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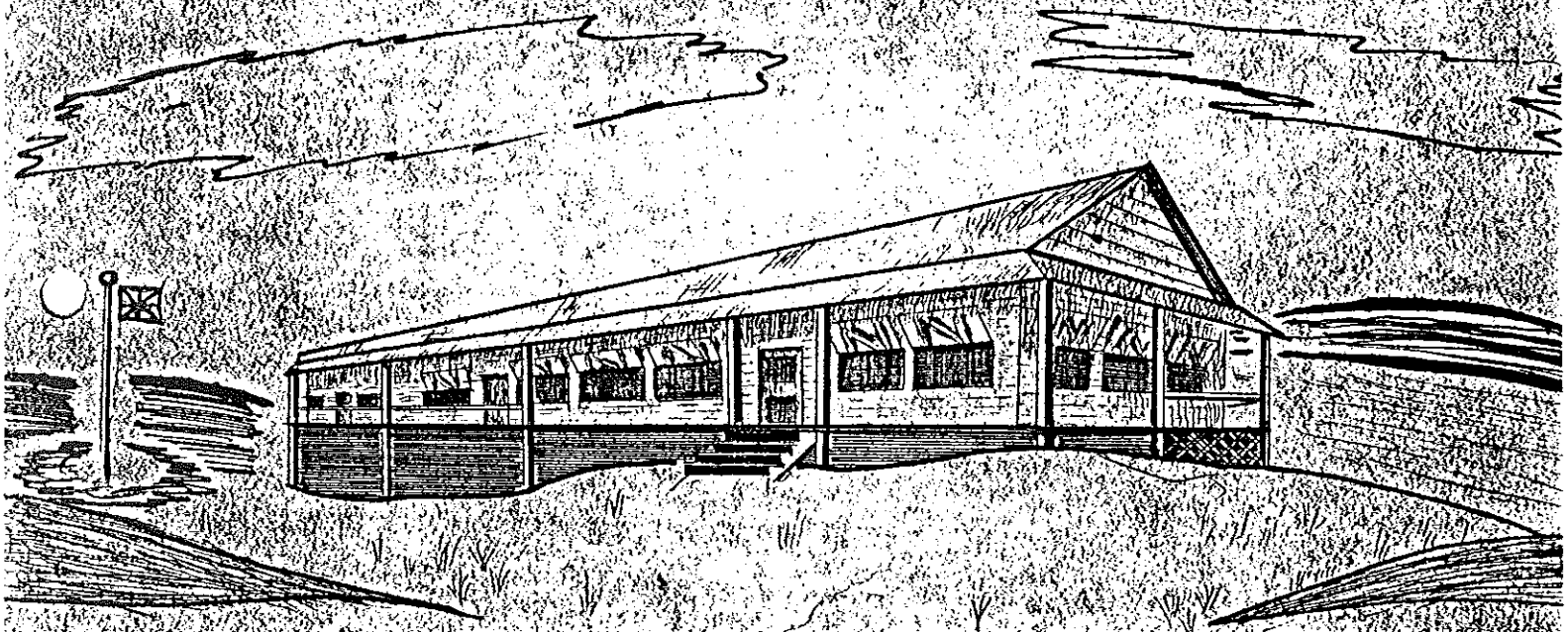

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1962 Second Edition

A message from the Director:

These have been two good weeks of camping at Christie Lake. We have enjoyed having you with us. I do hope that you will make use all year round of the worthwhile things you have learned while at this camp.

With kindest regards,

Danny

Editor's Comments:

The Editor wishes to thank all the cabin reporters for their cabin reports and all those who have written other articles for the Chronicle.

Lucy

Cabin 1

John, Mike, Danny, Andre, Charles and Rene are all members of cabin number one. Our Counsellor's name is Bruce Dean and his nickname is Snowball. We all showed how well we could sing at the Talent show. Charles and Rene like sing-songs, Mike and John like swimming and Andre and Danny like fishing. Snowball likes to sleep. We also have another member of our family - a chipmunk who eats the bread we feed it. We went on a couple of cook-outs and hikes in the woods and all the time we kept looking for animals. We really enjoyed the Olympics. See you next year.....

