



# INTY NEWSLETTER

JULY 10, 2017



Greetings from the northern most shore of Winona! Intermediate has had a very busy week, full of athletic events, trips of all types, Red/Gray competition, plenty of Oscar showings and two BAT showings! Both BATs showed together in afternoon assembly through our Wiggy, escaping all the way to Deer Beach. In our Evening Programs the Reds have been dominant thus far, but with close matches and a long summer ahead, the Grays will have many opportunities to close the gap! Oscar showings have been exciting, including an impressive 24-hour run by the Ojibways, with fantastic showings from the Mowhawks, Delawares, and Senecas also.



Two Intermediate rock climbing trips went out this week with Senior campers and staff. On Monday, **Uncles Jake** and **Milo** took Intermediate campers **Sam Marwill** and **Jackson Monz** to Jockey Cap where they warmed up on several routes on the main face before moving to a more challenging climb on the fabled Peary Face. After lunch, they finished the day by practicing some bouldering on the many small boulders at the bottom of the cliff. They came back to camp tired and ready for a dip in Moose Pond. On Wednesday, Uncle Jake took Inty campers **Ben Libby** and **Chase Gerber** to Square Ledge along with a talented group of Senior campers. It was a beautiful, sunny day and both Inty campers pushed their skills; indeed, Ben climbed "The Brain," a 5.8 level climb!



Two kayaking trips also went out this week. On Tuesday, **Uncle Sam**, along with Senior counselors and campers, led **Thomas Vanden Berghe**, **Jordi Quirch**, **Jack McGovern**, **Thomas Spater**, **Sam Marwill**, **Jackson Monz** and **Jack Bonnefond** to the Limington Rips on the Saco River (a favorite local training ground for the Winona Kayaking Program). Campers worked on their "eddy in" and "eddy out" techniques before navigating down some grade 2 and 3 rapids. The water was high for this time of year in Maine giving everyone an awesome opportunity to push their skills! On Friday, Uncle Sam took out another trip along with **Uncle Jake** and campers **Vincent Mellet**, **Xander Krauskopf**, **Keaton Razik**, **Louis Leflot**, **Ellis Thompson**, **PJ Henwood** and **Thomas Vanden Berghe**. This time they began the day at Steep Falls, where the water was too high to run the waterfall, but the eddies were prime for some "ferry glide" practice. They finished the day by returning again to the Limington Rips for more river running practice and lunch alongside the river.

The intermediate Mountain Trips Program was busy this week also! On Monday, **Uncle Matt** and **Aunt Esther** brought campers **Paul Queheillalt**, **Henry Hoffman**, **Graham Wilson**, **Xander Krauskopf**, **Rowan Pedraza**, **Elijah Dehart**, **Gus Kolva** and **Koa Brown** to a boulder field called "The Ramparts" in Carter Notch. They had a beautiful day exploring the boulders and rock caves, eating an awesome lunch and making it back to camp in time for dinner. It was a wonderful hike to start a week and begin building trip skills that will serve these staunch backpackers throughout the summer! On Wednesday, Uncle Matt along with **Uncle Decker** brought an excited group of campers to Diana's Bath in Bartlett, New Hampshire. **Baird Hruska**, **Finn Wentz**, **Jack Gorman**, **Matt Gasperini**, **Colton Love**, **Ellis Thompson**, **Austin Gauggel** and **Luca Depolla** spent a beautiful day hiking to the falls and swimming in the pools. There were a number of waterfalls and small cliffs that campers were able to safely jump from into the waters below! Lastly, Uncles Matt and Decker hit the trail again on Friday with campers **Henry Hoffman**, **Taylor Stansfield**, **Matt Gasperini**, **Finn Wentz**, **Elijah DeHart**, **Chase Gerber** and **Keven Morel Perez**. The group took off early on the Ammonoosuc Ravine Trail on Mount Monroe along which they found themselves at a beautiful hideaway where they ate lunch and jumped off some small ledges into the water. They had such fun that they decided to stay the rest of the afternoon at this prime location rather than continuing to the peak! Next week our mountain trippers will be heading out on a great four day trip to Mt. Pemigewasset, a Winona classic!

On Wednesday, nine "staunch and true" campers along with **Uncles Olin**, **Drew** and **Perry** set off for three days on Lake Umbagog. **Evan Audette**, **Carlos Cesar Valentin**, **Scott Parker**, **Koa Brown**, **Jackson Monz**, **Lee Wilson**, **Jenoup Bol Bol** and **Murphy Holton** set out to swap gear with a group of Senior campers who were finishing a trip on the lake. The first day's paddle was an easy one that included sections of the Magalloway River and Placid Lake. The second day, the true colors of Winona shone bright as the crew fought head winds and white caps in the Old Town canoes. The day finished with celebratory s'mores and music around the camp fire. The final day was smooth sailing with a tail wind carrying the boys back to camp in time for dinner! We say bon voyage to our canoe trippers this week as they depart for four epic days on the St. Croix River.



