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GREYS WIN MAROON/GREY COMPETITION

by B.A. Altmaier

Greys 39, 309 Maroons 39,077
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The 1984 season was a very active season for the campers. The amount of points scored was high because of this activity. More points were scored than have been in a decade at Kawanhee.

Score Keeper B.A. held the teams in suspense as he and his assistants pinned the numbers to the official scoreboard. Captains Al Fuster and Andy Coward were asked by B.A. to each pin a number to the board for the opposite team. Soon all the numbers were on the board except for the last number. After a quick call from Chief Kawanhee from the top of Mt.



Kawanhee's Board of Directors at their Annual Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENT

Camp Kawanhee recently received word from the Internal Revenue Service that our request to form a Foundation has been accepted. Consequently, we are now eligible to receive tax deductible donations which will be used to provide scholarships for boys regardless of race, color, or creed so that these boys can be enrolled at Camp Kawanhee for the 1985 Season and thereafter. The camp's Board of Directors believes that this is a very positive advancement, and will prove to be a strengthening force for Kawanhee, not only financially, but by bringing to our camp carefully selected boys who are worthy of such an honor and who will contribute positively by their own attitude and character. Any person, company, or organization wishing to donate.

Tumbledown, B.A. was told that his own lovely daughter, Rebecca had the key number. Suspense was high as Anita came forward with Rebecca, but it turned to confusion when Rebecca handed her daddy the last number in many pieces. The problem was quickly resolved when Rebecca finally whispered the number to daddy and B.A. wrote the last number on the board. This gave the Greys the victory by only 232 points. Many thanks go to captains, Al Fuster and Andy Coward and their respective teams.

I also want to thank Louisa van den Honert, O.J. Altmaier, Jamie Robinson, Will Fleming, Barb Compher, Ginny Brown, and Peter van den Honert for all their help. God Bless and everyone have a Good Winter!

SKI COMPETITION

by Rob Studebaker

On July 28th, six competitive-minded skiers went to a ski competition at Clearwater Lake. The skiers were: Lars Jensen, John Detrick, Chuck Compher, Chris Yardley, and Rob Studebaker. There were 3 age groups - 15 and under, 16 to 20, and 20 and over. In the 15 and under, Chuck Compher came in first and Rob Studebaker came in 3rd. In the 16 to 20 class, Lars Jensen came in 1st. John Detrick got 3rd place in the 20 and over class. All in all, the skiers did very well!



JUNIOR MAINE GUIDE TESTING

by Jamie Sanford

What is JUNIOR MAINE GUIDE all about? Its a four day trip to Denmark, Maine where eight or nine different camps get together to be tested. J.M.G. candidates are tested by Maine Guides. There are six minors and nine majors. The minors are: identification of trees, forest fires and fire fighting knowledge, Maine fire regulations, map of Maine, general fishing laws, and firearms safety. The majors are: axemanship, canoeing, wet-day fires, cooking, topographic maps, map of area, first aid, trip equipment, and individual shelter and fireplaces.

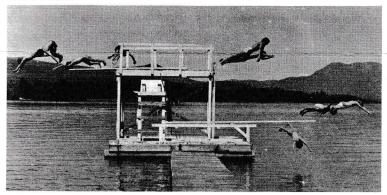
For the wet-day fire, the candidates had to split a wet pine billet into small pieces of kindling and make shavings with them. Then they had to boil water over the fire for 20 minutes. All the candidates had to sleep in tents in the beech forest and cook meals for the guides.

The candidates for Kawanhee this year were: Bob Banasik, James Sanford, Frank MacPeak, and Bernie Gehret. Drew Detrick, a former Junior Maine Guide, led the 4 Kawanheeans through these hard tests (by setting his tent by the lake and catching sun rays all day down by the beach).

MANITOU SOCCER TOURNAMENT

by Fernando Guasch, age 11

I. First we beat Caribou 9-0. They did very well, but they didn't beat us. Jacobo Arteaga scored 6 goals and Tom Kindle scored 3 goals. II. It was the first victory in 4 years that we obtained against Manitou. It was a very, very close game. They scored first. We were losing 3-1 and we were very depressed. We were thinking that we were going to lose. But then we started scoring and at the end we won 5-4. Alex Sagebien scored 2 goals, Tommy Kindle scored 1 goal, Jacobo Arteaga scored 1 goal, and Rob Studebaker scored 1 goal. III. We were in the FINALS against Samoset. Unfortunately, we lost 6-3. They played very well. But Tommy Kindle got MOST VALUABLE PLAYER of the 13 and under class at the soccer tournament.