Cabin 2

Cabin two does many things well but we feel that we do our best at keeping the cabin clean. We hope that we win the Cabin Inspection often. We all enjoy camp and hope to be back next year and hope that Ian will be back too.

Cabin 3

Unlike all the other cabins we have seven campers in our cabin. We have won the table manners trophy but have not yet won Cabin Inspection. We have one tadpole and one frog swimmer. We also have a chipmunk friend and we feed him nuts and bread. He is under our cabin and is a very fast runner.

Cabin 4

The guys in our cabin are O.K. because whenever they have something to share they will share it. We try to keep our cabin clean. Most of the time Louie and Richard do the raking. Cabin four liked the Olympics very much because it taught us that if you lose - be a good sport and if you win - say to the other fellow "better luck next time".

Cabin 5

Cabin five thought that the best programme of the year was the Olympics. It made the boys show good sportsmanship and gave them a lot of fun. Cabin 5 has six boys and one man. Their names are Len Harding, Teddy Dixon, Wilf Lafrance, Donnie Oliver, Mike Marcil, and Calvin Palen. The man's name is Peter Camfield.

Cabin 6

The campers in our cabin are John, Bill, Wayne, Claude, Stewart and Carl. The bullfrog is Stewart Sutton; the tadpoles are Wayne and Claude. The rest of the fellows are all eggs. Our favorite interest groups are handicrafts, fishing, and canoeing. John Claude likes to pick fights, while Wayne likes to finish them. Billy and Stew never like going to bed; Tony likes to see the Nurses, while Carl is full of headaches.

Cabin 7

The campers in cabin number seven are Jean-Pierre Melocheֵ, Bernard Gendron, Mike Janowicz, Pierre Jeanvenne, Tim Laplante, Henry Mallette; our counsellor is Dave McCagherty. We enjoyed the entire Olympic Programme and enjoyed representing Turkey. Although we did not win we had a lot of fun and that is what really counts.

Cabin 8

This year our best programme was the Olympics. The camp was separated into four countries competing against each other. Our team was called France and we finished second, only four points behind the winning country. During our camping period we were fortunate in having one of the really nice days for our out-trip. J.B. Martin was the cook and outside of breakfast did a pretty good job. One of our campers Kirk Regalbuto cut down his first tree. It was about thirty-five feet high. Kirk wanted to bring it home to his mother as a camping souvenir. At camp the cooks were excellent. We are looking forward to the annual banquet. Our cabin leader Bert Strankinga was nearly all the time late for programme.

Cabin 9

Rob Colter is a very patient Counsellor. We are very fortunate to have Rob because he is devoted and reads us the story of the "Mystery of the Flying Express" even against his wishes. Steve Dooley is trying his best to pass his tadpole. He also does a lot of fishing. Bill Andrews is a bullfrog and is trying to pass his second star swimming test. Harve Parsons is a tadpole trying his frog. Harve really likes going in a War Canoe. Kenny De Blois is a frog; he is a really good tree climber. Ronny Pilon is a bullfrog swimmer and is quite proud of the fact.

Cabin 10

Handicrafts is what we like
Better than catching any pike
Judy helps us all the time
So our projects turn out fine
Bracelets, lanyards, things like that
Are much better than playing with a bat
To handicrafts we go with joy
It is the best time for every boy.

Brian Desjardins

The rest of the team: Pete Ullrich, Dave Sutton, John Johnston, Len St-Amour, Paul Caumont, and Andre Gendron.

Cabin 11

Michael's laugh is very funny - he jumps and climbs
like a bunny

Ron has a freckled nose - and is always late we suppose

Jack who whistles so, did on the overnight go

Tom always sweeps the floor and shoots the dust right
out the door

Steve always tries to laugh in French and almost falls
off the bench

John always wears a hat and has a flashlight as bad
as Pat's.

