



# The Wigwam



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## Maroons Win First Round

The Maroons have won the first round of the summer's race for points. At the campfire on Saturday, July 14, Del Tracy announced that the score stood: Maroons, 291; Greys, 286. With such a small margin, this season's Maroon-Grey competition may prove to be a close race. Although the Maroons won the Saturday afternoon water meet, 46-26, the Greys made the points where it counts the most—in the Achievement Levels, producing 16 to the Maroons' 14.

The week's weather had a noticeable effect on the score. As of the Saturday announcement, the Maroon-Grey competition had not yet managed to get off the ground. Rain may have had some share in producing this result, for some activities were hampered by wet courts and soggy fields. The Nature Department, however, was very active and accounted for fifteen levels, followed by Boating with twelve.

However, most of the work in the various activities is still in the instructional stage. Many units that go to make up levels have been passed, but as yet, few levels have been completed at this early point in the summer. Points will pile up significantly when the departments begin to convert the results of instruction into levels.

To those unfamiliar with the term "level," it should be explained that this is the basic measure of accomplishment at Kawanhee. Achievement Levels are carefully graduated sets of tests designed to evaluate the ability of each camper throughout the summer. There are three levels of work for each age-group in the eight major departments—Aquatics, Athletics, Campcraft, Nature, Sailing, Shop, Tennis and Wrestling. Points are awarded by each department to boys passing levels in the four age-group classifications. The basic First Level is worth 15 points; the intermediate Second Level scores 35 points and the Third Level is worth 50 points. These points make up the bulk of the team scores.

The Sailing Department's system of awarding points is based on a slightly different plan, instituted in 1955, which recognizes that skill and proficiency depend largely on experience with little reference to a camper's age, which is inherent in the Level plan used in the other departments. The rating system classifies all campers according to accomplishment (Novice, Crew, Bosun, etc.), disregarding whether an individual is a Junior B, Junior A or Senior. For scoring purposes, these categories are translated into Level points. Ratings will be listed, as are the Achievement Levels, in each weekly issue of the *Wigwam*.

## Achievement Levels, July 1—July 14

NATURE, Junior B Cub—First Level: D. Bonnie, B. Cross, J. Melville, C. Myers, T. Taylor, G. Wilkinson.

NATURE, Junior B—First Level: B. Andre, T. Bower, D. Buckley, W. Dargusch, M. Harrison, M. Kleid.

NATURE, Junior A—First Level: G. Brainard, T. Coons, W. Doyle.

SAILING, Novice: K. Andrus, A. Bishop, O. Colt, J. Forman, D. Gest, T. Lawton, W. Merrill, D. Metraux, L. Oakley, C. Roney, J. Sarich, F. Smith, L. Smith, T. Studebaker, C. Van Gorder, T. Ward, R. Waters, C. Weld.

SAILING, Bosun: S. Ruhle.

## Archery

Junior Yeoman Pin: J. Abbott, K. Andrus, T. Brockie, M. Buckley, O. Colt, D. Creed, T. Dargusch, W. Dargusch, M. Foss, M. Harrison, R. Hoover, M. Kleid, C. Langer, T. Lawton, T. McKee, E. Melcher, M. Meserole, C. Myers, P. Nielson, L. Oakley, W. Oakley, J. Sarich, T. Saunders, F. Smith, L. Smith, F. Stewart, T. Studebaker, T. Thomas, C. Van Gorder, C. Weld.

Junior Yeoman Arrow: J. Abbott, T. Brockie, M. Buckley, D. Creed, O. Colt, W. Dargusch, J. Del Valle, M. Foss, M. Harrison, J. Hiveley, M. Kleid, P. Langer, T. Lawton, P. Nielson, L. Oakley, W. Oakley, C. Roney, J. Sarich, T. Saunders, F. Smith, L. Valk, C. Van Gorder.

Yeoman Pin: T. Buckley, K. Burr, E. Clark, T. Coons, T. Lawton, E. Melcher, W. Oakley, T. Saunders, R. Sherwood, F. Smith, L. Valk, R. Waters.

