokeshaw with the Riordan family. Here I was able to help with the milking. I was taken to see Ice Hockey games, I got to meet the mayor of Bathurst, the local town. I also went horse back riding to a maple Syrup factory.*

*My last week was spent with my first host again and then I parted to Toronto for my last few nights as part of the national 4H conference- here I met 4H members from all over Canada and I gained so much experience of how the farming and peoples way of life varies so much across the country. I gained so much experience and made so many friends from this trip. I also went to visit Niagara falls and CN tower as part of the conference and I went to the Royal Winter fair.*

*I also attended conferences on small farm management and animal health projects.*

*Upon return from my trip I have given talks to 2 clubs in the County and hope they will be able to share their great experiences with others on return from any trip they take part in.*

*I would like to thank all my host families for being so welcoming and generous throughout my visit and also I'd like to thank YFA and 4H for organising the trip.*



*Carolyn Greenwood*