Athletic contests were in full swing this week, leading off with a kick ball tournament at Camp Wigwam on Monday. **Uncles Topher** and **Jack** led campers **Thomas Spater**, **Fen deNoird**, **Jaime Ruigomez**, **Jack McGovern**, **Jordi Quirch**, **Baird Hruska**, **Daniel Schlumberger**, **Montgomery Dube** and **Tommy Soltanian** to a first place victory! The first game against Camp Owatona was a nail biter as Winona came back from being down 3-0 in the first inning, helped by a home run from Thomas and strong performances from Jack, Baird, Jordi and Daniel. Winona won their next two games 8-0 and 14-1, giving them the momentum needed to take the championship game 10-4 against Camp Micah, led by a strong pitching performance by Tommy.

The racing sailing season got under way on Friday with the start of the Agawam Sail Series. Campers from each unit went and Inty was represented by **Andrew Sack** and **Aunt Jesse**. Camps gain points as the series continues through the summer, with a winner announced in August.

Editors Note: Your son's unit's weekly Newsletter may also be accessed online: <http://winonacamps.com/welcome-parents/unit-newsletters>. Please note that in the weekly unit Newsletters, we focus primarily on out-of-camp trips and sporting competitions which are just a small part of the entire program here at Winona.

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On Friday, Intermediate's basketball team traveled to Camp Indian Acres for a U13 tournament. **Uncles David, Fritz and Ruay** took **Kevin McDonald, Baird Hruska, Montgomery Dube, Charlie Collins, Max Jones, Jack Bonnefond, Fen deNiord, Jack Gorman and Milo Kitchings**. The Winona boys played games against Indian Acres and Camp Cedar. Unfortunately, we lost both games and eliminated early. Montgomery and Max had stand-out performances on offense, while Kevin and Jack Gorman had contributed a great deal on defense. The boys will look to bounce back in their next outing and are excited to hit the courts this week to get geared up for an upcoming 3 on 3 tournament!



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Winona's soccer teams were busy this week. Campers **Louis Leflot, Ben Libby, Andrew Sack, Eli Shifrin, Sam Marwill, Jaime Ruigomez, Paul Soubeyrand, Jack Gorman, Eathan Heath, Guillaume Kopff, Daniel Schlumberger, Luca Depolla, Jordi Quirch and Montgomery Dube** headed to Camp Wigwam on Saturday along with **Uncles Oliver and Matt**. Goals were scored by Luca and Louis, ultimately outscoring the opposing camp 2-1 in the second half and winning the match. Counselors from both camps were impressed by the sportsmanship of Winona's players and their strong teamwork!



Several campers also headed to Camp Indian Acres last week along with Senior Winona for another soccer tournament. **Keaton Razik, Daniel Schlumberger, Vincent Mellet, Sam Marwill, Paul Soubeyrand and Guillaume Kopff** stepped up to a great challenge by joining this older squad, which ultimately came in third place out of eight. The Senior staff and players were impressed by the strength and energy of our Intermediate players!

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For Intermediate Winona's inaugural baseball game for the 2017 season, the boys faced off against Camp O-AT-KA. Coached by **Uncles Jack and Topher** were a number of Senior campers joined by **Fen deNiord, Milo Kitchings, Jack McGovern, Tom Spater, Paul Soubeyrand, Jaime Ruigomez, Charlie Collins, Ben Libby and Tommy Soltanian**. Ben started on the mound for Winona and pitched admirably before being relieved by Charlie, who escaped a tricky situation to end an inning. In the batter's box the team was led by leadoff Tom and an enthusiastic newcomer to baseball, Paul. Jack was an important contributor behind home plate, catching all but one inning of a seesaw battle. Unfortunately, Winona fell just short of the opposing team, losing 7-3 at the end of the day.



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A correction from last week: **Aidan Larrabee** was accidentally omitted from last week's news letter as co-Lieutenant of the Reds. Congratulations to Aidan!

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A week in Inty Winona wouldn't be complete without recognizing our Men of Distinction:

**Matty MacDougall** for persevering and getting to the top of the rock wall

**Eathan Heath** for five-star service while waiting in the dining hall

This weeks mountain trippers, especially **Austin Gauggel** for his heroism and **Colton Love** for his bravery

**Vincent du Fayet de la Tour** for demonstrating positivity and resilience despite a foot injury

**Jan Maikel Vila Cestero** for his determination in making it through his swimming chipmunk

**Theo Stephan** for his marksmanship

The Umbagog Canoe Trip for braving – and harnessing – some strong winds

And lastly, **Max Jones** for phenomenal EP sportsmanship

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It is often hard to believe how much we do during just one week here in Camp IX, and the days are flying by as campers face new challenges, forge new friendships and explore new activities and adventures! We have a phenomenally positive and energetic group of campers this summer, along with a dedicated and motivated staff. We have a jam packed week ahead, and I look forward to checking in again!

Until next time.....

Uncle Jeffrey Lamson (2002-2017)

The BAT 2014

Intermediate Unit Director