Fireworks at the Swimming Department!

SKIT NIGHT

by Jason Park

Skit night was a smashing success. As many of the lodges performed their skits, laughter was heard through-out the camp grounds. As well as entertainment, new talents in acting were discovered. Stars popped up everywhere as original ideas were

Some Highlights of the Summer '84

The Highlight of My Sommer Billy Koplitz

When Falcon lodge climbed
Boald Mountain and I got
to the top after slipping
my butt g

The Highlight of My Summer
by bettighman



By John Donahe My favorite Activities were camp craft?

Swimming and nature. When I first came To camp I Thought wow! what a Neat place! I dok will may be please alot. I weeks later I learned alot. well so far I love camp. And I Like My counselous aind. Other campers. I never Thought about such a neat place.

Jose' Ricardo Otero







Completed Plaques

One Year: Robert Compher - C Plaque, Mike Compher - C Plaque, Jason Eldred - A Plaque.

Two Years: Borja Arteaga - A Plaque, Keith Bertani - B Plaque, David Bloomfield - B Plaque, Tom Greene - C Plaque, Silas Jeffrey - C Plaque, Bryan Lockhard - C Plaque, Javier Santos - C Plaque, Peter Sengelmann - C Plaque.

Three Years: David Bloomfield - C Plaque, Mark Hoffman - C Plaque, Jim Norian - B Plaque, Alberto Villanueva - C Plaque.

Four Years: Scott Barnes - C Plaque.

New Plaques Earned

Junior C: Chris Bitterhauf, Billy Bundy, Mike Compher, Robert Compher, John Koplitz, William Koplitz, Edsel Langhorn, Jamie Pobil, Ram Rajadhyaksha, and David Sengelmann. Junior B: Alex Alexander, Mat Burgermaster, Anil Butani, Andy Cano, Jack Coggelshall, Erich Evans, Tom Greene, Joe Highman, Mark Hoffman, Chris Huntington, Silas Jeffrey, Patrick Moran, Jose Otero, Jason Park, Shyam Rijadhyaksha, Jeff Rice, Alex Sagebien, Javier Santos, Peter Sengelmann, and Alberto Villanueva. Junior A: Jacobo Arteaga, Derek Barnes, Keith Bertani, David Bloomfield, Alex Brito, Jason Eldred, Bryan Evans, Andrew Iverson, Geoffrey Iverson, Brian Kennedy, Miguel Olazabal, Peter Roberts, Carlos Sagebien, Gordon Scherer, Matthew Snider, and Mike Sparks. Senior: Chuck Compher, Owen Feeney, Bernie Gehret, Michael Lasqua, Ross Langhorn, Jamie MacPeak, and Alex Nachman.

High Point Winners

1. Javier Santos - 1,670, 2. Fernando Guasch - 1,575, 3. Jason Eldred - 1,500, 4. Borja Arteaga - 1,225, 5. Robert Compher - 1,215, 6. Miguel Perez - 1,195,7. Tommy Greene - 1,120,8. Alex Sagebien - 1,105,9. Silas Jeffrey - 1,090, 10. Keith Bertani - 1,080,11. Alex Brito - 1,060,12. David Bloomfield - 1,060, 13. Mike Compher - 1,050,14. Peter Sengelmann - 1,050,15. Alberto Villanueva - 1,040,16. Jose Otero - 1,010, 17. Patrick Moran - 990, 18. Erik Fuhrmeister - 955,19. Bryan Lockhart - 925, and 20. Jason Krumm - 910.



After passing 117 levels this summer, the 1984 Wrestling Department concluded a successful summer with its final tournament. 106 boys entered the tournament with only twenty reaching the finals. The championship match results:

65lbs. Dexter Devoe major dec. Adam Brown 17-6
75lbs. Fernando Guasch dec. Marc Banasik 12-5
80lbs. Scott Barnes pinned David Birch in 2:23
90lbs. Aitor Aznar pinned Gregg Mullen in 2:11
100lbs. Alex Nachman dec. Tom Kindle 4-0
110lbs. Pedro Zapata pinned Jacobo Arteaga in 3:32
125lbs. Borja Arteaga pinned Jason Eldred in 1:25
140lbs. Scott Norris pinned Alex Brito in 1:27
155lbs. Peter Brown pinned Keith Bowers in :26
HWT Ray Brokaw pinned David Bates in :22

In addition, the Wrestling Department would like to congratulate Alex Nachman of Kennebunkport, Maine for winning the 1984 Outstanding Wrestler Award. Alex, the younger brother of former Wrestling Department member, Mark, demonstrated the strength, quickness, technique, and poise of a true champion in dominating his opponents.