Junior Bowman Pin: B. Andrus, M. Buckley, E. Clark, J. Holland, T. Lawton, W. Oakley, S. Ruhle, T. Saunders, R. Sherwood.

Junior Bowman Arrow: C. Ford, J. Forman, J. Holland, T. Lawton, B. Leiper, S. Ruhle, T. Saunders.

Bowman Pin: B. Leiper, S. Ruhle, T. Saunders.

Bowman 1st Rank: W. Ferguson, T. Saunders.

Bowman Sharpshooter: J. Estabrook, R. Newman, D. Roth, T. Saunders.

Archer: D. Roth.

## Range

Bar 2: L. Brainard, T. Brockie.

Bar 3: L. Brainard.

Bar 8: C. Del Valle.

## Tribe Returns to Monhegan

Monhegan Island has long been one of Kawanhee's most popular trips. This year, as in past years, the three-day trip was divided into two sections to accommodate the large group of boys taking the trip. The first half of the trip left early Monday morning, July 9. The truck returned Tuesday evening to pick up the second half of the group. Leaving early Wednesday, the boys were taken to Boothbay Harbor and the first group was picked up for the ride back to camp. The last group departed Friday, returning to camp in time for *Taps*.

The two-and-a-half hour ride in the Bouncing Buggy was climaxed when the boys boarded the *Balmy Days*, a 60-foot twin screw excursion boat which makes a daily trip from Boothbay Harbor to Monhegan, rain or shine. For safety, the boat is equipped with radio and radar.

Arriving on the island the boys picked up delicious box lunches and went to see the wreck of the *D. T. Sheridan*, a seagoing tug that went aground in 1948. The first night's meal, eaten at a local hotel, The Trailing Yew, consisted of roast turkey. After dinner the boys walked to their camp on Lighthouse Hill.

The second day started with breakfast at 6:30 A.M., once again at The Trailing Yew. This was followed by a trip to see the famous hermit of Manana Island. Ray Phillips, "the hermit," has a college education but has lived "alone" for thirty years. He has been the subject of several books and articles. The boys also visited the Coast Guard station and the legendary "bottomless pool." The boys had lunch on a precipice overlooking the sea. In the afternoon the agenda included a boat ride around the island, again on the *Balmy Days*. Dinner was followed by "fishing" in which everybody caught something—even the counselors.

The last day of the trip was foggy and damp. After breakfast, the group took a hike to Dead Man's Cove, where a treasure is supposedly buried. After a delicious lunch, camp was struck and preparations were made for returning to camp. All the boys assembled with their gear on the dock to await the trip to the mainland on the *Balmy Days*.

After a smooth trip, the boys wearily boarded the camp truck and started home, arriving in camp about 9 P.M.

The trip was headed and organized by Clarence Bateman, the camp trip director. He was ably assisted by Tuck Bower and Jerry Hooper.

B. NEWMAN AND P. WOODWARD

#### Bear and Crow Visit Coos

Sunday, July 8, immediately after the noon meal the Bear and Crow's Nest Lodges traveled to Coos Canyon for a swim. The campers were accompanied by counselors Dan Sebastian, Kent Scott, Jerry Hooper and Tuck Bower.

After a short and dusty ride the truck stopped and the boys went down to "the old swimming hole."

As they started in the water there were the usual cries: "Is it cold?" "It's freezing!" Everyone had a good time diving from the small cliffs above the water while a few boys used wet rocks as a slide. After about an hour of this, swimming buddies were chosen and the group started upstream to a place where the truck would meet them.

Off they went, sometimes swimming, but walking where the water was shallow till a small waterfall was reached. Congregated there, some swam in the swift current while others crawled under the falls.

But, alas! All good things must come to an end. The boys piled into the truck and headed back after a most enjoyable afternoon.