Cabin 12

My version of the kids in my cabin:

Rob Vezina	Giggles Vezina
Bob Sage	Bashful Bob
Chris Winter	Mossy Winter
Vic Wiaz	Boy-ish Vic
Bill Sutton	Early Bird Bill
Don MacDonald	Lumpy (What else?)
Mike Acker	Musical Mike

Believe it or not - Lumpy made the rope climb broken ankle and all, Early Bird slept in, Boy-ish made it to the Waterfront on Sunday, Bashful Bob actually said hello to a girl, Giggles actually kept quiet for two whole minutes and Musical Mike is a good counsellor.

Cabin 13

Our cabin received quite an honour during the camping period. We were picked to go out on a three day out-trip to a new lake never before visited. Although it rained a great deal we had an enjoyable experience thanks to the efforts of our counsellor Sandy Fee. Our cabin was also on the winning team in the 1962 Christie Lake Olympics representing the country of India. We certainly enjoyed the competition and the traditions that surround the programme.

Cabin 14

All cabin 14 are boys from Boys' Village, 866 Dovercourt Rd., Toronto. Our Director is Bob Shaw, Jim Albert and Tex Brillinger our counsellors, and Keith, Dave and Garry are our Programme Men. We like programme and really enjoyed the Olympics Competition. We are happy to be a member of the Christie Lake "tribe".

Cabin 15

In the Olympics we came in fourth place
But we were still glad to be in that space
Bobby is a real nice fellow
Too bad he's not more mellow
Peter is a freckled little fellow
He's always fighting with pillows
Roger is a pretty funny guy
He swears he's never eaten pie
John is always getting scratches
He likes them better than beautiful pitches

Tom is a friendly boy

He is always full of joy

Our Cabin Leader is a nice leader

He really isn't a bleeder

He's a nice guy

But what about that PIE?

Cabin 16

Peter Caumont was one of the fellows to go on a three day out-trip but, unfortunately had to return to camp after two days of steady rain. Mike Sarault likes to eat his own "stock" and sometimes gets mad at the counsellor who takes it away from him.

Kenny Neals spent a lot of time in the hospital hut with the "flu". We hope he gets better soon. Alf Leonard has had his share of camp medical attention. A hook in the elbow and the "flu" has kept his pretty well on the sidelines. Trev Lamoureux also was fortunate enough to pass the swimming and canoeing requirements to go on the long out-trip.

Arn (Hustler) Schaefer has one pet peeve at camp. He would like to get the sugar at the same time as the tea so as to drink it before it gets cold (like some of his girlfriends).

Cabin 17

During the last weekend we had a very successful Olympic Programme. Our cabin represented India. Sam's top scorers for our country and in our cabin were Jim Sutton and Dave Sage and George Monette. Jim also caught an 18" pike. Most of our fellows have joined some clubs and are having lots of fun. Jerry Wise is really trying to improve his swimming. We have also managed to capture the table manners trophy and hope to win the cabin inspection award as well.

Cabin 18

Favourite Expressions:

Jim Wilson	I hate beach passes
Danny Cain	Have you got a smoke?
Guy Sarault	Keep out of my bag
Robbie Viverstad	Save me a butt
Fern Larkin	Mind your own business
Ernie Hannen	Leave my skin alone
Mike Forton	Eat me, you guys

Senior Staff Favorite Expressions:

Don	I have a rather serious announcement to make...
Ron	Well, hopefully
Andy	Well, boys
Bob	'Taint no use worryin' about it
Judy	Wanna play ox1, Bobby?
Al	Horse's.....where is it?
Jock	For crumb's sake, where is HE?
Bill	Buddies! (Wave also?)

Loveable Uncle Harry Judge not least ye be judged

During the second camping period Christie Lake campers were plagues with bad weather - numerous rainy days and cold nights, and a few mild cases of stomach flu. Consequently there were many more cabin programmes, and campers had to depend on their own imagination to help pass the time - swinging from the rafters, playing cards, dumping their lockers on the floor, and so on.

However there were several special programmes during the camping period. The first all-camp activity was Indian Day when all of the boys gathered in the field to build tee-pees, to play Indian games and then, smeared with war paint, to attend the traditional opening ceremonies in the stockade.