Thanks to all campers for making this such a successful and enjoyable summer!

BASEBALL

KLL Ends with Excitement...

The Kawanhee Little League ended its regular season with two GREAT games. In the first game, the Black Belts kept up their winning tradition by defeating the Blue Demons 3-0. Regular season batting champ, Keith Bertani and fellow Demon, Peter Sengelmann got the only two hits off Andrew Iverson. In the following game, the Pink Cadillacs defeated the Purple Haze 9-7. Most valuable player for the season Jose Otero went 2 for 2 and Eaglet, Michael Compher was the winning pitcher.

Final Regular Season Standings

Black Belts	5-1
Pink Cadillacs	4-2
Purple Haze	2-4
Plue Demons	1.5

The playoffs started with a rematch between the Purple Haze and Pink Cadillacs. The strong pitching performance by Jose Otero and the absence of golden glover, Chris Huntington was too much for Purple to overcome. Al Villanueva led Pink's hitting attack to defeat the Haze 11-1. The second playoff game featured the Blue Demons vs. the Black Belts. Keith Bertani and Marc Banasik (who won this year's BEST SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD) were unable to upset the Belts. FINAL SCORE 4-1.

The World Series began on Monday, August 6, with the Black Belts defeating the Pink Cadillacs 6-1. The tough pitching from A. Iverson and contact hitting by Chris Klinges was too much for Pink pitcher, Jason Park to defeat.

Game 2 featured Jose Otero against Alex Alexander. It was a slugfest of a game, with Jacobo Arteaga going 3 for 3 and leading Pink's hitting attack. FINAL SCORE 8.5 in favor of

the mound for Black and Jose Otero for Pink. Black got off to a fast start with hits from Gregg Mullen and Carlos Fuhrmeister to lead 3-0. Pink battled back to score two runs in the fifth. Yet, in the end, Black won 5-2 to become this year's CHAMPS! Andrew Iverson won the M.V.P. Award for the series and Gregg Mullen was the batting champ.

Altogether, it was a SUPER SEASON in baseball and I hope to see you all next year!

Tim Duncan

HAL Final Wrap-Up

The final HAL game was played on August 2 between the Cult and the strong Baghdads of coach Andy Coward. The Dads proved to be to powerful for the Cults as they hammered them by a score of 18 to 4. This solidified their hold on first place with a final record of 5 and 1, and dropped the Cult into a second place tie with the army of Art Eldred 2 and 4. This set the stage for the play-offs as the number 2 and 3 placed teams squared off to see who would get the chance to play the front running Baghdads. The game seesawed into the fourth inning with the Cult ahead by a score of 5 to 4. Here Artie's Army put together a 6 run inning to take a 10 to 5 lead. The Cult managed a four run 6th inning to close it to 10-9 but the Army added an insurance run in their half of the sixth to close out the scoring at 11 to 9, and a trip into the Championship Game against the Baghdads.

The Championship Game proved to be a run away as the Dads unleashed a potent offense combined with a 4 hitter from their Ace pitcher Jason Eldred to crush the Army of Art Eldred 16 to 2. The Baghdads had 5 repeat hitters in Scott Norris, Chuck Compher, Reggie Sagebien, Alex Brito, and Jason Eldred. Eight fielding miscues also proved a key factor in the Army defeat. The Armys Art Eldred was chosen M.V.P. for the season as he hit for a consistant high average along with his pitching to lead his team into the Championship Game. Brother Jason Eldred was chosen M.V.P. of the play-offs for his 2 for 3 batting and 4 hit pitching in the Championship Game. Peter Brown was crowned Batting Champ for the season. As he had 8 hits in 14 trips to the plate for a .571 avg. to lead the H.A.L. Special recognition was given to Alex Nachman, Geoffrey Iverson and Sage Freidman for their service to the Baseball Department this summer. Alex received a Placque, Geoff a Golden Pencil and Sage a Certificate.