D. SAVAGE

#### Old Friends Return

A welcome sight to the shores of Lake Webb was the arrival of Dick Miller and his family. Dick spent 1939 through 1952 at Kawanhee and during that period experienced every phase of camp life. He was Sailing Master during the last few summers he spent at camp. In June, he got his Ph. D. in Economics from Yale and in the Fall will be an assistant professor at Wesleyan University in Connecticut.

On Sunday evening, Chief Kawanhee's tribe became suddenly enlarged with the arrival of Alan Beck who is to be the assistant Senior Counselor in the Deer Lodge. Alan, no newcomer to Kawanhee, has just finished Air Force ROTC training at Otis AFB, on Cape Cod. He will be another assistant in the Sailing Department and this fall, returns to Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, where he will be a Senior majoring in economics.

#### Sunday Services Held in Rec Hall

Damp, gray skies on Sunday, July 15, forced the third church service from its usual Council Point meeting place to the Rec Hall.

Dean Miller chose a baseball theme to illustrate his sermon based on the philosophy that winners don't quit, and quitters don't win. "You can't score at home if you die on third base." Among those who have overcome difficult odds and physical handicaps, Dean mentioned Wilma Rudolph, Charles P. Steinmetz, Bobby Shantz, Moses, and Robert Louis Stevenson. They are prime examples of people

who have triumphed over discouragement, defeat, and mistakes to become winners.

Although most people are average, each of the persons he mentioned overcame their personal handicaps with a will to win and a "score at home." Jerry Hooper read from the Scriptures and the choir sang *Have You Got Religion?*

At the Sunday evening Vesper service, Raymond Frank led the singing of *Eternal Father, God of our Fathers*, and *Day is Dying in the West*. After a brief prayer by Dean Miller, the Kawanhee quartet, composed of Dave Hoch, Stu Randall, Hugh Davis and Geoff Herreman sang *This Land*. Rounding out the evening, Raymond Frank showed camp movies taken last year. Applause and cheers resounded as campers and counselors were recognized in various stages of grinning, mugging, and "looking at the birdie."

#### Maroons Win First Water Meet

The initial Maroon-Grey Water Meet was held Saturday, July 14. Six of the seven competitive events featured in the meet were won by the Maroons, making the score at the end of the afternoon, Maroons—46; Greys—26.

The first event was the Land Aquathlon, which is a combination of land and water races. Members of the Maroon team were: Steve Stewart, Frank Henry, Win Watson, Sterling Mueller, John Abbott, Fred Smith, Bruce Leiper and Jeff Bishop.

Cheering, whistling marked the next event—the frog jumping contest. Scott Tracy finally got his behemoth frog moving and won with ease for his Maroons. Mike Kleid herded his frog to win second place for the Maroons.

The Maroons took the next event, the Junior B Paddle Board race. In first place was Bill Dargusch; Richie Estabrook won second place honors for the Greys, and Mike Kleid pulled in third for the Maroons.

The lone event won by the Greys was the side stroke race, which Tom Lawton captured. In second place for the Maroons was Bob Sherwood.

The freestyle race for boys fourteen and under was won by John Forman of the Maroon team. Bill Doyle placed second for the Greys and Sonny Dargusch was third for the Maroons.

Butch Burr kept the pressure on the Greys by winning first place in the one-arm swimming event. This race, based on a requirement for Junior and Senior Life Saving courses, requires the swimmer to have his feet tied at the ankles and to use one arm. Keith Bance placed second for the Greys and third place was won by Laird Smith.

The Green Greased Pig (a watermelon scramble) proved to be the most fun. The slippery melon kept both spectators and contestants confused most of the time. The Maroon team, with some clever foot work and shifty tactics won the event and then retired to the shore to share the melon. The highlight of the afternoon was the special diving-swimming (?) exhibition given by Izzy Dizzy, Podunk University's pride and joy. (A slight resemblance suggested that Izzy Dizzy was in reality, Bill Taylor.) Izzy performed various dives, among them the Two Jack Knife Dive and the Hesitation Dive. Performing with equal skill in the water, Izzy showed off two new swimming strokes he had developed: the Marilyn Monroe tread water and the Mary Baker backstroke.

