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## Gowan retains relevance

By MICHAEL A. SUTTON Herald Special

"There is a chameleon type aspect to all the music I do. For any musician to retain relevance to an audience, I think he has to be perceived by himself and by that audience that the musician has grown ins ome way." says Canadian rocker Larry Gowan. He can be seen to have stuck with this ideal on the cover of his newest release Lost Brotherhood.

The photo portrays a weathered, rocker type dressed for the part. A far cry different from the preppie figure which adorned the inner jacket of 1985's Strange Animal, an album which incidentally earned the singer/songwriter a gold record (250,000 copies sold in Canada).

Growth and change go far beyond mere esthetics though. With each new album, a different side of Gowan's musical ability is revealed.

His songs draw inspiration from events within his life as well

as the musical feel of the time in which they're written. As such they cannot help but be fresh and new with each successive release.

What hasn't changed, however, are the base influences on Gowan's career. Some of these artists (Yes, Genesis) still creep\_ into his work even today. "Because I was a teenager when their music came out, you are never more affected by music as you are when you're a teenager...It really permeates so much of your whole thinking and helps you to formulate ideas and think of things in an abstract manner that you've never done before," he explains, "That's why the music that hits you during those years will stick with you for life."

Gowan is currently taking a month off from touring to write songs for a new album. Following this he will resume the Lost Brotherhood tour, arriving back in Toronto some time next month.

## Easter Seal Superthon

TORONTO - Colin Musson, Manager of Community Programming for Maclean Hunter Cable TV, announced that the Metro Cable Association will present Superthon '91, The Easter Seal Society's largest annual fundraising event in aid of physically disabled children.

The Metro Cable Association includes Maclean Hunter, Rogers Cable, Graham Cable, Newton Cable and Scarboro Cable, and the telecast has been offered to Toronto Area Broadcasters.

Generous volunteer help has always assured the success of the Superthon in the past and, this year, more than ever, The Easter Seal Society is counting on volunteer services. In the Metro Toronto area, Roger Abbott and Don Ferguson of 'Royal Canadian Air Farce' head the list.

"We are really appreciative of the leadership role assumed by the Metro Cable Association in helping us to coordinate this event," says Peter Ely, executive director of the Society. "An event like this - an occasion that raises a lot of money - helps a lot of kids."

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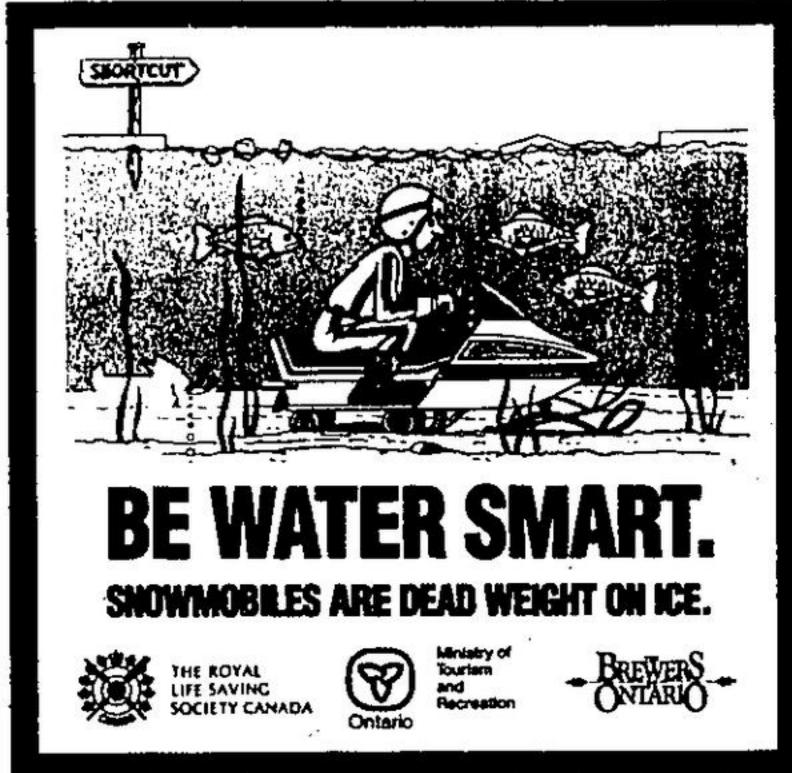
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