The Baseball Department would also like to thank all others who helped out as either coaches, scorers, umpires or maintenance type helpers. We owe all of you a hardy thanks for helping make this baseball season a successful one. One added special thanks to Herb Birch who helped make the Special Awards a reality with many extra hours of work.





Special Awards of Baseball

KLL Season Batting Champ - Keith Bertani .769
KLL MVP Season - Jose Otero
KLL Batting Champion Play-offs - Greg Mullin .714
KLL MVP Play-offs - Andrew Iverson
HAL Batting Champ Season - Peter Brown .571
HAL MVP Season - Art Eldred
HAL MVP Play-offs - Jason Eldred
Golden Pencil Award - Geoffrey Iverson
Most helpful in Baseball - Alex Nachman
Best Sportsmanship - Marc Banasik
Golden Glove Award - Chris Huntington

Jr. C

Champion Peer Sengelmann
Runner Up Robert Compher
Greatest Improvement Inigo Ballestero - Alex Alexander

Certificate of Service - Sage Friedman

Jr. B

Champion	Chris Huntington
Runner up	Joe Highman
Greatest Improvement	Anil Butani

Jr. A

Champion	Carlos Sagebien
Runner up	Mark Valore
Greatest Improvement	Jacobo Arteaga

Seniors

Champion	Bob Byrnes
Runner up	Peter Brown
Greatest Improvement	Owen Feenev

Greatest Athletic Improvement - Owen Feeney Greatest Physical Improvement - Sham Rajadhyaksha

RANGE AWARDS

Promarksman:	Marksman:
Bill Bundy	Chris Bitterauf
Matt Burgermaster	Matt Burgermaster
Robert Compher	Robert Compher
Bo Guthrie	Chris Huntington
Chris Huntington	Geoffrey Iverson
Geoffrey Iverson	Ross Langhorne
Ross Langhorne	Jason Park
Jason Park	Shyan Rajadhyaksha
Shyan Rajadhyaksha	Peter Roberts
Peter Roberts	

Marksman First Class:

Matt Burgermaster

Robert Compher

Chris Huntington

Geoffrey Iverson

Ross Langhorne Bryon Lockhart

Mark Gibson

Bill Koplitz

Sharpshooter: Matt Burgermaster Ross Langhorne Bryon Lockhart Jason Park Peter Roberts Peter Sengelmann

MERITORIOUS AWARDS

CAMPCRAFT AWARDS

Junior Maine Woodsman (B Levels):

Alex Brito

Mark Valore

Si Jeffrey

Tommy Greene

Chris Klinges

Javier Santos

Fernando Guasch

Pat Moran

Jose Otero

Carlos Fuhrmeister

Jim Norian

Alberto Villanueva

Keith Bertani

David Sel

David Bloomfield

Maine Woodsman (A or S Levels):

Jason Eldred

Borja Arteaga

Peter Brown (S-3)

Junior Maine Guide:

Bob Banasik

Jamie Sanford

NATURE AWARDS

Lapidary Award for Excellent work in lapidary-polished

rocks-Erich Evans

Campbell Scarlett Memorial Award for Best over-all

project-Bryan Evans

BOOK AWARDS

Stars--Chris Huntington

Birds--Josh Wojcik

Rocks--Matt Burgermaster

Botany--Rob Compher

Special Citation--Billy Bundy

SHOP AWARDS

SHOP'S HONORABLE MENTION- 1984:

Junior C Division:

Mike Compher C-3

Robert Compher C-3

Josh Wojcik B-1

Junior B Division:

Alberto Villanueva B-3

Anil Butani B-2

Justin Ford B-2

Adam Brown B-3

Erik Fuhrmeister B-1

Bryon Lockhart B-2

Jose Otero B-2

Jason Park B-3

Javier Santos B-2

Junior A Division:

Derek Barnes A-2

Mark Banasik A-3

Alexander Blasco A-1

Jason Eldred A-2 & A-3

Bryan Evans A-1

Fernando Guasch A-1

Senior Division:

Michael Lacqua S-3

Jim Osborn S-1

David Sel S-1

EXTRA LATE FLASH EXTRA

1984 Award Winners in **Baseball** and in **Range** are listed in another section in this issue of your Wigwam; we congrat-

ulate also the winners in other activities, which are listed below:

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ACTIVITY	GROUP	CHAMPION	RUNNER-UP	GREATEST IMPROVEMENT
ARCHERY	Junior C	B. Lockhart	Erik Fuhrmeister	R. Rajadhyaksha
	Junior B	D. Birch	P. Moran	A. Butani
	Junior A	R. Studebaker	A. Iverson	Alex Sagebien
	Senior	John Vines	John Burton	R. Langhorne
8		ROBIN HOOD AWARD:	Bob Banasik and John	Vines
BOATING	Junior C	Eduardo Fuhrmeister	Mike Compher	Edsel Langhorne
and CANOEING	Junior B	Erik Fuhrmeister	Javier Santos	Shyam Rajadhyaksha
and CANOLING	Junior A	Geoffrey Iverson	Bernie Gehret	Peter Roberts
	Senior	Ross Langhorne	Peter Brown	
BASKETBALL	Junior C	Inigo Ballestero	Jason Banasik	Adam Brown
	Junior B	Jose Otero	Jeff Rice	Erik Fuhrmeister
	Junior A	Bernie Gehret	Ross Whiting	Brian Kennedy & Peter Roberts
	Senior	Jason Eldred	Tommy Kindle	Jason McMahon
SAILING	Junior C	Adam Brown	P. Sengelmann	R. Compher
	Junior B	Andy Cano	Keith Bertani	J. Santos
	Junior A	Bernie Gehret	Rob Ryder	Carlos Sagebien
	Senior	Reggie Sagebien	Borja Arteaga	Ross Langhorne
TENNIS	Junior C	Inigo Ballestero	Bryon Lockhart	Bo Guthrie
	Junior B	Carlos Fuhrmeister	Miguel Olazabal	Sandy Sanders & Shyam Rajadhyaksl
- V	Junior A	Joel Jeffrey	Alex Blasco	Bernie Gehret
	Senior	Alex Brito	Tom Kindle	Chuck Compher
WRESTLING AWARDS	WEIGHT: LBS:			
1984	65	Dexter Devoe	Adam Brown	Dexter Devoe
	75	Fernando Guasch	Marc Banasik	Javier Santos
	80	Scott Barnes	David Birch	Tom Greene & Chris Huntington
	90	Aitor Aznar	Gregg Mullen	Gregg Mullen & Mike Lacqua
	100	Alex Nachman	Tom Kindle	Keith Bertani
	110	Pedro Zapata	Jacobo Arteaga	Chris Klinges
	125	Borja Arteaga	Jason Eldred Alex Brito	Bryan Evans
	135	Scott Norris Peter Brown	Keith Bowers	
	155		David Bates	
	Heavy Weight	Ray Brokaw		
			VRESTLER AWARD*** Nachman	
SWIMMING	Junior C	Bill Koplitz	Chris Bitterauf	Edsel Langhorne
D IN TIMINITY	Junior B	Jason Krumm	Si Jeffrey	Bryon Lockhart
	Junior A	Todd Bertani	Peter Roberts	Allan Patterson
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Shepard Trophy for Greatest Overall Improvement in Swimming:
ANIL BUTANI

Jason Eldred

Senior

Owen Feeney

Frank Macpeak

NOTE: The Award Winners in Water Skiing and in Soccer are not available for publication at this time, but will be included in the 1985 Catalog.

Bar One: Matt Miller **Javier Santos** Mark Valore Josh Wojcik

Bar Two: Nick Botez Pat Moran Jim Osborn

"Pinwheel" Award Justin Ford

Marc Banasik Miguel Olazabal Alan Patterson Barry Birch

Promarksman: **David Bates** Mary Birch **Keith Bowers** Avil Butani Chuck Compher Hung Dang Bryan Evans Erich Evans Owen Feeney Sage Friedman Joe Highman Andrew Iverson Danny Johnson Brian Kennedy John Koplitz Michael Lacqua Alex Nunez Jamie Pobil Jose Pobil

Marksman First Class:

Alex Sagebien Carlos Sagebien

Rene Sagebien Mike Sparks

Todd Bertani Mary Birch Chris Bitterauf Anil Butani Chuck Compher Bryan Evans Erich Evans Owen Feeney Joe Highman Andrew Iverson Michael Lacqua Alex Nunez Jose Otero Alex Sagebien Carlos Sagebien Shyan Rajadhyaksha **Bar Three:** Nick Botez Pat Moran Jim Osborn

Bar Four: Nick Botez

Bar Nine: David Birch

"Hot Shot" Award

Prone Position (possible 50 pts.) Matt Miller 48

Marksman: **David Bates** Mary Birch Keith Bowers Anil Butani **Chuck Compher** Hung Dang Bryan Evans Erich Evans Owen Feeney Joe Highman Andrew Iverson Danny Johnson John Koplitz Michael Lacqua Alex Numez Jose Pobil Alex Sagebein Carlos Sagebien