#### Aquatics at Kawanhee

Each year at Kawanhee, every boy is classified according to his swimming ability. All boys are carefully watched by the water-front instructors during the 100-foot Dock

Swim, graded on their ability and placed in either beginner, advanced beginner, intermediate or swimmer classifications.

Boating privileges are contingent on a boy's ability to swim, and since safety is the prime prerequisite, the Swimming Department conducts the Cove and Lake Swims. With these tests, a boy's swimming ability can be correlated with his boating ability.

The Dock Swim allows a boy to take out a rowboat, but he must wear a life jacket and stay within the Cove. Campers who complete the Cove Swim (125 yards) or the Lake Swim (one fourth of a mile) are entitled to greater freedom and privileges.

Completing the Cove Swim gives the boy the privilege of taking out a rowboat or canoe (canoe and rowboat tests are also required to assure proper handling of the boats) in the Cove. The Lake Swim allows a camper to take canoes or rowboats on the Lake. A Beach Guard is on duty to ensure that a high standard of safety is maintained at all times.

Many Kawanhee boys pass their Cove and Lake tests as soon as possible so they can get on the lake and enjoy one of the camp's favorite activities. The first week in camp this year, testing was curtailed because of rough, stormy weather, but this week's crop of swimmers more than made up for the delay. To date, 108 campers have completed the Cove Swim while 75 have swum the Lake.

#### Swimming Tests, July 9 - 14

Special recognition was given to the following campers at the Saturday evening campfire. Boys who were non-swimmers and swam 50 feet are: Phil Stewart, Tom Thomas and Tom Elliott. A non-swimmer who completed the Dock Swim (100 feet) this past week was Dave Creed. In the novice swimmer classification, Ben Cross and Dale Bonnie swam both the Cove and Lake Swim. Special recognition for the greatest stroke improvement was given to Randy Anthony. Others who completed their swimming tests were:

**Cove Swim:** B. Andre, D. Barnes, A. Bishop, C. Bower, G. Brainard, D. Buckley, W. Dargusch, A. Doyle, W. Doyle, R. Estabrook, M. Foss, M. Harrison, C. Hall, C. Heindel, F. Henry, R. Himmelright, J. Hiveley, M. Kleid, P. Langer, T. Lawton, W. Merrill, S. Mueller, W. Oakley, S. Pace, D. Roth, J. Sullivan, P. Sullivan, L. Valk, W. Watson, G. Wilkinson.

**Lake Swim:** K. Bance, B. Birch, A. Bishop, D. Bonnie, G. Brainard, T. Brockle, C. Compher, B. Cross, T. Dargusch, W. Dargusch, J. Del Valle, W. Ferguson, M. Harrison, G. Heindel, F. Henry, C. Hofmeier, E. Jenkins, M. Kleid, B. Leiper, J. MacDonald, M. Meserole, S. Mueller, C. Myers, W. Oakley, J. Paul, D. Roth, R. Sherwood, T. Studebaker, S. Tracy, L. Valk, D. Yantes.

#### Buccaneers Beat Lovers, 4-3

Rain marred this week's Little League and Babe Ruth League games. Only one game was played. In this game, Larry Brainard's Buccaneers scored four runs in the top half of the fourth and final inning and held off a rally in the last of the fourth to defeat Ken Love's Lovers, 4-3.

Many errors marred what could have been a lower scoring game. Pitchers Chuck Compher of the Bucs and Frank Stewart of the Lovers each pitched beautiful ball games, striking out a great majority of the batters. Each pitcher gave up one hit apiece, though the hit off Stewart was a game-winning, two-run single by Terry Studebaker.