Another popular programme was Olympics day. On the evening before, campers, dressed in the costume of their country: France, Russia, India, Turkey, attended the opening ceremony when the runner brought the lighted torch to the field. The following day the games were held and the winning countries in each competition were presented at meal time. The evening programme found the winning country to be India - Garry Fee was the leader.

The Land-Water Relay had to be postponed several times because of rain. It was held finally on the last Wednesday in camp. The relay began at the flagpole with four teams matching their skills in running, canoeing and rowing. Team number 3 with John Wright as captain was the winner.

Both campers and staff enjoyed the talent shows that were presented in the evenings. The campers proved themselves very capable of imitating the Senior Staff while the counsellors provided a chalk talk with Dave McCagherty. Danny's hypnotic spells too entranced the audience.

All together campers and staff enjoyed the final camping period at Christie Lake for the 1962 season.

THE MYSTERY

It was gone. I do not know where it went. Jim Albert didn't know where it went. Even my cabin leader didn't know where it went. I think somebody snitched it because it couldn't get away because Jim Albert always ties it so tight in the water with big huge ropes and anchors. We always sing funny songs about it. I wish I had a sailboat.

LIONS CLUB NINE

On July 24th, the day of the Lions' Club visit, the great Christie Lake Boys' camp Softball Team, led by the superb pitching of Vince Casey and Brian Desjardins and the power hitting of Jim Sutton, outscored the old and experienced Lions' Club Nine by a slight margin 8 - 7.

Here is a game for every camper and counsellor to play. Below are listed some of the problems - little irritating but funny problems that have cropped up in the past two weeks. Read the problems and then match the answers marked A to J beside them:

1____ The far-off look that seems to appear in Bert Strenkinge's eyes when someone mentions Norvic.

2____ The fiendish look in everyone's eyes when Jim Albert mentions that there is a good stiff breeze.

3____ The sudden appearance of strange camp signs in the dining room

4____ The yelling and shouting that occurs when any Junior Staff member pokes his head in the kitchen.

5____ The strange war chant heard echoing in the rafters of the Administration Building "Let's get Luce and string him up".

6____ The number of soggy packs, tents and sleeping bags which appear after every out-trip.

7____ The tired worn faces of Judie and Jacquie.

8____ The heaps of clothing outside the camp mother's cabin.

9____ The number of Caladryl (pink lotion for the skin) bottles in the nurse's cabin.

10____ The smile on everyone's face on August 4th.

A Every camper and counsellor bring a Singer Sewing machine with him

B Take the wheels off the Vauxhall

C mention Davern

D Let the Americans do the cooking

E Keep Mike Porter out of the poison ivy

F Give them sleeping pills

G Talk to Uncle Harry - he can control even the weather if he chooses

H Buy him a mooring at another camp

I Get rid of all rope in camp

J Everybody come back next year

BIG FISH CLUB

Another fantastic fishing season for Christie Lake Boys' Camp with its multitude of eager fishermen tempting and tussling with the mighty fish of Christie Lake. None of the major records were broken this year - but some colossal catches were recorded. The winner of the contest netted a monstrous 6½" Bass. He was Jean Baptiste. Special mention should also go to Ken Heale who caught an 18" Pike on the Rideau Lakes during his out-trip - but was not elegible for the Christie Lake contest.

That is all for another year - the fish of Christie Lake can now relax again and build up a resistance for next year.

Your old fishing expert,

Outdoors Ab.

LITTLE SHAVERS CLUB

The Little Shavers Club is one of the best clubs at Christie Lake. The men in our club learn the basic facts of shaving and get an actual chance to apply what

lecture.

A great many boys joined the club and seven boys actually completed the course and graduated.

The top "Little Shaver of 1962" is Rene Miron of Cabin 1. Well done, Rene.

Thanks must go to the many staff members who helped in making the club the success it was.