Sharpshooter:

Mike Sparks

Mary Birch Anil Butani Chuck Compher Robert Compher Bryan Evans Erich Evans Owen Feeney Mark Gibson Joe Highman Chris Huntington Andrew Iverson Bill Koplitz Michael Lacqua Alex Nunez Shyan Rajadhyaksha Alex Sagebien

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Bar One: Inigo Ballestero Jason Banasik Mark Banasik Mary Birch Dexter DeVoe Eduardo Fuhrmeister Fernando Guasch Alex Sagebein Ross Whiting

Bar Two: Jason Banasik Mark Banasik **Derek Barnes Scott Barnes** Mary Birch Justin Ford Miguel Perez Ross Whiting Josh Wojcik

"Hot Shot" Sitting Position (possible 50 points)

Miguel Perez 47 pts. Standing Position (possible 50 points) Tony Louvat

Tony Louvat 45 pts.

Fifty Club Alex Sagebien **Expert Tony Louvat**

Bar Three:

Jason Banasik

Mark Banasik

Derek Barnes

Mary Birch

Justin Ford

Miguel Perez

Ross Whiting

Borga Arteaga

Josh Wojcik

Bar Four:

Mary Birch

Justin Ford

Pat Moran

Jim Osborn

Bar Five:

Pat Moran

Miguel Perez

Alex Brito

Champion Runner Up Jr. C Justin Ford Josh Wojcik Jr. B David Birch Pat Moran Jr. A Jim Osborn Aitor Aznar Senior John Vines Alberto Acedo

Michael Lacqua

Greatest Improved

Robert Compher

*Andrew Iverson

*Bill Koplitz

Bryan Evans

Pat Moran

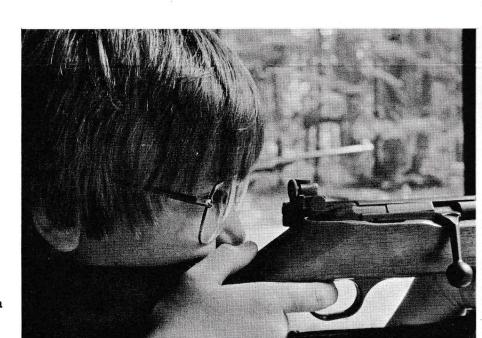
EXPERT RIFLEMAN:

Tony Louvat

"Pinwheel Award"

Jacobo Arteaga

Anil Butani



Derek Barnes - A2, Chris Bitterauf - C2, David Bloomfield - B2, Adam "Ant" Brown - B3, Mat Burgermaster - B2, Anil Butani - B2, Mike Compher - C2, Robert Compher - C2, Eric Evans - B2, Sage Friedman - C3, Eduardo Fuhmeister - B1, Tom Greene - B1, Mark Hoffman - B3, Chris Huntington - B2, Andrew Iverson - A2, Joel Jeffrey - A1, Silas Jeffrey - B2, Chris Klinges - B3, Jason Krumm - A1, Mat Miller - B3, Patrick Moran - B2, Miguel Perez - A1, Jamie Pobil - C1, Ram Rajadhyaksha - C2, Jeff Rice - B3, Angel Riva - B2, Peter Roberts A1, Sandy Sanders - A1, Javier Santos - B1, Mark Valore - A1, Alberto Villanueva - B2, Ross Whiting - B3, Josh Wojcik - B1, Pedro Zapata - A2, Luke Koplitz - C1. Chuck Compher - C2.

Mike Compher - C3, Robert Compher - C3, Josh Wojcik - B1, Alberto Villanueva - B3, Anil Butani - B2, Justin Ford - B2, Adam Brown - B3, Erik Fuhmeister - B1, Bryon Lockhard - B2, Jose Otero - B2, Jason Park - B3, Javier Santos - B2, Derek Barnes - A2, Mark Banasik - A3, Alex Blasco - A1, Jason Eldred - A2 & A3, Bryon Evans - A1, Fernando Guasch - A1, Michael Lasqua - S3, Jim Osborn - S1, David Sel - S1.



TRIPPING '84...