D. METRAUX

#### Highlights of the Week

Getting caught in a downpour can be fun, but not on your day-off, so say Dave Hoch, Geoff Herreman, Stu Randall and Hugh Davis. While halfway up Mt. Tumble-down, these imaginative counselors got caught without rain

gear and arrived in camp drenched. Stu remarked that he hadn't had a bite in four hours, so one of the obliging campers bit him. . . . Kim Kaiser was busy digging worms for a fishing trip the next morning when Del Tracy casually mentioned that he would do just as well at the Eagle Lodge. . . . Geoff Herreman's heart-rending plea for his other pair of track pants nearly turned the Dining Hall into a sea of tears. Someone finally located the missing treasure—under Geoff's lodge, though how they got there is still uncertain. It may have been one of his jackrabbit starts to parts unknown after *Taps*. . . . The Sailing Department is severely understaffed this summer—only ten men to share the "work." Bill McKenzie is either running the water ski towboat or running into Portland for sails; Hoch, meanwhile, is kept busy sweeping the counselors' room or sleeping. Bill Neidig executes the nefarious schemes of Blair Newman and usually winds up trying to sell the camp to some innocent camper. Logan, who has been buried under an avalanche of paper, hasn't seen a sail yet. McGee and Brainard can usually be counted on for a game of tennis or searching out some shoreline. Poor Bob Elliott; alas, he can't teach sailing and search out his crew at the same time. In desperation, Uncle Bob wired for help, and Alan Beck came at the drop of tiller. . . .

It took two attempts for Stu Randall to get his point across. After being misled into giving the Boating Levels at dinner, he explained himself that night at campfire by saying, "Of course, fellas, I'm new here." . . . Ben Bennett got up at the Saturday evening campfire to say that he was "far from being a minister." This was met with a hearty amen by Dean Miller. Ben, however, rambled on about the Shop Department and all the Levels that would soon be passed. He also had a word of thanks and an award for the Duke of Zanzibar. It seems the Shop was bolted and barricaded against entry, and Ben's swimming dock at Skunk Ridge was covered with dead fish.

KNAVE LOWLY

#### The Saj Speaks Out

It has come to the attention of the venerable Saj that certain activities around camp are not being properly reported. Obviously, many untruths are being spread by both the printed and spoken word. To remedy this detrimental situation, the Saj has decided to "speak out" and correct this abuse of the public's right to hear the truth. It is the duty of the press to fight for and preserve truth, justice and the American Way. To such a laudable end, this column is hereby dedicated.

Anyone wishing to help the Saj is requested to put information which will expose dangerous and devious untruths in the Saj's mail box in the counselor's room or write him in care of this camp.

#### Sox Appeal

Perhaps the greatest threat to the public safety has evidenced itself in camp this past week. Several years ago a program was instituted to aid the counselors in "the sorting of the socks." This program consisted of the issuing of safety pins by means of which the socks of each individual are homogeneously grouped. This week, however, the issuing became a rationing. Four pins were allotted to each cabin. Such procedure was met with much consternation by the guardians of our youth, the counselors. Cognizant of the threat involved to the safety of the boys, the counselors assumed the responsibility for impaling these wretched, unclean "shoe liners" on four tiny pins. The danger has still not been averted. For sitting in the lodge

are laundry bags loaded with these ripe "foot filters." Such a concentration could quite possibly cause spontaneous combustion in the laundry bags and in turn lead to a "big burn." The Saj sincerely hopes this situation will be corrected before there is destruction of persons and even valuable camp property.

### Robbery at Reid

*Attention all counselors!* In a recent sojourn to one of Maine's most beautiful seacoast parks, an innocent counselor, full of faith in humanity, was robbed. At such a

public playground it is required by law that one change clothes in a state-provided edifice. It is common practice for the citizenry to leave their clothes in said structures. Normally this is a perfectly safe procedure. However, on this tragic and fateful day, a miscreant violated a public trust. While the counselor was romping in the surf on his well-deserved day-off, the aforementioned villain slithered into the public facility and made off with ..... Any one finding a pair of jockey drawers (size 34, laundry mark X217) please notify the proper authorities at once.

SAJ BODINE