Good shaving until next year,

Ron Luciano

TWIST CLUB

Again, during the second camp, one of the most popular after-supper clubs was the Twist Club. At one of the meetings an interesting demonstration of the latest craze in twisting - the treading water twist - was given by Bill "Waterfront" Doyle. All three classes of twisters - Tiny Twisters, Hip Shakers, and Pretzels - participated in our closing contest. The judges, after much deliberation finally decided on two winners who were presented with prizes at the closing banquet. A special thank-you to Garry Fee (Crazy-legs) and Dave (Slippery Hips) McCagarty for the making of the twist buttons and helping, along with many others, at the meetings. To all the twisters, good luck during the winter and we will see you all at camp again next year.

- Bob Hardon - King of Twist.

WATERFRONT PROGRAMME

This year, the cold and rainy weather which haunted us for most of camp often made swimming uncomfortable. In spite of this, several of the more interested boys worked hard under unpleasant conditions practising for their aquatic tests. They passed not only our own Christie Lake Tadpole, Frog and Bullfrog tests, but also the National Y.M.C.A. and Red Cross tests. Congratulations to these boys.

Congratulations are also in order for the counsellors, Junior Staff and Senior Staff who gave their time to instruct these boys. Without their help the swimming programme would not have been able to serve nearly so many boys. Thank you!

Bill Boyle

CANOEING

In canoeing this year's campers had new tests and new crests to aim for - tests revised to a special Christie Lake standard. Under the skilled guidance of Bruce "Tex" Brillinger, many paddlers achieved their "C" canoeist award and a talented few, their "B" Canoeist. Nobody was able to attain the highest award, the "A" canoeist which is about the level of a "B" canoeist by Ontario Camping Association standards. The new tests were designed to meet the needs of our boys who have little background in paddling and only 2 - 4 weeks each year to practise. With Bruce's fine administration and instruction, the canoeing programme was an outstanding success.

One other who assisted in both canoeing and swimming and who added immeasurably to the colour of camp deserves a thank you from all whom he helped. This is of course dear old "Loveable Uncle Harry" Edgar.

OUT-TRIPS

Bennet's Lake! Rideau Lake! Overland Out-trips! These names illustrate the expanding and extensive out-trip programme which has been carried on this summer at Christie Lake. The name Bennet's Lake or Rideau Lake will recall many memories of great adventure in the minds of several of our campers.

During the first two week camp period, we selected two groups of boys plus counsellors to explore Bennet's Lake in the hope that we could use it for future out-trips. Each group spent 2½ to 3 days on the lake and getting to it. They discovered that the river leading into and out of the lake required too many portages and therefore we discontinued the idea of using this lake.

During the second camp period we sent two three day out-trips to Rideau Lake hoping that this lake would be more suitable for out-trips. We were rewarded! Rideau Lake is large and has many campsites. The boys brought back interesting and exciting reports. Although the first trip was rained out after a day and a half, the reports of the good possibilities of this lake were encouraging. As this paper goes to press, the second trip is in process and with much better weather.

The boys have shown a good deal of enthusiasm over these trips and they have gained from them in many ways. Such trips have provided an incentive for the boys to come down and work on their canoeing skills. The canoeing programme has been really stepped up with 19 boys achieving "C" canoeist crests and 7 receiving "B" canoeist crests in the first two weeks. Ten so far have passed their "C" tests in the second period.

Overland overnight trips to Westport have also provided the Junior boys with an experience of camping out and seeing many new and interesting things.

The added opportunity for extensive out-trips and at the same time the operation of an active in-camp canoeing programme have been made possible because of the additional canoes which we have in camp. The camp Committee saw fit to rent 5 canoes, making a total of 9, for this year. This has meant simply that more boys have been able to spend more time in canoes. It has also meant that we could send leader canoes on out-trips, which is a desirable thing, without hampering our canoeing programme at home.

A big word of thanks goes to Dave Hardon who was a great help in packing trips and in cleaning up after them. Congratulations also to the Junior Staff for being able to get up early in the morning. A word of appreciation to the kitchen staff for providing early breakfasts for the trippers and with that I sign off.

Bruce "Tex" Ewllinger.

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