THE RIVER TRIP

by Alex Nunez

We went to the river on Thursday the 19th of July. The first day we were in the Bouncing Buggy for 2 hours approximately. When we got there, the first group went down the river and the second group went to pitch the tents. I was in the first group and it took about 1 hour to go along the river. When we finished the river (under a bridge), we jumped off the top of the bridge into the water. After a quarter of an hour (approximately) we put the canoes in the trailer of the Bouncing Buggy and went to the camp. We had dinner and after dinner, the second group went down the river. We prepared our dinner over a fire. When the second group got to the camp, the counselors told some ghost stories.

The second day, after breakfast, the first group went down the river. In the river we did a water war with other canoes. When we finished we went to the camp and after lunch, the Bowing to last year's Tripping Department - a capable pair, though prone to Saturday night campfire dramatics that bordered on the ridiculous - this year's soft-spoken duo, consisting of John Starr and John Bell, declared "Gusto with Dignity" as the Tripping theme of '84 and embarked on a memorable odyssey of mountains, rivers, more mountains and assorted other fearless forays.

We in Tripping can hardly believe that the season has drawn to a close, and that every boy in camp has experienced a Maine mountain and river. Those early days in the season were tough ones as we began a series of Tumbledown Mountain assults. It may seem hard to believe but Bell and Starr have not always been the **peerless** physical specimens you see today. We have the rigors of eight Tumbledown ascents, a twelve mile Mt. Katahdin hike, and a few rivers to thank; the dues have been paid.

Monhegan Island will be fondly remembered for its tranquility and downeast charm. About 50 boys made the two separate trips there, and we all enjoyed ourselves **immensely**, whether we were dining at the Trailing Ewe Inn, flying kites by the lighthouse, browsing in shops, deep-sea fishing in the blazing sunshine, or just taking in a magnificent sunset at Lobster Cove, feeling all was right with the world. All is at Monhegan.

Mt. Katahdin, Maine's highest at 5,267 feet, was also an Fifteen of Kawanhee's gamiest incomparable experience. hikers made the climb with style. Fond memories include the 5½ hour drive up to Baxter State Park, with our Appalachian brand departmental theme music blaring from the cab occupied by the casual trio of Starr, Bell and Tom Wojcik, Kawanhee's maintenance magnate and part-time tripper. The next morning's hike through the beautiful forest, past pristine cascades of water was highlighted by an encounter with a very large bull moose, whose morning swim we interrupted. He allowed us our share of exclamations and photography from as close as 10 or 15 feet before he faded back into the woods with nonchalance and a surprising degree of graceful, silent coordination. We were blessed with a clear though windy day, and I remember well the boulder-strewn ascent up the Cathedral Trail, some moments of apprehension by a couple of hikers in the face of a clear course and sealed fate, the triumphant arrival at the summit site of the classic "go, no-go" decision made by Starr and Bell to tackle the mountains infamous "Knife Edge". The blasts of wind, the rugged crags and the breath taking view from the Knife Edge made for an unforgettable experience. After a zombie march back to the campsite, replete with hallucinations of a parking lot with our beloved "Buggy" awaiting, and a few quality moments with the same trailside moose, we got a fire going and with the last of our strength opened the 18 cans of Dinty-Moore stew. The twelve mile "trail of tears" had taken its toll. amazing feat of the trip had to have been John Bell and Scott Norris' ten mile trip to the nearest store for pancake syrup, jiffy-pop and other essentials. What drives men like these?

Last Sunday, August 5th, trip leader Bell awoke in his usual robust fashion at 5:15 A.M., sprung out of Badger Lodge, and cupped his ear towards the summit of Tumbledown to heed the day's mandate from the Great Spirit of Tripping. This time the

(DOA and capable kayaker at Kawanhee), three unsuspecting campers (Alex Nachman, Chuck Compher and Scott Norris) and John White (former counselor, now full time student and Boston city slicker) had assembled. We loaded four kayaks and a canoe on Mr. Estabrook's station wagon and a VW Scirocco and ventured forth. Two hours later found us at The Forks, a small town at the confluence of the Kennebec and Dead Rivers. Soon we were aboard a boat-laden truck with a bunch of other riverrunners making a 17 mile trek up The Dead. Finally arriving, we readied our crafts and were puzzled by the inclusion into their put-in procedure (by a few apparently seasoned white water enthusiasts) of hasty "Hail Marys" and scribbing on what appeared to be a couple of those do-it-yourself wills. You see, danger and fear (did I spell them right?) are not part of our vocabulary in Tripping.

Wasting little time, we were under way at last, with Standen and his kayakers in the lead. All of us made it through the first set of rapids, the 2nd toughest in the 15 mile run, unscathed, and were pretty impressed with ourselves. The kayaks were impressive as they picked their way through the rapids, resting here and there behind rocks and in eddies. White and I, in true novice fashion, went with the "straight through, go with the flow" technique; par for the course with this approach is a close-call every 3 minutes, with a trail of narrowly averted disaster in our wake.

We'd decided initially that I would call the shots from the stern, which worked fine for awhile. It was only after the first wipe-out that my partner began to contest my calls. resultant indecisiveness brought us to our second flip of the canoe, a tumbling scenario. I found myself perched on a rock, with our canoe pinned against it by the mighty river. White had been washed downstream; I could now make the decisions again. After awhile, I finally hit upon the right kind of heave to give the canoe to wrench it free. The river snatched it away again though, and White, who had now been watching helplessly from shore, and I watched with sinking hearts and deflated egos Standen's canoe take on 100 plus yards of whitewater alone. I then leapt off my rock and washed down to join White on shore. Scott Norris had spied our predicament downstream and with timely efficacy intercepted our slightly battered craft. The river had humbled us. After this I let White call the shots. A wiser and much more cautious pair made it through the last few miles without incident. The kayakers, too, had had a few mishaps, but were quick to recover. All were graduates of Standen's School of Kayaking, and knew just what to do in case of a flip. The helmeted "Yakker" pops out, guides the light craft to the nearest rock/eddy, empties the boat of water, and continues.

Eight hours and 15 miles from our beginning, we put out at The Forks. We were all tired, but as David Letterman said, "it was a good kind of tired". It had been rigorous; it had been exhilarating. It had been "more fun than humans should be allowed to have". I'm going to learn to kayak though.

Our debut as Trip leaders this season has been a unique experience for John Starr and myself; we have had an opportunity, enjoyed by few, to see a good deal of Maine's untammled topography, and it seems as though we've spent at least as much time in the area's mountains and rivers as here in camp. I have missed spending more time in camp, with the good friends who make the Kawanhee experience such a valued

KAYAKING ON THE DEAD RIVER

by Chuck Compher and Alex Nachman

On Sunday morning, John Bell, John White, Mark Standen, Chuck Compher, Alex Nachman and Scott Norris left for a day of Kayaking and canoeing down the Dead River. It looked like a day of tough kayaking when we got to the top of the river. It is a class 3 river, but we managed to get through it safely even though each of us flipped over at least once. We travelled 17 miles of river. It was extremely fun and adventurous and we would love to do it again!

COO'S CANYON

by John Donahey

First we came on to a bumpy road for an hour. Then we stopped at the side of a road. Then we came to a trail and walked it. Then we came to a cliff and when you jumped off it, right across from you was another cliff! When you went to your left was some little rapids. When you went to the far right was much more! It was the funnest trip at Kawanhee.

OJ'S COLUMN

Camp Kawanhee, Weld, Maine. Yes, we are all familiar with that address. Kawanhee is located about two miles from the center of Weld. Today Weld is a very small town with only a few hundred year-round residents. But, like all places, Weld has an interesting and varied history. Here is a little bit about that history.

The first settler of Weld was a man named Nathaniel Kitteredge. Caleb Holt was the second settler and both men settled in the late 1790's. Also both men were farmers. Many of Weld's first settlers came from New Hampshire and almost all the early settlers were farmers.

Weld was incorporated as the 214th town of Maine in 1816. Caleb Holt paid \$21.00 to have the town named after his friend, Benjamin Weld.

Weld was a big farming community and by 1840 the population had increased enough so that a town hall was built. Weld at one time was a big dairy farming area with several large herds and even a pasturization plant.

As Weld grew, other businesses came to the town. Weld, surprisingly, had many small wooden mills at one time. There were mills that made carriages, sleighs, boats, oars, and other small wooden products. At one time there was a spruce gum factory, a peg mill, shovel and fork handle manufacturer, a tannery, boot and shoe manufacturer and a canning factory. Hard to believe when you look at Weld today. During this time, Weld's population was much greater than it is today.

However, the mills slowly went out of business and the population decreased. In 1921 Camp Kawanhee became a permanent feature in Weld and, of course, continues to be an important part of Weld today. Today Weld doesn't have much in the way of farming or industry but the town is the center of



the wigwam

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